



June 19, 2022

The Body and Blood of Christ

Upcoming Dates

June 26, St. Colman Guild meeting 12pm
 July 6, St. Elizabeth Guild meeting 1pm
 July 28, The 111th Annual Monte Rio Variety Show
 August 17, Finance Committee meeting 4pm

Mass Intentions

Sat 11am: Memorial Mass for Vicki Gonzalez†
Sat 4pm:
 Eric Olsen for health and healing req by Michele McDonell.
Sat 5pm: For all parishioners.
Sun 9:30 am: Father's Day Blessing.
 Frank Sullivan† requested by Barbara Seymour.
 Nina and Bob Woodcock 40th wedding anniversary.
Sun 11 am: Father's Day Blessing.

Pray For Our Brothers And Sisters

Who are ill or in pain: Herman Hernandez, Lyle Karnath, Jack Montague, Bruce Harvey, Carlos Lopez, Rey Rodriguez, Diane Alvarez, Larry, Gary Carver, Rose Rodenberger, Francine Korn, Sonja Falero, Carolyn Falero Young, Bill Hatch, Cathy Olsen, Kim Warburton, Bill Harmon, 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, Raul & Iris Bisbal, Frank Falero, Guillermina Hernandez, Gabe Snodgrass, Nini Johnston, Don Schaffert, Ed Copeland, Andrew Cebalo, Nina Cantacessi, Posie, William Donnellan, Ernest Souder, Robert Cebalo, Kathleen Sheridan, Sister Gabrielle, David Cross, Helen Johnson, Billy Henthorn, Lorelie Fulwider, Fr. Andrew Metcalf, JoAnn Coules, Dinah Smith, Lorna Marie Hastings, Laverne Jones, Linda Schmidt, Michell Jackson, Jim Ward, Nini Sanchez, Jacqueline Donovan, Art McNulty, Terry Devlin, Mary Hall Smith, Stan Moorman, Stella Dunne, Nina Cantacessi, John Hoffman, Mary Tamargo, Sarah & David, Jesus Chavez Torres.

Who have been called to Eternal Life: Carol Boyle, Alicia Bicoy, Nilda Falero, Bill Rodgers, Vicki Gonzalez, John Bowman, Mary Jane Poirier, Mary Smith, Kevin O'Shea, Jim Hoppis, Maggie Nelson, Magda Gonzalez, Aline Harris, Helen Prielipp, Ed Fulwider, Virginia Loosli, Steve Arcia, Renee Snodgrass, Ruben Montano, Robert D. Goudy, Bart Strady, Frank Danzart, Nettie Herbert.

Readings

Gn 14: 18-20
 Ps 110: 1. 2. 3. 4
 1 Cor 11: 23-26
 Optional Sequence Lauda, Sion
 Lk 9: 11b-17

Pastor's Desk

As Christians, we are called to be companions to one another -- a beautiful word that comes from the Latin, "*cum panis*" (meaning with bread). We are here to share bread with one another so that everyone has enough. There are many names for such sharing: Utopia, the Beloved Community, the Kingdom of God, and the Communion of Saints. And while the goal is too vast to be realized solely on this planet, it is *still our task to create foretastes of it here on earth – living glimpses of what life is meant to be, which includes wonder and joy, and most of all, endless love.*

Philippe Vernier, a man, devoted to Christ, was imprisoned by the Nazis during World War II. Although he was subjected to every form of indignity, he kept the faith, and he survived. After the war, an American officer who visited him reported that the experience was the greatest inspiration of his life. Later Vernier wrote the officer a letter in which he said:

If you are a disciple of the Master, it is up to you to illumine the earth. You do not have to groan over everything the world lacks; you are there to bring it what it needs: the Bread of Life. Where hatred, malice, and discord reign in the world, you will put love, pardon, and peace. For lying, you will bring truth. For despair, hope. For doubt, faith. Where sadness is, you will bring joy. If you are in the slightest degree the servant of God, all these virtues of the Bread of Life you will carry with you. Do not be frightened by a mission so vast. It is not really you who are charged with the fulfillment of it. You are only the torchbearer. Even if it burns you, the fire within you is never lit by you. It uses you like the oil of a lamp. You hold it, feed it, and carry it around. But it is the fire of the Christ Spirit that gives light to the world and to yourself. Do not be the clogged lantern that chokes and smothers the light; do not be the lamp hidden under a bushel, timid or ashamed. Flame up and shine before men; lift high the fire of God.

Indeed. There is no need for us to groan over what the world lacks. Just as the Early Christians rejoiced, we rejoice that we have the power to fill that need. What the world needs today is to see the fire of God's Love flaming up in Christ's people. More than ever, what the world needs today is the shining example of Christian Disciples who partake of the Bread of Life, moment by moment and day by day. As Christians Disciples may we shine before all as we lift high the fire of God.

Peace and blessings!
 Fr. Luis

Announcements

Summer Mass Times and Locations

Saturday 4:00 pm at St. Catherine.
 Saturday 5:00 pm at St. Elizabeth.
 Sunday 9:30 am at St. Elizabeth outdoor church.
 Sunday 11:00 am at St. Colman outdoor church.

Confessions

Reminder that Fr Luis will hear Confessions before weekend Masses and by appointment if a different time is needed. Please call the rectory office at 707-869-2107 to schedule an appointment.

The 111th Annual Monte Rio Variety Show

Save the Date, Thursday, July 28th 2022! The 111th Annual Monte Rio Variety Show is returning to a live performance in the Monte Rio Amphitheater. This is a St Catherine's legacy event since 1911. Visit our website at monterioshow.org to get the link to purchase your online tickets or go direct via:

<https://rchurches.ejoinme.org/MRVS2022-TicketSales>

Tickets are also be available for purchase at Masses beginning June 4th or at the following local businesses:

Bartlett's Market in Monte Rio
 Lark's Drugs in Guerneville
 Hernandez Realty in Guerneville

For general questions, history of our show and contact information go to: monterioshow.org. More details about entertainers are anticipated to be updated soon. We are looking forward to seeing you in July!

Parish Donations

June 11 - 12	1 st Collection	2 nd Collection
St. Elizabeth	\$351.00	\$732.00
St. Catherine	\$315.00	\$168.00
St. Colman	\$225.00	\$112.00

Thank you for your generosity! \$1,903.00

1st Collection: general expenses, maintenance & diocese.
 2nd Collection: parish restoration & repair.

How can I help during these hard times?

You can now easily donate online by using the donate button at stelizabeth.churchtrac.com. Another great way to help is by selecting us as your charity when shopping online at Amazon -a small percentage of each purchase will benefit our parish. Just visit smile.amazon.com/ch/82-4690577 to get started! Please also remember St. Elizabeth Parish in your will and estate planning.

Discussion Questions

Courtesy of Anne Osdieck, St. Louis University

First Reading: Genesis 14:18-20

Discuss the properties of bread and wine and their benefits to the body when consumed. Why do you think Melchizedek chose them for offerings? Do you know why Jesus chose them?

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

1. What do we believe Jesus meant when he said, "do this in remembrance of me"? To what does "this" refer? Could it mean more than one thing? Is it "remember me when you do this"? Or, in remembrance of me, do also what I did for others?

2. Explain "For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the death of the Lord until he comes." Is the gift of Jesus' life, death and resurrection a one-time thing that happened in the past, or is the gift on-going and always newly present?

Gospel: Luke 9:11b-17

Pope Francis says about the Twelve's idea of sending the hungry people away: "... it isn't the way Jesus thinks." What would Jesus, who ate with sinners and welcomed strangers, think of his ministers refusing to give the Eucharist to people now?

He tells his disciples straight out: "You give them something to eat" (Lk 9:13). We can imagine the thoughts that went through their minds: "We don't have enough bread for ourselves, and now we are supposed to think about others? Why do we have to give them something to eat if they came to hear our Teacher? If they didn't bring their own food, let them go back home, it's their problem. ... This way of thinking is not wrong, but it isn't the way Jesus thinks. ..."

The Lord does great things with our littleness, as he did with the five loaves. He does not work spectacular miracles or wave a magic wand; he works with simple things; ... love can accomplish great things with little. The Eucharist teaches us this: for there we find God himself contained in a piece of bread. Simple, essential, bread broken and shared, the Eucharist we receive allows us to see things as God does. It inspires us to give ourselves to others. It is the antidote to the mindset that says: "Sorry, that is not my problem," or: "I have no time, I can't help you, it's none of my business." Or that looks the other way. ...

Pope Francis Homily for Most Holy Body and Blood
 June 23, 2019

St. Elizabeth Guild Meeting	1 st Wednesday, 1 pm	St. Hubert Hall
Finance Committee Meeting	3 rd Wednesday*, 4 pm	St. Hubert Hall
St. Colman Guild Meeting	4 th Sunday, 12 pm	St. Colman

* of February, May, August and November