



# September 10, 2023

## 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Upcoming Dates

Sept 10	Pancake Breakfast
Sept 17	Parish Picnic 1pm
Sept 24	St Colman Guild meeting 12pm
Oct 4	St Elizabeth Guild meeting 1pm
Nov 15	Finance Committee meeting 4pm

### Mass Intentions

Sat 4:00 pm Lotte Murphy† req by Michele McDonnell

### Readings

Ez 33: 7-9  
 Ps 95: 1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)  
 Rom 13: 8-10  
 Mt 18: 15-20

### Pray For Our Brothers And Sisters

**Who are ill or in pain:** Terry Devlin

**Who have been called to Eternal Life:** Ralph Hitchin

### Parish Donations

You can donate online by scanning the QR code at the bottom of the bulletin or by visiting [stelizabeth.churchtrac.com/give](https://stelizabeth.churchtrac.com/give)

Collection Period	1 <sup>st</sup> Collection	\$2,390.00
September 2-3	2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection	\$1,366.00
	<i>Thank you for your generosity!</i>	\$3,756.00

### Announcements

#### Parish Picnic September 17

It's soon going to be that time again for our Parish Picnic. The date for this year is Sunday September 17, 2023 and the time is 1pm. Place Guerneville PeeWee Golf. Tickets are \$10 for adults and kids 10 and up, under 10 \$5 and 5 and under free. If you paid last year and told us to keep it as a donation we thank you. If you would like that money to go towards this years ticket please call Francine at 707 869-9341 so we have you in

the count. Come and join us for another fun afternoon of golf, Tim's delicious barbeque and sides, sweet treats, a great raffle and a Summertime celebration with friends. You can call Francine for reservations or see a Guild member at our masses. See you there!

#### Santa Rosa Religious Education Congress

The Diocese of Santa Rosa invites everyone to attend the annual Santa Rosa Religious Education Congress on Saturday, September 23, 2023. This event is free. This year's theme is "Liturgy, Devotion, and the Most Holy Eucharist". Workshops are in English and Spanish. Come hear great speakers. For more information check out the diocesan website @ [www.srdiocese.org](http://www.srdiocese.org)

#### Journey Together Towards Holiness

Society of Saint Vincent de Paul District Council of Sonoma County Is hosting a Retreat: Journey Together Towards Holiness. All are welcome. When: Tuesday September 26th Time: 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM At: Holy Spirit Church, 1244 St. Francis Rd. Santa Rosa. For more information contact: [jimandchrisnanman@gmail.com](mailto:jimandchrisnanman@gmail.com) Or Call 650-274-9941.

#### Monte Rio Variety Show Update

Thank you to all volunteers, in-kind supporters and our show producers and entertainers that collaborated on a great success for our 112th Annual Variety Show. Our tentative results indicate that our show financially outpaced 2022, indicating another record set for our legacy event. More details should be available to publish in the next two weeks. Until then, mark your calendar for next year. Our show is scheduled for Thursday, July 25, 2024. Gratefully, Michele and the Variety Show Committee

#### Help Maui

Many want to know how they can help the victims of the devastating fire on the island of Maui, Hawaii. The Diocese of Honolulu would appreciate donations be made to the Hawaii Catholic Community Foundation (HCCF). Tax-deductible contributions can be made

directly by visiting <https://tinyurl.com/MauiCatholic>. Or funds can be donated during a special collection at your parish. Checks should be made out to "Diocese of Santa Rosa" with a notation "For HCCF" or "Mauri Relief". All the donations collected will then be forwarded to HCCF from our diocese. Any amount will be gratefully accepted to aid in the Maui relief effort.

#### Capital Campaign

The renovation of our Parish rectory and its foundation repair has been progressing for the past few months. It is our hope that this beautiful building, which has been part of our Parish and community history for over a century, will regain some of its former luster. As we repair it, not only structurally, but also visually, with new bathrooms, flooring, some new windows and paint, we hope to restore it and add the safety needed to carry this lovely Parish home into the next 100 years. It is not difficult to realize that the upkeep and maintenance of our Churches, Hall and Rectory is an expense. Large projects can not be paid for by weekly collections alone. Therefore, the Finance Committee and the Parish Council, along with Fr. Luis, have decided to embark upon a Capital Campaign to replace our savings which is being spent on this renovation. We are asking our Parishioners to consider an investment in our Parish by digging deep in their pockets and making a pledge to help us pay for this work. Please look for the pledge cards to assist you in making a pledge. Once you have completed your pledge card, please drop it in the collection basket or, turn it in to any council member. This will enable us as a church community, to know what financial support we can expect over the next few years. We are confident in your love for our Parish, your devotion to our community, and the passion of your faith.

If you need assistance with your pledge or donation toward the Capital Campaign, please call Chris Kollaja at 415-308-6768 or email at [ckollaja@gmail.com](mailto:ckollaja@gmail.com).

#### Temporary Church Office Phone Number

Until our church office at the rectory is restored, the temporary office phone number is (707) 486-8645.

#### 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, Chris Kollaja, and Mary Helt. The committee meets

#### 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 (707) 486-8645 (temporary office phone number).

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

Peace be with you all, it has been a while since I wrote my Pastor's Desk. I am still at the cottage across the plaza and enjoying the nice tiny house. I'd like to take this opportunity to share the wonderful celebration of the 100 years anniversary of St. Colman church we had a wonderful crowd present and Francine and Mary Ann from St. Elizabeth where there as well as Patrick Mcdonald from St. Catherine. Actually, there were also visitors all the way to lake county who used to attend St. Colman when she was just a child and enjoyed the warmth and spirit of St. Colman outdoor church. It was well attended by the summer visitors who often attend. After the mass we had BBQ, and we had young men who volunteered to Grill some excellent pork loin, tri tip, as well as sausages, the cooked were Tyler Heil, Dylan and Cameron Harbour, Will Engelke and of course chef Pat Gluch salads, desserts made by Francine, beans cooked by Candy and other excellent dishes. Thank you, St. Colman Guild who have prepared this celebration they are Marty, Pat, Mike, Candy, Jack, Sheila, Linda, Sally, Susan and Sherry. And our Vera Bohan cut the ribbon for the Austin Creek 100 Anniversary and joined us for our own celebration. What an unforgettable event for this summer!

Peace and blessings!

Fr. Luis

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

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

\* of February, May, August and November

