



April 14, 2024 Third Sunday of Easter

Upcoming Dates

Apr 26 12:30 pm	Golf Tournament at Northwood
Apr 28 12:00 pm	St Colman Guild Meeting
May 5 10:30 am	Fr. Luis's 25th Anniversary of Ordination
May 15 4:00 pm	Finance Committee Meeting

Mass Intentions

Saturday 4:00 pm	Harry Leras Sr† <i>requested by Michele McDonnell</i>
Sunday 9:30 am	Jim Breslin† <i>requested by Bridget Breslin</i>

Readings

Acts 3: 13-15. 17-19
Ps 4: 2. 4. 7-8. 9 (7a)
1 Jn 2: 1-5a
Lk 24: 35-48

Pray For Our Brothers And Sisters

Who are ill or in pain: Erin Sammon & Family

Who have been called to Eternal Life: Maddie Nelson

Monthly Collection Total For March 2024

	Collection	Online	Total
St Elizabeth	\$7,279.00	\$2,863.00	\$10,142.00
St Catherine	\$1,724.00	\$1,472.00	\$3,196.00
St Colman	\$528.00	\$290.00	\$818.00
Monthly Total			\$14,156.00
Est. Monthly Expenses			\$22,000.00

Note: Monthly expenses are based upon last year's annual operating expenses on a monthly basis with an estimated amount included for building repairs and replacements.

For questions about future parish events, please contact Linda Payne at: (707) 953-9166 or cocomokidd@aol.com

Finance Committee Meeting	3 rd Wednesday*, 4 pm	St. Hubert Hall	* of February, May, August and November
St. Colman Guild Meeting	4 th Sunday, 12 pm	St. Colman	

Parish Donations

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Collection Period	1 st Collection	\$3,195.00
April 6-7	2 nd Collection	\$639.00
	<i>Thank you for your generosity!</i>	\$3,834.00

Announcements

Golf Tournament at Northwood

We are excited to announce the 5th year of our golf tournament! A great time is always guaranteed, just ask anyone who has attended in the past. You don't have to be a golfer; you can come join us after golf for dinner at Northwood Restaurant.

Date: Friday April 26th
Place: Northwood Golf Course and Restaurant

Sign in at 12:30pm.
Shotgun start at 2:00pm.
Dinner at 6:00pm.

Price: \$180.00 for green fee, golf cart and dinner or \$75.00 for dinner only. Sponsorships: \$200.00

For info or reservations contact Linda Payne (707) 953-9166
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Visit
<https://rrchurches.ejoinme.org/MyEvents/MacKenzieClassic2024/tabid/1426478/Default.aspx>

25th Anniversary of Fr. Luis's Ordination to the Priesthood

Come enjoy brunch to celebrate with Fr. Luis on May 5th at St Hubert Hall after the 9:30 am Mass. There will be no Mass at St Colman that day so Fr. Luis won't have to race off after the 9:30 am Mass. There is no charge for brunch so please everyone come and celebrate with Fr. Luis!

Annual Ministry Appeal 2024

The work of the *Annual Ministry Appeal (AMA)* is at heart your work, the work to which you are oriented by your Baptism: the service of God through service of your brothers and sisters in Christ. By making a gift to the *Annual Ministry*

Appeal, One Family in Mission, you are able to touch souls and change lives throughout our diocese. Thank you to all who have already pledged, moving us closer to our goal as a parish community. Every gift is sincerely appreciated!

Parish Council

Our church has a Parish/Pastoral council. It consists of 9 members -Linda Payne, Barbara and Otto Kobler, Maryanne Gustafson, Susan Poirier, Patrick McDonnell, Chris Kollaja, Mary Helt and Martha "Marti" Lownes. The committee meets monthly with Fr Luis, to discuss current and future projects and plans for the parish, and we advise Father on agenda items as needed. Please feel free to reach out to any council member with questions or concerns about our parish.

Monthly Collection Report

The Parish Council has decided to publish the collections on a monthly basis beginning January of 2023. This collection report will show both the collections at Mass but also our online collections. It also shows the estimated expenses that are required to operate our Parish and Mission Churches. We hope to update this on or after the 15th of the following month.

Pastor's Desk

If our spouse, parent, or friend does something out of great love for us, how do we thank them---especially if what they do requires a great deal of sacrifice? The best way is to say "thank you" through loving actions. We do our best to-do what is pleasing for them. We become willing to lay our lives down for them daily, in whatever form that takes. Most of us will not have to die for someone we love, but our faith calls us to be willing to do that if necessary, following the example of Jesus.

Similarly, we must also be willing to die to self, putting the needs of others above our own. As Catholics, we are invited to step out into the world and become the church walking around for others. It is out there, outside church walls, that we have the opportunity and the obligation to reflect Jesus' love to others. St. John writes that we know Jesus by keeping his commandments. In doing so, our love of God will be truly perfected when we work for justice and peace even when we are beneficiaries of power and privilege. As Mother Teresa once said, "I see Jesus in every human being. I say to myself, this is hungry Jesus, I must feed him. This is sick Jesus. This one has leprosy or gangrene; I must wash him and tend to him. I serve because I love Jesus."

We constantly celebrate the renewal, hope, and resurrection of Jesus in our daily lives. Today, may our encounter with Christ in the Eucharist strengthen us to share the love of Jesus with all the world. We might not have all the answers. In fact, we probably don't. But like the disciples, we pray that we, too,

Confessions

Fr Luis is available to hear Confessions after 9 am Mass on Fridays and before weekend Masses. Please call the rectory to confirm with him, so that he knows to stay late on Friday or arrive early on the weekend. Alternatively, a more convenient time can be scheduled with him by calling the rectory at (707) 869-2107.

might be filled with incredulous joy as we encounter the living Christ among us.

Peace and blessings!
Fr. Luis

Discussion Questions

Courtesy of Anne Osdieck, Saint Louis University

Second Reading: 1 John 2:1-5a

1. John says in his epistle, "is expiation for our sins, and not for our sins only but for those of the whole world." And Luke's gospel says that "repentance, forgiveness of sins, would be preached in Christ's name to all the nations." (Gospel). From these statements would you guess that Christ came to save forty-four thousand people? Most people? All people?

2. Does "All people" include all the people in the world who love God and their neighbor, but have not heard about, or don't know Jesus? Are they God's children too?

Gospel: Luke 24:35-48

1. Jesus tells his disciples to look at him and touch him. Then he asks them for something to eat. What does Pope Francis say we can learn from these three actions of Jesus?

The second verb is to touch. By inviting the disciples to touch him, to verify that he is not a ghost—touch me!—Jesus indicates to them and to us that the relationship with him and with our brothers and sisters cannot remain "at a distance." Christianity does not exist at a distance; Christianity does not exist only at the level of looking. Love requires looking and it also requires closeness; it requires contact, the sharing of life. The Good Samaritan did not limit himself to looking at that man whom he found half dead along the road: he stopped, he bent down, he treated his wounds, he touched him, he loaded him onto his mount and took him to the inn. And it is the same with Jesus himself: loving him means entering into a communion of life, a communion with him.

Being Christian is not first of all a doctrine or a moral ideal; it is a living relationship with him, with the Risen Lord: we look at him, we touch him, we are nourished by him and, transformed by his Love; we look at, touch and nourish others as brothers and sisters.

Pope Francis, Regina Caeli, April 15, 2018, paragraph 2.

2. What was the disciples' task, having recognized the risen Lord, and having seen that he "opened their minds to understand the scripture,"? Is our task now to preach the good news of God's forgiveness to all nations? How can we do that globally? What about locally or in our neighborhoods?



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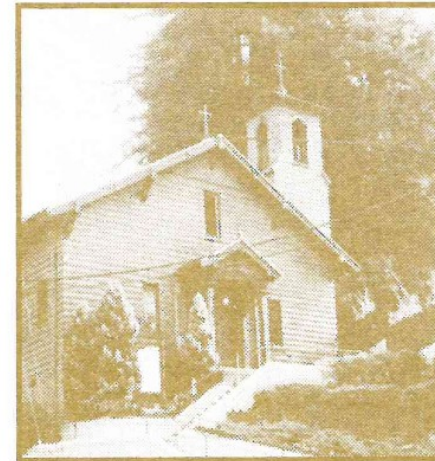
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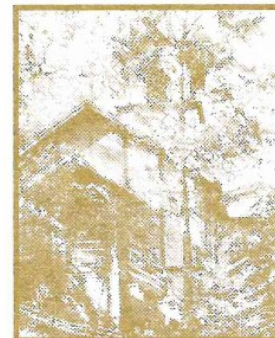
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Mass Schedule

Sunday: 9:30 a.m.

Weekday Masses: Tue - Fri. 9:00 a.m.

Outdoor church July 4th weekend through
Labor Day weekend.

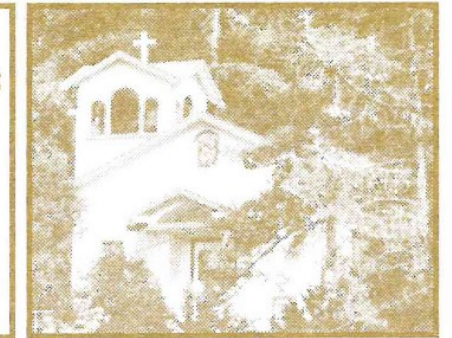


St. Colman, Cazadero

Mass Schedule
Sunday 11:00 a.m.
Outdoor church
Memorial Day
through Labor Day

St. Catherine of Siena, Monte Rio

Mass Schedule
Saturday 4:00 p.m.



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