

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 4, 2024

From the Desk of Fr. Leo

If anyone wants to be a professional in his or her line, there is need of constant progress, and the endeavor to increase one's knowledge and ability. Doctors who do not keep up with new methods and medicines will find themselves at a disadvantage. Teachers who do not continue to widen their knowhow by employing new techniques along with increase of knowledge are less and less effectual with their students. Nature demands growth, and success demands progress.

In this weekend's Second Reading, St. Paul speaks to us of "learning Christ." That supposes that the Christian is in the school of the Master, and always has more to learn from the great mystery of our salvation: Christ and his work of love for humankind. If responsible people are always trying to improve their know-how in their respective line of work, if musicians practice interminably to become masters in their field, if athletes keep up a rigid schedule to outdo others in sports, then the Christian must realize that growth in knowledge of Christ and advancement in the faith are not only possible but a real necessity, if the Christ-life is to blossom forth in full maturity.

Many are satisfied with the initial knowledge of the faith acquired in school days and never advance toward a deeper insight and appreciation of the wonderful plan of God's love for humankind in his Son Jesus Christ. Hence their growth in the Christ life is stunted, remaining practically at the same level for years. The Christian religion means more than a routine fulfillment of duties and a mere external practice of various devotions and acts of piety. The Christian religion is dynamic, and it purports to lead humankind deeper and deeper into Christ's Paschal Mystery in order to transform him more fully each day into the one ideal that is Christ himself.

Do all Christians take their calling seriously? How many think of the Church only in the three main events

A Lifelong Call to Learn

of life: Christian baptism, marriage and burial preparations? Even those who are faithful to Sunday duties often stop there, thinking they have done enough for religion for the week. Can we honestly say we are learning Christ and getting to appreciate better the stupendous mystery of his love, the way the Father in heaven expects of his children? Our Christian faith is intended by God to penetrate all the phases of life: work, recreation, family affairs, business interests. God is very interested in every one of our doings and Christ is very near in all of them. As Christians who have put on Christ, we are to excel in all we do. Christ ideals are to clothe our own, Christ's sentiments are meant to manifest themselves in our words and actions, not only now and then but each day, towards members of our family, our employees and house helpers, our employers and business associates and all with whom we deal.

Fr. Leo Alban Asuncion

Mass Intentions for the Week

Tues.	August 6	11:00AM
Thanksgiving		Ed & Mae
Wed.	August 7	11:00AM
Special Intentions		
Thur.	August 8	11:00AM
Thanksgiving		Ed & Mae
Fri.	August 9	11:00AM
Special Intentions		_
Sat.	August 10	4:30PM
Pauline Cardoza †		Rita DiTomasi
Sun.	August 11	9:00AM
Special Intentions		
Port Costa		11:00AM
People of the Parish		
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Sunday Collection - July 28th

St. Rose, Crockett \$1106 \$235 Bishops Appeal \$441 St. Patrick Mission \$85 Bishops Appeal

Thank you again to all who support our Parish! We know how generous you have been in the

***In able to meet our 2024 budgets, we would like to remind parishioners that we will need a minimum of \$2,100 for Sunday plate collections at St. Rose every weekend, and \$250 every Sunday at St. Patrick Mission. ***

changing times!

Parish Council

During the summer, our hard working parish council takes a short break. They will be back to work in MARATHON SWIMMING August though, and are hoping that a few new faces RHYTHMIC GYMNASTICS will join them. If you are interested in helping make important decisions, or have some opinions and ideas on how to improve things, please think about becoming part of the council. The next meeting will be Tuesday, August 27th at 7PM in the parish hall. Mark it on your calendare, and come check it out!

Don't Take a Vacation from God

Attendance at Mass on Sundays and Holy days should be a priority. If traveling to places one is unfamiliar with, information on church addresses and time of Masses can be found on the internet at www.masstimes.org or 1-800-MASS-TIMES.

Second Collection This Weekend

weekend's second collection is for our monthly collection. This month we are supporting our CCD/religious education fund. Thank you!



Summer Games

ARTISTIC GYMNASTICS ARTISTIC SYNCHRONIZED SWIMMING ATHLETICS BADMINTON BASKETBALL BASKETBALL3X3 BEACH VOLLEYBALL BREAKING CANOE SLALOM CANOE SPRINT CYCLING BMX RACING CYCLING MOUNTAIN RIKE CYCLING ROAD CYCLING TRACK DIVING **EQUESTRIAN** FENCING FOOTBALL GOLE HANDBALL HOCKEY JUDO MODERN PENTATHION

ROWING RUGBY SEVENS SAILING SHOOTING SKATEBOARDING SPORTCLIMBING SURFING SWIMMING **TABLETENNIS** TAEKWONDO TENNIS TRAMPOLINE

TRIATHLON

VOLLEYBALI

WATERPOLO

WEIGHTLIFTING

GOLFLBEKUHTDG7LCPAH7KCUI S F J C S S P O R T C L I M B I N G R V IHAQCCMOAEIMWOEB M M K A F I II K I W V I R V K C A M S N P T L Q E O Y N N S R L V N X A 3 N I O M R V Q X N U A M Q L A L CTOWCANOES LALOMYMEVERT 7 N RCHOWLGOZMTBBTFLUWXNN E G L D D O Y D M Y N S D I R I I P N C I S T YWEIGHTLIFTINGNCLDIZSC Q T Y N D H N X D D I M R I A B A Q L W D I D Q S U I D Z Q U L Y B E G A T H L E T I C S N G C Y C L I N G M O U N T A I N B I K E O G S X N TILLBROKP 17 V V S T F N D N I G W I : W Z Q P K D Z T P K R M H J S Q O P A L M D G

Faith Formation

Our Faith Formation program will be starting on soon! Registration forms will be available in the office.

CCD: and preparation for First Holy Communion is a two-year program, and students must at least be in 1st grade.

CONFIRMATION: This is a two-year formation program. Classes TBD.

R.C.I.A. for those wanting to become Catholics. It is a two- year formation program for adults. Weekly meeting (TBA).