

**Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
August 4, 2019**

Teach us to number our days aright,  
that we may gain wisdom of heart.  
— Psalm 90:12

**USING OUR TIME WISELY**

A jar of honey lasts practically forever. The oldest jar of honey ever discovered was over five thousand years old. Honey is quite different from market-fresh produce, then; because most fruits and vegetables last only a few days, we treat them carefully. At this time of summer, we rush to find recipes for cherries and cucumbers so we won't waste a single one. We wouldn't feel that same urgency about honey.

In our own way, we are as delightful and fragile as ripe produce. Today's readings urge us not to spoil, but to make good use of our limited time on earth. Ecclesiastes reminds us that because God provides for us now and always, we can manage our daily affairs without anxiety. Saint Paul encourages the Colossians to keep thoughts of heaven in everything they do, and Jesus himself asks us to treasure not earthly wealth, but God alone.

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**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

Apart from the period from Thanksgiving through Christmas, the summer is a favored time for family reunions. We trace family trees and recall our origins. Worship has a family tree as well, and the way we celebrate today has been influenced by various styles and customs through the centuries. We are Western Christians of the Latin Rite. By far, we are the most numerous Western Christians, but there are other ritual families as well. The Archdiocese of Milan in Italy follows the Ambrosian Rite, Toledo in Spain preserves the Mozarabic Rite and the Arab language, and Lyons in France is home to the Gallican Rite. Other liturgical families, such as the Celtic in Ireland and the Sarum in England, faded away after the Reformation. Until recent times, members of some ancient religious orders such as Carmelites and Trappists followed a pattern of Mass that varied slightly from the plan observed in Latin Rite parishes.

Isn't the Catholic Church the same everywhere? Not at all. It never has been! The existence of so many liturgical families in the West reminds us that unity, not uniformity, is what the Church seeks to achieve among her children. We are united in faith, but wonderfully diverse in rituals, ceremonies, languages, customs, and spirituality.

--Rev. James Field, © J. S. Paluch Co.

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

- Mon: Nm 11:4b-15; Ps 81:12-17; Mt 14:13-21
- Tues: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Lk 9:28b-36
- Wed: Nm 13:1-2, 25-14:1, 26-29a, 34-35; Ps 106:6-7ab, 13-14, 21-23; Mt 15:21-28
- Thurs: Nm 20:1-13; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Mt 16:13-23
- Fri: Dt 4:32-40; Ps 77:12-16, 21; Mt 16:24-28
- Sat: 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-26
- Sun: Wis 18:6-9; Ps 33:1, 12, 18-22; Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Lk 12:32-48 [35-40]



**NO ONE'S ENEMY**

May I be no one's enemy, and may I be the friend of that which is eternal and abides.

—St. Eusebius of Vercelli

**THE EFFECTS OF PRAYER**

Whoever prays much by night,  
that person's face is fair by day.

—Islamic saying

**Finance Corner:**

**Weekly Offering**



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Your generosity is greatly needed and appreciated!

For the month of **July/August** offerings:

- 7/21: July Capital Expenditures: \$518.
- 7/28: 1<sup>st</sup> Collection: \$1634. Rural Food: \$2039.
- 8/4: Operating Expenses. q8/11: August Capital Expenditures.

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

- Parish Council:** Wed., 10/2/19, at 10AM in Hall
- Finance Council:** Tues., 8/20/19, at 11AM in Hall
- Liturgy Committee:** Thurs., 9/12/19, at 4PM 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 Wednesday/Friday after 9AM Mass, at St Philip Hall



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

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

**✠ ♥ ✠ Mass Intentions ✠ ♥ ✠ Schedule**

- Sat., Aug. 3, 5pm Mass for the healing and support of all victims of clergy sexual abuse
- Sun., Aug. 4, 8am Mass for the People
- Sun., Aug. 4, 9:30am Mass ✠ Mr. & Mrs. Haase
- Sun., Aug. 4, 11:15am Mass ✠ Emily & Joe Palmer
- Mon., Aug. 5, 9am Prayer Service
- Tues., Aug. 6, 9am Mass ✠ George Lerdahl
- Wed., Aug. 7, 9am Mass ✠ Brendan Smith
- Thurs., Aug. 8, 9am Mass ✠ Linda Anne Smith
- Fri., Aug. 9, 9am Mass ✠ Tina Bartolo
- Sat., Aug. 10, 5pm ✠ Brendan Smith
- Sun., Aug. 11, 8am Mass for the People
- Sun., Aug. 11, 9:30am Mass for the conversion & just punishment of the perpetrators and concealers of sexual abuse
- Sun., Aug. 11, 11:15am Mass ✠ Emily & Joe Palmer

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

- Monday: Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major
- Tuesday: The Transfiguration of the Lord
- Wednesday: St. Sixtus II and Companions; St. Cajetan
- Thursday: St. Dominic
- Friday: St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross
- Saturday: St. Lawrence

*Arm yourself with prayer rather than a sword.*

**St. Dominic**  
The founder of the Order of Preachers (Dominicans) and fervent preacher of the power of the Rosary  
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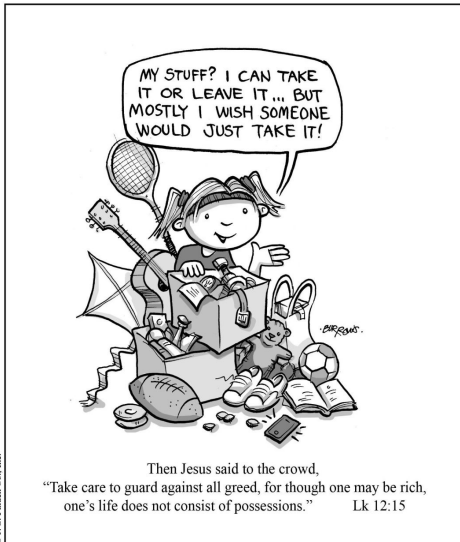
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- Prayer Requests:** Teresa K., Pat K., Thomas T., Susan B., Lorri McC., Sarah, Clifford J., Terri A., Marilyn Vitali, Fred Pisani, Theresa Spiteri, Sara, Mary Anne P., Barbara, Dave Creeth, Jim P., William, Parson Pfsorich, Dave, Mary O., Bill Z., Daniel, Sally T., Mary K., Columina A., Michael Dan, Richard Macche, Kathleen., Peter, Lisa, Rosa S., Susan B., Zeidan family, Joyce Doughty, Anita C., George H., Mimi H, Steve, Barry, the Lunardis, Lorrin K., Jacinta, April K., Gen B., Sergio family, Hugh P., Robert Steele

**Mass Intentions:** Anniversary? Confirmation? First Communion? Graduation? Marriage? Memorial? These are key events in our spiritual life. There is no better way to commemorate these occasions than to have a Mass offered for those who are important to us. A call to parish office staff will set a date for the Mass: 707-874-3812. (Note: the customary "stipend" offered is \$10.)

The Little Ones

Jim Burrows



*Flowers for the Altar during the Year 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 Dolores at 874-6072.*

## SAVE THE DATE!

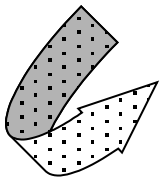
St. Philip's Ladies Guild presents the acclaimed

≈ ***Fashion Show & Luncheon*** ≈

***Saturday, September 28, 2019***

***12noon in the Hall***

***(ticket info soon!)***



**Exclusive Limited Print of Ansel Adam's original picture of St. Teresa Church from 1953:** All proceeds 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 donation of \$175. Please contact restoration committee member Peg Duffy for a limited print: 707-867-6073.

## POPE FRANCIS QUOTE

*"Let us pray that the Lord will free the victims of human trafficking and help us to respond actively to the cry for help of so many of our brothers and sisters who are deprived of their dignity and freedom."*

**August 14** is our  
**"Parish Volunteers Appreciation"**

**Liturgy & Social:**

5PM Mass at St. Philip's,  
 then Dinner at the Hall.

**Please RSVP no later than August 7.**

Call the office at 874-3812 or  
 email the office at  
[philip.teresa@yahoo.com](mailto:philip.teresa@yahoo.com)

### RURAL FOOD PROGRAM UPDATE for JULY 2019

On July 9 we welcomed 95 families representing 134 adults, 35 children and 33 seniors for a total of 202 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.

**THANK YOU to new volunteers who helped during July's distribution. Our new delivery system is working well, allowing us to begin set up at 10am starting Monday, August 12.**

#### **RURAL FOOD VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

##### **Any day:**

Help with the food ordering process

Shop for our clients at Redwood Empire Food Bank

Collect clean egg cartons / paper grocery bags w/ handles

##### **Monday 8/12 10am:**

Unload our storeroom and delivery truck,

Set up the hall for food distribution

##### **Tuesday 8/13:**

Help our clients take groceries to their vehicles.

**Contact Hal McGuirk, Cathy McCool, or Rod DeMartini if you can help with any of these tasks .**

**THANK YOU to those parishioners who have recently volunteered to develop recipes for our client's use, publish our 1 page client newsletter (bilingual), pick up food and produce at Redwood Empire Food Bank and Andy's Produce.**

#### **NEXT FOOD DISTRIBUTION**

**Saturday, August 10, 9-10:00 am** repackaging -- Parish Hall

**Monday, August 12, 10am- 12** to set up the Parish Hall

#### **CHANGE**

**Tuesday, August 13, 8:30 – 11:00** to distribute the food and assist clients.

**Our Religious Education program** will begin in September.

Classes are held on Sundays. They are fun, inclusive, and faith-filled. We offer 1<sup>st</sup> grade through Confirmation. Pass the word on to your friends from any parish. For registration and other information, please contact Ella Rozett at 874-3397.

## Parish Notes

On the weekend of August 17-18, 2019, we will have the annual Mission Appeal. Our missionary speaker will be Fr. Boniface Mbithi Nduva, from the Diocese of Machakos in Kenya.