This Week of April 2, 2017

Sun 9:30 am Religious Ed (4/2)

Sun 12:00-3:30 pm Adoration & Divine Mercy Chaplet (4/2)

Sun 12:15 pm RCIA (4/2)

Wed 6:00 pm ICF Meeting and pizza night (4/5)

Fri 6:00 pm Stations of the Cross (4/7)

Fri 6:30 pm Meager Meal hosted by the Pastoral Council (4/7)

Next Week of April 9, 2017 - Palm Sunday

Sat/Sun 2nd Collection: Special Seminarian Collection (4/9)

Sun 9:30 am Religious Ed (4/9)

Sun 12:00-3:30 pm Adoration & Divine Mercy Chaplet (4/9)

Sun 12:15 pm RCIA (4/9)

Tue 9:00 am Altar Society Meeting (4/11)

Tue 7:00 pm Knights of Columbus Meeting (4/11)

Thu 8:30 am Morning Prayer (4/13)

Thu 6:30 pm Mass of the Last Supper followed by

Exposition & Benediction until 9pm (4/13)

Fri 8:30 am Morning Prayer (4/14)

Fri 9:00 am Stations of the Cross (4/14)

Fri 3:00 pm The Lord's Passion & Veneration (4/14)

Sat 8:30 am Morning Prayer (4/15)

Sat 8:30 pm Easter Vigil (4/15)

Sun 8:30 am Easter Mass, St. Mary's (4/16)

Sun 11:00 am Easter Mass, St. Mary's (4/16)

Sun 4:00 pm Easter Mass, St. Joseph, Blue Lake (4/16)

<u>Mass Intentions - Please contact the office, 822-7696, if you would like to schedule a Mass intention.</u>

Sat 4:00 pm All Souls in Purgatory+ (4/1)

Sun 8:30 am For the intentions of all parishioners (4/1)

Sun 11:00 am Maria Pacheco+ (4/2)

Mon No Mass

Tue 8:30 am Leonor de Melo+ (4/4)

Wed 8:30 am Joe Soares+ (4/5)

Thu 8:30 am Lena DalPorto+ (4/6)

Fri 8:30 am Manual Silva+ (4/7)

Sat 4:00 pm Odilia Rodrigues+ (4/8)

Sun 8:30 am Alice Amarant+ (4/9)

Sun 11:00 am Fr. Mike Kelly+ (4/9)

The Rosary is prayed prior to weekday morning masses.

Please let the parish office know the status of your loved one's illness so we may keep our prayer list current.

Pray for the Sick, those here and others known to us:

Jeffrey Ehrnman, Kevin Krause, Peggy Dickerson, Grace Landry, Jim Hart, Elsie Naye, Michael Shaker, Emma Filipini, Erica Mills, Paul Hahn, Maria Silva, Patricia Clarke, Nina DeVilbiss, Kathleen Fancher, and Debbie McCollister

Pray for the Souls of the Faithful Departed

Thomas Goldenberger, Marcella DaMassa, Lena DalPorto, and Pedro Furtado.

Thank You to our parishioners who contributed to the offerings.

St. Mary's Regular Collection \$ 1372.92

St. Joseph's Regular Collection 454.71 Total \$1827.63

2nd Collection: Catholic Relief Services/CCHD \$ 706.00

Sunday, Apr. 9 - 8:30 Mass

Readers: Paula Proctor Judy Burns

Eucharistic Ministers:

Elizabeth Simovich

Justin Alvarez **Altar Servers**: Raven & Aiden

Sunday, Apr. 9 - 11:00 Mass

Readers: Dina MacDonald

Maria Sousa

Eucharistic Ministers:

Lucy Sousa

Pat Heavilin
Servers: Gabriella & Maxwell



5th Sunday of Lent Ourney of Discipleship

What may surprise us in today's readings is that the story of Lazarus is designed to lead us to examine our own faith as disciples. In this story the miracle, and even Lazarus himself, get short shrift compared to Jesus' interactions with disciples. In John's telling, discipleship was more important than Jesus' wonder-working, and while miracles are always a nice surprise, growth in faith usually involves significant struggle.

By inviting the disciples to go with Him, Jesus is effectively saying that when they walk in His way His own inner light will dwell in them. Though Thomas did not comprehend this fully, he did know where he stood. He said, "Let us also go to die with Him". If love and loyalty count for faith, Thomas had plenty of it.

The second phase of the discipleship challenge came with Martha's interaction with Jesus. Jesus says, "I am the resurrection and the life....Do you believe this?" Martha's response, though theologically correct as it sounded, didn't begin to grasp the depth of Jesus' meaning. Jesus told Martha to go a step further, to realize that God is the God of life.

Jesus told Thomas and friends that with Him, they could walk in His light, which meant that they could be with Him in facing down death. Jesus tells them, and through them to us, that we who believe will live though die, and the life He gives can never be touched by death. Knowing Jesus as the resurrection and the life changes everything.

So, discipleship is a journey we're invited to take in the light of the God of life. Believing in Jesus, walking with Him with more trust than understanding, is the journey of discipleship.

~Fr. Bala.



Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl Lenten Donations

We encounter Dita in Ethiopia, & see how her newfound entrepreneurial skills are providing three meals a day for her children – even during a devastating drought. What skills have you discovered this Lent that can be put to good use in building God's kingdom? Visit crsricebowl.org.

Rice Bowls will be collected on Easter Weekend. If possible, please count your change and write a check payable to CRS (Catholic Relief Services) & note 'Rice Bowl' in the memo section for the amount of your donation. There will be a container available Easter Weekend to deposit your Rice Bowl. Thank you very much for your cooperation and for your generosity!

2017 Annual Mission Appeal (AMA) Santa Rosa Diocese

2017 Target: \$21,250. Pledges to date: \$9,881.

Capital Campaign – The Capital Campaign is a 5 year program.

5-year target: \$295,000. Pledges to date: \$152,309.



St. Mary's Lenten and Easter Schedule

Reconciliation Friday, March 31 at 9:00am & 5:15pm Stations of the Cross: Fridays at 6:00pm, St. Mary's

Saturdays at 3:30pm, St Joseph, Blue Lake

Meager Meals: Fridays during Lent at 6:30pm, Leavey Hall **Exposition/Benediction** Sundays from Noon – 3:30pm, St. Mary's

Holv Week

Holy Thursday: Morning Prayer at 8:30am

Mass of the Last Supper at 6:30pm followed by

Exposition and Benediction until 9pm

Morning Prayer at 8:30am Good Friday:

Stations of the Cross at 9:00am

The Lord's Passion and Veneration at 3:00pm

Holy Saturday: Morning Prayer at 8:30 am.

Easter Vigil at 8:30pm, St. Mary's

Easter Sunday: Masses at 8:30am & 11:00am, St. Mary's Easter Sunday: Mass at 4:00pm, St. Joseph, Blue Lake

Children's Tambourine Entrance Processional



There will be a children's entrance processional on Palm Sunday, April 9th, at the 11:00am Mass. Rehearsal will be at 10:15am immediately preceding the Mass. Please call the office at 822-7696 or Pat at 499-9042 if your child wishes to participate. If you attend 8:30am mass and your child would like to be part of the entrance processional at 11:00am, it is not necessary to stay for both masses. You may leave with your child after the entrance.

Special Seminarian Collection St. Mary's is participating in supporting a Seminarian in his studies to enter the Priesthood. There will be a second collection next weekend, April 8th & 9th. Your generosity is much appreciated. Thank you.

Coffee Hour: March Coffee Hour will be hosted by the Portuguese Community. The ICF will host in May.

Outreach Ministry: To arrange for a phone call, visit, and/or to receive Holy Communion, please call 707-499-3331.



The next Baptism prep class will be on Saturday, April 29, 2017 at **3:00 pm** in the Fr. Michael Kelly Room. For information, please call the office at 822-7696.

The basic requirements for Baptism:

- -Family must be registered in a parish & be regular Mass attendees.
- -One or both parents need to be a practicing Catholic.
- -Child must have a reasonable chance to be brought up in the Catholic Faith.
- -Parents & Godparents must attend a 'Baptism Preparation' class.
- -At least one Godparent must be a practicing Catholic.

The Most Reverend Bishop Robert F. Vasa wishes to invite you to the Mass of Chrism which will be celebrated at the Cathedral of St. Eugene in Santa Rosa on Thursday, April 6, 2017, at 5:30 p.m.

Thank you to all those who helped coordinate, set up, and act as hosts for St. Mary's as an Emergency Weather Shelter through the Arcata House Partnership. Special thanks go to Mike Slavin, Marilyn Markie, Ashley Buczak, and Katrina Ehrnman-Newton. This is truly faith and mercy in action.

Easter is just 2 weeks away. Don't be disappointed! Place your order now for Easter giving. Also remember to 'shop with scrip' when planning your Easter dinner. The more you use scrip the more you help our parish with the profit earned from your purchases. Please keep this in mind when you do your planning. We appreciate your business as will our merchants. Check out the merchant lists available at the scrip table. Thank you!

Scrip sellers: Marge will soon be scheduling scrip sellers for May, June, July, and August. Summer is always a challenge for scheduling so please let her know if you will be unavailable any time during these months. She will need this information before April 15th. Please call Marge at 707-822-0539.

Thank you to all of our current Sellers! We are always looking for more committed volunteers. If you know someone who you think would be a good volunteer please encourage them to give it a try. Sellers are usually only scheduled once a month and have their choice of either 8:30 or 11:00am Mass. Thank you again for your continued support.

St. Bernard's High School Alumni Association is having a Hall of Fame Dinner on Saturday, April 8, 2017 at 6:00pm in the SBHS Auditorium. For information & reservations, please call Julie at 707-725-3254.

If you are living in shame, fear or numbness:

Rachel's Vineyard heals hearts broken by abortion.

Our 2017 retreat is **April 7 – 9** in Santa Rosa. rachelsvineyard@gmail.com(707) 967-1101 Rachelsvinevard.org

Additional Adoration and Mass Opportunities Christ the King Church Parish, McKinlevville Weekdays:

Monday Mass 9:00am

Tuesday Communion Service 9:00am

Wednesday & Thursday Prayer Service 9:00am

Friday Adoration 3:00pm followed by Mass 4:00pm

Weekends:

Saturday Confessions 4:30-4:45pm followed by Mass 5:00pm Sunday Mass 9:00am

Saturday Mass 6:30pm (1st Sat of month, Sept-May) - Trinidad

Saint Kateri Tekakwitha Mission, Hoopa

Sunday Mass 11:30 am

HSU Newman Center, 700 Union St. Arcata

Fridays: 5:30pm Mass, Dinner, and Fun

Sunday Mass 5:30pm followed by supper & learning about Catholicism.

WELCOME TO ST MARY'S! Whether you are a long time parishioner, a returning Catholic, or a new member, we hope your time with us is a	
meaningful and spiritual experience. If you haven't registered, please complete this form and return it to the rectory office or place it in	
the offertory basket. Name:	New Parishioner yes/no
Address:	Phone: