



# July 21, 2019 Sixteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

## UPCOMING DATES

**Tues July 23, 4pm:** St. Colman Guild Meeting  
**Thurs July 25:** 108<sup>th</sup> Annual Monte Rio Variety Show  
**Wed August 7, 1pm:** St. Elizabeth Guild Meeting  
**Sat August 17:** The MacKenzie Classic  
**Wed August 21, 4pm:** Finance Committee Meeting

## READINGS

Gn 18: 1-10a  
 Ps 15: 2-3, 3-4, 5  
 Col 1: 24-28  
 Lk 10: 38-42

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Sat 4 pm:** Dorothy Maceira [health]  
**Sat 5 pm:** Mike Hogan & Irene Deem [intention]  
**Sun 9 am:** Laurie & Pat Macaffrey<sup>+</sup>, K.C. Bedsoe<sup>+</sup>  
**Sun 11 am:** All parishioners  
**Tues-Fri 9am:** Laure & Pat Macaffrey<sup>+</sup>, K.C. Bedsoe<sup>+</sup>

## PRAY FOR OUR BROTHERS & SISTERS

**Who are ill or in pain:** Mike Hogan, Hernan Enrique Caceres, Veronica Natalia Chavez, Maria Sol Montel, Veronica Rodriguez, Luz Alejandra Bringas, Carolina Silvia Brizuela Perez, Rodolfo Martin Arruabarrena, Dorothy Maceira, Jack Burger, 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

**Who have been called to Eternal Life:** Susan Manick Dodge, 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

## Does your will include your gift to God?

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:

## LITURGICAL MUSIC CORNER

by our Music Director, Rebecca Brown  
*"I will sacrifice to you with a willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good."* (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 15: He who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord*  
 Preparation of Gifts: Speak Lord BB # 592  
 Communion: In Christ Alone BB # 405  
 Recessional: O Bless the Lord BB # 559  
 BB: Breaking Bread Hymnal SS: Song sheet

## PASTOR'S DESK

In today's Gospel Lesson, Luke tells us that "Jesus entered a village where a woman named Martha welcomed Him to her home. She had a sister named Mary who sat down at the Lord's feet and listened to Him speaking" (Lk. 10:39). Meanwhile, Martha was "distracted with all the serving" (Lk. 10:40). Here is the picture, then: Mary was sitting at Jesus' feet, intent on hearing everything this very special Guest had to say; Martha was busy fussing and fixing and straightening and preparing and, consequently, heard nothing Jesus was saying. And Martha left no doubt about her opinion on whether her activity or Mary's should have taken first priority. She took her case to Jesus, saying, "Lord, do you not care that my sister is leaving me to do all the serving by myself? Please tell her to help me" (Lk. 10:40). And it must have been a bit of a shock to Martha when she heard Jesus' answer:

"Martha, Martha, you worry and fret about so many things, and yet few are needed, indeed only one. It is Mary who has chosen the better part" (Lk. 10:41-42).

Mary had chosen to listen! The Martha and Mary story makes an important point for those of us who "worry and fret about so many things"... We get so involved in what we are doing that often we forget why we are doing it. We get so involved in our chosen lifestyle that often we forget why we are living. We get so involved in accumulating things money can buy that often we forget the things money can't buy.

In an ancient legend, a woman seeking perfection makes a long and difficult journey in search of an old man who was known as "The Wisest of the Wise." Finally, she arrives at his hermitage and asks the question that has been haunting her for years: "When

will I be able to see myself as perfect?" To which "The Wisest of the Wise" replies:

Think of yourself holding in your hand a delicate silk scarf. Then, gently begin brushing the scarf across the highest mountain peak in the world. When the brushing has completely worn away the mountain, begin doing the same to the next highest peak, then the next, and the next. And when all the mountains have been worn away, the question, "When will I be able to see myself as perfect will still be on your lips."

In today's Gospel Lesson, we are not being asked to see Mary, who is doing the right thing, as a model of perfection. And we are not being asked to judge Martha for her failure to sit at the Lord's feet. Rather, we are being asked to judge ourselves in this regard. Are we sitting at the Lord's feet? Are we listening? Peace and blessings!  
 Fr. Luis

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Thank you to the volunteers who helped at the Coffee Service last weekend after the 9:00 mass.** For many years now, the St. Elizabeth's Guild has provided the coffee service after the outdoor mass. Circumstances have changed and new volunteers will need to step forward if we wish to continue. The serving table is equipped with electricity for brewing coffee so you need only arrive 20 minutes early to set up. The more volunteers the better. Please consider bringing a sweet or savory and helping out. It's a great way to meet other parishioners and to provide hospitality to visitors and parishioners. Thank you!

**Pivotal Players**, Wednesday afternoons at 5:00pm at St. Hubert's Hall: Bishop Robert Barron's production Vol. 1 of the most influential figures in Church history. St. Francis of Assisi; St. Thomas Aquinas; St. Catherine of Siena; Bl. John Henry Newman; G.K. Chesterton; Michelangelo. Light Refreshments, RSVP: Irene Deem (707) 486-9683

**Join us for the 108th annual Monte Rio Variety Show on July 25, 2019!** Our Venue opens at 4:30 PM with a "no host" Fireman's BBQ, Wine & Beer concessions, and an incredible dessert bar. You can also enjoy old fashion Hot Dogs and Popcorn for sale throughout the evening. Our pre-show featuring local talent begins at 6:30 PM. The main show starts at 8:00 PM featuring world class entertainers.

[Update] Our raffle this year will support some improvements to St Catherine's windows and annual maintenance of the pathway and grounds. Tickets are \$5 each, or buy three (3) tickets for \$10 (save 33%), or buy eight (8) tickets for \$20 (save 50%). Our prizes are best in class, just like our show:

- Union Hotel Dinner for up to 10 persons
- Golfing at Bodega Bay Golf Links
- Golfing and Dinner package (with wine) at Northwood
- The Taste of Monte Rio (merchant gifts and certificates totaling over \$500)
- Voice Recording for your voicemail by Peter Segal of "Wait, Wait, Don't Tell Me!"

The Monte Rio Variety Show supports three beneficiaries - St Catherine of Siena Catholic Church, Monte Rio School Foundation, and the Monte Rio Fire Services Foundation. Purchase Tickets at: [www.brownpapertickets.com](http://www.brownpapertickets.com)  
 Please contact us: [info@monterioshow.org](mailto:info@monterioshow.org)  
 Visit Website at: [www.monterioshow.org](http://www.monterioshow.org)  
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**Santa Rosa Catholic Charities - Back to School Donations Needed!** On August 7<sup>th</sup>, backpacks and school supplies will be given out to our youth at our annual Catholic Charities Back to School Event. We are in need of various school supplies for students in grades K-12. We are collecting backpacks, 3 ring binders, dividers, pencils, pens, erasers, markers, crayons, colored pencils, glue sticks, scissors, highlighters, rulers, calculators, compasses and protractors. **Please drop off all items at our Family Support Center located at 465 A Street in Santa Rosa.** We have also created an Amazon Smile Charity Wish List that can be found by searching for AmazonSmile Charity Lists- Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Santa Rosa or using the link below – <https://smile.amazon.com/hz/charitylist/ls/189OWYDK7B4Z4>

**Join us for The MacKenzie Classic hosted at the Northwood Golf Course. Sat., Aug. 17. This fundraiser benefits St. Elizabeth Parish and St. Colman for much needed roof and foundation repairs.** Early Bird Special only \$175 includes green fee, cart and dinner. Price goes to \$200 after Aug. 5. Dinner only \$60. Pay online at [www.MacKenzieClassic.com](http://www.MacKenzieClassic.com) or make checks out to St. Elizabeth Church, mail to Irene Deem, 16750 Armstrong Woods Rd., Guerneville, CA 95446. 50% refund only, no refunds after Aug. 5. Questions? Call Irene 707-486-9683. Pray for our success!

## PARISH DONATIONS

Period reflected: July 13 – July 14

1 <sup>st</sup> Collection: general expenses/maint. & diocese		
	St. Elizabeth	\$1,375.00
	St. Catherine	\$351.00
	St. Colman	\$201.23
2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection: parish restoration & repair		
<i>About once a month, this is a special diocese collection.</i>		
<i>On 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday, this benefits the St. Vincent de Paul Society</i>		
	St. Elizabeth	\$267.00
	St. Catherine	\$298.00
	St. Colman	\$291.00

Thank you for your generosity! \$2,783.23

Please remember St. Elizabeth Parish in your estate planning, consider participating in [our Paypal Giving Fund](#), [Go Fund Me](#), and [our eBay for Charity](#).