



Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 21, 2019

It is [Christ] whom we proclaim, admonishing everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone perfect in Christ.

— Colossians 1:28b

A MINDSET OF SERVICE

There's a lot of traveling, delivering, and visiting going on in our readings today. In Genesis Abraham cares for the needs of three mysterious travelers. The psalm responds, celebrating the kind of righteousness that Abraham practices. Then, in his letter to the Colossians, Saint Paul describes his own ministry as almost like a delivery service: he, God's steward, brings the word of God to their community. Finally, Luke's Gospel shares the well-known story of Mary and Martha, and the different ways they welcome Jesus into their home. Amid all this coming and going, we are invited to pay attention to the ways we tend to the needs of others. Each of us can ask, *How am I present to God and others in my life?*

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

There's a different pace to a summer Sunday, especially on those days when we dream of air conditioning and wave any available paper to stir the air. Yet we persist in gathering, even with so many breaks from the usual routines. We distance ourselves not only from routines, but from schedules and familiar well-worn paths. These are playful days and contemplative days. We see long-lost friends and visit almost-forgotten places. We have more leisure than any people before in the history of the world, and we need it because our lives are so care-worn and tiring. More of us walk barefoot and look up at the stars or dip our toes in the lake or sea, sing around campfires, read novels on the beach, and eat comfort food with our fingers. We see how beautiful life can be, and are more aware than usual of how God is always breaking in with signs of love.

In Genesis today, Abraham and Sarah practice hospitality to their visitors, who turn out to be God dropping in. During the summer months, God practices hospitality in return, inviting us into a season of celebration. Keeping Sunday holy is a good habit to cultivate in these days when our spirits are especially receptive to God's deep desire for us to know divine love.

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17; Ps 63:2-6, 8-9; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
Tuesday: Ex 14:21 — 15:1; Ex 15:8-10, 12, 17; Mt 12:46-50
Wednesday: Ex 16:1-5, 9-15; Ps 78:18-19, 23-28; Mt 13:1-9
Thursday: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 126:1bc-6; Mt 20:20-28
Friday: Ex 20:1-17; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 13:18-23
Saturday: Ex 24:3-8; Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15; Mt 13:24-30
Sunday: Gn 18:20-32; Ps 138:1-3, 6-8; Col 2:12-14; Lk 11:1-13

HOSPITALITY

Christians should offer their brethren simple and unpretentious hospitality.

—St. Basil

FORGIVENESS

To forgive is to set a prisoner free and to discover that the prisoner is *me*.

—Anonymous

Finance Corner:

Weekly Offering



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Your generosity is greatly needed and appreciated!

For the month of **July** offerings:

7/14: 1st collection: \$1673. Black & Indian/World Missions: \$1058.
7/21: No 2nd collection. 7/28: Capital Expenditures.

Mark your Calendar for Future Events & Meetings:

Parish Council: Wed., 10/2/19, at 10AM in Hall

Finance Council: Tues., 8/2019, at 11AM in Hall

Liturg Committee: TBA

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., July 20, 5pm Mass ✠ Brendan Smith
Sun., July 21, 8am Mass ✠ Ron Schultz
Sun., July 21, 9:30am Mass for the People
Sun., July 21, 11:15am Mass ✠ Ron Schultz
Mon., July 22, 9am Prayer Service
Tues., July 23, 9am Mass ✠ Holly & Sean White
Wed., July 24, 9am Mass ✠ Tina Bartolo
Thurs., July 25, 9am Mass for the conversion & just punishment of the perpetrators and concealers of sexual abuse
Fri., July 26, 9am Mass Ann Visser
Sat., July 27, 5pm Mass ✠ Marcella & Joseph Kiefer
Sun., July 28, 8am Mass for the People
Sun., July 28, 9:30am Mass ✠ Tom Joyce
Sun., July 28, 11:15am Mass ✠ Emily & Joe Palmer

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Monday: St. Mary Magdalene
Tuesday: St. Bridget
Wednesday: St. Sharbel Makhluf
Thursday: St. James
Friday: Ss. Joachim and Anne
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

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., Columba A., Michael Dan, Richard Macche, Kathleen., Peter, Lisa, Rosa S., Susan B., Zeidan family, Joyce Doughty, Lorrin K., Anita C., George H., Mimi H., Steve, Barry, Colleen Lunardi, Jacinta, April K., Gen B., Sergio family, Hugh P.

saint snippets

The source of justice is not vengeance but charity.

St. Bridget of Sweden

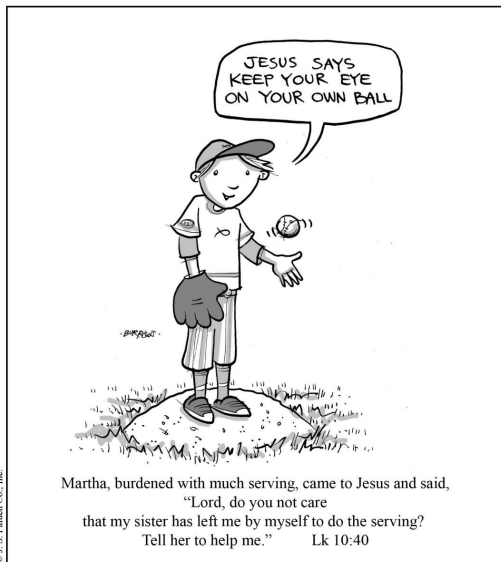
14th-century mystic, mother of eight children, and one of the patron saints of Europe

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Attention: Our parish needs a volunteer for safe environment coordinator. Please call the office if you can volunteer: 707-874-3812. Thank you for your considerate help.

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.

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.)

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.

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

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

POPE FRANCIS QUOTE

"Faith is a gift that keeps alive a profound and beautiful certainty: that we are God's beloved children."

Note: Please lock all the doors and windows if you are the last to leave the church or the hall. Thank you.

ALERT! People have again been getting scam calls, texts, and emails, supposedly from clergy or friends, asking for gift cards, money favors, phone calls, etc. DO NOT RESPOND TO SUCH EMAILS, CALLS, OR TEXTS. (If worried about the real person, contact him/her directly instead.)