



July 8, 2018 Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

UPCOMING DATES

Wed July 18, Finance Committee Meeting 4 PM
Wed Aug 1, St. Elizabeth Guild Meeting 1 PM
Sun Aug 19, Summer picnic @Highland Dell 1 PM
Tues Aug 28, St. Colman Guild Meeting 12 PM

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat. 4 pm: Barbara Stephen's birthday requested by Linda Greco
Sat. 5 pm: Lucia Flaherty⁺ requested by Eleanor Gerigk
Sun. 9 am: Lucy Flaherty⁺ requested by Francine Korn
Sun. 11 am: Bette Campbell⁺
Tues. 9 am: Lucia Flaherty⁺ requested by Eleanor Gerigk
Wed-Fri. 9 am: Bob Thule and Susi Schaffert

PRAY FOR OUR BROTHERS & SISTERS

Who are ill or in pain: Robert Cebalo, Keith Poulsen, Kathleen Sheridan, Sister Gabrielle, Virginia Loosli, David Cross, Helen Johnson, Billy Henthorn, Steve Arcia, Jim & Mary Crowther, Lorelie Fulwider, Fr. Andrew Metcalf, JoAnn Coules, Dinah Smith, Lorna Marie Hastings, Laverne Jones, Joanne & Bill Rodgers, John Breig, Linda Schmidt, Michell Jackson, Degi Milko, Jim Ward, Nini Sanchez, Jacqueline Donovan, Art McNulty, Terry Devlin, Kathy Cissell, Mary Hall Smith, Stan Moorman, Maggie Nelson, Stella Dunne, George Ayoob, Nina Cantacessi, John Hoffman, Mary Tamargo, Don La Plante, Sarah & David, Ed Fulwider, Vicki Gonzalez, Jesus Chavez Torres.

Who have been called to Eternal Life: Helen Leseberg, Bette Campbell, Margaret Maher, Carole Williams, Fr. Philip Ryan, Joseph Kobler, Rebecca Jane Ruiz, Janine Bekker Carrig, Margie Sanchez, Glenna Enorme Schutz, Matthew Gonzalez, Billy Ferree, Tom King, Tom Kelly, Axel Avera, Victor Theander, John Sanchez, Don Covello.

PARISH DONATIONS

No information at this time.

READINGS

Ez 2: 2-5
Ps 123: 1-2. 2. 3-4
2 Cor 12: 7-10
Mk 6: 1-6

LITURGICAL MUSIC CORNER

by our Music Director, Rebecca Brown

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Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches the ends of the earth. (Entrance Antiphon)

Processional Hymn: Ps. 145: I Will Lift Up Your Name ss
Gloria in excelsis Deo, gloria, gloria!
Gloria in excelsis Deo, et in terra, terra pax.
Psalm 123: Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy.

Preparation of Gifts: Here I Am, Lord BB # 379
Communion: 10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord) BB # 560
Recessional: Sent Forth By God's Blessing BB # 388
BB: Breaking Bread Hymnal SS: Song sheet

Today's hymns highlight the themes found in today's readings: praise, mercy, perseverance in trials, and the call of the prophet to go out and spread the good news!
Thank you for your generosity to our church and to our choir to help us cover ongoing expenses! God bless you!

PASTOR'S DESK

Several years ago, at a high school commencement exercise in Washington, D.C., one of the *senior girls* delivered a closing prayer which she had written. The young woman began to read her prayer at that time when the attendee's thoughts were turning to the parking lot. But, as the prayer unfolded, the confusion and the shifting at the edge of the crowd quickly subsided and a miraculous silence settled over the arena. It lasted until the last word of the prayer was uttered. Here is a portion of that prayer:

Dear God, grant us one thing before we leave the sheltered reassurance of our childhood. Show us life. Not an empty, shallow world of shallow people and shallow dreams, but

real life. For we have known the bliss of childhood as well as the passion of adolescence. We have heard the cry of babies, and we have seen the fear of death on a soldier's face. We want to change the world, but we don't know how. We want to throw our arms around our brothers but our hands cannot reach. We want to break the bonds of conformity that tie us to the ground, but we need more strength. Dear God, smile on us when we drink from the waters of truth. And, when we are old, reassure us that our struggle helped to make this planet a world of peace, compassion and wisdom. And please don't let us die without ever having lived!

I dare say, those are the **words of a young lady filled with a wisdom** that is beyond her years. And yet, Jesus is telling us that there is a Wisdom that extends far beyond our human understanding. Not a shallow, superficial kind of understanding, rather a wisdom which proceeds from the combined resources of heart and soul, body and mind. And the Source of all Wisdom is, of course, God Himself.

The ancient *Greek Philosopher, Socrates*, taught that when a person acquires true wisdom, he or she instinctively will begin living a more frugal life than before. For his own part, Socrates never wore shoes. Even so, he was fascinated by the marketplace and often went there barefooted just to look at all the stuff on display. An old friend who had often wondered about this, finally asked him to explain: "Why do you, a notoriously frugal man, spend so much time in the marketplace?" To which Socrates replied, "I love to go there and discover how many things I am perfectly happy without."

To discover the **meaning of life**, the Bible tells us, we must *be in touch with God, without whom we can never be truly happy*. We must love the Lord our God with our whole heart, our whole soul, our whole mind. And we pursue Wisdom only to the extent that we are in touch with God on this level of our whole being, our whole personhood. In other words, in our pursuit of God, we are perfectly happy within!

The great liberator, Mohandis K. Gandhi, was known to evolve in his thinking about the important topics of the day. One of his close associates once asked him how he could freely and publicly seem to contradict this week something he was talking about just the week before. Gandhi replied, **"Because this week I know better." In any week, to know that we don't know it all is a true measure of wisdom.**

This week we gather together in Jesus' Name to freely and publicly acknowledge our ongoing need "to know better." This week we gather together in Jesus' Name to acknowledge our ongoing need to grow into the kind of merciful, compassionate, and forgiving persons God created us to be. This week, and all the weeks of your life, you can experience peace of mind and heart and soul to the extent that you recognize the Wisdom of the Lord Jesus in your midst — listen to Him, and follow Him!
Peace and Blessings!
Fr. Luis

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The very beautiful flowers planted below the outdoor church altar are thanks to **Jim Breaux and Larry Love**. We are grateful to **Susan Poirier** for the lovely altar bouquet.

A big thanks to the outdoor church clean up crew: **Jim Rossi, Jose Robles, Matt Poirier, Devon, Jeannine Rossi, Brian Britton, Larry Love, and Gail**. Our appreciation to **Larry Poirier** who helped clean up the outdoor church and also provided the electrical hookup for mass.

Providing energy for our workers, the Guild supplied great sandwiches and water. The Guild also provided the coffee, fruit juice and delicious treats after mass last Sunday.

Thanks to all!

St. Elizabeth's On-line Donations & Memorial Plaque Sales

Our website, www.rrchurches.com, now offers the convenience of on-line donations for those of you who are not always in town but would like to continue your support of the parish. Our e-commerce vendor is PayPal which accepts credit cards as well as PayPal account transactions. If you have a PayPal account, you can schedule recurring donations. In addition, you may purchase the Memorial Plaques for the Summer Church on-line, which benefit the improvement of the Summer or Outdoor Church. The broken and deteriorated pews have been replaced and a new storage shed is under construction. Thank you for your continued support of St. Elizabeth and the Mission Churches of St. Catherine of Siena and St. Colman.

There will be no Guild meeting in July due to holiday so we can enjoy our families.

The 107th Monte Rio Variety Show is Thursday, July 26 2018.

This fund raising event averages between \$10,000 - \$20,000 each for our Church, local School and Fire Dept. You and your family will enjoy a fireman's BBQ, Hot Dogs and Popcorn, a great desert bar offerings by our School Volunteers and a fantastic wine and beer selections, all at very reasonable pricing. Relax with our local talented entertainers beginning at 6:30 PM and our main event beginning at 8:00 PM with world class entertainment. This show is produced by local volunteers and we are always looking for new people to make this show the success it has been for 107 continuous year. Be part of the fun, volunteer you time - contact Michele McDonell at 707-486-1739 or send us a message at: info@monterioshow.org. Visit www.monterioshow.org.

St. Colman's Guild will host the Annual Salad Luncheon at the Cazadero Firehouse on July 28.

The luncheon commences at noon, however we suggest you arrive early to view the silent auction items. As in the past there will be over 30 salad selections, home-crafted desserts by the table hosts, Iced Tea, coffee and complementary wine. Men are encouraged to attend as this is a parish and community event. Purchase your tickets (\$16.62 -ticket and handling charge) online at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/cazadero-salad-luncheon-tickets-46425576148?aff=ebdsbdestsearch> Contact Susan Barich at susan@barichhomes.com if you would like to learn more about hosting a table of 10.

Our Summer picnic will be August 19th at 1 pm. at Highland Dell, menu will be announced later. Be sure to mark this on your calendar. We hope to see you there!

Is the Lord's work one of your heirs?

To be placed on our Sunday Bulletin email list, send your request to: ChurchElizabeth@comcast.net

The deadline for Bulletin submissions is Wednesday at 5pm. Submit them (proofread and spell-checked) via email or the following meetings at St. Hubert's Hall:

St. Elizabeth Guild Meeting (1st Wednesday at 1 pm)
Finance Committee Meeting (3rd Wednesday at 4 pm)
St. Colman Guild Meeting (4th Tuesday at 12 pm)