

WE ARE A EUCHARIST CENTERED PEOPLE WHO, AS THE BODY OF CHRIST, LIVE OUR FAITH IN WORD AND DEED BY SHARING OUR TIME, TALENT, AND TREASURE TO SUPPORT ONE ANOTHER AND SERVE THOSE IN NEED.

Sunday, October 11, 2020

Mass intentions during October 12th - October 18th

Mon.	8:00	Marie Fletcher (L), Margaret Flores Ralph and Margaret Giacomini
Tues.	8:00	John Orfali, Franco Licata Pete and Dorothy Querello Querello Family (L)
Wed.	8:00	John Orfali
Thurs.	8:00	Judy Spencer (L)
Fri.	8:00	Eloisa Gutierrez
Sat.	8:00	Tessa Bordi (L), Dante Bordi (L) Kate Doherty (L)
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	7:30	Estevan Garcia (L), Eloisa Gutierrez
Sun.	7:30	Bruno and Diane Boccaleoni
	9:00	Randall C. Fowler, Jomar K. Lococo Daniel Leary
	10:30	-
	12:00	-

October 11, 2020 - Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

GOD REVEALED TO THE NATIONS

What wonderful images we have today of the reign of God! Isaiah speaks to us of a great feast—a heavenly feast—a feast of abundance with rich foods and choice wines. It is the Lord’s own affair, Isaiah explains, when God will unite all nations, dry every tear, and destroy death forever. Then, too, will the entire earth rejoice in the Lord and bask in God’s saving grace.

Jesus speaks of heaven in terms of a feast as well. Here, the kingdom of heaven is likened to a king’s wedding feast given for his son. This is a feast of abundance also, with the fattened cattle prepared just so. But many of the people invited don’t want to come, so the king invites anyone who would honor his son by their presence there. And Paul tells us that whether we live abundantly or in humble circumstances, we can do all things in the Lord who strengthens us.

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION UPDATE

PLEASE READ: It is time to register or reregister for Kindergarten through Confirmation classes.

The registration forms are outside the front door of the Rectory at 35 Liberty, or you may call the Rectory to request that a form be mailed to you. **A reminder: the preparation for the Sacraments of Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation is a two-year process.** If families want their children to receive these Sacraments in Spring of 2022, they need to register to begin the classes starting this October.

The elementary children are homeschooled and assigned a Catechist who is available to assist the parents. The Confirmation students are taught via zoom. We will reevaluate the situation in December and decide how classes will proceed for the second semester.

* **Elementary Classes:** Book distribution for registered elementary students is on Monday October 12th from 3:30 to 4:30 pm. Pick-up is at the front doors of the **Parish Hall**. Please, wear a mask and social distance along the side walk. We promise that we will move quickly.

* **Confirmation Classes:** We will continue to accept registrations through Thursday, October 15th. All Confirmation classes begin next week. **First Year starts Tuesday, October 13th, and Second Year on Wednesday, October 14th.** We are contacting all who have registered with the pertinent information needed to enter the zoom classes.

ATTENTION CONFIRMATION 2020

The Sacrament of Confirmation for the class of 2020 is to be conferred this month. The Confirmation Classes of Mrs. Shelly Hernandez, Tuesday, and Mrs. Kim Williams, Wednesday, will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on **Saturday, October 17th at 12 noon** at St. Vincent High School (849 Keokuk St, Petaluma, CA). Please plan to arrive between 11:30 and 11:45 a.m. Only the following are to be present: The Confirmandi, the sponsor, and the two parents of the Confirmandi. That totals 4 people per student. On a rare occasion for various reasons a fifth person may need to be present. Kindly keep to this number. Bring your own chairs and masks.

You are required to receive the Sacrament of Confession/Reconciliation the afternoon of Wednesday, October 14th. We will gather in front of St. Vincent Church on the Plaza at 4:45 pm. for check-in, review, and directions. Please be prompt. Confessions will be from **5:00 to 6:00 pm. sharp.** Wear your mask and social distance. If you have not turned in all your paperwork: baptism certificates, saint’s name and sponsor names, please send in ASAP. You have been notified. We need everything yesterday! Looking forward to seeing everyone. For more information, please contact Rose Marie at 762-4278 Ext. 14.

SAINT TERESA OF JESUS (1515-1582) October 15th - Let nothing disturb you; let nothing frighten you. Gifted with a

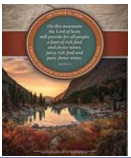


passionate spirit, young Teresa dreamed of converting Muslims and becoming a martyr. All things are passing; God never changes. But her mother’s death when Teresa was fourteen inspired lifelong devotion to Our Lady, and Teresa entered the Carmelites, Mary’s order, despite her father’s objections and her own fragile health. Patience gains everything. Initially, she enjoyed her lax convent’s sociability and “busyness,” but mystical prayer and John of the Cross’s collaboration inspired her to reform the Carmelites. Whoever has God, lacks nothing. When her ideals encountered resistance and brought suffering, she maintained her peace—and humor. Discovered devouring leftovers, she told her mildly scandalized nuns, “When I fast, I fast! When I eat, I eat!” To nuns demanding less work and more prayer in the convent schedule, she retorted: “What we really need around here are fewer starry eyes and more strong arms!” God alone is enough! The italicized sentences here are her “Breviary Bookmark,” the simple, profound prayer of Teresa, the first woman Doctor of the Church.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 12TH – OCTOBER 18TH

Monday: Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31 — 5:1; Ps 113:1b-5a, 6-7; Lk 11:29-32
Tuesday: Gal 5:1-6; Ps 119:41, 43-45, 47-48; Lk 11:37-41
Wednesday: Gal 5:18-25; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 11:42-46
Thursday: Eph 1:1-10; Ps 98:1-6; Lk 11:47-54
Friday: Eph 1:11-14; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 12-13; Lk 12:1-7
Saturday: Eph 1:15-23; Ps 8:2-3ab, 4-7; Lk 12:8-12
Sunday: Is 45:1, 4-6; Ps 96:1, 3-5, 7-10; 1 Thes 1:1-5b; Mt 22:15-21




ST. VINCENT'S OUTDOOR MASS

Will be held at St. Vincent's High School, 849 Keokuk Street in the side parking lot at 9:00 am in English and 10:30 am in Spanish. Bring your own folding chair, and please stay 6' apart and wear a mask. Park in the front parking lot or on the street and walk. There will be ushers to direct you. There will be music, but no singing, and please do not gather after receiving communion. We will continue to record mass and post on the website.



PLEASE PRAY FOR

 Axel Jason Deming, Sebastian Reno, Matthew Woodruff, Marie Fletcher, Sandra Vonder Kuhlen and Concepcion Campos.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Thursdays from 10 - 11 am in front of the church, with the front doors open to the blessed sacrament. There will be a holy hour of exposition, followed by the Rosary. We will close with the Benediction. Fr. Andrew will be leading this service.

CONFESSIONS - are now heard Saturday afternoons from 3:30-4:00 pm, on the bench in the Veterans Memorial next to the church on Howard St. The slight change in the confession time has been made to accommodate the time needed for recording the weekend Masses.

OUR SYMPATHIES go out to the family of Laverne Patricia Noble who passed away on October 2, 2020 . May her soul rest in peace.

FALL DECOR: Thank you to whomever donated pumpkins, silk flowers, scarecrow decoration, and tablecloth. It really helped to make our Rectory Porch Ministry cheerful and attractive. With so many issues our community is facing - the threat of fires, smoky air quality, children with distant learning, and the pandemic - a bit of effort on our part is a small contribution to create a happy place to come to. Again, thank you to our loving parishioners of St. Vincent's.

JOIN A SANTA ROSA DIOCESAN meeting for young adults. Via Zoom. Our monthly meeting with parents, teachers, coaches, ministers, and volunteers is on Tuesday night, October 13th, from 5:15 pm - 6pm. ZOOM Link: <https://zoom.us/j/98424422903>. Conversation help us connect across the diocese, discuss best tips to share the Gospel, and address the needs of young people and their families... especially in today's convoluted pagan culture.

NEW MAILBOX - The new locking mailbox at the front door of the rectory will provide a more secure way of receiving donations. Many of our parishioners also slip their donations under the front door.



PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Last Sunday's offering:
Sunday Basket: \$9,568
On-Line Giving: 3,448
Total \$13,016

Special Donations--\$1,725

This weekend there will be a second collection for the World Mission Sunday

ONLINE GIVING - To access our online giving with a debit card, credit card, or a check, go to <http://www.svdppetaluma.org> and look for the red "Donate" button on the upper right of the front page. Once you get there, follow the prompts to create a new account.



ALL DONATIONS ARE APPRECIATED.

We are checking the mailbox frequently, Monday through Friday between 8 am and 4 pm. Or mail to: St. Vincent de Paul Church, 35 Liberty St., Petaluma, CA 94952.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

During these difficult times, we are praying for all those families affected by the wildfires. Our deepest prayers and gratitude go out to all of the firefighters and their families. Be safe and stay strong.

We are nearly mid-way through the first trimester at St. Vincent de Paul Elementary School. Our students are settled into their daily routines with a focus on Academics and a mix of Enrichment Activities, Fine Art projects, Music with Mr. Bowman, Physical Education and Independent Study time. SVES students are also preparing for our 2020 Virtual Jog-A- Thon coming up on October 16th. This event is a great way for students to show school spirit, raise money for various activities and stay active. If you know a student at SVES, ask them how you can donate. For more information about our school activities or for information on the K-8th grade programs we offer at St. Vincent de Paul Elementary School, please visit our website (www.svelem.org) or call the office at (707) 762-6426.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL HIGH SCHOOL

St. Vincent de Paul High School offers a college preparatory curriculum that develops our students' spiritual, academic, and social potential. To experience SVHS, schedule a personalized private tour. During your visit, you will tour our campus grounds and have all your questions answered. Our goal is to equip you with the knowledge you will need to make an informed decision for your child's education. For questions and to schedule, please contact Carrie Borkhuis, Director of Admissions, at (707) 763-1032, ext. 113 or cborkhuis@svhs-pet.org

THE CARMELITE NUNS - invite you to their Annual Fall Jam sale. The sale begins October 15th and runs until January 1st. We hope you will enjoy the fruits for our labor: apricot, peach, strawberry and bumbleberry jam and pear-apple plum sauce. These delicious jams and sauces make wonderful gifts for Thanksgiving and Christmas until New Year's Day. The proceeds from this sale are used for the purpose of supporting the Sister's contemplative life of prayer. For more information, call (415) 847-3381, Carmelite Monastery of the Mother of God, 530 Blackstone Drive, San Rafael, CA. Thank you for your generous support.

