



# September 23, 2018 Twenty-Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time

## UPCOMING DATES

Tues Sept 25, St. Colman Guild Meeting 12 PM  
Wed Oct 3, St. Elizabeth Guild Meeting 1 PM  
Wed Oct 17, Finance Committee Meeting 4 PM

## PRAY FOR OUR BROTHERS & SISTERS

**Who are ill or in pain:** Andrew Cebalo, Joe Mercieca, Nina Cantacessi, 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, 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:** Suzi Schaffert, Janet Guidotti, 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: Sept 15 – Sept 16

St. Elizabeth 1 <sup>st</sup> collection	\$1,136.00
St. Elizabeth 2 <sup>nd</sup> collection	\$330.00
St. Catherine 1 <sup>st</sup> collection	\$168.00
St. Catherine 2 <sup>nd</sup> collection	\$47.00
St. Colman 1 <sup>st</sup> collection	\$104.00
St. Colman 2 <sup>nd</sup> collection	\$125.00

Thank you for your generosity! \$1,910.00

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Sat 4 pm:** Susie Schaffert<sup>+</sup>  
**Sat 5 pm:** Nina Castacesi [health] req. by Irene Deem  
**Sun 9 am:** Susie Schaffert<sup>+</sup> requested by Pat & family  
**Sun 11 am:** Emilio [health]  
**Wed 9 am:** George Ayoob [health]  
**Fri 9 am:** Bart Manick<sup>+</sup> requested by Francine Korn

## READINGS

Wis 2: 12. 17-20  
Ps 54: 3-4. 5. 6-8  
Jas 3: 16 – 4: 3  
Mk 9: 30-37

## LITURGICAL MUSIC CORNER

by our Music Director, Rebecca Brown

## **Sept. 23: 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*"I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. Should they cry to me in any distress, I will hear them, and I will be their Lord forever."* (Entrance antiphon)

Processional Hymn: Alleluia, Sing to Jesus BB # 732

Gloria in excelsis Deo, gloria, gloria!

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

Psalm 54: The Lord upholds my life/

Preparation of Gifts: Ps 138: On the Day I Called BB #814

Communion: Blest Are They BB # 629

Recessional: We Are Called BB # 617

BB: Breaking Bread Hymnal SS: Song sheet

*I have always loved children. In first-century Palestine, children were without status, having no legal rights. Using the child as an example, Jesus teaches us that in serving the least among us, we serve Jesus himself. "We are called to act with justice, to love tenderly, to serve one another". God bless you!*

## PASTOR'S DESK

There is an amusing little story about a woman who had been trying for years to persuade her egotistical husband to put an end to that kind of talk. This man was obsessed with the number "One." He never stopped talking about being first in sales at the office, first on the list for the next promotion. He enjoyed playing tennis and golf, but only when he won. He had to be first in line to buy tickets for a game and first to hit the parking lot after the event. (Does he sound like anyone you know? Or, could it be that he sounds like you?) In any case, this man's long-suffering wife watched with interest one day when he stepped on one of those fortune-telling scales. He dropped a coin in the slot and out came a little "Fortune-telling" card which read:

You are a born leader, with superior intelligence, quick wit and a charming manner.

"Read that!" the man said to his wife triumphantly. She did. Then she turned the card over and said, "It has your weight wrong too!"

"If anyone wants to be first, he must make himself last of all and servant of all." If we come to Church only to acknowledge before one another that we've been doing our best to do God's Will, it may be a sign that we're members of the "Number One Club." When we begin to congratulate ourselves on being "good Christians," it is a sure sign that we should be doing better. When we begin to think that we've done enough in our ministry for Christ, it is a sure sign that we haven't been doing anything at all.

As followers of Christ, we should be living signs of God's loving presence in this world of ours. And, through the life and death and resurrection of the Lord Jesus, each of us has been given the freedom and the power to grow into the spiritually beautiful person God wants us to be. But our spiritual beauty is enhanced only to the extent that we exercise our freedom and power to love one another and to serve one another and to see one another as uniquely beautiful human persons.

There is a kind of earthly happiness that gives us a glimpse of our eternal fulfillment. Whether or not we catch that glimpse depends on our choice of life-goals. If we regard such things as financial security and being "Number One" as ends in themselves -- as ultimate life-goals -- then our vision of true happiness is unreal. If, on the other hand, the Will of God is our first priority, we can't help but catch our human glimpse of the Divine Life.

*The Christian does not measure her or his "greatness" according to anything else but her or his degree of service. The Christian is great insofar as she or he is a servant.*

Peace and Blessings!

Fr. Luis

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our outdoor church masses are over for the season. Many people were involved to make this happen. First, a huge thank you to **Fr. Luis** who has led us in this endeavor, and he's been helped every Sunday by **Carlos Gonzales**, **Jose Robles** and **Chris Diner** who haul down all the essentials required to hold mass and then return them up the hill after mass. **Jim Rossi** replaced pews and then built the shed (easing the burden of hauling chairs, etc. weekly). **Larry Love** and **Jim Breaus** planted the beautiful flowers beneath the altar, hauling water for them several times a week, and they also have been working weekly cleaning the brush. **Susan Poirier** provided the beautiful bouquets from her garden each week. **Larry Poirier** has overseen opening of the church, clearing the area, and making repairs as needed. **Danny Demers** has arranged trash cleanup each week after mass. The choir has been beautiful - so lovely to hear the music in such a lovely setting. Our regular Eucharistic ministers - **Barbara**, **Larry**, **Gail** and **Patty** and our ushers **Mary**, **Chris**, **Larry**, our bulletin editor **Matthew Poirier**, and **Gail**. Thanks to **Linda's** weekly pep talks, our pew plaques are many and should be installed by next summer! Our weekly fellowship gathering thanks to **Irene Deem** - breakfast chef extraordinaire and her team made sure we were well fed after mass. Love your salmon sandwiches, Irene! **The Guild** supplied treats and coffee after the Independence Day and Labor Day holidays. Additionally, many people step up as the need arises and sometimes we don't remember names. Name tags and pew plaques?

**Thank you everyone for all you do!**

**See you up the stairs at the indoor church!**

**Want a tool to build a joyful marriage?** Join engaged and married couples in learning natural family planning. Fall classes begin October 20, 2018 in Santa Rosa. For more information and/or registration visit [www.ccli.org](http://www.ccli.org) or call (707) 542-3635.

**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](mailto:ChurchElizabeth@comcast.net) or call the office at (707) 869-2107

## **Have you remembered the St. Elizabeth church in your will?**

**To be placed on our Sunday Bulletin email list, send your request to: [ChurchElizabeth@comcast.net](mailto: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)**