

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time October 28, 2018

The LORD has done great things for us;
we are glad indeed.

— Psalm 126:3

THE HOPE AND PROMISE OF REDEMPTION

The prophet Jeremiah prophesies the end of the Babylonian exile. He describes how the weak and sorrowful people now return with joy. These are the scattered people of God: the blind and the lame, the mothers and pregnant women. They shall be led along an easy road so that no one will stumble. The Lord's kindness and mercy are on all these weak and broken people.

Here and in Psalm 126 we find the most lovely poetic images of God's love and care for us. "Those that sow in tears / shall reap rejoicing. Although they go forth weeping, / carrying the seed to be sown, / they shall come back rejoicing, / carrying their sheaves" (Psalm 126:5-6). Although God had to punish Israel for their many sins, God never forgot them, scattered as they were, and brings them all back to the land of their ancestors, there to flourish and be joyful again. We can see in this the hope and the promise of our own redemption, gathered from the far corners of the earth into the great banquet of God.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

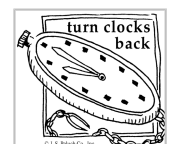
Today is the feast of the Forty Martyrs of England and Wales, the first representative body of many Catholics who died for their faith between 1535 and 1679 to be beatified or canonized. Almost all of them died at Tyburn, a place of public execution near today's Marble Arch in Hyde Park, London. The first to suffer were Carthusian monks who refused to swear an oath supporting Henry VIII as supreme head of the Church in England, and the last was Saint Oliver Plunkett, the Primate Archbishop of Ireland. The method of execution was particularly vile, since the condemned were hanged and their living bodies quartered to be displayed around London as a horrific warning.

Today, the tree-like gallows provides the design of a religious symbol, the canopy over the altar of the martyrs in Tyburn Convent. There, at the heart of the bustling city, a monastic community of women practices contemplative prayer and "spiritual hospitality" in the Benedictine tradition. Oddly, the community is French in origin; it was expelled from France a century ago when France outlawed contemplative monastic life. England, where the laws against Catholicism had been lifted, invited the community in. In gratitude to their new homeland, and in honor of those who gave their lives for the Catholic faith, the nuns came to Tyburn. In the public crypt, coats of arms stand for each of the 350 martyrs. A Web site visit is possible at www.tyburnconvent.org.uk.

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Eph 4:32 — 5:8; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 13:10-17
Tuesday: Eph 5:21-33 or 5:2a, 25-33; Ps 128:1-5; Lk 13:18-21
Wednesday: Eph 6:1-9; Ps 145:10-14; Lk 13:22-30
Thursday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24:1-6; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a
Friday: Wis 3:1-9; Ps 23:1-6; Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40, or any readings from no. 668 or from the Masses for the Dead, nos. 1011-1016
Saturday: Phil 1:18b-26; Ps 42:2, 3, 5cdef; Lk 14:1, 7-11
Sunday: Dt 6:2-6; Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51; Heb 7:23-28; Mk 12:28b-34



Don't forget to turn your clocks back one hour next Saturday night, Nov. 3. (It's the end of Daylight Savings Time.)

Finance Corner:

Your generosity is greatly needed and appreciated!



For the month of **October/November** offerings:

10/21: 1st Collection: \$2184. Capital Expenditures: \$1139.
10/28: Rural Food. 11/1: All Saints. 11/2: All Souls.
11/4: No 2nd collection.

Mark your Calendar for Future Events & Meetings:

Parish Council: Wed., 11/14/18, at 10AM in Hall

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

Liturgy Committee: Fri., 11/30/18, 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 Wednesday/Friday 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., Oct. 27, 5pm Mass ✠ Marcella & Joseph Kiefer
Sun., Oct. 28, 8am Mass Papke family intention
Sun., Oct. 28, 9:30am Mass for the People
Sun., Oct. 28, 11:15am Mass ✠ Emily & Joe Palmer
Mon., Oct. 29, 9am Prayer Service
Tues., Oct. 30, 9am Mass
Wed., Oct. 31, 9am Mass ✠ Tina Bartolo
Thurs., Nov. 1, 9am ALL SAINTS Mass at St. Teresa's (for the People)
Thurs., Nov. 1, 7pm ALL SAINTS Mass at St. Philip's
Fri., Nov. 2, 9am [ALL SOULS' DAY] Mass at Calvary cemetery, Bodega
Sat., Nov. 3, 5pm Mass ✠ Brendan Smith
Sun., Nov. 4, 8am Mass ✠ Emily & Joe Palmer
Sun., Nov. 4, 9:30am Mass for the People
Sun., Nov. 4, 11:15am Mass ✠ Dina deMartini

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sun: Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Wed: Halloween
Thurs: All Saints (Holy Day of Obligation)
Fri: Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)
Sat: St. Martin de Porres; Blessed Virgin Mary

Prayer Requests: Teresa K., Pat K., Thomas T., Susan B., Holly White, Jamie Silva, Lorri McCamen, Sarah, Clifford J., Terri Andrews, Marilyn Vitali, Fred Pisani, Theresa Spiteri, Sara, Mary Anne Parque, Sr. Marjorie Krusky, Barbara, Kathy Higgins, Fr. Logan, Dave Creeth, Jim P., William, Annie Tobin, Parson Pfsorich, Dave, Mary O., Bill Z., Daniel, Sally Tillsbury, Mary Karp, Columbina Albini, Michael Dan, Richard Macche, Kathleen, Lisa, Rosa Santos, Zeidan family, Papke family, Greg, Scott, Carlos, Susan Bonomine

NOTICE: On Friday, November 2, the 9AM Mass will be celebrated out at our Bodega Calvary Cemetery, in Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed.



Fr. Gary Logan's 25th anniversary of his ordination is during this season of Autumn. It would be nice to send this former pastor of ours a card, care of: Tuscan Terrace, 2364 Melbrook Way, Santa Rosa, CA 95405. (Attn: Fr. Gary Logan)



The total **Parish Endowment Account** value is \$72,937 as of the close of business September 30, 2018.

RURAL FOOD PROGRAM UPDATE for OCTOBER 2018

On October 9, we welcomed 98 families representing 137 adults, 43 children, and 35 seniors for a total of 215 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 Program would not be possible without the generosity of our donors and of our dedicated volunteers. This month 56 volunteers gave 163 hours of their time to support the Program. A special thank you to those volunteers who began their ministry in the 1990s: Elaine Joyce, our longest serving volunteer who began in 1992! Also, Sheila Hansen who began in 1993 and directed the program for many years, Sylvia Melrose who began in 1994 and welcomes our clients each month to the program. Thanks to and Bob & Kathy Tiller who manage our snack/special foods table and began in 1999.

Please continue to collect paper grocery bags, especially with handles, and egg cartons. You can bring these items with you when you come to volunteer each month or leave them in the Parish Hall.

RURAL FOOD VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Saturday, November 10, from 9-10:00am, repackaging -- Parish Hall
Monday, November 12, from 12:30 – 2:30pm, to set up the Parish Hall
Tuesday, November 13, from 8:30 – 11:00am, to distribute the food and assist clients.

We need more volunteers on Tuesday to help our clients and their loaded grocery carts to their vehicles.

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.

Please donate any extra rosaries or medals to Ella for her ministry recipients. Just put them in the sacristy or the back of one of our churches. Blessings on you for sharing!

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. If you need help enrolling, contact the parish office (874-3812). We can do the enrollment process for you with your permission.

Pope Francis Tweet:

"God can act in any circumstances, even in the midst of apparent defeat."

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 a restoration committee member for your own limited print: Peg 707-867-6073 or Bob 707-875-9148.

A SAINTLY DEFINITION

The saint does everything that any other decent person does, only somewhat better and with a totally different motive.
—Coventry Patmore

CAMP MEEKER VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT.

BINGO & BBQ FALL FUNDRAISER

Saturday Nov. 10th from 3pm to 9pm

Location: Anderson Hall in Camp Meeker

BBQ & Bingo: Adults \$15 -- Kids \$11

BBQ only: Adults \$12 -- Kids \$8

~Tri-Tip, chicken, salads, beverages, & homemade desserts~

Information: Tel. 707-874-3660

Campmeekerfire5500@gmail.com

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.

The Little Ones

Jim Burrows



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