



*Everything written  
about me  
must be fulfilled*

### Third Sunday of Easter April 15, 2018

You alone, O LORD,  
bring security to my dwelling.

— Psalm 4:9

### BELIEVING IN JESUS CHRIST

Throughout the Easter season, all three of the Sunday readings are taken from the New Testament—the Christian scriptures. Together they explore what it means to believe in Jesus as the Christ, the One who fulfilled the prophecies of the Jewish scriptures.

Today's selections refer to our human weakness, yet they emphasize the forgiveness and peace that are available to those who put their faith in "Jesus Christ the righteous one" (1 John 2:2). In the Acts of the Apostles Peter invites everyone to "repent, therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be wiped away" (Acts 3:19). The First Letter of John calls Jesus Christ "expiation for our sins" (1 John 2:2). Finally, in the Gospel Jesus greets the disciples with "Peace" and urges them to preach "repentance, for the forgiveness of sins" (Luke 24:47).

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### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

There are many ways in which religious communities are organized. Some have a central authority in a congregation, and others have a "rule" that is shared by all the members, but are a kind of federation of independent houses. Sometimes, congregations with distinct histories and ministries decide to merge. Several years ago, one of the largest mergers on record took place. Seven independent congregations of Dominican women religious, most in the Midwest, are now one new congregation enfolding more than seven hundred members spanning thirty-six states. The oldest of the founding groups, the so-called "Kentucky Dominicans," began as a frontier community in 1822. Other communities have European roots. To get to this historic moment, the sisters spent many years in conversation, and approved the new structure by a two-thirds majority vote. This was then ratified by the Holy See. The merger allows the sisters to pool their resources in order to be more effective in ministry. They are living the Paschal Mystery, experiencing Christ's dying and rising in an inspiring way.

-Rev. James Field, © J. S. Paluch Co.

Monday:	Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29
Tuesday:	Acts 7:51 — 8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab; Jn 6:30-35
Wednesday:	Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a; Jn 6:35-40
Thursday:	Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51
Friday:	Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59
Saturday:	Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-17; Jn 6:60-69
Sunday:	Acts 4:8-12; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29; 1 Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18

**"Remember Lord, those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith."** These beautiful words at Mass recall our beloved dead. A Mass intention is a way to remember a beloved friend or family member, whether in death, for healing, in celebration of a special day, or simply for prayer and guidance. Come by the office (or call 707-874-3812) to arrange the Mass. A customary donation of \$10 is appreciated.

**Prayer Requests:** Teresa Kooi, Pat Kampmann, Pete, Thomas Tolar, Susan Brown, Felicia Gonzalez, Holly White, Kathleen, Jamie Silva, Lorri McCamen, Sarah, Clifford James, Terri Andrews, Marilyn Vitali, Fred Pisani, Theresa Spiteri, Sara, Mary Anne Parque, Steve, Sr. Marjorie, Barbara, Kathy Higgins, Dave Creeth, Jim Pearson, Ronald Porter, Annie Tobin, William, Parson Pfsorich, Dave, Mary O'Donnell, Bill Zandoski, Daniel, Papke family, Mary Karp, Randy Tonelli, Scott, Fr. Gary Logan, Columbina Albini, Michael Dan

### Finance Corner:



Your generosity is greatly needed and appreciated!

For the month of April offerings:

4/8: 1<sup>st</sup> Collection: \$2391. Catholic Relief Services/Home Missions: \$1275.  
4/15: Capital Expenditures. 4/22: No 2<sup>nd</sup> collection.

### Mark your Calendar for Future Events & Meetings:

**Parish Council:** Tues., 5/15/18, at 10:00AM in Hall

**Finance Council:** Mon., 4/23/18, at 11:00AM in Hall

**Liturgy Committee:** Fri., 5/4/18, at 9:30AM in Hall

**St. Teresa Ladies Guild:** Contact Diane, 823-6044

**St. Philip Ladies Guild:** Contact Susan, 829-1189

**Every Friday, Centering Prayer:** 9:30AM at St Philip

**Coffee & Goodies:** Following 8AM Sunday Mass and Monday/Wednesday after 9AM Mass, at St Philip Hall

**Mondays & Wednesdays-Seniors Lunch at 12noon:**

All seniors welcome! (No lunch Monday before 2nd Tuesday of month)



### † ♥ † Mass Intentions † ♥ † Schedule

Sat., April 14, 5pm Mass † Michael Pettibone

Sun., April 15, 8am Mass

Sun., April 15, 9:30am Mass for the People

Sun., April 15, 11:15am Mass † Emily & Joe Palmer

Mon., April 16, 9am Mass Albinus Raupp

Tues., April 17, 9am Mass

Wed., April 18, 9am Mass † Tina Bartolo

Thurs., April 19, 9am Mass † Muriel McGuinness

Fri., April 20, 9am Communion Service

Sat., April 21, 5pm Mass † Brendan Smith

Sun., April 22, 8am Mass for the People

Sun., April 22, 9:30am Mass

Sun., April 22, 11:15am Mass † Al Gerhardt

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Third Sunday of Easter

Tuesday: Income Tax Day

Saturday: St. Anselm

### Flowers for the Altar during the Year

Flowers for the altar are a spiritual investment for a loved one, to celebrate any occasion, or just to express gratitude for your blessings. Flowers are also a gift to all of us as we enter and see the glorious display around the altar and experience the liturgy framed by such exquisite beauty. We appreciate your donations! To contribute for St. Philip Church flowers, please call 874-6072.



### Pope Francis Tweet

"Reading the Gospel each day helps us to overcome our selfishness and to follow Jesus our teacher with dedication."

**WINGS**  
Faith furnishes prayer with wings,  
without which it cannot  
soar to Heaven.  
—St. John Climacus



**CHURCH**  
God sends no churches from the skies,  
Out of our hearts they must arise.  
—Anonymous

### RURAL FOOD PROGRAM UPDATE for MARCH 2018

On March 13 we welcomed 89 families representing 187 adults, 32 children and 33 seniors for a total of 220 people receiving nutritional support. This program is funded through the Rural Food Collection on the last Sunday of each month as well as through private donations and the generous support of our volunteers.

The 2018 Client Survey contained many expressions of gratitude including this heartfelt note: "Thank you for your generosity in helping me and my family. My husband, while working, hurt his hand and could not work for the rest of the year. Thanks to all of you, we had food for my daughters. Thanks from the bottom of my heart."

Please continue to collect paper grocery bags, especially with handles, and egg cartons. We are looking into biodegradable produce bags and recyclable grocery bags for our clients.

#### RURAL FOOD VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

**Sat., April 7** from 9-10:00am repackaging -- Parish Hall

**Mon., April 9,** from 12:30 – 2:30pm to set up the Parish Hall

**Tues., April 10,** from 8:30 –11:00am to distribute food & assist clients.

**Exclusive Limited Print of Ansel Adam's original picture of St. Teresa Church from 1953:** All proceeds will support needed restoration of St. Teresa of Avila Mission. A limited number of prints have been printed from Ansel's original negative. Each reprint is individually numbered. Prints are available for a tax deductible donation of \$175. Please contact restoration committee members for your own limited print: Peg 707-867-6073 or Bob 707-875-9148.

**Next Sunday!**  
**St. Teresa Restoration's**  
**Pancake Breakfast**  
**Sunday, April 22, at Bodega Fire Hall**

**St Philip and St Teresa CAREGIVING MINISTRY:**  
Ministering to the sick, elderly and needy of the parish by...

- Visiting, shopping
- Transportation (to support groups, doctor appointments, religious functions, etc)
- Socializing and companionship
- Providing specialized information.

Program is available to people in the area in need of our support. Contact: Dolores Novello (707-874-6072) or the office (707-874-3812)



**Our lovely senior lunch program serves meals on Mondays & Wednesdays to a group of fun and dedicated diners in St Philip Hall at noon.** We are extending an invitation to all seniors to attend any time you would like to join us. (Monthly menu available online at [www.stphilipstteresa.org](http://www.stphilipstteresa.org))

**Please note:** Beginning on April 30, 2018, Fr. Fergal will be switching his day off from Friday to Monday. That means that there will be a Liturgy of the Word and Communion on Mondays at 9am and Mass on Fridays at 9am (both at St. Philip's).

### The Little Ones

Jim Burrows



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**Parish Kitchen and Hall Use?** Our Hall Coordinator, Hal McGuirk, is in charge of scheduling all kitchen and hall requests. Please contact Hal at 874-3304 in advance to get necessary information about availability and regulations. **Tables/Chairs Use?** Reserve ahead; call Hal and then let the office know, too.

### Gardening Ministry - St Philip

If you'd like to help us on any first Saturday (9-11AM), just wear comfortable clothing, gloves, and maybe a hat! For more info, please contact the office.

**The Internal Revenue Service** requires us to keep exact records if you wish proof of your donations for tax purposes. Please use your numbered Sunday envelopes. Don't have a number yet or don't know it? Then please contact the parish office for help: 874-3812.

**Are you, (or do you know someone) interested in learning more about the Catholic Church?** In becoming a Catholic? Talk to Fr. Fergal or email [fmcguinness@srdiocese.org](mailto:fmcguinness@srdiocese.org) to make an appointment. He'll be happy to meet with you and answer your questions.

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