

## GRACE ABOUND

Most Gracious and Loving God, we give thanks that you abundantly bless us. We ask for continued financial blessing from debt and the burden of debt. Give us your wisdom that we may be good stewards over all that you have given us.

### Last Sunday's Collections:

<b>February 7</b>	<b>Received</b>	<b>Needed</b>	<b>Short</b>
Envelopes	\$5599	\$7,440	\$1,841
Building Fund	\$6018	\$4,000	

### DDF January Report

Parish Obligation \$36,300  
71 Household Pledge \$8,088

*Your support of DDF helps seminarians and Catholic Charities meet the spiritual and corporal needs of our people. Your donation brings hope to the most in need. If you have yet to pledge please do so, pledge cards are in the back of the church.*

### Marriage Encounter Weekend

Looking for the perfect Valentine's gift for your spouse? Why not a romantic weekend away from home falling more in love? A marriage Encounter Weekend is exactly that kind of gateway. **The next weekend is February 26-28, 2010.** For more information, please call Danny and Maria

Aguilera 951-791-1196 or Doug and Jennifer Klinzing 951-927-3203



### Bible Study

#### Catholicism 101 based on Scripture

Mondays from 6:30 pm—8:00 pm.

Bring a Bible and the Catechism of the Catholic Church if you have one.



### Please Pray for our Military



Richard Dawson, Raul Ilizaliturri, Alex Boyce, L. Hart, Shaun Boyce, Robby & Christina Preston, Jason Putney, Jared Adams, James Rohland, Keith Ellison, Anthony Hebert, Santiago Saucedo, Edward Clark III, Patrick Lee, Josh West, Nicholas Vandegriffe, Ashleigh Howard, Adam Kelly, Michael Manuel Rolando Reyes, Kim Duarte, Adrian Perez, Nestor Canales, Sarah Hellam, Levi Dejarrett, Michael Sartin M. Pringle and Steven Dal Porto.

### Faith Formation Corner

Elementary Faith Formation will have a Lent family activity on **Friday, February 19th, at noon.** Parents & children will guide the Stations of the Cross & Serve soup on this day.



**Reminder:** Elementary Faith Formation Families will meet on Ash Wednesday.

### St. Martha Catholic Church Presents

*A Family Vocation Day Entitled:*

**Open to God's Grace**

A Family Enrichment Conference

Bring the Whole Family!

**When: February 20, 2010**

**Time: 9 am—3 pm**

**Where: St. Martha Catholic Church**

**37200 Whitewood Rd. Murrieta, CA**

**92563** Many speakers. This event is free and is open to all ages. For more information call 951-698-8180 or go online: [www.familyvocations.org](http://www.familyvocations.org)

### Who will be your special guest

**at your table this Lenten Season?**

During this Lenten Season, the Office of Small Faith Communities will be offering Evenings of Reflection.

: St. Christopher, 25075 Cottonwood Ave, Moreno Valley. March 15, 2010 from 7:00 - 8:30 pm. This Event is free. For more info call 909-475-5295 or email: [agarcia@sbdioocese.org](mailto:agarcia@sbdioocese.org)

### 40 Days for Life

From Ash Wednesday, to Palm Sunday we are invited to pray for the end of abortion. 40 Days for Life is a focused pro-life effort that consists of:

- 40 days of prayer and fasting
- 40 days of peaceful vigil
- 40 days of community outreach.

We are praying that, with God's help, this groundbreaking effort will mark the beginning of the end of abortion in our city-and throughout America.

### Please pray for the Sick of Holy Spirit



L. Dochnal, J. Linson M. Montello, G. Viso, L. Fay, U. Ortega, E. Estrada, L. Gomes, G. Lopez, J. Healey, C. Cruz, E. Espinoza, R. Banuelos, M. Pino, J. Rickard, R. McIntosh, C. Snavelly, M. Pac, M. SwTaning, P. Hawkins, R. Garcia, S. Davis, C. Swanson, R. Matillo, F. Torres, L Gomez, J. Lawrance, C. Boyle, R. Doepke, J. Fisher, R. Bernal, A. Reyes, A. Silvestre, C. Martinez, E. Reilley, J. Thomson. A. Resongand, I. Chechile, B. Rafferty.

**Readings for the week February 15, 2010**

Sunday: Jer 17:5-8/1 Cor 15:12,16-20/Lk 6:17-26  
 Monday: Jas 1:1-11/Mk 8:11-13  
 Tuesday: Jas 1:12-18/Mk 8:14-21  
 Wednesday: J1 2:12-18/2 Cor 5:20-6:2/Mt 6:1- 6,16-18  
 Thursday: Dt 30:15-20/Lk 9:22-25  
 Friday: Is 58:1-9/Mt 9:14-15  
 Saturday: Is 58:9-14/Lk 5:27-32  
 Next  
 Sunday: Dt 26:4-10/Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13

*The words of the psalmist echo the theme of all of today's readings. "Blessed are they who hope in the Lord." As good stewards, firmly grounded in that hope, may we bear fruit in due season - assisting the poor, feeding the hungry, and consoling the sorrowful whenever we have the chance.*

**Weekend Mass Intentions**

5:00 pm Mass	Alice Shea †
7:30 am Mass	Dr. Armando Palacios†
9:00 am Mass	Raul Anchondo †
11:00 am Mass	Parish People

**Weekly Calendar****Monday, February 15**

Parish Office Closed  
 6:00 pm - Confirmation  
 6:30 pm - Catholic 101

**Tuesday, February 16**

8:15 - Communion Service  
 9:30 am Ponder the Passionate Christ  
 10:45 am Bereavement  
 NO Faith Formation  
 7:00 pm Spanish Prayer Group

**Wednesday, February 17**

8:15 am Mass - Richard Wonka †  
 12:00 pm Service  
 6:00 pm - Service  
 No Faith Formation  
 6:30 pm. Carismatic English Prayer group  
 7:30 pm . Spanish Service

**Thursday, February 18**

8:15 am Mass

**Friday, February 19**

8:15 am Mass - Chris Kaylor

**Passover Seder tickets available after all Sunday Masses.**

**Lent**

When we mention Lent our initial thoughts turn to sacrifice and self-denial. These are important disciplines for disciples. For the goal of Lent is first and foremost spiritual growth and development. We are asked through prayer, fasting and alms to open our hearts, enlarge our souls and enrich our minds. Lent is an invitation to seek spiritual gifts we lack: patient, joy, trust, and compassion. The human heart and soul are much like our hard drives and garages; they fill up with junk. The role of self-sacrifice is to get rid of the "junk", to clear a space for our Lord. We fast not to impress God, rather to serve others: Fast from anger, blame an entitlement; feast on forgiveness and affirmation. We give alms to enrich the lives of others, to recognize the riches of our lives. Our prayers open our heart and soul to truly listen and hear God's voice. To help us this Lent to reflect on our lives as disciples the parish offers a variety of opportunities:

**Bible Study** 6:30 - 8:00 pm. - Mondays

**Centering Prayer** 9:30 am - Tuesdays

**Upcoming Liturgies:**

**Ash Wednesday** 8:15 am. Mass  
 12:00 pm. Service &  
 Faith Formation 6:00 pm. Service

7:30 pm. Spanish Service

**Stations of the Cross** 12:00 pm. – Friday English

7:00 pm.- Friday - Spanish

**Passover Seder** Thursday, March 11– 5:30 – 7:45 pm.

**Penance Service** **Wednesday, March 17,**  
 3:30 – 4:30 pm & 7:00 pm.

**Fast & Abstinence:** Healthy Catholics age 14 years and older are to abstain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday and every Friday of Lent. On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday healthy Catholics (18 –59 years of age) are to fast; limiting food to one full meal with minimal food at the other two meals of the day with no food between meals.