



August 12, 2018 Nineteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

UPCOMING DATES

Wed Aug 15, Finance Committee Meeting 4 PM
Sun Aug 19, Summer picnic @Highland Dell 1 PM
Tues Aug 28, St. Colman Guild Meeting 12 PM
Wed Sept 5, St. Elizabeth Guild Meeting 1 PM

PRAY FOR OUR BROTHERS & SISTERS

Who are ill or in pain: Posie, William Donnellan, Ernest Souder, Robert Cebalo, 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: Keith Poulsen, Doris Porras, Helen Leseberg, Bette Campbell, Margaret Maher, Carole Williams, Fr. Philip Ryan, Joseph Kobler, Rebecca Jane Ruiz, Janine Bekker Carrig, Margie Sanchez, Matthew Gonzalez, Billy Ferree, Tom King, Tom Kelly, Axel Avera, Victor Theander, John Sanchez, Don Covello.

PARISH DONATIONS

Period reflected: Aug. 4 – Aug. 5

St. Elizabeth 1 st collection	\$1,242.00
St. Elizabeth 2 nd collection	\$541.00
St. Catherine 1 st collection	\$165.00
St. Catherine 2 nd collection	\$53.00
St. Colman 1 st collection	\$419.00
St. Colman 2 nd collection	\$284.00
<i>Thank you for your generosity!</i>	\$2,704.00

Does your will include your gift to God?

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:

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat. 4 pm: John, Catherine and Elfie May Marshall, Sidney, Margaret & Paul Harvey requested by Bruce & Ingrid Harvey

Sat. 5 pm: Suzi Schaffert, Bob Thule⁺

Sun. 9 am: Betty Campbell⁺ requested by the Guild

Sun. 11 am: Nora Kateri Gluch [baptism]

Tues-Fri. 9 am: Bob Thul⁺, Suzi Schaffert⁺

READINGS

1 Kgs 19: 4-8

Ps 34: 2-3. 4-5. 6-7. 8-9

Eph 4: 30 – 5: 2

Jn 6: 41-51

LITURGICAL MUSIC CORNER

by our Music Director, Rebecca Brown

August 12: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven, says the Lord: whoever eats this bread will live forever."
(Gospel Acclamation)

Processional Hymn: Our God is Here BB # 305

Gloria in excelsis Deo, gloria, gloria!

Gloria in excelsis Deo, et in terra, terra pax.

Psalm 34: Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

Preparation of Gifts: Strength For the Journey ss

Communion: The Supper of the Lord BB # 354

Recessional: Let All Things Now Living BB # 588

BB: Breaking Bread Hymnal SS: Song sheet

In our first reading, Elijah was strengthened by the food from heaven. In our Gospel today, Jesus explains that He Himself is the true bread from heaven. I remember attending Benediction as a child and hearing the beautiful chant (which is today's Communion Antiphon): "You have given us bread from heaven, having all sweetness within it".

PASTOR'S DESK

Last Tuesday night *Suzi Schaffert* passed away from her struggle of cancer, most of you knew her she's been with Monte Rio community for a long time. Please, remember her and also remember Don the husband in your prayer as he deal with the death of his wife. Death is a reality that all of us have to deal with even though we know that someday we will face death. Our faith tells us that death is not an end but a transformation to another phase of life.

Indeed, all of life is a process. As Christians, it is the process of becoming the uniquely beautiful persons God created us to be. In today's Gospel Lesson, Jesus preaches a message of hope for those in the prime of life -- and those nearing the end. He tells us about the certainty of immortality and the hereafter. He opens up the assurance of eternal life to anyone who believes in Him. He sums up every last one of our hopes and aspirations for eternal fulfillment by identifying them with His Person: "I am the bread of life ... this is the bread that comes down from heaven so that a man may eat it and not die. I am the living bread which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats this bread will live forever" (Jn.6:48,50-51).

In her landmark work entitled "**On Death and Dying**," author *Elisabeth Kubler Ross* traces five distinct stages persons with terminal illness experience when facing death.

First comes a period of denial -- the inability to accept the fact of death. A "No, it can't be true" attitude. **Second** is a **period of anger**: The "Why me?" phase. The **third** is a **period of bargaining**. A promise to do something in exchange for an extension of time. **Fourth** is the inevitable **time of depression** from which is hard to escape. **And finally, the stage of acceptance and resignation**. Of course, terminal illness is a relative matter, for death is what we are all facing. From the time we leave our mother's womb we all begin to die.

In today's Gospel Lesson, Jesus is taking us beyond those five stages of death and into a sixth stage. Already, we know that the fact of death lies before us and that no amount of anger or bargaining, no fit of depression will alter the truth. And by our acceptance of death as a fact of life, we open ourselves up to Jesus' interpretation of life in the face of death. By the Grace of God, our natural attitudes toward death are *super-naturalized*. Jesus eclipses "The Grim Reaper." As Jesus tells us in today's lesson, "**Let Me firmly assure you, he who believes has eternal life**" (Jn. 6:47).

Peace and blessings!

Fr. Luis

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Just a reminder we have a sign- up sheet at every mass today and it is imperative that I need to have the count of how many people will be attending on August 19th Sunday at 1 pm. This year we are having it at **Highland Dell** in Monte Rio, direction will be in the bulletin. **The count is due by August 14, 2018 Tuesday**, because the restaurant has to buy the ingredient. We are not selling tickets during the picnic. So, again, sign up is due August 14th 2018 Tuesday and after that I can't accept anymore NAMES.

Our picnic is August 19th at Highland Dell, sign up will be next week. The Menus are BBQ Chicken and Ribs, with roasted vegetable & fresh salad. There are also appetizers while you wait till I arrive after my 11 a.m. mass at Cazadero. It is an open bar so you can start happy hour early but remember never overindulge.

Would you benefit from the use of a chair lift installed at the stairs in front of St. Elizabeth church?

Please let us know at ChurchElizabeth@comcast.net or call the office at (707) 869-2107

Due to our parish picnic Sunday Aug. 19th, there will not be our fellowship treats gathering after mass. This will enable us all to arrive at the picnic ready to devour chicken or ribs.

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.