



Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 19, 2014

TODAY: "Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God." Do you see what Jesus' seemingly slick and yet smart answer means? The Pharisees' had set up a false opposition between God and the secular. One or the other. But we live in both worlds at the same time. Truth is, God and Caesar are meant to co-exist. Human beings are created to be containers for God's presence right in the midst of the warring and secular world.*

Upcoming Dates:

Oct. 19 th -20 th	World Mission Sunday
Oct. 28 th	St. Colman's Guild
Nov. 2 nd	The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls)
Nov. 5 th	St. Elizabeth's Guild meeting 1pm in St. Hubert's Hall
Nov. 9 th	Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome
Nov. 12 th	Finance Committee meeting 4pm in St. Hubert's Hall
Dec. 12	Our Lady of Guadalupe—Mass @ 6pm
Dec. 13 th	Parish Christmas Dinner 6pm in St. Hubert's Hall
Dec, 25 th	Christmas Day Mass @ 10am

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, Chuck Lee.

Offerings:	St. Elizabeth:	\$ 951
10/11 & 10/12	St. Catherine:	\$ 424
	St. Colman:	\$ 196
TOTAL		\$1,571

Thank You for your generosity!

Readings for the week of October 19, 2014

Sunday:	Is 45:1,4-6/Ps 96:1,3-5,7-10/1 Thes 1:1-5/Mt 22:15-21
Monday:	Eph 2:1-10/Ps 100:1-5/Lk 12:13-21
Tuesday:	Eph 2:12-22/Ps 85:9-14/Lk 12:35-38
Wednesday:	Eph 3:2-12/(Ps) Is 12:2-6/Lk 12:39-48
Thursday:	Eph 3:14-21/Ps 33:1-2,4-5,11-12,18-19/Lk 12:49-53
Friday:	Eph 4:1-6/Ps 24:1-6/Lk 12:54-59
Saturday:	Eph 4:7-16/Ps 122:1-5/Lk 13:1-9
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Sunday:	Ex 22:20-26/Ps 18:2-4,47,51/1 Thes 1:5-10/ Mt 22:34-40

Mass Intentions:

10/18 4pm Vince & Mike, requested by Fr. Luis	10/25 5pm St. Elizabeth's Guild for Living & Deceased Members
10/18 5pm Hector & Doris Stephen, requested by Beverley Donnellan	11/1 5pm Myrtze Boyle, requested by Beverly 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 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. 13th at 6:00 PM cocktails and dinner at 6:30. Chefs Joe Torres and Rich Busalacchi are preparing delicious Roast Beef Dinners served free of charge but RSVPs are required. Call Francine Korn at 869-9341 by Dec. 7th to 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.

SECOND COLLECTION THIS 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.

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/29OrdA101914/reflections_foley.html

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

Pastor's Desk

There is an ancient legend, about a tyrannical, all powerful king who was able to work his will on his subjects in all things. All things except one: he was unable to destroy their belief in God. So he summoned his three wisest advisors and asked them, "Where can I hide the people's God so they will not be able to find Him?" Said the first wise man: "Hide their God beyond the farthest star; there they will not be able to find him." Said the second wise man, "Not so! Someday these people will learn to fly beyond the stars, and then they will find their God. Rather hide Him on the floor of the sea." Said the third wise man, "Not so! One day these people will learn to travel to the bottom of the deepest ocean and then they will find their God. Rather, **hide him in the everyday lives of the people**; there no one will find Him!"

Of course God has no hiding place on earth. All the lands are God's--all the skies, all the waters, are God's--all the animals are God's. And all the people are God's--the proud and the humble; the rich and the poor; the hypocrites and the faithful; the Kings and the subjects, without distinction.

Back in the 90's, Dennis Byrd, then a twenty-something defensive lineman for the New York Jets, suffered a career ending injury to his spine. But deep within he continued to see himself as the focus of God's loving care, even though, externally, he no longer possessed the attributes that had once brought him fame and wealth. In his autobiography, "Rise and Walk," Byrd writes: ***"That's the miracle! That is the magic! It's knowing that all of life is a blessing, that the Lord is with us even if we falter. He is with us even if we fail. He is with us when we break, and He can make us whole. I've always believed that. And I always will."***

You don't have to be a professional athlete to relate to Mr. Byrd's story. We all falter. We all fail. And we all break. And as a Christian community we should be ever-mindful that the Lord is with us at those times--especially at those times--to pick up the pieces and make us whole again.

As a people of faith, may we rejoice together as we say, "We've always believed that, and we always will."

PEACE AND BLESSINGS!

Fr. Luis

A Little Humor:

A Letter to God, from the Dog

Dear God: Is it on purpose our names are the same, only reversed?

Dear God: Why do humans smell the flowers, but seldom, if ever, smell one another?

Dear God: When we get to heaven, can we sit on your couch? Or is it still the same old story?

Dear God: We Dogs can understand human verbal instructions, hand signals, whistles, horns, clickers, beepers, scent ID's, electromagnetic energy fields, and Frisbee flight paths. What do humans understand?

Dear God: Are there mailmen in heaven? If there are, will I have to apologize?

OOPS! We inadvertently left off two names of helpers to thank for their tireless service at St. Elizabeth's Rummage Sale two weeks ago—Maria Burkett and Sharilyn Parmeter. A huge "Thank You" to both of you!

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR

You are welcome to attend a *Life in the Spirit Seminar* at St. Elizabeth Seton's Parish Hall, 4594 Snyder Lane, Rohnert Park, Saturday, October 25th, 8:30 AM to 4 PM.

Those who attend *Life in the Spirit Seminars*:

- Begin, renew, or deepen a personal relationship with Jesus.
- Grow in their appreciation of Holy Eucharist and Reconciliation
- Deepen their Prayer Life.
- Increase their study of Holy Scriptures.
- Attain a better understanding of the Gifts of the Holy Spirit.

Registration begins at 8:30 AM; praise and worship at 8:45; first talk at 9:00. Members of the Christ the King, People of Praise Prayer Group, will host and present the seminar. Free will offering. Pre-registration is not necessary. Brown bag lunch. For more information call 328-1193.

Liturgical Music Corner, by our music director, Rebecca Brown

I have been asked to write up some thoughts on each Sunday's music, song selections, and composers, so I thought I'd start here. As you know, our main objective is to bring people to a more profound and deeper relationship with Jesus Christ through our lives, and especially through our music. Vatican II states that: "Liturgy is the life-blood of the parish", and that our goal is to bring people to a "full, active and conscious participation" in the liturgy. When we sing, we pray twice! as St. Augustine says. That is why we practice the songs with the people, encouraging them to sing and participate. We want our music to be beautiful, yes, because beauty glorifies God. But there is no more beautiful sound than the sound of a congregation with voices raised in praise of God. Let us pray that our music would be a blessing to the congregation who gathers for Sunday worship. Continue to invite your friends and neighbors to Mass!

Oct. 18 and 19, 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The scripture readings for today speak of the greatness and majesty of God: "I am the Lord and there is no other...", "for great is the Lord and highly to be praised, awesome is he beyond all gods". Our gospel today reminds us that, although we are to obey the laws of the land, our first allegiance is to God. When we do this, we are "lights to the world", as our Gospel Acclamation for today states: "shine like lights in the world as you hold on to the word of life".

NEW MISSALS:

Coming with the new Liturgical Year we will be using new hymnals/missals. We will be using the Breaking Bread missal, which gives you full Lectionary readings for Sundays and holy days throughout the year, daily Mass propers and more than 850 songs for worshippers. If you'd like to check out the new missals go to:

<http://www.ocp.org/products/BD-P#tab:description>