

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 10, 2021

Mass intentions during October 11th - October 17th

Mon.	8:00	Pat McDonagh, Unborn Children
Tues.	8:00	Ralph and Margaret Giacomini Marguerita Waters
Wed.	8:00	Heloise Tomasini Pete and Dorothy Querello and Family Leticia Litonjua-Mendoza Celestina Sabijon Castro
Thurs.	8:00	Kathy Halverson (L), Unborn Children
Fri.	8:00	Mari Aguilar y Familia (L), Rena Carew Special Intentions for the Nelson-Olivia Family
Sat.	8:00	Daniel Adams
	5:00	John and Rosa Amaral, Pam MacCormack Michael Simmons
	7:30	Andres Solorio, Alex Ponce, Juan Alcala Maria Cornejo, Eloisa Gutierrez
Sun.	7:30	-
	9:00	Judy Spencer (L), Dorothy Williams Arthur Barboni
	10:30	Special Intention
	12:00	Emma y Ignacio Gonzalez y Familia (L) Gabriel Naal and Family (L) Adolfo Mendoza Valencia Jesus Angel Mendoza Alfonso y Elidia Pulido

October 10, 2021 - Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

GIFTS

In today's readings, we discover that material wealth alone does not keep us from discipleship. We will see that there are other gifts more important than material wealth, but even so, it is how we use our gifts that matters most.

Today's scriptures point to the value of the gifts of wisdom, trusting in God, and letting our actions reflect the love of God from within. It is not gold that causes us to fall, but rather the desire for gold above all other things. From the readings in Wisdom and Hebrews, we find the source of God's gifts in our lives. Wisdom is more valuable than worldly possessions. In Hebrews, we are challenged to look at our own values and admit honestly what controls our lives.

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Dear Fellow Parishioners,

I am happy to report that Fr. Thomas Stuart began offering Masses and ministering in this parish on Wednesday of this past week. Since it is not entirely possible for one priest to cover all of the weekend Masses and other liturgies, it may be another week or 2 before you see Fr. Stuart at the altar.

I am often asked about which priests offer which Masses on the weekend. We have settled on a fairly simple rotation for weekdays, and a more complicated rotation for weekends.

As a bit of background information, Church law ordinarily allows a priest to offer 1 or 2 Masses per day. In case of "pastoral need," a priest may offer 3 Masses on a Sunday. ("Sunday" includes Saturday evening vigil Masses.) Offering more than 3 Masses per liturgical day is normally "forbidden." I put "forbidden" in quotation marks, since I am aware of no penalty for doing so, and it is at times impossible to avoid.

At SV, for the weekday Masses, I normally take Monday and Tuesday, Fr. Stuart takes Wednesday and Thursday, and Msgr. Dan takes Friday and Saturdays. This can change due to school Masses or funerals during the week, to ensure that no one of us offers more than 2 Masses on a weekday and that duties are shared more-or-less equally.

Sundays schedules are a bit more complicated. We have 6 Sunday Masses – 4 in English and 2 in Spanish. Since homilies are required in each of those languages, Fr. Stuart and I try to alternate between them from one week to the next, so that we need to prepare only one homily in one language per Sunday. One week, Fr. Stuart may take 2 Spanish Masses, and Msgr. Dan and I will divide the remaining 4 Masses in English between us. I try to equalize the rotation so that no priest has the same Mass 2 weeks in a row, and that every priest offers Mass at every time slot at least once every 2 or 3 weeks.

Although Msgr. Dan is officially retired, he is sometimes asked to help out in other parishes when the pastor is ill or away.

Another factor is the number of baptisms, weddings and quinceñeras we have at SV on a given weekend. Because so many weddings and baptisms have been re-scheduled one or more times due to COVID and the fires, we now have a backlog of both. On most Saturdays, we now have baptisms, weddings or quinceñeras – and sometimes all three. I may be asking Fr. Stuart to help me with a number of liturgies I "inherited" when Fr. Pacheco was moved to Fort Bragg.

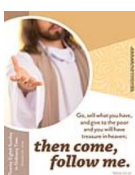
Though I risk boring you all to tears, enough of you have asked questions about Mass scheduling that I thought I would explain it as best I could for those who are interested.

A closing thought: One of the primary purposes of the Catholic liturgy of Word and Sacrament– no matter who presides – is to provide a familiar framework for prayer and worship, while highlighting the Word of God and other elements which change with every day and week. Simply stated, the point is in large part, to downplay the individual personality of the priest or deacon so that it is the person of Christ himself, in Word and Sacrament, who presides and shines forth all the more brightly, even if the Pope himself is offering the Mass.

Blessings,

Fr. Bill Donahue

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 11TH – OCTOBER 17TH



Monday: Rom 1:1-7; Ps 98:1-4; Lk 11:29-32
Tuesday: Rom 1:16-25; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 11:37-41
Wednesday: Rom 2:1-11; Ps 62:2-3, 6-7, 9; Lk 11:42-46
Thursday: Rom 3:21-30; Ps 130:1b-6ab; Lk 11:47-54
Friday: Rom 4:1-8; Ps 32:1b-2, 5, 11; Lk 12:1-7
Saturday: Rom 4:13, 16-18; Ps 105:6-9, 42-43; Lk 12:8-12
Sunday: Is 53:10-11; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; Heb 4:14-16; Mk 10:35-45 [42-45]

STATUS OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES



There are still openings in the Sunday 4-year-olds and Kindergarten classes. Also, for the Wednesday in-person afternoon classes, the openings are in the First Year First Communion for the 4th, 5th, and 6th Grades and in the 3rd, 4th, and 5th Grades for children who have received their First Communion.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

on zoom we have openings in the Wednesday Second Year Confirmation zoom class at 7:00 pm. You must have completed the First Year Confirmation Class.



Reminder: all involved in Religious Education Classes are expected to attend Mass weekly in person or virtually. This is an important part of our Religious Education. The source and summit of our Faith and our belief in Jesus Christ.

REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING

All Catechists and students are expected to wear masks as they enter the building and throughout the entire class session. All classes will reflect the current Covid-19 situation. First communion and Confirmation classes are a two-year process. Second Year Communion and Confirmation students MUST have a copy of their Baptismal Certificate on file with their registration forms. If you have questions, contact Rose Marie at 762-4278 ext. 14.

PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Last Sunday's offering:

Sunday Basket:	\$9,224
On-Line Giving	<u>3,649</u>
Total	\$12,873

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

ONLINE GIVING - To sign up for 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.



ARE YOU NEW TO THE COMMUNITY? Do you live in Petaluma and want to register and receive Sunday offering envelopes or sign-up online for electronic giving? We have registration forms on the front porch of the rectory. For more information, please call the rectory at 762-4278.



ST. VINCENT'S SCHOOLS NEWS

Reach out to Admissions@svhs-pet.org to schedule a shadow day for your 8th grader. Visit www.svhs-pet.org to apply for Fall 2022 and learn more. Applications are due January 31, 2022.



ST. VINCENT'S USHERS: The official mass attendance for the Diocese of Santa Rosa will be taken at ALL masses during the month of October 2021.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEMBERS - This weekend,



October 9th and 10th, the Knights of Columbus members will be conducting a campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities. This has been an extremely successful campaign for the Knights across the country, providing people with intellectual and physical disabilities more resources to live a happy life. Your generous donation will be greatly appreciated! Just look for the Knights of Columbus members in yellow vests at the back of the church after mass.

ROSARY RALLY OCTOBER 16TH - There will be a Public Square Rosary Rally on Saturday, October 16th, 2021, at 12:00 noon at our St. Vincent's Catholic Church Plaza. This Public Square Rosary, sponsored by *America Needs Fatima*, will be one of over 20, 000 rallies that will take place all across the United States on that day. St. Vincent's Knights of Columbus Council members will lead this rally. Please join us in offering reparation for the sins and offenses committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary and to fervently pray for the conversion of the United States.



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT -



Thursday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be held after weekday mass at 8:45 am, with Benediction starting at 9:45 am and ending at 10 am.

PLEASE PRAY FOR - Bonifacio Gonzalez, Kim Williams, Sylvia Samija, Jeff Tuttle, Lucille Batemon, Robert Virgin and Tessa Rae Finkbohner.

A DIOCESAN ADULT FAITH formation and certification



program will be offered at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church starting in October. Participants can attend to learn more about their faith and even pursue optional certification. Contact: Carmen Aanenson for more information at dre@srdiocese.org

A Memorial Mass will be held for deceased members of SRDCCW on **Saturday, October 16th at 11:00 am** at St. Eugene's Cathedral. A simple reception in the Becker Center will follow. For more information, call Cindy Cunningham at 707-592-9833 or email SantaRosaDCCW@gmail.com

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES: THE VILLAGE



TECH TEAM is seeking volunteers of all ages. To learn more about the Tech Team opportunities, contact Bob Bailey at rhbailey@sonic.net. The Writing Group is very full, so we are seeking a volunteer interested

in starting a new group. We also welcome volunteer drivers, friendly visitors, and anyone interested in offering their skills and experience to the community. Contact Manager Carol Appel at 707-776-6055.