

This Week of July 1, 2018

Sun 9:30-10:45am Volunteer Appreciation Reception (7/1)
 Mon 6:30am Pastoral Council Meeting (7/2)
 Fri 9:00am Adoration with Confession available (7/6)

Next Week of July 8, 2018

Sat/Sun 2nd Collection-Black/Native American Missions (7/7-8)
 Tue 7:00pm Knights of Columbus Meeting (7/10)
 Wed 7:00 pm ICF Meeting (7/11)



Saints Peter and Paul

Though we celebrated on Friday the solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles, I think it is good to reflect on these pillars of the Church. Well-known to us from the Gospels, the Acts of the Apostles and the New Testament letters, they are revered and honored for any number of reasons. They were models of inspiration and courage; of determination and a willingness to come when the Lord called – and to go where the Lord led. They were perfectly imperfect humans who show us that human weakness and imperfection are not barriers to salvation. Both Peter and Paul were martyred in Rome during the reign of Emperor Nero sometime around the year 67 A.D. The Emperor Nero was carrying out a terrible persecution against the Christians at the time, and both Paul and Peter had to know the danger they faced in preaching the Gospel and building the Church. Yet they did not falter.

Our first reading from the Acts of the Apostles, and our Gospel passage from Matthew, both written well after their martyrdom, are very deliberate in their meaning: God had chosen Peter. He had chosen Peter to lead the Church; to build the Church; and to protect the Church. Despite what we, and certainly God, know of Peter's moments of faithlessness, fear and outright denial of who Jesus was, Peter responded to God's call with great love. If he, asked to do so much, could faithfully submit to God's will ... how can we not do the same?

In the letter to Timothy, thought to be written shortly before, or very close to Paul's death, we hear of a Paul who sees his future clearly: both his earthly one, soon to end, and his heavenly one, forever with God in his kingdom. He is satisfied with his lot. Chosen directly by God, Paul is pleased that he has been able to be a disciple of the Lord while not sinfully prideful of that same fact. *The Lord stood by me and gave me strength*, he says, *so that through me the proclamation might be completed, and all the Gentiles might hear it*. Paul was tasked with taking the Gospel beyond the cultural and religious borders of Judaism – no easy request – and he accomplished it while always acknowledging his sins, vulnerabilities and reliance on God. If he, like Peter, could do so much in faithful submission to God's will, how can we not, as well?

This is not to suggest that we are called to physical martyrdom, although many still are in today's world. It is to propose that, since God does not put limits on those he chooses in terms of what we can accomplish in his name, then neither should we put limits on ourselves. We, too, are perfectly imperfect, as were Peter and Paul. And like Peter and Paul, we can have faith that, if we compete well, if we finish the race, if we keep the faith, we too will have a crown of righteousness awaiting us. By grace we were chosen; in grace we respond. May we always be open to where that grace may lead us.

~Fr. Francis

Latin Mass: Sundays, 1:30pm (first Sunday of month, 3:00pm)

Mass Intentions - Please contact the office, 822-7696, if you would like to schedule a mass intention.

Sat, June 30: **First Martyrs of the Church of Rome**

Readings: Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19 Ps 74:1-7, 20-21 Mt 8:5-17
 4:00 pm – For All Souls

Sun, July 1: **St Junipero Serra**

Readings: Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24 Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13 2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15 Mk 5:21-43

8:30 am – For All Parishioners

11:00 am – Jose & Laurinda Mendes +

3:00 pm – Judy Lourenco+

Mon, July 2: **St Oliver Plunkett**

Readings: Am 2:6-10, 13-16 Ps 50:16b-23 Mt 8:18-22
 No Mass

Tue, July 3: **St Thomas the Apostle**

Readings: Eph 2:19-22 Ps 117:1-2 Jn 20:24-29
 8:30 am – Jose Freitas+

Wed, July 4: **St Elizabeth of Portugal**

Reading: Am 5:14-15, 21-24 Ps 50:7-13, 16-17 Mt 8:28-34
 8:30 am – Maria Rafael+

Thu, July 5: **St Anthony Zaccaria**

Readings: Am 7:10-17 Ps 19:8-11 Mt 9:1-8
 8:30 am – Mary Avila+

Fri, July 6: **St Maria Goretti**

Readings: Am 8:4-6, 9-12 Ps 119:2, 10, 20, 30, 40, 131 Mt 9:9-13
 8:30 am – Malachi Ennis+

Sat, July 7: **Blessed Emmanuel Ruiz & Companions**

Readings: Am 9:11-15 Ps 85:9, 11-14 Mt 9:14-17
 4:00 pm – John F. Mateus+

Sun, July 8: **St Gregory Grassi & Companions**

Readings: Ez 2:2-5 Ps 123:1-4 2 Cor 12:7-10 Mk 6:1-6a
 8:30 am – Maria & Joe Andrade+
 11:00 am – Virginia Springer +
 3:00 pm – Maria Rafael+

Emergency # and Outreach Ministry: To receive the Sacraments of Anointing of the Sick & Holy Communion in an emergency, please call **707-672-5859**. To arrange for a phone call, pastoral visit, &/or to receive Holy Communion, please call the parish office, 707-822-7696.

Sunday, July 8– 8:30 Mass

Readers: Mary Watson
 Alicia Uemura
 Eucharistic Ministers:
 Larry Ghidinelli
 Mike Campbell
 Altar Servers: Raven & Aiden

Sunday, July 8 - 11:00 Mass

Readers: Judith Cardoza
 Maggie Fleming
 Eucharistic Ministers:
 Randy Emenaker
 Bob Farrar
 Altar Servers: Gemma & Siri

Thank you to our parishioners who contributed to the offerings.

St. Mary's Plate Collection	\$ 2752.75
St. Joseph's Plate Collection	\$ 257.00
Total	\$ 3009.75
2 nd Collection: Cemetery Upkeep	\$ 440.69

Coffee Hour: The Knights of Columbus are hosting Coffee Hour in July. The Altar Society will host in August.

Paid Position Open: Parish Custodian

Are you looking for a part-time position? St. Mary's Parish is planning to add to the staff and will be hiring a part-time Parish Custodian. If you are interested, or if you know of someone who might be interested, please email, send, or drop off a resume and cover letter by July 14th to

stmary@sarcata@gmail.com

St. Mary's Parish
 1690 Janes Road
 Arcata, CA 95521

Volunteer Brunch TODAY!

St. Mary's is blessed with many willing and faithful volunteers including, but not limited to, **altar servers, the altar society, bulletin folders, computer & office helpers, counters, deacons, Eucharistic ministers, members of the finance council, the ICF, & the Knights of Columbus, the liturgical committee, maintenance & grounds crew, the music ministry, outreach ministry, members of the pastoral council & the Portuguese community, readers, religious education teachers, scrip workers, ushers & greeters, and all of you who step forward when needed.**

In appreciation of your commitment, you are all invited to a light brunch TODAY, Sunday, July 1st in the Fr. Michael Kelly Room. Please stop by anytime between the morning masses, 9:30-10:45am. **THANK YOU!**

Monthly Food Donations

Today we will be collecting nonperishable food donations for the St. Vincent de Paul kitchen. Please deposit your donations in the bin provided. Thank you.

Please join us for **Adoration** on Friday, July 8th, at 9:00am. A priest will be available for **Confession** during this time.

Religious Congress-*Called to be Holy Families*

Saturday, August 18 - 8:30am-4:30pm

The Diocese of Santa Rosa will present a day of prayer & fellowship for all adults in the diocese.

Cardinal Newman School - Santa Rosa

\$30 Early registration by August 1

\$35 registration August 2-18

\$10 Lunch - 3 choices available

Registration forms are in the Narthex.

707-566-3366 dre@srdiocese.org

www.santarosacatholic.org

Pray for the Sick: Please let the parish staff know the status of your loved one's illness so we may keep our prayer list current.

Larry DePeel, Mike Adams, Raymond Heavilin, Loretta Speziale, Ben Mills, Joesetta Matteri, Maria A. Pimentel, Susan Twomey, Shannon Heavilin, Mary Tanferani, Krista Melendy, Katherine Parker, Katy Trusnovac, Jim Hart, Michael Shaker, Emma Filipini, Erica Mills, Paul Hahn, Patricia Clarke, Nina DeVilbiss, and Kathleen Fancher.

Pray for the Souls of the Faithful Departed

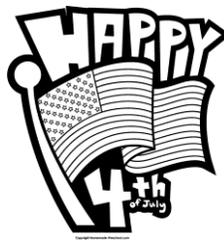
Ron Orlandi, Ruth Fraker, Norman Fontaine, Elliott Smart, Otis Skaggs, David Homem, Shar Evans, Jose Freitas, Gary Cahill, Malachi Ennis, Joyce Schirrmann, and Mary Avila



The next **Baptism prep class** will be July 28th at 3:00pm in the Fr. Kelly Room. Reservations are required. Please call the office at 707-822-7696 & leave your name & telephone number or email address.

The basic requirements for Baptism:

- Family must be registered in a parish & be regular Mass attendees.
- One or both parents need to be a confirmed, 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 confirmed, practicing Catholic.



Have a safe & happy 4th of July!

The office will be closed on Wednesday.

Annual Ministry Appeal

The Chancery Office has called and is very appreciative of your donations; however, St. Mary's is falling behind in its payments to the Annual Ministry Appeal. The AMA funds a variety of worthwhile and needed ministries within the Diocese. Please remember all amounts collected in excess of St. Mary's target will be given back directly to our parish. If the target is not met, the balance is paid through parish funds.

Your generosity and commitment are much appreciated.

If you have not yet donated to the AMA, please consider doing so. Envelopes are available in the Narthex.

AMA Target: \$23,838 / Payments: \$13,228.00

Scrip St. Mary's needs more supporters for the SCRIP program so that the parish will be able to meet the budgeted amount of \$1,000 per month for the maintenance fund. We sincerely thank all those who are so faithful in purchasing scrip every week. We hope others will give scrip a try. There are no extra "out of pocket" fees to you, the buyer. Just write your check to our parish Scrip program and use the store cards as you would with cash. We earn while you shop. Scrip will work even while you vacation. Thank you!

Discernment Day for Women

The Dominican Nuns of Corpus Christi Monastery in Menlo Park, California are hosting a '**Come and See Day**' on Saturday, July 21st from 8:00am to 5:30pm for single, Catholic women, 18 to 38 years of age. There is no cost for the day, and breakfast and lunch are provided. Contact Sister Joseph Marie, at vocations@opnunsmenlo.org or visit www.opnunsmenlo.org.

Spring Cleaning? Remember Christ the King!

Christ the King would like your clean & gently used items for their Rummage Sale on August 3rd, 4th, & 5th. Items are now being accepted at Christ the King.

Questions? Call Dolores at 707-496-4894.

Rummage Sale: Church of the Assumption in Ferndale will be holding a Rummage Sale on Friday, July 13 from 8am-2pm and Saturday, July 14 from 9am-1pm.

Additional Adoration and Mass Opportunities

Christ the King Church Parish, McKinleyville

Weekdays:

Monday Mass 9:00am

Tuesday Communion 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 **Trinidad** (June, July, & August)

Kateri Tekakwitha Mission, Hoopa

Sunday Mass 11:30am

HSU Newman Center, 700 Union St. Arcata

Sunday Mass 5:30pm

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: _____