

Gathering Song:

Christ in Me Arise

BB#528

Refrain:

Christ in me arise and dispel all the darkness. Christ in me arise with your power and your strength. Christ in me pour out your blessing and healing. Christ in me arise, and I shall rise with you.

Gloria:

Glory to God

Glo - ry__ to God in__ the high - est,__ and on earth peace to peo-ple of__ good will.

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Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 27: The Goodness of the Lord

I be - lieve, I be - lieve I shall see the good - ness of the

Lord in the land, in the land of the liv - ing.

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Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia

Preparation of Gifts:

Be Not Afraid

BB#438

Refrain: Be not afraid. I go before you always. Come, follow me, and I will give you rest.

Mass:

Mass of St. Joseph

Communion Song:

One Day Within Your Temple

BB#425

One day with - in your tem - ple, one day with - in your courts.

This my sur - est long - ing: one day with you, my God.

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Closing Song:

Go Into the World

BB#379

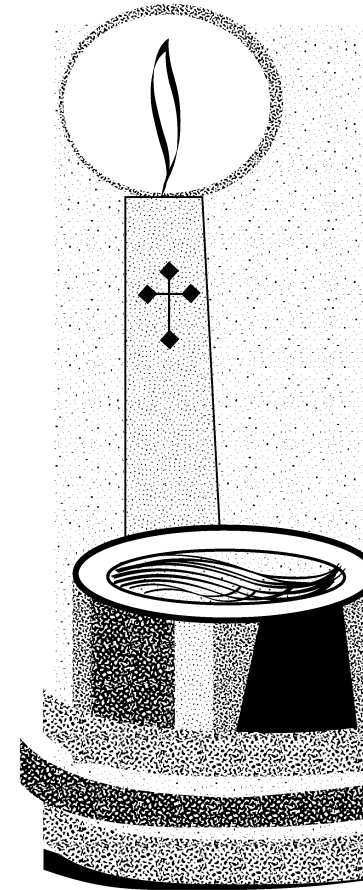
Go in - to the world, lov - ing the peo-ple__ that you meet.

Let your pres - ence light new light in oth - ers,__ in their hearts.

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12th Sunday in Ordinary Times

June 25, 2023



All of you who have been baptized into

Christ

have clothed yourselves with him. There does not exist among you any divisions. All are one in

Christ 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**

Weekday Mass:

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

✠ Sacraments ✠

Baptisms and Weddings

Call the office, (707) 996-8422

MASS INTENTIONS June 24th – July 2nd

Sat 24	5:00 pm	Bill Maffei † and Richard Facciola †
Sun 25	9:30 am	Greg & Elena Wardwell, Happy Anniversary
Mon 26	8:30 am	Kathy Glaesner †
Tues 27		NO MASS
Wed 28	8:30 am	Ashly Renee Lynn Pound †
Thurs 29	8:30 am	Ila June Howard † and Robert Rhoden †
Friday 30	8:30 am	David Rains †
July		
Sat 1	5:00 pm	Tom Daley † and Richard Facciola †
Sun 2	9:30 am	Carol Torresan † and Anne & Seamus Mc Glade †

FISCAL LOG June 17 / 18

Sunday Collection: \$ 3,272.
Priest Benefits and Welfare: \$ 1,275.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

June 24	Happy Birthday Declan Cunniff
June 25	Happy Birthday Fr. Jojo
June 28	SVDP Meeting, 9AM, FINN Center
July 1/2	2 nd Collection: St. Leo's Dev. Fund
July 1/2	Tamale Sale after Masses

SANCTUARY LAMP
Dedication for June
Ashley Renee Lynn Pound



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MONTHLY MEETING:

The group will be on Wednesday, June 28th at 9:00a.m. in the Finnegan Center. All members are encouraged to attend.

TAMALE SALE NEXT WEEKEND: July 1st & 2nd

The tamale sale will be after all weekend Masses until sold out. This is a benefit for the "Nueva Esperanza" group that meets here on Thursday's. The cost is \$30. a dozen.

2nd COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND:

ST. LEO'S DEVELOPMENT FUND The first weekend of the month is dedicated to the St. Leo's Development Fund. Donations to this very important collection pay for the upkeep of the parish compound.

NEWS ABOUT GEOFF WOOD: Geoff is recovering from hip surgery at the Petaluma Post-Acute Rehab, 1115 B St., Petaluma, CA 94952. Geoff says he will be in rehab for another few weeks. Visitors are welcome, but please know that he may be busy with physical therapy.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES: Join the team of Caring Rides volunteers at Catholic Charities who help seniors by driving them to medical appointments and more. For information call (707) 308-4805 or email; estone@srcharities.org.

YOUTH GROUP/CONFIRMATION:

Registration for Youth Group is now open until filled. You may pick up a registration form from the parish office, Monday – Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Space is limited.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION:

There will be a one-day registration for First Year kids wanting to have their First Communion and returning or Second Year First Communion kids, on Saturday, August 5th from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Please bring a copy of your child's baptism certificate when registering. First Year cost is \$60 per child and \$80 for those students that will receive their First Communion.

ST. LEO'S ANNUAL PARISH CAMPAIGN 2023-

24: Pledge envelopes are located at the back of church or stop by the parish office and pick one up, M-F, 9a.m. to 12:30p.m.

ARE YOU A REGISTERED MEMBER OF ST.

LEO'S? We invite all to register and become active members of our community. Benefits include parish communication letters and more! Forms are at the church entrance.

ST. LEO'S BOCCE CLUB INFORMATION:

Interested in playing on a team, volunteering or just need info? Email stleobocceclub@gmail.com or call Rick Schuhriemen, (707) 217-9710.

When it comes to Perceptions, Experience will usually trump Expectations

The children of Kenneth Grahame's *The Golden Age*, from 6 to 11 in age, had lived among the adults of their household long enough to acquire a critical attitude toward them all. As the narrator says, *Their elders had so much apparent liberty compared to a child, they might dabble in the pond all day, hunt chickens, climb trees, yet they never did any one of these things. On the whole they seemed to be entirely void of interests . . . To anything but appearances they were blind. For them the orchard (a place elf-haunted, wonderful) simply produced so many apples and cherries or it didn't. They were unaware . . . of bison or pirates, though the whole place swarmed with such portents.*

So when told that an uncle just returned from India was about to visit their home, they jumped to critical conclusions. They had met other uncles as inadequate as the adults they lived with. *For example there was Uncle Thomas - a failure from the first . . . his rooted conviction seemed to be that the reason for a child's existence was to serve as a butt for senseless adult jokes. And then there was the younger Uncle George, who at first showed some promise until he met their governess Miss Smedley, from which moment on Uncle George's manner underwent a complete and contemptible change.*

Their expectations of this new Uncle William were therefore low. Throughout the course of his stay they couldn't quite make up their minds about him, but in the end (after he had departed for the train station accompanied under orders by their younger sibling Harold) the rest of the children were about to rate him negatively, when Harold returned, speechless, before them. Then *slowly drawing his hand from his pocket, he displayed on a dirty palm one-two-three-four half-crowns! "Buy what you like", Uncle William had said. "Make little beasts of yourselves - only don't tell the old people, mind!"* Small Charlotte said dreamily, *"I didn't know that there were such good men anywhere in the world. I hope he'll die tonight, for then he'll go straight to heaven!"*

All of which seems to show it's not wise to fall into a persistently critical or hopeless attitude toward everything and everyone. People and reality may surprise us if we can get over this habit we acquire so early in life of never giving them the benefit of the doubt. An author much appreciated by my wife (and please don't ask me his name) says that when Jesus looked out upon the crowds around him with compassion, it doesn't mean he looked upon them with a presumptuous pity but that he simply saw in them so many possibilities for good and longed to see them realized. In other words, he saw more than meets the usually critical or passive eye we all possess - even as in viewing a few loaves and fishes he easily saw enough to feed five thousand souls!

One of the most difficult things confronting me in this extremely negative, judgmental age in which we live is to pass from a critically righteous to a Christic (merciful, hopeful, affirmative, joyful, constructive) perception of people and reality. How important it is that I do so - if only to avoid the fate of the littlest of the children in our story, repentant Selina, who bewailed herself with tears and sobs, refusing to be comforted; for that in her haste she had called Uncle William a beast.

Geoff Wood

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