



May 19, 2019 Fifth Sunday of Easter

UPCOMING DATES

May 18-19, Lake County Passion Play 4 PM
 Tues May 28, St. Colman Guild Meeting 4 PM
 Jun 1-2, St. Elizabeth Guild Rummage Sale
 Wed June 5, St. Elizabeth Guild Meeting 1 PM
 Wed June 19, Finance Committee Meeting 4 PM

READINGS

Acts 14: 21-27
 Ps 145: 8-9. 10-11. 12-13
 Rv 21: 1-5a
 Jn 13: 31-33a.34-35

PRAY FOR OUR BROTHERS & SISTERS

Who are ill or in pain: Charlotte & Neil Berry, Jim Rossi, Raul & Iris Bisbal, Frank Falero, Guillermina Hernandez, Despo Pullaro, Gabe & Renee Snodgrass, Thomas Gregory, Paul Aguilera, Nini Johnston, Don Creech, Nilda Falero, Don Schaffert, Claudette West, Alan Barich, Ed Copeland, Andrew Cebalo, 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, Jim Ward, Nini Sanchez, Jacqueline Donovan, Art McNulty, Terry Devlin, Mary Hall Smith, Stan Moorman, Maggie Nelson, Stella Dunne, 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: Dana Couey-Harmon, Allo Castano, Cecilia Heinz, Lawrence Peterson, Evelyn Shuster, John Seymour, George Ayoob, Charlie Marbach, Joe Mercieca, Elaine Benson, Suzi Schaffert, Janet Guidotti, Doris Porras, Helen Leseberg, Bette Campbell, Margaret Maher, Carole Williams, Fr. Philip Ryan, Joseph Kobler, Janine Bekker Carrig, Matthew Gonzalez, Billy Ferree, Tom King, Tom Kelly, Axel Avera, Victor Theander, John Sanchez

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 4 pm: All parishioners
Sat 5 pm: Lucille Busalacchi⁺ req by Eleanor Gerigk, Anne Cebalo req by Linda Payne
Sun 9 am: Ester Lee Jane Vano⁺
Sun 11 am: Aster Rabadon Vano⁺
Tues 9 am: Aster Rabadon Vano⁺

LITURGICAL MUSIC CORNER

by our Music Director, Rebecca Brown

"I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord. Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty, alleluia."

Processional Hymn: The Day of Resurrection BB # 178
 Gloria in excelsis Deo, gloria, gloria!
 Gloria in excelsis Deo, et in terra, terra pax.
 Psalm 145: *I will praise your name forever, my king and my God.*

Preparation of Gifts: Hallelujah is Our Song BB # 171
 Communion: Vine and Branches BB # 354
 Recessional: City of God BB # 385
 BB: Breaking Bread Hymnal

We are introducing a new song today: "Hallelujah is Our Song" written by Sarah Hart, whom some of us had the pleasure of meeting when she visited our diocese a couple of years ago. It is a resurrection song, truly fitting for the Easter season and the readings for today.

PARISH DONATIONS

Period reflected: May 11 – May 12

St. Elizabeth 1 st collection	\$1,214.00
St. Elizabeth 2 nd collection	\$283.00
St. Catherine 1 st collection	\$158.00
St. Catherine 2 nd collection	\$188.00
St. Colman 1 st collection	\$90.00
St. Colman 2 nd collection	\$132.00
<i>Thank you for your generosity!</i>	\$2,065.00

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)

PASTOR'S DESK

One day a man was driving down a country road when he noticed a chicken running ahead of him. He glanced at his speedometer and couldn't believe his eyes: he was topping 50 miles-per-hour; and the chicken was outrunning the car! The man increased his speed to 60, then 70 miles-per-hour and still the chicken was increasing its lead. Suddenly, the bird made a right turn onto a small farm and disappeared behind a small chicken coop. Amazed by the chicken's performance, the driver pulled over and walked to the farmhouse door. When the owner appeared, the man asked excitedly, "Sir, do you know that chicken of yours can run over seventy miles an hour?" The farmer chuckled, "Oh you must mean our three-legged chicken. Yep, he sure is fast. You see, I live here with my wife and son and when it comes to eating chicken we all love drumsticks. So, we decided to breed three-legged chickens."

"That's amazing," the visitor said. "How did that turn out? Does a three-legged chicken taste good?" With a sigh of disappointment, the farmer replied, "I don't know. We haven't caught one yet."

That three-legged chicken is wonderfully symbolic of the pursuit of happiness in today's world. If, in your quest for happiness, you are pursuing anything other than a richer, deeper, fuller union with God, then whatever it is you are after is your three-legged chicken. And you'll never catch it.

Indeed, our three-legged chickens come in many forms. It may be money. Or it may be something we call "security." Or it may be work. We all have our list. Most often, the problem with our three-legged chickens is not that they are evil in themselves or that they were not meant to be enjoyed. The question arises when we take them out of their proper context; when we devote our life to them; when we assign to them the number one priority in our life. For example, there is no escaping the reality that a parent whose priority is the pursuit of money, is hurting his or her family, no matter the size of the paycheck.

In today's super-materialistic world, there exists a devilish attitude and approach to money and possessions that may be pulling more people away from God than any other single cause. In our super-materialistic world, fulfillment means having lots of money. But there's a better way.

Again, in today's Gospel Lesson, Jesus says to Simon Peter, "A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another, even as I have loved you, that you also love

one another. By this all men will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another."

What can we tell ourselves about what we have within us, deep down at the center of our being? What is Priority Number One? Is it money? Is it possessions? Is it exploiting other persons for our self-interest? No!

Happy are they whose Number One Priority is to keep God at the center of their lives and to keep doing His Will.

Peace and Blessings!
 Fr. Luis

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Catholic Cemeteries wishes to extend an invitation to join in the celebration of Memorial Day Mass on Monday, May 27th. This occasion will join us in prayer for those who have died in war that we might live in peace, and for all who are interred in our cemeteries. *10 AM Mass will be held at the following cemeteries:* Calvary Cemetery in Santa Rosa 2930 Bennett Valley Rd Calvary Cemetery in Petaluma 304 Magnolia Avenue Holy Cross Cemetery in Saint Helena 2121 Spring Street

St Elizabeth's Guild will be holding it's annual Rummage Sale on Sat and Sun June 1st & 2nd. We will be accepting donations on Wed Tue May 28 12:00-3:00, Wed May 29 10-300, Thur May 30 10-3 and Fri May 31 10:00-1:00. When doing your Spring cleaning remember us with your gently used items. Any questions please call Francine at 869-9341 and on June 1st and 2nd please stop in to shop for that much needed item! See you there!

**108th MONTE RIO VARIETY SHOW
 SAVE THE DATE: JULY 25, 2019**

Our event supports three beneficiaries - St Catherine of Siena Catholic Church, Monte Rio School Foundation, and the Monte Rio Fire Services Foundation.

Now's the time to plan your fabulous evening with world class music, comedy, and great entertainment surrounded by magnificent redwood trees in the heart of Monte Rio Vacation Wonderland. Plan your July vacation now. Buy your tickets today to enjoy an amazing Show on Thursday, July 25, 2019!

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