

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.stleesonoma.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 May 6th – May 14th

Sat 6	5:00 pm	Richard Facciola, Improved Health
Sun 7	9:30 am	Kathleen Valim †
Mon 8	8:30 am	Ray Larbre †
Tues 9		NO MASS
Wed 10	8:30 am	All Souls in Purgatory
Thurs 11	8:30 am	Gloria Reynolds †
Friday 12	8:30 am	Felix Mapa †
Sat 13	5:00 pm	Joseph Vagnozzi †
Sun 14	9:30 am	Carol Torresan †

Joe Byrne † and Frank Lynch †

FISCAL LOG April 29 / 30

Sunday Collection: \$ 4,285.
NEW 2023 ANNUAL PARISH CAMPAIGN UPDATE
74 Parishioners pledged: \$ 72,733.11 50%
Thank you, we are off to a good start!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

May 11	Free Concert at St. Leo's
May 13	First Communion Mass 10AM
May 17	Confirmation Rehearsal & Reconciliation, 4:30 to 7:00 PM
May 19	Confirmation 6PM

SANCTUARY LAMP

Dedication for May
For the Rog/ Weber & Dziekan Families



2nd COLLECTION TODAY is for the St. Leo's Development Fund which is used for repairs and general maintenance on the entire property. The upgrade to Mary's Grotto is funded by the St. Leo's Ladies Guild and donations in memory of Ellie Dossee. Room was left around the grotto in hopes of offering memorial pavers again. More information on that at a later date.

We'd like to thank the hard work of Javier Baron and his crew for doing a fantastic job.

FREE CONCERT AT ST. LEO'S: This Thursday, May 11th at 7:00p.m. you are invited to come and hear Chris Brunelle perform at St. Leo's church. Free of charge, but a freewill donation is welcome.

SVDP NEEDS PAPER AND PLASTIC BAGS: Our SVDP needs your unwanted paper and plastic shopping bags for their Tuesday, "Groceries to Go" program. Please bring your bags to the parish office.

FIRST COMMUNION MASS: On Saturday, May 13th, 41 students from our Religious Education program will receive the sacrament of First Eucharist. Please keep them in your prayers that they continue their journey with Christ.

LENTEN STONES: Please leave stones in the basket in the Usher's Room so that we can use them again next year during Lent. **Thank you!**

ST. LEO'S ANNUAL PARISH CAMPAIGN

2023-24: If you did not receive your letter with pledge envelope, no worries, 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.
We are still accepting final pledge payments for the 2022 APC.

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.

SANCTUARY LAMP DEDICATION: If you are interested in having a month-long Sanctuary Lamp dedicated to a loved one, please contact the office, (707) 996-8422. The cost is \$40 a month.

CARE FOR THE CAREGIVER: Sponsored by CarePartners Initiative. Help for family members and friends caring for a loved one with memory loss. CIRCLE of FRIENDS is a caregiver support group. To learn more or to join a group call (707) 732-9436. Website: carepartnersinitiative.org. Flyers and more info can be found on the bulletin board in the Lillian Wing.

SPARE CHANGE FUNDRAISER FOR LENT:

The funds collected this year will go toward the purchase of furniture for the new building at the Orphanage that our previous funds built. Please return your spare change jar when possible. Jars can be left in the Ushers Room or brought directly to the office. To date our total is \$8,750.70.

Gone fishin' / By a shady, wady pool . . .

The Gospel of Luke begins with a fishing story. The Gospel of John ends with a fishing story. Whether there was something intentional in that, it's hard to say. Probably not, since the two Gospels originated independently of each other. Just read them and you'll see why. But may we not be guided by the Spirit to make something out of the two – as fishing stories? Sure we can, because the Spirit did not stop operating two thousand years ago – but is influential in our lives and imaginations even today.

Luke's account tells of Jesus, at the commencement of his career, embarking in a boat owned by Simon Peter and his partners. From one of the boats Jesus launches into a presentation of good news about God and grace to an audience on shore. Then he urges Simon to move out and lower his nets for a catch – something Simon despaired of, having fished all night and caught nothing. Nevertheless he moves out, lowers his nets and is almost pulled overboard by the load of fish that threatens to tear the nets. Others join in hauling the load in.

John's account relates to the close of his Gospel – after the resurrection event – where Simon Peter and a couple of other disciples continue their habit of fishing and catch nothing – despite a night long effort. By dawn they are too weary to recognize Jesus himself standing on the shore – telling them to recast their net over the right side of their boat. Sceptically the disciples do so and are astounded at the number of fish they draw up. At the same time they recognize who that stranger is. They drag the net ashore and find the stranger – who is the risen Jesus – has prepared a fire for a well-earned breakfast, after which Jesus focuses his eyes on Simon Peter (still remorseful over denying he knew Jesus) and asks him: Do you love me? What can Peter say?

Two fishing stories! Often they are interpreted as a reference to the future missionary effort of the disciples of Jesus to go out and haul in the world, become "fishers of men", catch people of every nation, gather them around the same Eucharist the disciples shared on that long ago shore.

But we can't rule out that this casting a net into a seemingly empty sea also has to do with plumbing the depths of your heart and that of the others all around you, alerting you to the hidden presence of a "you" that you hardly know, so full of grace, of care, of a link to the very Source of your being that awaits to break the surface of your often necessarily superficial way of living from day to day.

Lower you nets. Think deep thoughts. Wonder about what has been going on over the course of your life, about the opinions you hold, do they correspond only to the daily news or have you picked up a psalm that begins: Out of the depths I have cried to thee, O Lord! Have you been fishing all day, every day – with insufficient attention to who and what and why you really are? The world's media would have you always never let up on mending your nets instead of using them.

Geoff Wood