Marian Consecration

This year Bishop Vasa has dedicated the Diocese of Santa Rosa to Mary, our Mother. This year was chosen in honor of the 100th anniversary of the appearance of Our Lady to the children of Fatima. Each parish within the diocese will be involved in preparing for and celebrating this momentous consecration. Our parish will follow the "Thirty-three Days to Morning Glory" program that is described on the diocesan website www.santarosacatholic.org/33days.

A bilingual Mass will be offered each weekday at 7 pm with glorious concluding ceremonies taking place the weekend of December 9-10, which adjoins the feast of the Immaculate Conception (December 8) and the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe (December 12). This is an extraordinary time for all of us.

Needed: Mass Volunteers - EMC’s, Lectors, Greeters

Come, join us! Become an EMC (extraordinary minister of the Eucharist), a Lector, or a Greeter at any of the weekend Masses. Help is needed and your service greatly appreciated. Deacon Joe Oberting conducted an EMC training session on September 25 and a Lector training session on October 2. If you did not have an opportunity to attend either of those programs but are still interested in serving, please contact Lynne Baker by phone at 707-666-1172 or by e-mail at sjcnapaemcs@gmail.com.

Faith and Community Survey

Thanks to everyone who completed the questionnaire distributed during all Masses the weekend of September 23-24. The response was overwhelming and most gratifying. Once data are compiled, analyzed and reviewed we will report key findings to the parish. If you did not have an opportunity to complete the survey you may still do so by clicking here. Or, to receive a hard copy of the questionnaire, please call Sara Gallegos at 299-9938.

PPC Meeting Sept 19 Highlights

We welcomed guests Lee Nordlund and Ian Stanley who shared their experiences and offered ideas. Fr. Mora noted that the parish bus has been retired but that we will still make alternative arrangements to assure that those who used the bus will have transportation for Sunday Mass. We continue to explore possibilities for religious education and faith formation consistent with the focus and scope of the PPC and respectful of the multicultural nature of our parish. An ad hoc sub group will do further work in this area over the next few months. Deacon Joe noted that, though the deacons from the various parishes do not have an opportunity to meet together as a group with great frequency, they are in continual communication and freely share ideas and support one another. In an effort to become better informed about the detailed activities of the various ministries active in our parish, we occasionally will hear from representatives of such ministries. The Zafras will join us at the next PPC meeting to tell us more about Movimiento Familiar Cristiano ministry.