

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 29, 2018

The eyes of all look hopefully to you, and you give them their food in due season.

- Psalm 145:15

WEEKLY MIRACLE

This week marks the beginning of a kind of "liturgical detour." We have been listening to Saint Mark's Gospel during this liturgical year (Year B). Today we begin to hear a long section from John's Gospel, starting with the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes. This miracle story is a prelude to the Lord's statements that we will begin hearing in a few weeks, in which Jesus refers to himself as the "bread of life." Each week we witness a miracle at Mass. We do not see a multiplication of loaves before us. What our eyes of faith allow us to see is the miracle of the transformation of common elements-bread and wine-into the Lord's Body and Blood. Once we have received the Lord, the multiplication begins, for in the Eucharist we are strengthened to multiply our efforts to feed the poor, shelter the homeless, and bring comfort to the despairing. -- © J. S. Paluch Co.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Last Wednesday, the greatest pilgrimage in our tradition ended with the feast of Saint James at his shrine in Compostela, Spain. Every year, as many as a hundred thousand persons walk a portion of the medieval way of the pilgrim, earning the right to wear the scallop shell symbol of this journey of faith. In legend, this city on the northern coast of Spain is the final resting place of the apostle, and the full name of the cathedral is "Saint James of the Field of Stars." There is a tradition that Saint James the Great preached there.

In the Roman Catholic tradition, the pilgrimage, like any procession, is a symbol, life's journey distilled, a powerful sign of our journey toward a certain goal. The perils of the road, the support of companions, the contemplative slower pace of life, have the potential to transform and renew the pilgrims in ways that last a lifetime. Along the way, the distinctions between rich and poor fall away, and everyone shares humble rustic food and stops for the night in hostels or under the stars. After a long walk, the experience of entering through the great doors into the vast cathedral filled with incense, light, and song is a foretaste of heaven. The pilgrims often say that their whole lives are redirected toward that moment of entry into the heavenly Jerusalem. The most memorable feature of the cathedral is called the botofumeiro, an incense burner on pulleys and chains that sweeps through the cathedral in immense circles, swirling clouds of sweet-smelling incense around the vast nave.

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jer 13:1-11; Dt 32:18-21; Mt 13:31-35 Tuesday: Jer 14:17-22; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Mt 13:36-43 Wednesday: Jer 15:10, 16-21; Ps 59:2-4, 10-11, 17-18; Mt 13:44-46

Thursday: Jer 18:1-6; Ps 146:1b-6ab; Mt 13:47-53 Friday: Jer 26:1-9; Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14; Mt 13:54-58

Saturday: Jer 26:11-16, 24; Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 14:1-12

Sunday: Ex 16:2-4, 12-15; Ps 78:3-4, 23-25, 54; Eph 4:17, 20-24; Jn 6:24-35

<u>Prayer Requests:</u> Teresa K., Pat K., Thomas T., Susan B., Holly White, Jamie Silva, Lorri McCamen, Sarah, Clifford J., Terri Andrews, Bea, Marilyn Vitali, Fred Pisani, Theresa Spiteri, Sara, Mary Anne Parque, Steve, Sr. Marjorie, Barbara, Kathy Higgins, Dave Creeth, Jim P., Carlos,

William, Annie Tobin, Parson Pfsorich, Dave, Mary O., Bill Zandoski, Daniel, Sally Tillsbury, Mary Karp, Randy Tonelli, Fr. Logan, Columbina A., Michael Dan, Greg M., Richard Macche, Kathleen, Lisa, Rosa Santos, Zeidan family, Papke family Finance Corner:

Your generosity is greatly needed and appreciated!



For the month of July/August offerings:

7/22: 1st Collection: \$1407. Capital Expenditures: \$1154.

7/29: Rural Food. 8/5: Operating Expenses.

Mark your Calendar for Future Events & Meetings:

Parish Council: Wed., 9/12/18, at 11AM in Hall Finance Council: Wed., 9/12/18, at 11AM in Hall

Liturgy Committee: Fri., 8/10/18, at 9:30AM in Hall

St. Teresa Ladies Guild: Contact Diane, 823-6044St. Philip Ladies Guild: Contact Susan, 829-1189

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

<u>Coffee & Goodies</u>: 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)

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Sat., July 28, 5pm Mass 🕆 Marcella & Joseph Kiefer

Sun., July 29, 11:15am Mass 🕆 Ron Schultz

Mon., July 30, 9am Communion Service

Tues., July 31 9am Mass

Thurs., Aug. 2, 9am Mass Fri., Aug. 3, 9am Mass

Sat., Aug. 4, 5pm Mass 🕆 Brendan Smith

Sun., Aug. 5, 8am Mass for the People

Sun., Aug. 5, 9:30am Mass

Sun., Aug. 5, 11:15am Mass 🕆 Deborah Judith Marcelius

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Peter Chysologus Tuesday: St. Ignatius of Loyola Wednesday: St. Alphonsus Liquori

Thursday: St. Eusebius of Vercelli; St. Peter Julian Eymard

Friday: First Friday

Saturday: St. John Vianney; First Saturday

Devote these Saturdays... before the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary on August 15th:

Our "Mary Group" continues the preparation for consecration to Our Lady (begun at the July 14th retreat) by meeting these Saturdays from 10 to 11:30 AM in the Parish Hall--

July 28, Aug. 4, Aug. 11

Contact Ella for more information: 874-3397

Flowers for the Altar throughout 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.

STAND FIRM

In time of desolation one should never make a change, but stand firm in the resolutions and decisions that guided one the day <u>before</u> the desolation.

—St. Ignatius of Loyola

RURAL FOOD PROGRAM UPDATE for JULY 2018

On July 10 we welcomed 100 families representing 179 adults, 34 children and 42 seniors for a total of 255 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.

Summer months at Rural Food provide an opportunity for students, visiting grandchildren and families to join us for set up and distribution. We welcome the extra help!

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

(Please consider joining our ministry to people in need)
Saturday, August 11 from 9-10:00 am repackaging -- Parish Hall
Monday, August 13, from 12:30 - 2:30pm to set up the Parish Hall
Tuesday, August 14, from 8:30 - 11:00am to distribute the food and assist clients.

SHARES ESCRIP UPDATE

Enroll for free to earn money for our parish. Go to this website, escrip.com/shares and follow the basic steps to enroll. You only need to input your name, zip code, email, and phone number to enroll. Then select up to 3 charities to receive your shares escrip (each will earn up to 3% per Lucky or FoodMaxx receipt). One charity of course is our own parish: St Philip Church Group ID # 500043872

After you've enrolled online, everytime you shop at Lucky's or FoodMaxx, just input your phone number at the checkout when you start to pay for your groceries. Voilà!

<u>If you need help enrolling, contact Fran at the parish office</u> (874-3812). She can do the process for you with your permission.

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 tax-deductible donation of \$175. Please contact a restoration committee member for your own limited print: Peg at 707-867-6073 or Bob at 707-875-9148.



Pape Francis Quote

"Prayer is never in vain: it always brings forth something new that, sooner or later, bears fruit."

Tables, chairs, or any other church property request:

If you need to use our hall tables, chairs, etc., please contact Hal (874-3304) or the parish office to find out the availability so we can try to accommodate and process your request. Items must be returned promptly. Thank you for your kind consideration in this matter.

CBIS Fund: "The value of the Parish Endowment Account, as of 5/31/18, stands at \$64,638." [per Bill McCann, Finance Council]

"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.



Weekday Liturgies Without a Priest [per Fr. Fergal]

Bishop Vasa has directed that from August 1, 2018, weekday liturgies that take place without a priest (for example, on the priest's day off or when he is away for vacation or retreat) are to take place "without the distribution of Holy Communion". This is in order "to avoid any sort of confusion between this type of gathering and the celebration of the Eucharist" (from the "Instruction on the Eucharist" of the Vatican's Congregation for Divine Worship and Discipline of the Sacraments).

Therefore, from August 1, the weekly Monday 9:00 am Liturgy at St. Philip's (Fr. Fergal's day off) and Liturgies that take place at either church while Fr. Fergal is away will no longer include the distribution of Holy Communion.

For your information, weekday Mass times at nearby parishes are:

St. Sebastian's, Sebastopol 9:00 am

St. Elizabeth, Guerneville 9:00 am (except Monday)

Resurrection, Santa Rosa 9:00 am

St. Rose, Santa Rosa 7:30 am & 12:10 pm

St. Vincent, Petaluma 8:00 am

St. Rose Parish invites Priests, Deacons, and Parishioners to a Memorial Mass for Fr. Thomas Devereaux at St. Rose of Lima Church in Santa Rosa on Sunday, August 5, 2018, at 9:00 a.m., to commemorate the first anniversary of his death. A reception following in the parish hall will include a slide presentation. Please mail additional photos of Fr. Tom to St. Rose Church, Attention: Steve Ripple, 398 Tenth Street, Santa Rosa, CA 95401; or email to: church@stroseonline.org.

SAVE THE DATES!

Celebration of Parish Volunteers – Aug. 14 St. Teresa Guild Pancake Breakfast – Sept. 2 Ravioli Luncheon – Sept. 22 Parish Picnic – Oct. 7

Our great senior lunch program serves meals on Mondays and Wednesdays to a group of fun and dedicated diners in St Philip Hall at 12noon. We are extending an invitation to all seniors to attend any time you would like to come. Menu available in the office and online.