ST. ELIZABETH, Guerneville

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA, Monte Rio · ST. COLMAN, Cazadero

(707) 869-2107 • 14095 Woodland Drive, Guerneville, CA 95446

Office Hours: Tue - Fri 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Father Luis Peñaloza, PASTOR

Baptisms: By appointment. Preparation classes required.

Marriages: Engaged couples are required to meet with the priest 6 months before the wedding date.

Confessions: By appointment. Call the Rectory. **Religious Education:** RCIA. Call the Rectory.

Contact the Rectory at St. Elizabeth, 707-869-2107 Email: churchelizabeth@comcast.net

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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.

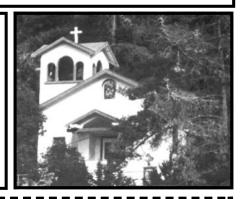


St. Colman, Cazadero

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.



WELCOME to the communities of St. Elizabeth, St. Catherine of Siena & St. Colman! If you would like to become a member of one of our churches, please fill out the form below and place it in the collection basket or mail to St. Elizabeth, 14095 Woodland Drive, Guerneville, CA 95446. Email: churchelizabeth@comcast.net

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August 11, 2024 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Special Events

Aug 15	Assumption of The Blessed Virgin Mary Holy Day of Obligation
Aug 16	Prayers for Priests please pray for Fr. Luis
Aug 25	Pancake Breakfast
Aug 25 12:00 pm	St Colman Guild Meeting
Sept 21	Annual Santa Rosa Religious Education Congress
Sept 28	Eucharistic Retreat more info to come
Oct 6 9:30 am	Blessing of the Animals at the St Elizabeth outdoor church

Mass Intentions

For all parishioners.

Readings

1 Kgs 19: 4-8

Ps 34: 2-3. 4-5. 6-7. 8-9 (9a)

Eph 4: 30 5: 2 Jn 6: 41-51

Pray For Our Brothers And Sisters

Who are suffering physically, emotionally or spiritually:

Rose Linehan, Carolyn

Who have been called to Eternal Life:

Mike Miller

Parish Donations

You can donate online by scanning the QR code at the bottom of the bulletin or by visiting <u>stelizabeth.churchtrac.com/give</u>

Thank you for your generosity!		\$2,299.00
Aug 3-4	2 nd Collection	\$649.00
Collection Period	1 st Collection	\$1,650.00

Announcements

Chicken BBQ

Thank you to the best crew I have ever worked with! Volunteers did a great job setting up the hall and the kitchen crew was outstanding! Brian did his usual fantastic barbecue, and the dinner was a big hit. Most of all I want to thank our parishioners who constantly show support for all we do, you raised \$4,000.00 for St. Elizabeth and we are so grateful!!!

Thank you to all! Linda Payne

Prayers for Priests, Aug 16: Fr Luis

Friday, August 16th we pray for Fr. Luis Penaloza, he's on the Prayers for Priests Calendar from the Diocese for that day.

The Annual Santa Rosa Religious Education Congress

The Diocese of Santa Rosa invites everyone to attend the annual Santa Rosa Religious Education Congress on Saturday, September 21, 2024. This event is free. This year's theme is "Prayer, Our Relationship with God". Workshops are in English and Spanish. Come hear great speakers. For more information check out the diocesan website www.srdiocese.org

Eucharistic Retreat

Eucharistic Retreat will be hold on Saturday, September 28th. Further details will be coming soon!

Outdoor Mass Schedule & Blessing of the Animals

Outdoor Mass will be extended this year through Sunday, October 6th (weather permitting) which we will have the Blessing of the Animals.

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 8 members -Linda Payne, Barbara and Otto Kobler, Maryanne Gustafson, Susan Poirier, Patrick McDonell, Ana Maria Padilla and 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

What a wonderful event last Saturday at our BBQ Chicken fund raising. It was a great gathering, wonderful food, salad, corn bread and delicious BBQ chicken by chef Brian. Please thank all the wonderful people that made the event successful for Linda Payne as she coordinated the event. Linda I'm sure will thank all of you personally this Sunday.

We need fund raising to be able to financially support our parishes here in the river. Most of you know during the wintertime we still need to pay for utilities and the constant repairing things in our four facilities and that is ongoing.

For our summer parishioners I would like you to encourage you to remember us during the wintertime.

The fact that Jesus called himself the "bread of life" is something we believers need to think about more than we do. The practice of coming to church each Sunday and receiving communion is not meant to check a weekly box. Jesus meant for the bread to give us life -life in him.

When he calls himself the "bread of life," he is asking that this bread not be for simple nourishment. He wants it to strengthen us to do the same work he did witnessing to the Gospel in service to each other. Our faith lives are not about fulfilling obligations for our own comfort but for sharing the power of the Eucharist with others.

Jesus' "Bread of life," exhortations were not about self-promotion. Rather, he used them to remind his disciples that, as much as they were given by him and the one who sent him, that much was also asked of them. His last supper with them was meant to be a ritual reenactment of his teaching that was gifted to them should be their gifts to others. This was his life, and now it would become theirs.

All Christians who share the Eucharist are invited to this same kind of radical change in their everyday lives. Partaking of the bread of life is the way we look beyond ourselves and our daily activities. It reminds us that we are children of God and that our lives must look different from the lives of others. The bread of life is a spiritual nourishment that calls us to see the world through a different lens that keeps our focus on those we might otherwise overlook, the poor, the suffering, the marginalized. These were the very people that got Jesus' attention, and he served them almost exclusively.

This is the power of the bread of life. It's not something we simply eat; its nourishment makes us new people. As we share this meal today, let us commit ourselves to that transformation, and let it change not only us but our world today as well.

Peace and blessings!

Fr. Luis

Discussion Questions

Courtesy of Anne Osdieck, Saint Louis University

First Reading: 1 Kings 19:4-8

- 1. In this reading, sometimes we are Elijah and sometimes we are the hearth cake. Think of times in your life when you wanted to cry, "enough" and you could have used some help from somewhere. Did help come? How?
- 2. God sent help to Elijah in the form of an angel. What kind of help do you think God would send today? Name some ways you can be the "hearth cake" for a someone or something in need.

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.





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