

This Week of November 4, 2018

Sat/Sun 2nd Collection – Annual Mission Appeal (11/3-4)
 Sun 9:30 am Religious Education (11/4)
 Mon 5:30 pm Cemetery Blessing (11/5)
 Wed 6:00 pm ICF Meeting (11/7)
 Thu 6:00 pm Exploring the Catholic Faith (11/8)
 Thu 6:00 pm RCIA (11/8)

Next Week of November 11, 2018

Sat/Sun 2nd Collection–Communication/Catholic Univ
 Sun 9:30 am Religious Education (11/11)
 Mon 6:30 pm Pastoral Council Meeting (11/12)
 Tue 7:00 pm Knights of Columbus Meeting (11/13)
 Wed 10:30 am Altar Society Meeting (11/14)
 Thu 6:00 pm Exploring the Catholic Faith (11/15)
 Thu 6:00 pm RCIA (11/15)

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, Nov 3: **St Martin de Porres**

Readings: Phil 1:18b-26 Ps 42:2-3, 5cdef Lk 14:1, 7-11
 4:00 pm – John F. Mateus+

Sun, Nov 4: **St Charles Borromeo**

Readings: Dt 6:2-6 Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51 Heb 7:23-28 Mk 12:28b-34
 8:30 am – Leonildo Sousa+
 11:00 am – For the People
 Latin Mass - John, Mary & Gene Tosti+

Mon, Nov 5: **Blessed Solanus Casey**

Readings: Phil 2:1-4 Ps 131:1-3 Lk 14:12-14
 No Mass

Tue, Nov 6: **St Nicholas Tavelic & Companions**

Readings: Phil 2:5-11 Ps 22:26-32 Lk 14:15-24
 8:30 am – Bobby Murphy, Jr.+

Wed, Nov 7: **St Didacus**

Readings: Phil 2:12-18 Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 Lk 14:25-33
 8:30 am – Maria Rafael+

Thu, Nov 8: **Blessed John Duns Scotus**

Readings: Phil 3:3-8a Ps 105:2-7 Lk 15:1-10
 8:30 am – Kenneth David+

Fri, Nov 9: **Dedication of St John Lateran**

Readings: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12 Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17 Jn 2:13-22
 8:30 am – Judy Lourenco+

Sat, Nov 10: **St Leo the Great**

Readings: Phil Phil 4:10-19 Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 8-9 Lk 16:9-15
 4:00 pm – Deceased Family Members of Etelvina Mateus

Sun, Nov 11: **St Martin of Tours**

Readings: 1 Kgs 17:10-16 Ps 146:7-10 Heb 9:24-28 Mk 12:38-44
 8:30 am – Maria & Joe Andrade+
 11:00 am – Luis Furtado+
 Latin Mass – Francis Schwartzes (int)

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, Nov 11 – 8:30 Mass

Readers: Judy Burns
 Patrick Gerving
 Eucharistic Ministers:
 Cindy Humphry
 Alicia Uemura
 Altar Servers: Raven & Aiden

Sunday, Nov 11 - 11:00 Mass

Readers: Maggie Fleming
 Judith Cardoza
 Eucharistic Ministers:
 Maria Homem
 Anita Reynolds
 Altar Servers: Sophia & Lily

Coffee Hour: The ICF is hosting Coffee Hour in November. The Altar Society will host in December. Thank you!



31st Sunday
 In Ordinary Time

In today's Gospel one of the Pharisees asks Jesus: which is the first of all commandments. Jesus answers summarizing the entire teaching of the Old Testament in two simple statements: love your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind and with all your strength and love your neighbor as yourself. Jesus, by giving them a profound understanding of the law, startled them because they wanted to test Jesus if he understood the law. For Pharisees the law is everything. Following the law is their religion. They dedicate their lives to live the law.

But for Jesus love is at the center of everything. For him God is love. The God who is love is creative, redemptive and nurturing. Love begins with God and ends with God. Everything flows from his unconditional love. Love is his religion. God loved us first and calls everyone with a heart of love. He empowers us to love him as he loves by loving us first. Loving God calls us to love our neighbor because love of neighbor is grounded in the love of God. We are called to love what God loves and hate what God hates. He loves his people and therefore we are to love his people as he loves.

How can we grow in our love for God and our neighbor? Our faith and hope strengthen our love for God and neighbor. Faith in God and hope in his promises strengthens us in the love of God. Through our faith we delve into the mystery of God. Faith is like the door that opens us into the mystery of God. When we walk through that door we come to relate to God. Faith is a living relationship with God. In that living relationship we come to know him, love him and hope in him. The more we know of God the more we love him and the more we love him the greater we believe and hope in his promises. In love we accept him and his values. The Lord, through the gift of the Holy Spirit, gives us a new freedom to love as he loves. Do you allow anything to keep you from the love of God and the joy of serving others with a generous heart?

~Fr. Francis Gayam

Exploring the Catholic Faith

The next meeting will be held in the rectory on Thurs, Nov 8th. Exploring the Catholic Faith is a lifetime experience: the teachings, history, practice and traditions. We are continuing informal gatherings led by the staff based on the Catholic Catechism in order to learn what the Catechism has to tell us. All people are invited –from non-Catholic enquirers interested in becoming Catholic or completing sacraments, to those already baptized. Come and relax over coffee in a warm friendly accepting group and we will discover together. If you know someone who will not get this information but would be interested, please have them contact the office at 707-822-7696 or stmarysarcata@gmail.com & leave their name and number.

Religious Education classes meet on Sundays from 9:30am to 10:45am in the Religious Education Building.



There will be a
Cemetery Blessing
 at the
 St. Mary's Cemetery
 on 16th Street in Arcata on
 Monday, Nov 5th at 5:30pm.

Lectors, your workbooks are available in the Narthex. Please call the office if you have any questions. Thank you for participating in this ministry!

Has an abortion left you with a broken heart? If you or someone you love is hurting after abortion, discover God's healing love through a **Rachel's Vineyard retreat**. Upcoming retreat: December 7 – 9, 2018. Email rachelsvineyard@gmail.com or call (707) 799-6950 for confidential info and registration. The International website is rachelsvineyard.org.

Advent Family Breakfast @ St. Mary's Leavey Hall

Sunday, December 2nd
8:00am to 12:30pm

Adults \$7.00 Children \$5.00 6yrs and under FREE
 Hosted by St. Mary's ICF and Knights of Columbus
 Delicious Scrambled eggs (no milk), Pork link sausage, Hot cakes, Biscuits and sausage gravy, Orange juice, Hot Chocolate, Coffee, and Tea will be served. Bring your family and friends!

Monthly St. Vincent de Paul Donations

On the first Sunday of every month we collect nonperishable food items for the St. Vincent de Paul Kitchen. Please deposit your donations in the bin provided today. Thank you very much.

Thank you to all the people who contributed to the **Halloween Bake Sale**. Through the dedication and expertise of workers and bakers, and the generosity of those who donated ingredients and those who purchased the delicious baked goods, \$1,289.05 was raised for the Parish Maintenance Fund. **Thank you all!**

Christ the King Catholic Church in McKinleyville welcomes you to their annual Christmas Bazaar on
 Friday, Nov 16th, Noon-7pm
 Sat & Sun, Nov 17th & 18th, 10am to 3pm.

They are offering thousands of items including: Gifts from local artists (woodwork, quilts, folk art, home-canned products, gift baskets, & knitted & crocheted items); Estate collectibles; Holiday decorations; Stocking stuffers; & new Christmas Overstock items donated by a local business, including hundreds of rolls of gift wrap – all at bargain prices! Questions? Call 839-2911.

Scrip Remember to order "special" gift cards for your holiday giving or for your own use. We have a sheet available for you on the scrip table that has a listing of over 300 stores. We are sure that at least one of them will help you with gift giving. Check it out and take one home. Then give us your order. A three day turn-around and then we will have it. Thanks for your consideration.

Thank you to our parishioners who contributed to the offerings.

St. Mary's Plate Collection	\$ 2069.63
St. Joseph's Plate Collection	\$ 233.00
Total	\$ 2302.63
2 nd Collection: Seminarian John Plass	\$ 694.75

Stay current on **Youth & Young Adult ministry** events in the diocese: www.sryouth.org & www.catholicya.org

Annual Ministry Appeal

The **Catholic Cursillo Movement** of the Diocese of Santa Rosa invites all Catholics to celebrate the Advent season by attending a grand Christmas Ultreya on December 1st from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. at St. Elizabeth Seton in Rohnert Park. For further information call Molly Touchette (707-292-8389).

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. If you have not yet donated to the AMA, please consider doing so. **Your generosity and commitment are much appreciated.** Envelopes are available in the Narthex.

AMA Target: \$23,838 / Payments: \$19,953

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.

Candi Lewis, Larry DePeel, Mike Adams, Joesetta Matteri, 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.

Additional Adoration and Mass Opportunities

Christ the King Church Parish, McKinleyville

Weekdays:

Monday Mass 9:00am
 Tuesday 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 **Trinidad** (First Saturday of the month)

Pray for the Souls of the Faithful Departed


Collin Bibler, Geri Van Emmerik, Linda Silva, and John Zinselmeir.

Kateri Tekakwitha Mission, Hoopa

Sunday Mass 11:30am

HSU Newman Center, 700 Union St. Arcata

Wednesday: 7:00 pm Dinner followed by "Learn more about Catholicism"
 Friday: 5:30 pm Mass, Dinner, and Fun
 Sunday: 5:30pm Mass

 The next **Baptism prep class** will be November 17th at 3:00pm in the Fr. Kelly Room. Reservations are required. Please contact the office at 707-822-7696 or stmarysarcata@gmail.com & leave your name & telephone number.

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.

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: _____