

# Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 7, 2024

# From the Desk of Fr. Leo

Acceptance plays as important role in the working ability of any person. Psychologically, everyone needs to be accepted for what he or she stands for. If he or she is not, the inner person feels paralyzed and crushed. To carry on becomes increasingly difficult.

Jesus had to put up with much unbelief in his ministry. His own towns people were skeptical of him, because he had lived an ordinary life in their midst for many years. He was a common laborer, a layman with no special education. (He was not a priest of the order of Levi and could not enter the Holy Place of the temple.) He gave no promise of being the spectacular deliverer they believed the Messiah would be. This incredulity and lack of faith dogged his steps all the years to follow. The leaders contradicted him. His own brothers did not believe in him. The great throng of followers melted away, once he began to instruct them with deeply spiritual realities. His enemies plotted his death, and one of his intimate friends betrayed him. Only a few faithful followers remained at the end.

It is hard to work with a hostile audience. It is very painful and frustrating to realize that you are not accepted by those you came to help and even often tempted to quit. But he did not quit. He faced the situation, convinced that in all this the father's will would be accomplished, although he saw clearly as time went on that it was through his sufferings and death that he would bring salvation to the world. Despite the refusal of his own people to believe, he bore his cross to the bitter end. But by his death, he won for us life.

The sin of unbelief is rampant today also. Many a Christian is tempted to doubt the efficacy of the Christian faith in face of so much evil in the world: wars, oppression of the poor, the avalanche of immoral practices flaunted by the mass media, the tragedy of earthquakes, starvation and floods. What is the meaning of sorrow, evil and death, which continue to exist despite so much progress in the world? Those that thought scientific advancement alone to be humankind's salvation and happiness are confronted with the possible destruction of all mankind through nuclear weapons. Advanced technology also brings totally new problems which baffle even the scientists. Industry is causing the death of the great cities though

air pollution. Unemployment stalks many countries like a ghost.

There is much good on earth. There are many who are following Christ with firm faith and ardent love. Mankind turns anew to God in the faith of their fathers. And that too is our response and our contribution: faith in Christ who alone can bring salvation and fulfillment to every human heart and to mankind at large.

Fr. Leo Alban Asuncion

# Mass Intentions for the Week

Tues.	July 9	11:00AM
Special Intentions	/	
Wed.	July 10	11:00AM
Special Intentions		
Thur.	July 11	11:00AM
Special Intentions		
Fri.	July 12	11:00AM
Theresa Marie	·	Mom & Dad
(birthday)		
Sat.	July 13	4:30PM
John Collins †		ICF #14
Sun.	July 14	9:00AM
Bill Airoldi †		Bill &
•		Diane
Port Costa		11:00AM
People of the Parish		

### This Weekend's Second Collection

This weekend's second collection is for our monthly collection. This month we are supporting our maintenance fund (which will help evict the termites that have taken residence). Thank you!

## Sunday Collection - June 30th

St. Rose, Crockett	\$894
Peter's Pence	\$381
St. Patrick Mission	\$190
Peter's Pence	\$15

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

\*\*\*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. \*\*\*



#### REMINDER

There will be no Mass at St. Patrick Mission on Sunday, July 21<sup>st</sup>, due to Father Leo being at the Eucharistic Revival.



### Parish Council

During the summer, our hard working parish council takes a short break. They will be back to work in August though, and are hoping that a few new faces 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 27<sup>th</sup> at 7PM in the parish hall. Mark it on your calendare, and come check it out!

### June Financial Overview

\$2660.91

#### St. Rose

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**Priest Salary** 

\$1856.08
\$429.06
\$1289.48
\$37.48
\$683.03
\$65.40
\$294.67
\$338.54
\$1427.06
\$130.21
\$340.00
\$260.00
\$1925.45
\$4991.50
\$574.00
\$250.00
\$45.87
\$54.97
\$266.41
\$17,920.12
\$8205.00
\$890.00
\$375.00
\$302.00
\$1250.00
\$300.00
\$300.00
\$2060.00
\$13,682.00

#### St. Patrick Mission

Expense:	
PG&E	\$35.27
Liability	\$945.25
Assessment	\$476.25
St. Rose Reimbursement	\$2000.00
Total:	\$3456.77
Income:	_
Sundays Plate	\$1223.00
Maintenance	\$95.00
CCD Envelope	\$65.00
Total	\$1383.00