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Our pastor, Father Thomas Faucher, is on a partial medical leave from parish ministry. This is to give him time and opportunity to recover from illness. Almost all parish ministry will be done by Father Miller, Father Camacho, our deacons and parish staff during this time. Father Faucher will celebrate or concelebrate some Sunday Masses and preach on occasion, but not on a regular basis. Please keep Father Faucher in your prayers.

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PASTORS' PAGE

La fiesta de la Epifanía del Señor la conocemos popularmente como la fiesta de los Reyes Magos. Es una fiesta muy importante en la cultura latina. Es principalmente una fiesta de los niños. Yo la disfruté mucho durante los años de mi niñez en mi pueblo. La noche anterior, los niños colocan un zapato a la entrada de la casa (por dentro) para que allí depositen su regalo los Reyes Magos, que llegan por la noche. En algunos lugares, junto con el zapato se coloca un poco de agua y de pastura para que se alimenten los camellos y dromedarios sobre los que vienen montados los Reyes Magos. En este día, los niños brincan de contento con los regalos recibidos. Entretanto, los adultos se reúnen para comer la famosa Rosca de Reyes. Se trata de un pan especialmente horneado y decorado, en forma circular u ovalada, muy deliciosa. Según la tradición, una vez reunida la familia se lleva a cabo la partida de la Rosca. El centro de atracción es saber si al partir tu porción de pan encuentras un "niñito Dios" (figura de niño) de unos cuantos centímetros de longitud. La persona que encuentra un "niñito" en su pedazo de pan, queda obligada a regalar una cena de tamales el día 2 de febrero, fiesta de la Candelaria. Esta tradición se mantiene todavía viva en México y otros países latinoamericanos.

Su amigo y servidor
Padre Jesús Camacho

The feast of the Epiphany of the Lord is popularly known as the feast of the Three Kings. It is a very important feast in the Latin culture. It is principally a holiday for children. I enjoyed it very much during the years of my childhood. The night before Epiphany, the children place a shoe at the entry of the house (inside) where the Three Kings, who come in the night, leave their gift. In some places, a little water and some grass are left with the shoe to feed the camels and dromedaries the Three Kings ride. On this day, the children jump with joy over the gifts they received. Meanwhile, the adults gather to eat the famous "Kings' Bread." The "Kings' Bread" is circular or oval in form, is especially baked and decorated, and is very delicious. According to the tradition, once gathered, the family plays the game of the Bread. The point of the game is to see if, on having divided your portion of bread, you find a "baby Jesus" (child's figure) a few centimeters long. The person who finds a "baby Jesus" in his piece of bread is obliged to give a tamale dinner on February 2, the feast of the blessing of the candles. This tradition still lives in Mexico and other Latin-American countries.

Your friend and servant,
Fr. Jesus Camacho



SUNDAY READINGS January 8th

First Reading:	Is 60:1-6
Second Reading:	Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6
Responsorial Psalm:	Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13
Gospel Reading:	Mt 2:1-12

Reflections

1. Describe an experience in which you felt Jesus' presence during this Christmas Season.
2. What gifts do I have to offer to God in response to His love?
3. The Wise Men were following the star and found Jesus. What can you do to help the Catholic community to become a better light in helping others find Jesus?



Scripture Readings January 9th – January 15th

MON.	Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Mk 1:7-11
TUE.	1 Sm 1:9-20; Mk 1:21-28
WED.	1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; Mk 1:29-39
THU.	1 Sm 4:1-11; Mk 1:40-45
FRI.	1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Mk 2:1-12
SAT.	1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1; Mk 2:13-17
SUN.	1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19; Jn 1:35-42

FINANCIAL NEWS

Contributions:	
December 31 st & January 1 st	\$ 8,229.00
Last Year	\$ 7,536.00
Capital Campaign:	
Building Fund Donations:	\$
December 31 st & January 1 st	\$ 14,267.36
March 1st to Date	\$ 464,408.93
Pledged	\$ 1,098,513.00
Needed for Church	\$ 2,600,000.00

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FIRST RECONCILIATION RETREAT

There will be a retreat for those students preparing for First Reconciliation on Wednesday, January 18 from 6:30 – 8:00pm. The celebration of the sacrament of Reconciliation will be Friday, January 20 at 7pm followed by a reception. Please keep these children in your prayers.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

All high-school students, sophomore or older, please sign up for confirmation classes after all masses at the table outside of the church. Information about confirmation will be available. If you have any questions, please call 344-2597 and ask for Tom Beckman.

PINOCHLE CLUB

The Pinochle Club will meet Sunday, January 8, at 5:30 in the Parish Center. New players are most welcome!!! Questions: Call Molly 345-5286 or Marilyn 342-3480.

ST. MARY'S MOTHERS BIBLE STUDY

On January 10, 2006, we will be covering Lesson 9 - "Is there dignity in doing dishes?" -- in the *Woman of Grace* Bible Study. The meeting will be held from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. in the Parish Center Basement.

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S – ESTA SEMANA EN SANTA MARIA

Date/ Fecha	DESCRIPTION (DESCRIPCION)/PLACE (LUGAR)
Sun., Jan. 8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11:30 – 12:30, RCIC – Parish Center (Rooms A & B) • 5:30 p.m., Pinochle Club – Parish Center
Mon., Jan. 9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3:30 - 5 p.m., 5th & 6th Grade Boys' Basketball
Tues., Jan 10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9:30 - 11 a.m., St. Mary's Mothers – Parish Center (Basement) • 3:30 – 4:30 p.m., Dance (after school activity) • 5-6:30 p.m., 5th & 6th Grade Boys' Basketball • 7 p.m., RCIA
Wed., Jan. 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fr. Camacho Receives Human Rights Award! • 3:30 – 5 p.m., 5th & 6th Grade Boys' Basketball • 6 – 7:30 p.m., Mexican Dance Group
Thurs., Jan. 12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5:30 p.m., BINGO!
Fri., Jan. 13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3:30 – 5 p.m., 5th & 6th Grade Boys' Basketball

Free Throw Contest

The 5th annual Knights of Columbus free throw contest will be held Saturday, January 21st in the St. Mary's Gym. Arrive promptly at 10 a.m. for registration. Boys and Girls ages 10 – 14 are encouraged to participate. Great prizes! For more information contact Mike Pape at 388-3847.

PASTA FESTA AT BISHOP KELLY

Mark your Calendars! It's Pasta Festa! The Bishop Kelly Booster Club invites you to bring your family and friends for a fabulous all-you-can-eat Italian dinner prepared by Chef Lou Aaron and crew! Pasta Festa will be held on Sunday, January 8, 2006 from 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. at Bishop Kelly in the old gym. Dinner includes pasta, salad and bread. Beer, wine, soft drinks and dessert will be available at an extra charge. Cost is \$6.00 per person, \$5.00 - seniors, \$5.00 - age 6-10, or \$30.00 per family (children under 5 are free). Plan to attend this fun family event!



NEWS FROM THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The St. Vincent de Paul FreeMed Program has an opening for a part-time paid coordinator. This is an ideal job for a person who is very detail-oriented, wants to help the less fortunate and has management skills and business experience. For more details call Margo at 573-4504 or e-mail your resume to margosvdp@aol.com.

The Holidays are passing, but winter is still here! The Pillow Pack Project is still happening! Thank you Channel 7 for announcing this project on the air.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is doing a Pillow Pack Project for the homeless at Sanctuary (new homeless shelter downtown). A Pillow Pack is a simple collection of needed items that a homeless person might need for warmth and comfort within the shelter or in the elements. Contents: 1 pillow, 2 pillow cases, 1 sheet (twin, full, or queen), 1 pr gloves, 1 winter hat/stocking cap, 2 pr socks, and 1 scarf. Other possible contents: blanket, hygiene items, extra socks, gloves or hats, gift cards to local stores or restaurants. These can be inexpensive (used is just fine). Bring these items, assembled or individually, to any Ada

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County St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store (6464 W. State St. in Boise, 2110 S. Broadway in Boise, 213 N. Main St. in Meridian). Clearly label that these items are for the Pillow Pack project. These items are also listed on the website www.svdpid.org - right on the homepage. Call Hope at 853-4921 opt 4 with questions.

FLOWER FUND DONATIONS

St. Mary's would like to thank these generous people for donating to the Flower Fund this year. It is greatly appreciated. Please be sure to read the next issue of the Magnificat for more details.



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Miriam Adams

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Dennis & Bonnie Schlegel

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Women of St. Mary's

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Jody Zauha

FLUX MINISTRY

Bridging Life and Faith is a Ministry to adults ages 21-39. Are you interested in helping to get this ministry going strong in your parish? Whether you want to lead a faith sharing group, or intramural sports team or maybe just to volunteer your time a couple of days a year, we would love to have you! Come and find out more at the informational meeting January 18th at 7pm at St. Paul's Student Center on Boise State Campus. For more information please contact Angela Hummel at 713.3055 or fluxministry@yahoo.com.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

Now that the New Year is here why not invite your spouse to go on the next Marriage Encounter Weekend at Nazareth Retreat Center in Boise Idaho, February 24 - 26, 2006. To register please contact Robert and Nicole Balderson at 6236 E. Willow Ave. Nampa, ID. 83687. (208-463-9008 registration@wwmesnakeriver.org)

WANTED!! Deacon Hess is looking for individuals who would like to conduct communion services in nursing homes, one Sunday per month. Teams of two will be assigned each Sunday to one of the three nursing homes within our parish boundaries. Excellent opportunity for spiritual growth. Training and mentoring provided. Please call Deacon Francis at 344-2597 or email him at fhess@stmarysboise.org.

ADULT CATHOLIC EDUCATION OF THE TREASURE VALLEY NEWS

Follow up on your New Year's resolution to deepen your relationship with God! Enroll in an ACE-TV course.

1. Prayer and Spirituality in the Catholic Tradition at Our Lady of the Rosary, Tuesdays from 7 -9 p.m. Participants can enroll for one or all sessions: \$40 all/\$5 each.
 - January 24, Ms. Angela Hummel, What is Prayer; Vocal Prayer
 - January 31, Fr. Jerry Funke, Pilgrimage as Prayer
 - February 7, Brother Selby Coffman, Scripture/Spirituality of Non-violence
 - February 14, Dr. Joe Lipetzky, Healing Prayer/Charismatic Spirituality
 - February 21, Ms. Darlyne Paper, Centering Prayer/Contemplative Spirituality
 - March 7, Mr. David Pedersen, Music/Chant as Prayer
 - March 14, Ms Edrea Eisenhauer, Liturgical Movement as Prayer
 - March 21, Dn. Mike Lowe, Mass as Prayer; Benediction, Perpetual Adoration
2. Introduction to Theology with Fr. Hugh Feiss either in person at St Paul's Student Center, from 10 - 1:15 p.m., on 5 Saturdays, from January 28 - March 11, or ON-LINE! Call Peg at 424-8989 for registration, details and directions for either course.

HISTORIA DE LA IGLESIA

El padre Jesús Camacho enseñará una clase acerca de la Historia de la Iglesia en Santa Maria las noches de los viernes siguientes:

El 17 y 24 de febrero
El 3, 10 y 31 de marzo

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El 21 y 28 de abril
Un folleto con la información adicional estará disponible la primera semana de enero.

Father Jesús Camacho will teach a class on the History of the Church at St. Mary's on the following Friday nights:

February 17 and 24
March 3, 10, and 31
April 21 and 28

A brochure with additional information will be available the first week of January.

FREE DENTAL CLEANING!

Apollo College Dental Hygiene Program is offering free dental cleaning to anyone of any age. All services are provided by students and may require multiple appointments to complete a cleaning. To make an appointment (in English) please contact Sarah @ 859-1849.

LIMPIEZA DENTAL - GRATUITA!

Se ofrece limpieza dental gratuitamente proveída por estudiantes en El colegio Apollo a través del programa higiene dental. Los servicios de extienden a personas de cualquier edad y tal vez sea necesario hacer varias citas para completar el trabajo. Para mayores informes, por favor hablen con Sarah al número 859-1849.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF IDAHO RESOURCES

Catholic Charities of Idaho provides counseling for individuals, couples, and families. CCI will also be starting a six-week "Becoming a Love and Logic Parent" class on Monday evenings starting January 23rd. Call Melaney Swenson at 345-6031 for more information about these programs.

WELCOME BACK TO NON-PRACTICING CATHOLICS!

Are you a Catholic who has been away from the Church? Are you an adult ages 21-39? We would like to thank you for joining us for the holidays. All adults in their twenties and thirties, married, divorced or single are invited to attend Theology on Tap. It will be held at Louie's Bar in downtown Boise at 6:30 p.m. for five Tuesdays beginning Jan.31st. It is a time for

discussion, beer and socializing. This year's dates and topics:

January 31 - Sexuality and the Priesthood, homosexuality and married priests. Speakers: Fr. Joe DaSilva and counseling professional Milt Klein.

February 7th - Scandals, how did this happen and what is the Church doing about it. Speakers - Bobbi Dominick, former Diocesan director of HR and Darlyne Pape, former Idaho representative for Voice of the Faithful.

February 14th - Gender Issues. Speaker TBA

February 21st - Pro-life Contradictions, abortion, death penalty, war, etc. Mia Crosthwaite and Fr. Jairo Restrepo

February 28th - MARDI GRAS BANQUET WITH THE BISHOP. Tickets on sale in January. For more information please call or email: Angela Hummel at 208.713.3055, fluxministry@yahoo.com

St. Mary's Parish wishes to recognize the men and women, sons and daughters, of our parish who are serving in the Armed Forces. ***Please pray for these people in the armed services who are protecting us.***

Staff Sgt. Jason Anton	Marine Corps
Staff Sgt. Cameron Carpenter	Air Force. Nat'l Guard
Lance Corporal Joseph Gallegos	Marine Corps
Staff Sgt. Amber Hansen	U. S. Army
Captain Tom Hitt	Air Force Nat'l Guard
Sgt. Benjamin Lee	U.S. Army
App. Christopher Mais	U.S. Navy
Lt. Col. William McQuade	U.S. Army
Lance Corporal Jake Thacker	Marine Corps
Shawn Michael White	U. S. Army

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MINISTRY SCHEDULE

January, 2006	5:00	8:30	11:00
Reader 1	Jerry Helgeson	Kent Brown	Rita Franklin
Reader 2	Gloria McDonald	Bob McQuade	Margo Mojica
Priest - Bread 1			
Eucharistic M Alternate Bread 1	Darlyne Pape	Michael Murphy-Sweet	Tony Houston
Head Eucharistic M - Bread 2	Rod Jaszowskiak	Sandy Banta	Isabel Yale
Eucharistic Minister - Bread 3	Liz Lister	Kathy Carney	Karena Whitmore
Eucharistic Minister - Bread 4	Virginia Medek	Jim Kelsch	Toni Post
Deacon - alternate - Wine 1	Larry Winner	Marge Davis	Leona Howell
Eucharistic Minister - Wine 2	Jan Winner	Julie Horras	Ron Caron
Eucharistic Minister - Wine 3	Kate Kinsley	Tom Ditter	Shawnathon Caron
Eucharistic Minister - Wine 4	Dave Baumann	Kathy Stephenson	Betty Collins
Altar Server Cross Bearer	Matt Baumann	Xavier Emel	Jade Neace
Altar Server Candle Bearer	Josh Kochaver	Matt Burke	Kate Franklin
Altar Server Candle Bearer	Patrick Tavelli	Andy Harrington	Tyler Marron
Hospitality Captain	Joanne Campbell	Dan Appel/Vince Johnson	Billy/Fabia D'Sousa
			Karen Gallagher

ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK

Special thanks go this week to Teresa Uberuaga (see Ad, back page).