

**Gathering Song:** *All Are Welcome* BB#314  
**Refrain:** *All are welcome in this place, behold love's amazing grace,  
 All are welcome, all are welcome.  
 Bring your hopes, bring your dreams,  
 Mercy flows and love redeems, all are welcome! All belong!*

BB#314



**Gloria:** *Glory to God*  
 (Card is in the pew pocket)

**Responsorial Psalm:** *Psalm 69: Turn to the Lord in Your Need*

Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live.  
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**Gospel Acclamation:** *Alleluia*

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**Preparation of Gifts:** *The Least of These* BB#392

**Refrain:** *What you do for the least of these, you have done for me.  
 When you care for the least of these, you have cared for me.*

**Communion Song:** *If You Love Me*

If you love me, keep my com - mandments. Love one an - oth - er as I've loved you.  
 Live in the love, that flows from the heart of God. Live in the love that flows from the heart of God.  
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**Closing Song:** *Now is the Time* BB#514

**Refrain:** *Come to us, You who say, "I will not forget you."  
 Be with us, you who say, "Do not be afraid."  
 Take hold of us, our hearts, our minds, our whole being.  
 Make us your own. Now is the time.*

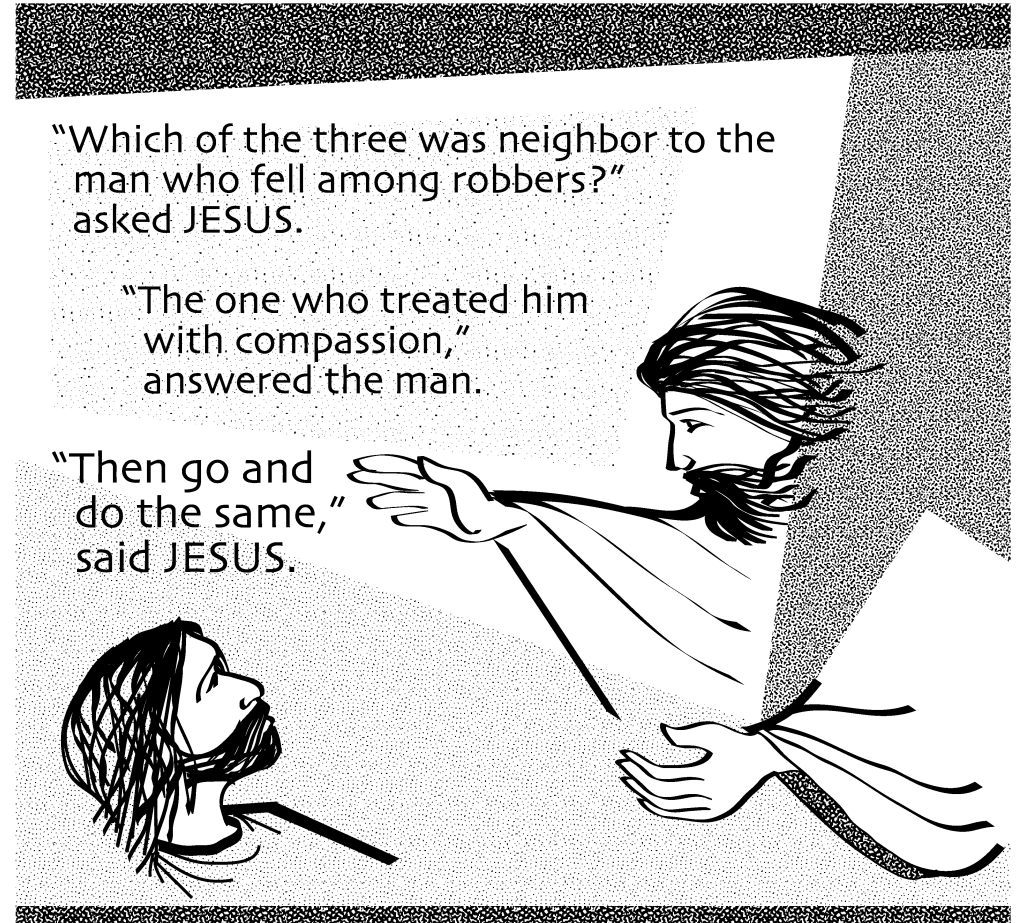
# 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

## July 10, 2022

"Which of the three was neighbor to the man who fell among robbers?" asked JESUS.

"The one who treated him with compassion," answered the man.

"Then go and do the same," said JESUS.



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## Mass Times

**Saturday Mass:** 5:00 p.m.  
**Sunday Masses:** 8:00 a.m. Spanish  
9:30 a.m. English  
11:30 a.m. Spanish

**Confession:** 4:30 p.m., Saturdays  
6:30 p.m., Wednesdays

Sunday Masses are Live Streamed  
on Facebook, YouTube, or  
our website: [www.stleosonoma.org](http://www.stleosonoma.org)

**Weekday Mass:**  
8:30 a.m. M, W – F (no Mass on Tuesday)  
7:00 p.m. – Wed. – Spanish Mass

✠ **Sacraments** ✠  
**Baptisms:** Call the office, (707) 996-8422  
**Weddings:** Call the office, (707) 996-8422

## MASS INTENTIONS July 9<sup>th</sup> – July 17<sup>th</sup>

Sat 9	5:00 pm	James Garvey †
Sun 10	9:30 am	Bill Thomas †
Mon 11	8:30 am	James Gater †
Tues 12	8:30 am	<b>NO MASS</b>
Wed 13	8:30 am	Patricia Ramirez †
Thurs 14	8:30 am	Agnes Lucey †
Friday 15	8:30 am	Ed Scanlon †
Sat 16	5:00 pm	Greg Wardwell, Happy B-day
Sun 17	9:30 am	Frank Lynch † & James & Ellen Lynch †

## FISCAL LOG: July 2 / 3

**Sunday Collection: \$ 3,245.**  
**Development Fund: \$ 1,110.**

**2022 ANNUAL PARISH CAMPAIGN:**  
**110 Parishioners pledged: \$107,712. 74%**

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

July 11 5PM Monday Bocce League begins  
July 13 9:30AM Wed. Bocce League begins  
July 16/17 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection – Peter's Pence (D)  
July 19 Men's Club Monthly Dinner Meeting  
July 22 Memorial for Mickie Miller, 10:30AM  
July 24 World Day for Grandparents/Elderly  
July 31 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection, 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday for SVDP  
Aug. 6/7 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection–St Leo Development Fund

## 2022 ANNUAL PARISH CAMPAIGN

St. Leo's relies on the funds pledged and collected from the Annual Parish Campaign for staff salaries as well as working capital for the parish. **We are at 74% pledged and 48% of that has been collected.** Pledges can be made at any time. Thank you.

## COFFEE & DONUTS TODAY IN THE LSW!

### BOCCE CLUB NEWS:

If you are interested in joining and playing on a league team or open play, please send an email to [stleosbocceclub@gmail.com](mailto:stleosbocceclub@gmail.com).  
**Membership cost is \$40 a person, \$75 a couple, or \$375 for a Lifetime Membership.**

### BOCCE CLUB NEWSLETTER:

The latest newsletter is located out in front of the church in the marked plastic holder on the awning's frame. In the newsletter there is information on two new leagues starting up, what benefits your membership to the club include and league standings.

**(NOTE DATE CORRECTION – The Monday evenings league begins on Monday, July 11<sup>th</sup> @ 5PM, not the 18<sup>th</sup>).** Pick one up today on your way out.

**SONOMA VALLEY 2022 BACK to SCHOOL HEALTH FAIR, Saturday, August 13<sup>th</sup>** at Altimira Middle School from 12noon – 2:30 p.m. Free backpacks for local students will be handed out. (Student must be present. First come first served). There will be activities, health screenings, vaccines offered and more. Questions? Call (707) 939-6070.

**ARE YOU IN NEED OF A CARE GIVER? ARE YOU A CARE GIVER LOOKING TO HELP?** If you answer either of these questions with a "YES", please contact the parish office and leave your information. We are compiling lists for helpers and for people seeking help..

## SANCTUARY LAMP

*Dedication for July*  
*In memory of James Gater*



**SANCTUARY LAMP DEDICATION:** If you are interested in having a month-long Sanctuary Lamp dedication to a loved one, please contact the office. The cost is \$40 for the month.

***He is before all things and in him all things hold together. Colossians 1:17***

The start of today's Gospel reading might have been staged in some Law school classroom. A legal expert wants to test the intelligence of Jesus whose popularity is growing in the market place. After all, Jesus is only a carpenter's son – has he had any education in the complexities of biblical Law?

One way to find out is to toss him a leading question (which lawyers are good at): *Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?* How do you answer that question on the spur of the moment? How avoid pausing long enough to allow the lawyer to cut in and say: *Ah, I see you are not sure.* But Jesus does not pause nor does he answer. Rather he tosses back a question at the expert: *What does the law say? You should know. You tell me!* The lawyer is caught off guard. To save face; to show he knows what the law says, he rapidly quotes the summation contained in the Torah: *You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, all your being . . . and your neighbor as yourself.* To which - their roles having been reversed - Jesus grades him: *Correct! Behave that way and you will live.*

But still not wanting the leave the field embarrassed, the expert tosses Jesus another leading question: *And who is my neighbor?* And Jesus might have said at this point: *Ah, thank you so much – but in response to that question let's leave this classroom and cross over into an experience of the world as it is and as it ought to be:*

"A man en route from Jerusalem to Jericho was assaulted by robbers, beaten, stripped, left half dead by the road. To the robbers he was nothing but an object, a thing to be exploited. Now watch! Along comes a Temple priest. He recoils. He, too, sees an object and distances himself. Then comes a Levite, also associated with the Temple. He gives the victim wide berth; also sees him (as did the robbers) as an object, a curiosity, a distasteful distraction, road-kill."

Is this not a description of the way so many see the world in modern times? We live among millions of beings separated by "empty" space – when in fact it is not empty but full of the very air we breathe; we are in a "swim" of air like fish in water. We are connected, contiguous. As also with trees, birds, rocks, earth, sky, microbes, celestial bodies that affect us seasonally, illuminate our day and night, indeed transfigure our night with stars that also help us to navigate! We are a community of beings that issue from a Source our Hebrew tradition dares not name – that ineffable Depth who calls our universe into being everyday as at the opening of Genesis. Everyone, everything is your neighbor.

And more marvelous still: as human beings we can behold all creation the way no other creature can. We see it, can touch it, praise it, love it, probe it, especially care for it whole heartedly, gracefully as does an unorthodox Samaritan: *moved with compassion, approached the victim, poured oil and wine over his wounds, bandaged them, conveyed him to shelter, paid the costs, followed up his condition . . . loving to Be! with all his heart and being and strength and mind – and loving his neighbor as himself!*

**Geoff Wood**