



## Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### October 12, 2014

**TODAY:** We sometimes forget that Jesus was born in a barn, not a church, and that the God of the Incarnation is as much about kitchen tables as ecclesial altars. God is as much domestic as monastic. This is important to keep in mind as we try to understand the Eucharist. The Eucharist is the body of Christ, a continuation of the Incarnation, and, like Jesus' birth, is meant to bring the divine into concrete, everyday life.\*

#### **Upcoming Dates:**

Oct. 12 <sup>th</sup>	Russian River Health Fair @ Guerneville School
Oct. 18 <sup>th</sup>	Catholic Men's Conference
Oct. 19 <sup>th</sup> -20 <sup>th</sup>	World Mission Sunday
Oct. 28 <sup>th</sup>	St. Colman's Guild
Nov. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls)
Nov. 5 <sup>th</sup>	St. Elizabeth's Guild meeting 1pm in St. Hubert's Hall
Nov. 9 <sup>th</sup>	Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome
Nov. 12 <sup>th</sup>	Finance Committee meeting 4pm in St. Hubert's Hall
Dec. 13 <sup>th</sup>	Parish Christmas Dinner 6pm in St. Hubert's Hall

#### **Please pray for our brothers and sisters**

**Who Are Ill or in Pain:** Maureen Shaw, John Hoffman, Margie Heil, Mary Tamargo, Mary Coverdale, George Shorb, Art McNulty, Lotte Cabral, Margaret Nelson, Don Covello, Louis Baros, Tom and Elaine Joyce, Dale Guinn, Bill & Joanne Rodgers, Gary Wood, Mary Helen Carpenter, Helen Murphy, John Beamon, Frank Lambert, Phil Mohardt, Jeanie Torr, Larry Gomme, Sara Bardoni, Cheryl Cabral, Ila Donovan, Abbey Moreno, Alicia Bicoy, Maureen O'Rourke, Valerie Jones, Mel Jones, Andy Jones, Frank Danzart II, Robert Navarro, Mike Wilson, Erling Ribbing, Janice Miller, Shirley Segar, Sheryl Cabral, Ed Copeland, Stephen Donnellan, Kevin O'Shea.

<b>Offerings:</b>	St. Elizabeth:	\$1,102
10/4 & 10/5	St. Catherine:	\$ 818
	St. Colman:	\$ 203
9/28	St. Colman:	\$ 206
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$2,329</b>

Thank You for your generosity!

**SECOND COLLECTION NEXT SUNDAY-World Mission Sunday:** On World Mission Sunday, Catholics of the world unite to recommit ourselves to our vocation, through Baptism, to be missionaries. The Church's missionary activity begins with the proclamation of faith: "Jesus is Lord!" He is our common hope — a hope that saves. On World Mission Sunday, we are called in a special way to be missionaries through prayer and participation in the Eucharist, and by giving generously to the collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

#### **Readings for the week of October 12, 2014**

Sunday:	Is 25:6-10/Ps 23:1-6/Phil 4:12-14,19-20/Mt 22:1-14
Monday:	Gal 4:22-24,26-27,31—5:1/Ps 113:1-7/Lk 11:29-32
Tuesday:	Gal 5:1-6/Ps 119:41,43-45,47-48/Lk 11:37-41
Wednesday:	Gal 5:18-25/Ps 1:1-4,6/Lk 11:42-46
Thursday:	Eph 1:1-10/Ps 98:1-6/Lk 11:47-54
Friday:	Eph 1:11-14/Ps 33:1-2,4-5,12-13/Lk 12:1-7
Saturday:	2 Tm 4:10-17/Ps 145:10-13,17-18/Lk 10:1-9
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Sunday:	Is 45:1,4-6/Ps 96:1,3-5,7-10/1 Thes 1:1-5/Mt 22:15-21

#### **Mass Intentions:**

**10/11 5pm** Charles Donnellan, Jr. +, requested by Beverly Donnellan

**10/12 9am** Nancy Pinnella +, requested by Carol Boyle

**10/18 4pm** Vince & Mike, requested by Fr. Luis

**10/18 5pm** Hector & Doris Stephen, requested by Beverley Donnellan

**Catholicism** the DVD series by Fr. Robert Baron designed for adult faith formation will be offered this Advent. This series features Fr. Baron visiting the beautiful cathedrals of Europe and the rich diversity of Catholic faith expressed around the world. He visits Africa, South America, Asia and the Philippines where the largest audience in the history of the world was gathered to hear Pope John Paul II. The teachings are comprehensive, but Fr. Baron's communication style is highly entertaining and enjoyable! See our website [www.rrchurches.com](http://www.rrchurches.com) for more information. Dates are not yet set, let us know your preferences by calling the office (707) 869-2107. Or use one of the interactive forms on the website to let us know. This series will inspire and enlighten your faith journey!

**St. Elizabeth's Parish Christmas Dinner** will be Dec. 13. 6:00 PM cocktails and dinner at 6:30. Chefs Joe Torres and Rick Busalacchi are preparing delicious Roast Beef Dinners served free of charge but RSVPS are required. Call FrancineKorn at 869-9341 for RSVP. Fr. Luis is inviting all the churches to dine together Dec. 13th and to celebrate mass together on Christmas day at 10:00 AM.

Deadline for Bulletin news items is Wednesday, 5PM. You can call the Rectory at 707-869-2107 and leave a message

\*Input for **TODAY** comes from: [http://liturgy.slu.edu/28OrdA101214/reflections\\_rolheiser.html](http://liturgy.slu.edu/28OrdA101214/reflections_rolheiser.html)

Parish Website: <http://www.RRchurches.com>

## Pastor's Desk

These days, people are getting very creative when they don't want to go to work. According to one survey, more than one-third of U.S. workers say they played hooky from work over the last 12 months. Twenty percent of workers say they called into work because they just didn't feel like going into the office that day. In fact, only 38 percent of unscheduled absences are due to personal illness, while 62 percent are for other reasons, including family issues, personal needs, and stress, among others.

So this weekend I have Top 10 list to share, as reported in the survey, this one listing some of the most unusual excuses workers gave to their employers for missing work.

- Number 10: I was sprayed by a skunk
- Number 9: I tripped over my dog and was knocked unconscious
- Number 8: I forgot to come back to work after lunch.
- Number 7: I couldn't find my shoes
- Number 6: I was spit on by a venomous snake.
- Number 5: I totaled my car in a collision with a cow.
- Number 4: A hit man was looking for me.
- Number 3: I eloped.
- Number 2: My brain went to sleep and I couldn't wake it up.

And the Number 1 excuse: **My cat unplugged the alarm clock!**

Now those are what I call some creative excuses! But many, if not all seem to be lacking something and that something is the truth! In Luke's account of the parable of the great banquet, we read, "**But they all alike began to make excuses [Luke14:18].**

Today's parable clearly suggests that the invited guests did not actually refuse the king's invitation. They merely find reasons to procrastinate and make excuses for coming late. The invited guests seem to decide that their arrival can be put off for a few hours. In their view the feast that had been prepared for them could wait.

In the matter of our invitation into the kingdom of God, the truth is, our presence is urgently requested. There can be no excuses! There can be not putting it off! The time is now! The banquet that God has prepared cannot wait! And in answering the call, should you ever feel the urge to procrastinate, I have not ten, but just one thing to say: I hope and pray that you never get around to it!

PEACE AND BLESSINGS!

Fr. Luis

## **SAVE THE DATE**

The Knights of Columbus Catholic Men's Conference, "Love is Man's Hammer?" will be held on October 18<sup>th</sup> at St. Eugene's Cathedral from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM. The conference will answer the above question by exploring: "Because Men Have Forgotten..." You can order ticket on-line at [www.nccmc.net](http://www.nccmc.net) for \$35 by October 10<sup>th</sup> Tickets will be \$45 @ door. Contact Greg Harder at 546-4211 for more info.

**A Little Humor:** A young boy was attending his first wedding. After the service, his cousin asked him, "How many women can a man marry?" "Sixteen," the boy responded. His cousin was amazed that he had an answer so quickly. "How do you know that?" "Easy," the little boy said. "All you have to do is add it up, like the pastor said, 4 better, 4 worse, 4 richer, 4 poorer."



**RUMMAGE SALE UPDATE:** We are so happy to report we earned nearly \$2,900 at our Rummage Sale last weekend. A huge thank you to our volunteers, donors, and buyers: Volunteers and donors included Francine Korn, Ken and Jean Koutz, Mary Ann Gustafson, Patty Mannick, Zoe Manzo, Vera Bohan, Carlos Gonzales, Charlie Arata, Anna Maria Cabrina, Gina Asaro Busalacchi, Margaret McAtee, Irene Deem, and Joan Brown. A special thank-you to Joe Torres and Janis Brown who did a tremendous job of collecting items from donors as well as storing them before the sale.

We would also like to stress that the fund raising isn't the only purpose of the sale; over the years we have built a large customer base, some of whom are needy, and we take great care to find the right items for them – nice warm winter jackets and jammies, new baby clothes, etc. It is a fun event and we get lots of complements on our merchandise. We are very selective and provide only clean, functional items.



## ***Let us keep in our prayers those in war torn areas***

**CNA/EWTN News:** Aleppo, Syria, Oct 7, 2014 / 04:32 pm— Militants linked to al-Nusra Front kidnapped a Catholic parish priest and as many as 20 people from a Christian village in Syria on Sunday night. The priest has been identified as 62-year-old Father Hanna Jallouf, O.F.M.

"Let us pray for him and for the other victims of this tragic and senseless war," the Custody of the Holy Land said on its website.

The Custody of the Holy Land, which oversees Franciscan activity in the region, said the priest was kidnapped with several men from the Christian village of Qunaya on the night of Oct. 5-6. "We are not able to say where Father Hanna and his parishioners are now and, at this time, we have no possibility of contact with him or his captors," the Custody said.

The Franciscans have been present in Syria for 800 years, and established a presence in Qunaya in 1878.