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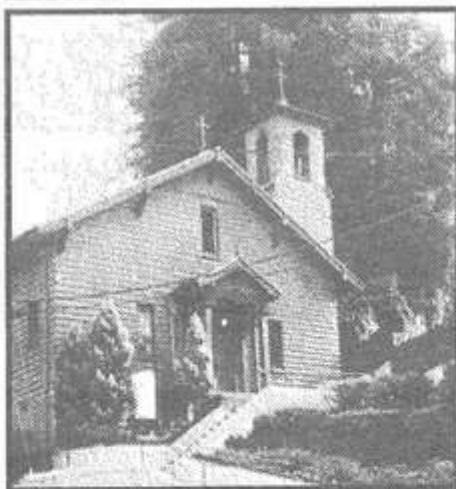
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St. Elizabeth, Guerneville

Mass Schedule

Sunday: 9:30 a.m.

Weekday Masses: Tue - Fri. 9:00 a.m.

Outdoor church July 4th weekend through
Labor Day weekend.



St. Colman, Cazadero

Mass Schedule

Sunday 11:00 a.m.

Outdoor church

*Memorial Day
through Labor Day*

St. Catherine of Siena, Monte Rio

Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:00 p.m.



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June 9, 2024
10th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Upcoming Dates

June 23
12:00 pm St Colman Guild Meeting

July 25 113th Annual Monte Rio Variety Show

Mass Intentions

Saturday Gary Perez†
4:00 pm

Readings

Gn 3: 9-15
Ps 130: 1-2. 3-4. 5-6. 7-8 (7bc)
2 Cor 4: 13 5: 1
Mk 3: 20-35

Pray For Our Brothers And Sisters

Who have been called to Eternal Life: Harry Vogl, Patricia Putallaz

Parish Donations

You can donate online by scanning the QR code at the bottom of the bulletin or by visiting stelizabeth.churchtrac.com/give

Collection Period	1 st Collection	\$1,583.00
June 1-2	2 nd Collection	\$623.00
<i>Thank you for your generosity!</i>		\$2,206.00

Announcements

St Vincent de Paul Rummage Sale

St Vincent de Paul/Russian River Food Pantry would like to thank all the wonderful helpers that made our Rummage Sale such a success. Much work over four days goes into putting this sale on. Special thanks goes to Julie, JoAnn, Rosie, Jean, Sharilyn, Noelle, Carlos, Ben, Josefina, Ken, Jeannine, Dani, Katrina, Maryanne, and Francine. Thank you as well to all the folks who generously donated. We appreciate all of you who attended and purchased or came to just check it out and urged us to continue next year. St Vincent de Paul/Russian River Food Pantry thanks Fr. Luis for his generosity to us with hall use, 5th Sunday collections, prayers and words of encouragement. See you next year!

113th Annual Monte Rio Variety Show

Our tickets are sold out! We will have merchandise and raffle tickets for sale after Masses beginning June 15th. If you cannot make our show, our raffle is a great way to support this fundraiser and prizes are plentiful - Golfing at Northwood and Bodega Bay, Taste of Monte Rio merchant and gift items, dining at the Union Hotel, and tickets to the 2025 Show! Questions: Go to our website at <https://monterioshow.com> or text Michele at (707) 486-1739 (be patient on response due to high call volume).

The Marian Sisters Open House

You are invited to an open house June 15, 1-4pm at Mater Dei Convent 400 Angela Drive, Santa Rosa CA 95403. For more information, contact mssrevents@gmail.com.

St Elizabeth Parking

The owner of the tan garage building right next to St Elizabeth on Armstrong Woods road is asking our parishioners to please not park in front of his garage. He is unable to access his garage when it's blocked by parked cars. We have ample parking available behind the fire station directly across the street from St Elizabeth Church at St Hubert Hall (parking lot and grass area behind hall). Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Annual Ministry Appeal 2024

The work of the *Annual Ministry Appeal (AMA)* is at heart your work, the work to which you are oriented by your Baptism: the service of God through service of your brothers and sisters in Christ. By making a gift to the *Annual Ministry Appeal, One Family in Mission*, you are able to touch souls and change lives throughout our diocese. Thank you to all who have already pledged, moving us closer to our goal as a parish community. Every gift is sincerely appreciated!

Parish Council

Our church has a Parish/Pastoral council. It consists of 9 members - Linda Payne, Barbara and Otto Kobler, Maryanne Gustafson, Susan Poirier, Patrick McDonnell, Chris Kollaja, Mary Helt and Martha "Marti" Lownes. The committee meets monthly with Fr Luis, to discuss current and future projects and plans for the parish, and we advise Father on agenda items as needed. Please feel free to reach out to any council member with questions or concerns about our parish.

Monthly Collection Report

The Parish Council has decided to publish the collections on a monthly basis beginning January of 2023. This collection report will show both the collections at Mass but also our online collections. It also shows the estimated expenses that are required to operate our

For questions about future parish events, please contact Linda Payne at: (707) 953-9166 or cocomokidd@aol.com

Finance Committee Meeting	3 rd Wednesday*, 4 pm	St. Hubert Hall	* of February, May, August and November
St. Colman Guild Meeting	4 th Sunday, 12 pm	St. Colman	

Parish and Mission Churches. We hope to update this on or after the 15th of the following month.

Pastor's Desk

Greetings, to all especially our summer parishioners and visitors! This Sunday we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. The image of the Sacred Heart represents the boundless depths and merciful love that flow from the heart of our Savior. It is a reminder of the overwhelming love that God has for each and every one of us. It is also for me, a chance to contemplate the humanity of God in the person of Jesus. Jesus, though God, experience the depth of human emotions. Think of those emotions that we feel in our hearts: sadness, disappointment, loss, joy, anger.

Jesus felt these emotions in his heart as well, and today's feast asks us to contemplate these emotions as a point of connection with Jesus.

My friends, today's feast is an opportunity to respond as this overwhelming love with gratitude, faith and devotion. We are invited to open our hearts to the mercy of God and allow God's love to transform us from within. When we contemplate the unconditional love of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, let us pray that our own hearts are set on fire with divine love, enabling us to love God, our neighbors, and our own selves more fully.

As we celebrate this solemnity, let us strive to grow in intimacy with Jesus. Let us strive to be open to the one who is present here among us, ready to forgive, heal, restore, and free us.

Let us strive to be in communion with the one who knows what it is to be human, with the one who knows what it is to feel the strongest emotions of the heart. When we feel these deep emotions, we can offer them as pints of connections with Jesus. And through this, we pray that e might row in closeness with God, and that our hearts, overwhelmed by the love and mercy of God, overflow with compassion and forgiveness for others.

Peace and blessings!
Fr. Luis

P.S. For those who missed the rummage sale for the St. Vincent de Paul Society, you can support them by sending a check to assist them in their ministry.

Spirituality Of The Readings

Courtesy of John Foley, SJ, Saint Louis University

Kinfolk

The Gospel for this 10th Sunday of Ordinary Time can be puzzling. For instance:

Jesus is preaching, but his "relatives" come to "seize" him because "he is out of his mind."(Mark 3:21) Picture it. Who are these relatives? They seem to be identified as "his mother and his brothers"! This raises the question whether Jesus actually had brothers and sisters, and whether they, and Mary, the blessed mother, think that he is crazy!

First, did Jesus actually have brothers and sisters in our present-day sense? There are many theories, and this is one:

In Semitic usage, the terms "brother," "sister" are applied not only to children of the same parents, but to nephews, nieces, cousins, half-brothers, and half-sisters.*

So, going by this alternative, Jesus had cousins and other kin. Do you remember his pregnant mother's trip to see her cousin, Elizabeth? Today children of "first cousins" are called "second cousins," but they would have qualified as brothers and sisters in ancient Semitic usage. Jesus would not be different from other Nazarenes in this regard. Nor would there be a contradiction to anything central to the faith.

>Second, could it be that his "mother and his brothers" were among those who thought of him as "out of his mind"? The Gospel of Mark asserts only the following:

His mother and his brothers arrived.

Standing outside they sent word to him

and called [for] him (Gospel).

Perhaps this was just familial interest on their part instead of a desire to "seize him" and carry him away. Conclusion: we do not have to think that his mother was being critical of Jesus when she arrived with other relatives.

Third: but now, Jesus seems to totally ignore his family. Hearing that they are calling out to him, Jesus says,

"Who are my mother and my brothers?"

And looking around at those seated in the circle he said,

"Here are my mother and my brothers." (Gospel)

Some have taken this speech as Jesus rejecting Mary and his other relatives. Actually it is a statement of Jesus' mission. He is showing that the most important reason for life is the love of God and of one's neighbors, as opposed to the easy and presumably self-enclosed way of staying home where relatives will take care of you. Growth in the biblical kind of love must come from God.

As Jesus says: "whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother." He is widening our life-search to include others, not indeed instead of the family but including the family in the overall purpose of life itself: letting in the love of God and passing it along to everyone we know.

Fourth, we have now discovered the meaning of Jesus' words,

whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit

will never have forgiveness,

but is guilty of an everlasting sin.

Sounds severe, but it is just repeating the message of love. If a person or a society turns against (blasphemes against) the Holy Spirit of God, they will have shut off the very source of love. As we have seen repeatedly, Christians discovered the Trinity of God by seeing it played out in this world: the love of the Father for the Son, together with the loving inclusion of everything in existence, which is the Holy Spirit.

Confessions

Fr Luis is available to hear Confessions after 9 am Mass on Fridays and before weekend Masses. Please call the rectory to confirm with him, so that he knows to stay late on Friday or arrive early on the weekend. Alternatively, a more convenient time can be scheduled with him by calling the rectory at (707) 869-2107.



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