



August 7, 2022

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Upcoming Dates

Aug 17, Finance Committee meeting 4pm
 Aug 28, St. Colman Guild meeting 12pm
 Sept 7, St. Elizabeth Guild meeting 1pm
 Sept 18, Summer Pee Wee Golf BBQ

Mass Intentions

Sat 4pm:

For the McDonell family
 Gene Murphy and Karen Umshied†

Sun 9:30 am:

Yolanda Vital for successful surgery and healing requested by Maricruz Flores.

Jun Illaw, Vicki, Matt Gonzales, Karen Umsheid, Caro Boyle, Gene Murphy and Kevin O Shea.

For all Parish Pastoral Council

Sun 11 am: For all parishioners

Readings

Wis 18: 6-9
 Ps 33: 1, 12, 18-19, 20-22 (12b)
 Heb 11: 1-2, 8-19
 Lk 12: 32-48

Pray For Our Brothers And Sisters

Who are ill or in pain: Yolanda Vital, Chris Kollaja, Paige Newman

Who have been called to Eternal Life: KC Bledsoe

Pastor's Desk

I want to congratulate Michele and those who were involved with the Variety show last Thursday. It was a wonderful event so packed with people that it reminded me of the 100th celebration of the Variety show! It was exceptionally memorable due to the positively wonderful people. They wanted to be there and be part of this special event of entertainment and fellowship. Everyone who participated -sponsors, volunteers and attendees alike- felt God's grace and I'm hoping that those who worked that week saw God's providence and His love for Monte Rio community.

Parish Pastoral Council Vision

The Mission of the St. Elizabeth/St. Catherine/ St. Coleman, parish pastoral council is to support the pastor in his pastoral planning processes and pastoral goal setting: to assist him in improving pastoral services; and to assist him in evaluating the effectiveness of pastoral activities.

The scope of the types of services the PPC, can and should render to the pastor is established in the Code of Canon Law 1983, Canon 528-529. In these canons, the law of the Church has spelled out the range of pastoral activities expected of a pastor, and therefore those pastoral activities for which he may desire advice and counsel. These are:

- Instruction in the full range of the faith and catechetical formation
- Programs promoting gospel values, including issues of social justice.
- Catholic education of adults.
- Outreach of fallen-away Catholics
- Ecumenism and evangelization
- Programs of sacramental life and preparation
- Promotion of Eucharistic Devotion
- Enhancement of programs for the Sacrament of penance a Eucharist
- Incultation of prayer life, especially within families
- Effective participation in the liturgy
- Methods of acquaintance with parishioners, the welcoming of new-comers, home visiting and efforts at building community.
- Motivation of the spiritual and corporal works of mercy
- Efforts of special care for the sick and dying.
- Tangible concern for the poor, the afflicted, and the lonely, the exiled

- Fostering of solid Christian family life
- Promotion of the lay apostolate.

The following parishioners are members of the PPC: Susan Poirier, Barbara and Otto Kobler, Linda Payne, MaryAnn Gustafson, Patty Loosie, Patrick McDonell, staff members are Chris Kollaja and Mary Helt. As you can see these are parishioners that attend mass regularly and are dedicated and support our parishes. The President of the PPC is Otto Kobler.

If you have any concerns or ideas that you would like to see in our parishes, please approach the PPC members.

Announcements

Annual Chicken BBQ

Saturday, August 6, 4pm - 7pm at St Hubert's field. Tickets are \$40.00/person. BBQ Chicken, Corn on the Cob, Caesar Salad, Corn Bread and Apple Pie and Watermelon for dessert! Raffle tickets for amazing prizes are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Call or email Linda Payne to reserve a spot or donate a raffle basket. Email: cocomokidd@aol.com Cell: (707) 953-9166.

Summer Pee Wee Golf BBQ

Sunday, Sept 18, 2022 at Pee Wee Golf in Guerneville.

Sign up to host Hospitality

A special thanks to the St. Elizabeth Guild for hosting Hospitality this weekend!

We are inviting families to sign up for Hospitality. To prepare and pick up the donuts and coffee at Safeway for our fellowship after the 9:30 am mass. The items are already paid for. It gives family a chance to participate and know our community and it gives us chance to get to know your family.

Confessions

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

Parish Donations

July 30 - 31	1 st Collection	2 nd Collection
St. Elizabeth	\$1,277.00	\$1,052.00
St. Catherine	\$409.00	\$270.00
St. Colman	\$146.00	\$161.00
<i>Thank you for your generosity!</i>		\$3,315.00

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

First Reading: Wisdom 18:6-9

1. Are you certain enough of God's covenant with us that you could carry out what scripture calls a "leap of faith"? What gave the Israelites courage to begin their journey into the unknown? Do you make smaller leaps of faith, maybe of hope, in your everyday life?

2. Does your faith in Jesus' promises give you the courage like an "inexhaustible treasure," promises like the one he makes in the Gospel to stand up against injustices—such as the inhuman treatment of immigrant children, human trafficking, the climate crisis or gun control? Do you need trust as well as courage?

Second Reading: Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19 or 1-2, 8-12

1. Abraham was called to an unknown country. Do you sometimes feel you are on uncharted faith territory? Who helps you with certainty and responsibility in these unmapped areas of faith? What tests your faith? Would God ever call you to unknown places?

2. God promised Abraham that he would have many descendants. What allowed Abraham to offer up his and Sarah's child? Can you relate to this story in any way? How is your trust? Does it remind you of God's offering up his only son?

Gospel: Luke 12:32-48 or 35-40

1. Jesus says to be "vigilant" and "like servants who await their master's return, be ready to open immediately when he comes and knocks"? Do you "watch" for God in your everyday life? Where do you find him?

2. How does Pope Francis describe pure joy in heaven through his analogy of the servant story?

We cannot truly understand in what this supreme joy consists. However, Jesus lets us sense it with the analogy of the master who, finding his servants still awake on his return: "will gird himself and have them sit at table, and he will come and serve them" (Luke 12:37ff). The eternal joy in heaven is manifested this way: the situation will be reversed and it will no longer be the servants, it will be us, who will serve God—but God himself will place himself at our service. And Jesus does this as of now: Jesus prays for us, Jesus looks at us and prays to the Father for us. Jesus serves us now. He is our servant. And this will be the definitive joy. The thought of the final encounter with the Father, abundant in mercy, fills us with hope and stirs us to constant commitment, for our sanctification and for the building of a more just and fraternal world.

*Pope Francis, Angelus 19th Sun C
 Aug 11, 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