

SAINT LINUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

August 27, 2006

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Parish Office

Maureen Linnebur, Business Manager
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Office Hours

Mon.-Sat.: 9 a.m.-8 p.m.
Closed for Lunch: (12 p.m.-1 p.m.)
Sun.: 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m.

Mass Times

Saturday: 7:30 a.m., 5:30 p.m./Vigil Mass

Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m.

10:30 a.m./Family Mass

12:00 p.m./en Español

5:30 p.m./Youth Mass

7:30 p.m.

Holy Days: Please consult the bulletin
of the previous Sunday

Weekdays: Monday-Friday: 8:30 a.m.

Tuesday: 7:00 p.m. with Perpetual Help Novena

1st and 3rd Fridays: 7:00 p.m.

Charismatic Mass: once a month
(date and time will be posted in the bulletin)

Eucharistic Adoration:

All night adoration from 7:30 p.m., after the 1st and
3rd Friday Masses, Benediction Saturday 7:15 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday 4:00-5:00 p.m. and 8:00-9:00 p.m.
and by appointment

For the following Sacraments and Services, please call the Parish Center:

Sacrament of Baptism
Sacrament of Marriage
Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick
Funeral and Vigil Services
Communion to the Sick and Home-bound

Ministry in Action...

Adoración Nocturna

Contacto: Jose Reyna
(562) 787-1507

3rd Fri. 7 pm - Sat, 7:15 A.M. | Iglesia

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Contact: Dorie Sablan

Parish Center: (562) 921-6649

1st Fri. | 7 P.M.-Sat. 7:15 A.M. | Church

Adult Confirmation

Parish Center: (562) 921-6649

Altar Servers

Contact: Sr. Joseph Ann Kostka OLVM

Parish Center: (562) 921-6649

Altar Society

Contact: Virginia Lozano

(562)863-3657

Anointing of the Sick

Parish Center: (562) 921-6649

Baptismal Preparation of Children

English & Spanish

Parish Center: (562) 921-6649

Bereavement Ministry

Contact: Dn. Chuck Baker

(562) 926-8045

4th Tues. | 7-8:30 P.M. | Parish Center

Bible Study-English

Contact: Barbara Fries

(562) 926-1770

Tues. | 8-9 P.M. | Rm. 8

Bible Study-Spanish

Contact: Rosa Hernandez

(562) 921-8091

Wed. | 7:30-9:30 P.M. | Rm. 11

Boy Scouts, Troop 394

Contact: Rayu Rayasam

Parish Center: (562) 921-6649

Mon. | 7-8:30 P.M. | Hall

Charismatic Healing Mass

Contact: Sion Ferrer

(213) 989-3214 (Work)

Various Mon. | 7 P.M. | Church

Church Environment

Contact: Mary Betancourt

(562) 921-5279

Cursillo Ultreya—Spanish

Contacto: Miguel y Margarita Ramos

(562) 929-4693

Filipino Association

Contact: Rey Factoran

(714) 670-8788

Meets once a month

Funerals

Parish Center: (562) 921-6649

Golden Age Club

Contact: John A. L. Moran

(562) 926-1575

3rd Sun | 1-4 P.M. | Hall

Guadalupanas

Contacto: José y Delia Sánchez

(562) 802-2984

El dia 12 de cada mes | 7 P.M. | Iglesia

Jovenes para Cristo

Contacto: Marlene Jaramillo

(562) 291-9741

Tues. | 7:30 P.M. | Hall

Knights of Columbus #10623

Contact: Daniel G. Sanchez

(562) 254-5090 (Cell)

2nd Tues. | 7:30 P.M. | Hall

Knights of Columbus—Squires

Contact: Alan Gfeller

(562) 921-4002

3rd Sat. | Contact Alan

Legion of Mary

Contact: Sylvia J. Layao

(562) 404-1174

Praesidium

Tues. | 5-6 P.M. | Rm. 10

Curia

2nd Thur. | 7 P.M. | Rm. 10

Liturgy Committee

Director: Anna Betancourt

Parish Center: (562) 921-6649

Ministerios Hispanos

Contacto: Agustin Lopez

(909) 260-5166 (Cell)

Ministry to the Sick

Contact: Sr. Joseph Ann Kostka OLVM

Parish Center: (562) 921-6649

Music Director

Contact: Victor Wheeler

(562) 505-1089

Oktoberfest Committee

Contact: Mike Betancourt

Parish Center: (562) 921-6649

Prayer Groups

“Elohim” Filipino

Contact: Brenda Cadavona

(562) 921-1123

Fri. | 7:30-9 P.M. | Rm. 8

Grupo de Oración

Contacto: Vidal Vargas

(562) 440-7022 (Cell)

Wed. | 7-9 P.M. | Hall

RCIA

Contact: Marge Baker

Parish Center: (562) 921-6649

Mon. | 7:30-9 P.M. | Rm. 15

Religious Education

Contact: Adele Gutierrez, DRE

(562) 921-5179 Office

Call for Schedules

Religious Goods Store

Contact: John A. L. Moran

Parish Center: (562) 921-6649

Open after all Weekend Masses

Religious Vocations

Parish Center: (562) 921-6649

Santo Niño Devotions

1st Fri. | 6:30 P.M. | Church

St. Linus Fundraisers

Contact: Nimfa Castro

(562) 865-1167

St. Linus School

Principal: Sister Catherine Casey

(562) 921-0336 Office

www.linuslions.org

We Care Ministry

Contact: Connie Renteria

(562) 902-4914

Weddings & Quinceañeras

Coordinator: Connie Renteria

(562) 902-4914

Young Adult Ministry

Contact: Stella Farrell

Parish Center: (562) 921-6649

Call for Schedules

Youth Ministry & Confirmation

Contact: Dean Diomedes

(562) 921-6252 Office

Wed. | 7-8:30 P.M. | Youth Room

Other meeting times vary

Parish Life...

“PRAY COOL IN ‘06”

Hooray!! We finally hit the \$100,000 mark on the fundraising thermometers!!! Unfortunately, that is still only half of our \$200,000 goal. We still need to raise that last \$100,000! Please take this opportunity to donate to the "Pray Cool in '06" Campaign. You can mail your envelopes or drop them in the collection basket. Every dollar counts in getting us to our goal. Soon we will be able to pray cool!!!

Donations this past week: \$2,635.00
 Total donated so far: **\$100,983.00**
 Thank you for all your support.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

First Friday Mass, September 1, 2006

Please come and join our All Night Adoration on every First & Third Friday of each month. There will be a 7:00 PM Mass until 9:00 pm on Friday, followed by an All Night Vigil until 7:15 AM on Saturday morning. The First Friday Masses are in English and the Third Friday Masses are in Spanish. For more information, please contact the Parish Center (562) 921-6649.

WHO ME? CATHOLIC?

Interested in learning about the Catholic faith?
 Inquiry - Monday, September 25th from 7:30-9 PM
 And continuing every Monday night in the
 Conference Room

Casual, informal gatherings for those who are in the initial stages of learning about the Catholic faith and/or those thinking about joining the church.

For answers concerning all the above...
 Please direct all inquiries and questions to:
 Marge Baker (562) 926-8045.



Pray for ...

Please pray for the family of George Godsil who passed away August 21st. George was a long time parishioner of St. Linus.

“REZAR FRESCOS EN 006”

¡¡Hurrah!! Ya le pegamos a los \$100,000.00 en los termómetros!!! Desafortunadamente, eso es solo la mitad de nuestra meta de \$200,000.00. Todavía necesitamos recaudar los últimos \$100,000.00. Por favor no se olviden de contribuir a esta campaña. Pueden enviar sus sobres por correo o depositarlos en la canasta de la limosna. Cada dólar cuenta y ayuda a llegar a la meta! ¡Pronto vamos a poder orar frescos!!!

Ofrendas de la semana pasada: \$2,635.00
 Total que se ha recibido: **\$100,983.00**
 Gracias por su apoyo.

ADORACION DEL SANTISIMO SACRAMENTO

Misa del Viernes Primero, Septiembre 1, 2006

Por favor vengan a ser parte de la congregación de Adoración de toda la Noche cada Primer y Tercer Viernes del mes. El viernes se celebra la misa desde 7:00PM hasta 9:00PM y sigue la adoración toda la noche hasta el Sábado a las 7:15 de la mañana. Las Misas del Viernes Primero son en Inglés y las Misas del tercer Viernes son en Español. Para mas información, favor de llamar al Centro Parroquial (562) 921-6649.

¿QUIEN YO? ¿CATÓLICO?

¿Te interesa aprender la fe Católica?
 Investigación – Lunes 25 de Septiembre
 de 7:30-9PM

Y continúa todos los Lunes en la noche en el
 Salón de Conferencias

Reuniones casuales, informales para los que empiezan a aprender la Fe Católica y/o para los que están pensando en ser parte de la iglesia.

Para respuestas acerca de este artículo....
 Por favor comunicarse con
 Marge Baker (562) 923-8045



Recen por ...

Favor de rezar por la familia de George Godsil quien murió el 21 de Agosto. George fue miembro de la parroquia de San Lino por mucho tiempo.

Parish News and Beyond...



Collections

We would like to thank all of our parishioners and visiting parishioners for being extremely generous with your weekly donations in helping our parish. Our collections for the week of **AUGUST 20, 2006** was **\$9,481.19**. May God bless you all.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

This group will meet on the 4th Tuesday of each month in the Parish Center, from 7:00pm - 8:30pm. If you have lost a loved one or someone very close and you need to talk about it and seek some kind of comfort, then make sure you take advantage of this support group. For more information, please contact the Parish Center at (562) 921-6649.

ST. LINUS RELIGIOUS GOODS STORE OPEN AFTER ALL WEEKEND MASSES

If you are looking for that special remembrance for:



**WEDDINGS,
BAPTISMS,
FIRST COMMUNION or
CONFIRMATION**



**TAKE A LOOK HERE FIRST; IF WE DON'T
HAVE IT, WE CAN ORDER IT OR TELL
YOU WHERE YOU CAN GET IT.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.**



**PASTOR INSTALLATION,
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17**

As the St. Linus Parish Community, let us join together to celebrate the installation of Father Tony Gomez as Pastor at a special 11:00 am Mass on Sunday, September 17. Our Regional Bishop, Alex Salazar, will be the principal celebrant.

A reception with food and entertainment will follow the Mass in the parish hall.

We ask for God's continued blessings for Father Tony and our entire parish family.



Colectas

Deseamos dar las gracias a nuestros feligreses y a los visitantes por su generosidad con la ofrenda dominical que ayuda a nuestra parroquia. En la semana de **AGOSTO 20, 2006** la ofrenda total fue **\$9,481.19**. Que Dios los bendiga a todos.

GRUPO DE APOYO MORAL PARA LOS DOLIENTES

Este grupo se reúne el último Martes de cada mes en el Centro Parroquial, de 7:00pm - 8:30pm. Si necesitas hablar con alguien sobre la muerte de uno de tus seres queridos, si necesitas apoyo moral, este grupo te ayudará. Para más información llama al Centro Parroquial al (562) 921-6649.

TIENDA DE ARTICULOS RELIGIOSOS DE SAN LINO

ESTA ABIERTA DESPUES DE TODAS LAS MISAS
MATINALES



Si necesitas un recuerdo especial para:

**BODAS, BAUTISOS,
PRIMERA COMUNION o
CONFIRMACION**



**VISITANOS; SI NO LO TENEMOS LO
PODEMOS ORDENAR.
GRACIAS POR TU APOYO.**



Instalación del Pastor

Domingo, 17 de Septiembre

La Iglesia de San Lino invita a su comunidad a la instalación del

Padre Tony Gomez como nuevo Pastor. Habrá una Misa especial a las 11:00 am el Domingo, 17 de Septiembre. Nuestro obispo regional, Alex Salazar, será el celebrante principal.

Después de la Misa habrá una recepción con comida y entretenimiento en el salón parroquial.

Todos sean bienvenidos.

Pedimos que nuestro Señor continúe bendiciendo al Padre Tony y a nuestra familia parroquial.

Parish News and Beyond...

CONFIRMATION

We hope youth and parents had an enjoyable summer. Welcome back. As outlined in the preparation requirements for both first and second year, candidates are expected to be at 5:30 mass every Sunday. If you were away, or attending other masses or parishes during the summer please take the next few weeks to start getting in the habit of attending this mass again.

All candidates and their parents are asked to attend a welcome/orientation session on Thursday, September 7th at 7 PM in the parish hall. Fall semester sign ups for teens will be the following Monday evening in the youth room: 7-8 PM for teens new to the program and 8-9 PM for returning candidates.

YOUTH MINISTRY BBQ BASH

As summer draws to an end and school and ministries begin, Youth Ministry would like to invite all High School youth, parents, families and adults to our end of the year BBQ Bash following the 5:30 Mass on Sunday August 27. A burger, chips and drink can be purchased for a minimal donation of \$5. Following food, for an additional \$3 teens (with parents) are invited for an evening of broomball at the Norwalk Ice Rink. Cost to anyone wishing to participate only in broomball is \$5. Friends and family are welcome to watch the mayhem for free! This will be the first of many great community building socials for youth this semester. Flyers and permission slips are available in the stand at the side of the church or in the youth room. For questions about what broomball is or for additional information please call the youth room at 921-6252.

ENGLISH BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study



You are invited

To join us in Room 8

In the school building

Every Tuesday evening

At 8:00PM for Bible Study.

We furnish all material necessary.

Bible Study



CONFIRMACIÓN

Esperamos que los jovenes y sus padres hayan tenido un verano agradable. Bienvenidos otra vez. Como ya saben los estudiantes del primero y segundo año, los candidatos deben de asistir a la misa de 5:30 todos los Domingos. Si no estaban aquí, o si estuvieron asistiendo a diferentes misas durante el verano, ya es tiempo de volver a habito de asistir a la misa de los jovenes.

Todos los candidatos y sus padres deben de asistir a la junta de orientación/bienvenida que se llevara a cabo el Jueves, 7 de Septiembre a las 7PM en el hall de la parroquia. La inscripción de los adolescentes para el semestre de otoño sera el siguiente Lunes en el salon de jovenes: 7-8PM para los estudiantes nuevos y de 8-9 para los estudiantes que regresan.

FIESTA CON BBQ DEL MINISTERIO JUVENIL

Para darle la despedida al verano y antes de que empiece la escuela y los ministerios, el Ministerio Juvenil invita a todos los jovenes, padres, familias y adultos a la fiesta de fin de año despues de la Misa de 5:30 el Domingo 27 de Agosto. Una hamburguesa, papas, y bebida se pueden comprar por el bajo precio de \$5.00. Despues de la comida, por \$3.00 mas, los adolescentes (con sus padres) son invitados a jugar "broomball" en la arena de hielo de Norwalk. Los que quieran jugar el "broomball" lo puedan hacer pagando \$5.00. Los amigos y las familias son bienvenidos a precenciar gratis el alboroto!. Este va a ser el primero de muchos eventos sociales que tenemos planeados para los jovenes durante este semestre. Folletos y formas de permiso estan situadas en la mesa al lado de la iglesia o en el salon de los jovenes.



Save the Date

Friday

September 29th

Reserva la Fecha

Viernes

Septiembre 29

Parish News and Beyond...

SAVE WHEN YOU SPEND

Our church needs a new sound system and the Youth Ministry wants to help raise funds. For six weeks starting August 1, community discount cards will be available to purchase for \$10 after most masses and at the youth room and parish office during the week. Each card displays discounts from almost thirty local restaurants and businesses for great savings whenever you present the card at the time of purchase. Offers from McDonald's, Keystone Lanes, Golf n' Stuff, Subway, Papa John's and many other restaurants include something free with the purchase of something at equal or greater value. Half of the price of each card will come directly back to St. Linus. Cards can be ordered for a list of over 200 other communities. See the youth ministry display inside the side door of the church for flyers, a full list of participating vendors and more detailed information.



AN ACT OF CONCRETE SOLIDARITY

This is what Pope John Paul II called the donation of blood. During the summer, supply of units of blood in hospitals gets significantly depleted. Join the Catholic Youth of St. Linus and St. John of God as they team up with the City of Norwalk and assist the American Red Cross in replenishing reserves. Plan to give the gift of Life on Wednesday, August 30 between 3-9 PM at the Norwalk Social Services Center at 11929 Alondra. Appointments are scheduled in 15 minute increments. Anyone interested in donating should call St. Linus Youth Ministry office at 921-6252. Make plans to donate again on Sunday October 29, when St. Linus LIFE TEEN sponsors their own blood drive for Respect Life Month.

OCCUPANCY

The value of life does not depend upon the place we occupy. It depends upon the way we occupy that place.

—St. Thérèse of Lisieux

DIRECTIONS

To get to heaven turn right and keep straight.

—Anonymous

AHORRA AL GASTAR

Nuestra iglesia necesita un sistema de sonido nuevo y el Ministerio Juvenil quiere ayudar a recaudar recursos. Empezando el 1º de Agosto y por seis semanas podras comprar tarjetas de descuento para negocios en la comunidad, estas tarjetas valen \$10.00 y estaran a la venta despues de las misas y tambien en las oficina parroquial durante la semana. Cada tarjeta ofrece descuentos para treinta negocios. Hay ofertas de McDonald's, Keystone Lanes, Golf n' Stuff, Subway, Papa John's y varios otros negocios. La mitad del costo de la tarjeta sera para St. Linus. Hay una lista de mas 200 comunidades para las cuales se pueden encargar tarjetas. Para mas información hay que ver los folletos en la puerta del lado de la iglesia.

DONACIÓN DE SANGRE



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UN ACTO CONCRETO DE SOLIDARIDAD

Esto es lo significa donar sangre de acuerdo al Papa Juan Pablo II. En el verano las unidades de sangre que mantienen los hospitales se agotan. Unete a los Jovenes Católicos de San Lino y de San Juan de Dios que junto con la ciudad de Norwalk van a ayudar a La Cruz Roja a rellenar las reservas. Por favor da el regalo de vida el Miercoles 30 de Agosto de 3-9PM en el Centro de Asistencia Social 11929 Alondra. Las citas se hacen en incrementos de 15 minutos. Los interesados en donar deben llamar a la oficina del Ministerio Juvenil al 921-6252. Tambien pueden donar el Domingo 29 de Octubre, cuando los miembros de VIDA ADOLESCENTE van a tener su propia campaña durante el Mes de Respeto a la Vida.

LA VERDADERA FELICIDAD

Uno es verdaderamente feliz cuando tiene todo lo que desea, y no desea nada que no deba tener.

—San Agustín

EL PUESTO

El valor de la vida no depende del puesto que ocupemos. Depende de la manera en que ocupamos ese puesto.

—Santa Teresita del Niño Jesús

Parish News and Beyond...

PIECES OF EIGHT

The response to young peoples' personal and spiritual needs and the call to involve them in the faith community are most effectively done by establishing holistic and comprehensive programs. There are eight fundamental components, which provide a framework for youth ministry. Each of the remaining articles, two components will be highlighted. Pope Paul VI said the church "exists in order to evangelize." As Catholics we hear that word and images of standing on a street corner with a bullhorn come to mind. The ministry of *evangelization* shares the good news of the reign of God and invites young people to hear about the Word Made Flesh. The ministry of *advocacy* engages the Church to examine its priorities and practices to determine how well young people are integrated into the life, mission, and work of the Catholic community.



Please welcome our new brothers and sisters into our faith community. The following children were baptized **August 19-20, 2006.**

Toni Larissa Diaz
Shaun Allen Alagos
Kimberly Ferrand
Leanna Mia Salazar

PARTES DE OCHO

Para poder responder a las necesidades personales y espirituales de los jovenes y para involucrarlos en la comunidad de la fe lo mejor es establecer programas holísticos y extensos. Hay ocho componentes fundamentales, los cuales proveen la estructura para el ministerio de los jovenes. Cada uno de los articulos restantes, dos componentes seran subrayados. El Papa Pablo VI dijo que la iglesia "existe para evangelizar." Como Católicos nos imaginamos personas paradas en las esquinas con un megafone. El ministerio de *evangelización* comparte las buenas noticias del reino de Dios e invita a los jovenes a escuchar sobre la Palabra Hecha Persona. El ministerio de *apoyo* requiere que la Iglesia examine sus prioridades y practicas para determinar que tan bien se integran los jovenes en la vida, misión, y trabajo de la comunidad Católica.



Por favor denle la bienvenida a nuestra comunidad de fé a nuestros mas recientes hermanos y hermanas. Estos niños fueron bautizados **Agosto 19-20, 2006.**

Toni Larissa Diaz
Shaun Allen Alagos
Kimberly Ferrand
Leanna Mia Salazar

PLEASE UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION

If you are a registered member of St. Linus Parish and have moved or changed your telephone number during the past year, please let the parish office know by filling out the form below or calling the office with your new information so that we may update our records. Thank you.

WELCOME TO ST. LINUS PARISH

Our warmest welcome to all who celebrate with us. We extend our hearts to all whether long-time residents or newly arrived in the parish. If you have NOT registered or have moved, or have other needs, please fill out this form and place it in the collection basket or mail it to the Parish Office.

- I would like to become a parishioner by registering.
- I have moved. Here is my new address.
- I have a new phone number.
- I would be willing to be a sponsor for RCIA.
- I am going to be in the hospital for surgery.
- I have a convalescent person in our home requesting Holy Communion.
- I am baptized but have not received 1st Holy Communion and/or Confirmation.

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State ____ Zip ____
Phone (____) _____

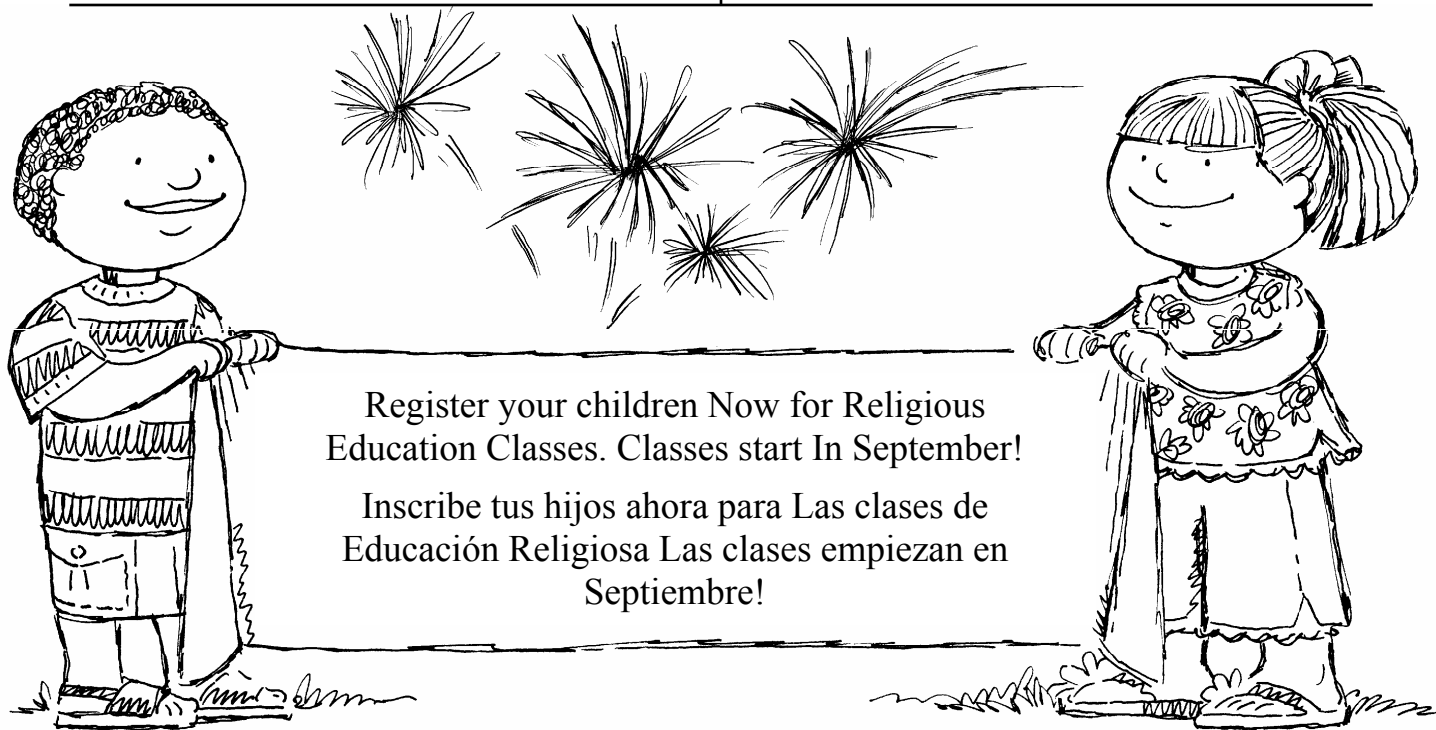
Parish News and Beyond...

ATTENTION ALL ORGANIZATION LEADERS

Start thinking about this year's **Ministry Fair**. It's our once-a-year opportunity to let parishioners know WHO YOU ARE and WHAT YOU DO! To reserve a table for Sunday morning, **Sept. 10, 2006**, or for more information, call Sue Cunneen at (562) 926-1172.

ATENCIÓN LÍDERES DE TODAS LAS ORGANIZACIONES

Empiecen a pensar en la **Feria** anual de **Ministerio**. Esta es nuestra oportunidad de cada año cuando podemos demostrar a los feligreses ¡QUIENES SOMOS y QUE HACEMOS! Para reservar una mesa para el Domingo **10 de Septiembre, 2006**, o para mas información, llamen a Sue Cunneen al (562) 926-1172.



POR FAVOR MANTÈNGANOS AL TANTO DE SU INFORMACIÓN

Si usted es miembro registrado de la Parroquia de San Lino y se ha cambiado de casa o ha cambiado su número telefónico durante el año pasado, por favor avise a la oficina por medio de la forma que aparece abajo o puede llamar a la oficina y darles su información nueva para asi poner sus documentos al corriente. Gracias.

BIENVENIDOS A LA PARROQUIA DE SAN LINO

Nuestra más calurosa bienvenida a todos que celebran con nosotros. Extendemos nuestros corazones a todos, sean residentes de mucho tiempo o recién llegados a la parroquia. Si NO se han registrado o se han registrado y mudado, o tienen otras necesidades, por favor llenen este formulario y pónganlo en la canasta de colecta o envíenlo por correo a la oficina de la parroquia.

- Quisiera registrarme para ser miembro de la parroquia.
- Aquí está mi nuevo domicilio.
- Yo tengo un número nuevo de teléfono.
- Quisiera ser patrocinador de RCIA.
- Voy a estar en el hospital para una operación.
- Tengo una persona convaleciente en mi casa pidiendo la Santa Comunión.
- Estoy bautizado/a pero no he recibido la Primera Comunión y/o al Confirmación.

Nombre _____

Domicilio _____

Ciudad _____ Estado _____ Zona Postal _____

Teléfono (____) _____

Parish News and Beyond...



NOTE FROM A MUSTARD SEED MISSIONARY



I thank those of you who sponsored my Mustard Seed Communities trip to Jamaica either financially or with prayer. You're just awesome!

Wish there were words to say what I feel as I return to my relatively luxurious life in Southern California from the primitive (but comfortable) life we lived for a week in Jamaica.

The place, Sophie's House, was much nicer than I expected.

The children were physically worse off than I expected.

The country was breathtakingly beautiful but abysmally poor.

The weather was just as hot and humid as I expected.

The trip was a complete success. My fellow travelers were so dedicated and delightful, I felt doubly blessed...no squabbles, no temper tantrums, no tears or regrets. We were a team in every sense of the word. A few were as old as I, but most were in their twenties or thirties. We ranged in age from 15 to 70. Our task was to paint the inside of the chapel on the grounds there at Sophie's House, where we stayed. Sophie's House of the Mustard Seed Communities is located in Gordon City, Kingston Parish. Each of the Mustard Seed properties has a chapel on the grounds. Father Gregory believes we should tithe our time as well as our money and give 2.4 hours back to God, thus, the importance of the chapel.

The twenty children who live on the grounds at Sophie's House are crippled in varying degrees, mostly severe. Three could walk, one could talk. Shaunice, the one girl who could speak, asked me if we would stay there and work all day and when I answered, "yes," not only from her but the grunts and noises from those who cannot speak was an unmistakable, unanimous cheer! What an introduction! We were able to pray and sing with them, talk to them, help feed them and play with them in the little time when we weren't working. They loved us unconditionally. Those who could make their wants known, had no qualms about asking for whatever we had. Fortunately, we'd been told that and had stickers and bubbles, etc. Lenice, about 14, attached herself to my son, Michael, as soon as she saw him and did so at every opportunity. He was able to organize a "baseball game" with those who could move any sort of muscle. The rest enjoyed watching it.

The directors there are a young, marvelous couple who lead the children in wonderful songs and prayers several times a day.

We were privileged to tour five other Mustard Seed Communities where the children suffer either from mental or physical limitations or are HIV positive. One of those is a farm with a plant nursery, sheep and chickens where the eggs for all the other Community homes are produced. The older chickens were used for stewing hens.

Fr. Greg also allowed us to see the future he has planned for a new community for those rescued children who are now over 18 years of age. It's an abandoned bauxite mining camp which has cabins which can be renovated to hold at least four young adults and a caretaker in each. One has been done as an example and he is now looking for corporate sponsorship of \$25,000 for each of the others. Foundations for the chapel and the administration buildings are already begun. Eventually, he wants those who can to help grow pepper on the extensive property to be processed at the nearby pepper sauce factory so that they will be contributing to their own support.

His next plan is to rescue "Garbage Dump Children" world wide. All third world countries have children whose only food comes from the local garbage dumps. Fr. Greg would like to rescue these children and has begun a new program in that direction. He's such a charismatic man of compassion and vision that makes you want to jump in and help however you can.

Thank you, thank you, thank you.
Barbara Fries

This Week at St. Linus...



SATURDAY, AUGUST 26, 2006

7:30 AM Juanito S. Narvaez, (R.I.P.)
 5:30 PM Romulo Sangalang, (R.I.P.)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27, 2006

7:30 AM Maria Rosario Manalo,
 (80th Birthday)
 9:00 AM Crispulo Bonilla, (R.I.P.)
 10:30 AM St. Linus Parish Staff
 12:00 PM Lily Rojas, (Birthday)
 5:30 PM Leandro Pino, (Death Anniversary)
 7:30 PM Mass for our Parishioners

MONDAY, AUGUST 28, 2006

8:30 AM Joe Chavez, (R.I.P.)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 29, 2006

8:30 AM Amy MeLad, (R.I.P.)
 7:00 PM Lucille Williams, (R.I.P.)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30, 2006

8:30 AM Arthur Rodriguez, (R.I.P.)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31, 2006

8:30 PM Victoriano Agunod,
 (In Thanksgiving)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2006

8:30 AM Sam Whitters, (R.I.P.)
 7:00 PM For Life of the Unborn & for
 Vocations to the Priesthood and
 Religious Life

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2006

7:30 AM Phillip & Aurora Acosta, (R.I.P.)
 5:30 PM Delta Apilando, (R.I.P.)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2006

7:30 AM Serafin & Delfina Salazar, (R.I.P.)
 9:00 AM Quintino Hisoler, (R.I.P.)
 10:30 AM Dora G. Sanchez, (Anniversary)
 12:00 PM Alfredo Uribo, (Cumpleanos)
 5:30 PM Dora Saenz, (1st Death Anniversary)
 7:30 PM Mass for our Parishioners



MONDAY, AUGUST 28

7:00 PM Bible Study, Science Room
 7-9:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 394, Hall
 7-9:00 PM English Prayer Group, Room 8
 7-9:00 PM Jovenes para Cristo, Room 10
 7-9:00 PM Spanish Prayer Group, Room 11

TUESDAY, AUGUST 29

5-6:00 PM Legion of Mary, Rm 10
 7:00 PM Mother of Perpetual Help & St.
 Jude Novena Bilingual Mass, Church
 7-9:00 PM Jovenes para Cristo, Hall
 7-9:00 PM Jovenes para Cristo, Room 10/11
 8:00 PM English Bible Study, Rm 8

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30

4-6:00 PM Children's Choir Rehearsal, Church
 7-9:00 PM Spanish Prayer Group, Hall

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31

7:00 PM Installation Meeting, Hall
 7-9:00 PM Filipino Choir, Room 10

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

7:00 PM Mass - Followed by
 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
 7-10:00 PM "Elohim" Prayer Group,
 Conference Room

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

His Nesting Place-All Masses
 10:00 AM English Baptisms, Church

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

His Nesting Place-All Masses
 Coffee/Donuts: Spanish Prayer Group
 1-3:00 PM Cursillo Hispano, Rm 10
 2:00 PM Spanish Baptisms, Church
 6-7:00 Filipino Choir, Rm 10

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This Week...

SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Monday: St. Augustine
 Tuesday: The Martyrdom of
 St. John the Baptist
 Friday: First Friday
 Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday
 Sunday: Twenty-second Sunday
 in Ordinary Time

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12; Mt 23:13-22
 Tuesday: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17; Mk 6:17-29
 Wednesday: 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18; Mt 23:27-32
 Thursday: 1 Cor 1:1-9; Mt 24:42-51
 Friday: 1 Cor 1:17-25; Mt 25:1-13
 Saturday: 1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 25:14-30
 Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8; Ps 15; Jas 1:17-18,
 21b-22, 27; Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

LOS SANTOS Y OTRAS OBSERVANCIAS

Lunes: San Agustín
 Martes: El Martirio de San Juan Bautista
 Viernes: Primer viernes
 Sábado: Santa María Virgen; Primer sábado
 Domingo: Vigésimosegundo Domingo
 del Tiempo Ordinario

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: 2 Tes 1:1-5, 11-12; Mt 23:13-22
 Martes: 2 Tes 2:1-3a, 14-17; Mk 6:17-29
 Miércoles: 2 Tes 3:6-10, 16-18; Mt 23:27-32
 Jueves: 1 Cor 1:1-9; Mt 24:42-51
 Viernes: 1 Cor 1:17-25; Mt 25:1-13
 Sábado: 1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 25:14-30
 Domingo: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8; Sal 15 (14);
 Stgo 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27;
 Mc 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23