



# April 23, 2023 Third Sunday of Easter

## Upcoming Dates

Apr 23	St. Colman Guild meeting 12pm
Apr 28	MacKenzie Classic Golf Tournament at Northwood Golf Club in Monte Rio
May 3	St. Elizabeth Guild meeting 1pm
May 17	Finance Committee meeting 4pm
May 20-21	Annual Lake County Passion Play

## Readings

Acts 2: 14, 22-33  
Ps 16: 1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 (11a)  
1 Pt 1: 17-21  
Lk 24:13-35

## Pray For Our Brothers And Sisters

**Who are ill or in pain:** Lloyd Benson

## Parish Donations

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

Collection Period	1 <sup>st</sup> Collection	\$972.00
April 15 - 16	2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection	\$675.00
<i>Thank you for your generosity!</i>		Total \$1,647.00

## Announcements

### MacKenzie Classic 2023

Come join the fun Friday April 28 at Northwood Golf Club in Monte Rio. The MacKenzie Classic benefits St. Elizabeth, St. Catherine and St. Colman churches. \$180.00 per person includes green fee, cart and dinner. Dinner only is \$70.00 per person. Raffle tickets are \$1.00/each or 6 for \$5.00. Sponsorships available for \$250.00. For reservations please contact Linda (707) 953-9166 or [cocomokidd@aol.com](mailto:cocomokidd@aol.com). Sign in at 1:00pm. Tee off at 2:00pm (shotgun start). Dinner at 6:00pm. Hope to see you all there!

### See's Easter Candy Sale Update

Thank you to all who purchased candy for our Easter fundraiser. Our fundraiser raised slightly over \$1,000.00 and met our aspirational goal! Many thanks to Mary Helt, Jeannine Rossi, Barbara Seymour, Michele Perussina and

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

Linda Payne who helped sell and promote the fundraiser at our Masses and within the community.

## 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.

## Lake County Annual Outdoor Passion Play

Saturday and Sunday May 20th and 21st from 4 to 6 pm in beautiful Lake County! Admission is Free! If you want to feel the power of our Lord, come and experience the Passion Play! New cast members are always welcome!

Website: [www.lakecountypassionplay.org](http://www.lakecountypassionplay.org)

Phone: 707-263-0349

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/PassionPlayLakeCo/](https://www.facebook.com/PassionPlayLakeCo/)

To help: [www.lakecountypassionplay.org/icanhelp](http://www.lakecountypassionplay.org/icanhelp)

## Spirituality Of The Readings

*Courtesy of John Foley, SJ, Saint Louis University*

### Sinners yet Loved

Suppose you and I are walking along in the countryside, and a stranger starts to stroll along with us.

“What are you discussing as you walk along?” he asks? We stop, dejected.

One of us, maybe you, says to him in reply, “are you the only person in the world who does not know of the things that have taken place during these years and these centuries?”

He replies, “What sort of things?”

You say, “we had promised to continue Christ’s works, to revere his presence, to preserve his love and to let it overflow through us to everyone.” You stare at the ground. “But now the Church is falling apart. So much is happening, including betrayal of the Church’s mission.”

“Betrayal?” the stranger says.

“Yes. We found out that some of our own priests and even some Bishops have gone against the very mission they were

sent to preach. And churches are closing in all the cities, and dioceses are going bankrupt! And hardly anyone is entering the priesthood now, so how are we going to have the sacraments?”

I gesture to you with a “calm down” motion, but you go right on talking.

“We have crucified Christ all over again! Oh, we were hoping that he would make the whole world come right!”

“How slow of heart you are to believe all that the prophets spoke,” he says quietly. “Is it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things even today and so enter into his glory?”

“What do you mean?” you stutter. “Why should he suffer? And worse, why would he let all these horrors happen, in Ukraine and the South and, and, and, and ... ”

He raises his hand. He begins to tell us everything that refers to himself in the scriptures, beginning with Moses and all the prophets. His voice is very kind. He shows how God had endlessly sought a loving relationship with his people, and how these would agree for a while but then turn their backs and run away. Battles and wars, belief and unbelief, rich versus poor and sick, the very ones who are aching for love.

He tells us that there is only one way the human heart could say Yes to God and mean it.

One human being had to do it on behalf of us all, one who was human to the core and who could not refuse to remember God’s love, even in the midst of mindless suffering and death. This one would be with the troubled people of the world, be with them in every pain and also every joy of their lives. God’s love, he said, is stronger than death.

The stranger goes on with us and stays with us. He walks with human beings now, with a love so deep that we can always count on it, even if we are sinners. It is a love which strengthens us and sends us out. It is God’s love.

You are calm now as we walk, and I am too. Maybe the resurrection did happen, you whisper to me so that the stranger cannot hear it. We both nod. We have recognized him. We see him in the breaking of the bread, but also and astoundingly in the breaking bones of the world.

## Discussion Questions

*Courtesy of Anne Osdieck, Saint Louis University*

### First Reading: Acts 2:14, 22-33

1. We can see how different Peter’s attitude is in this reading from what it was during Jesus’ passion and death. To what do you attribute the change? Could such a change take place in you?

## 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.

2. There was a change in the disciples, a courageous thrust to take the risen Christ into the world after his death and resurrection. Might something like that brave push happen again in the Church as a result of “synodality,” where we walk together in all our “situatedness ... then try to interpret that reality in the light of the Gospel.”

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## Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:17-21

1. Is your faith and hope in God locked in stone after God raised Jesus from the dead? According to Peter, is this why this mystery of Christ has been revealed to us (ransoming and transforming us with Christ’s life, death and resurrection, known by God from the foundation of the world)?

2. This Second Reading has been called a sermon on hope. Can you say why that might be? Do you find hope in Christ’s ransoming and transforming us with his life, death and resurrection?

## Gospel: Luke 24:13-35

1. Can you relate to any of these in the Gospel story?

- Confusion of the disciples
- Inability to recognize Jesus
- Desire to spend more time with a good friend
- Sudden realization that the Lord is present?

2. In section 3 of Pope Francis’ address to the Bishops of Brazil he suggests an ecclesiology rooted in the Gospel story of Emmaus. The disciples ended up with hearts burning. Could synodality help with the needed dialogue mentioned below? What makes your heart burn within you?

*We need a church unafraid of going forth into their night. We need a church capable of meeting them on their way. We need a church capable of entering into their conversation. We need a church able to dialogue with those disciples who, having left Jerusalem behind, are wandering aimlessly, alone, with their own disappointment, disillusioned by a Christianity now considered barren, fruitless soil, incapable of generating meaning...*

*But we need to know how to interpret, with courage, the larger picture. Jesus warmed the hearts of the disciples of Emmaus.*

*Address of Pope Francis  
Archbishop’s House, Rio de Janeiro  
Saturday, 28 July 2013*

