



Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.

John 1:29

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 15, 2017

January 15, 2017 – Possessed by the Holy Spirit

In the First Reading, like last week's First Reading, we find the emphasis on *the chosen one to come* who will help not only Israel, but all the nations. He will be a light to the nations, a title Jesus assumes when He proclaims Himself to be the light of the world. The Responsorial is intended to be applied to Jesus' ministry, as the *servant who does the Father's will* and the one who *announces God's justice* "in the vast assembly". When we pray this psalm we too promise to participate in His mission, not by offering holocausts or sin-offerings, but by placing ourselves totally at the service of His mission. This is the only thing that will bring us true joy. In the Second Reading, St Paul tries to help the Corinthians have a more balanced approach to the Triune God. They over-emphasize the role of the Holy Spirit in their lives to the point of almost excluding Jesus. So St. Paul refers to Jesus over and over again, reminding them that *He* is the source and goal of all that they are. In today's Gospel there is a different emphasis on the role of St John the Baptist. With other Gospel writers, St John the Baptist is seen as the herald of repentance, but here he is the *witness* to the fact that *Jesus is the Son of God*. His role, like ours, is to bring others to Jesus. We see the Holy Spirit descend upon Jesus and remain with Him in the form of a dove. Throughout His ministry, Jesus *possesses* the Holy Spirit. May our prayer lead us to be possessed by God's Holy Spirit and thus lead others to Him by our witness.

CHAPEL OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST



Perpetual Adoration
GREAT NEED FOR ADORERS:
 Sunday 10 - 11am, 5 - 6pm, 6 - 7pm
 Monday 1 - 2pm
 Wednesday 3 - 4am, 4 - 5am
 Thursday 5 - 6pm
 Friday 4 - 5pm
 Saturday 3 - 4am, 9 - 10am,
 11am - 12 Noon, 1 - 2pm, 3 - 4pm

If you would like to be in the Real Presence of Jesus and visit with Him for the above time, or any Hour, or be a substitute, please call Marge at 967-0641, or Chris at 966-3266. God is "thirsting" for you to satiate "His thirst"

Talk given why Perpetual Adoration is so important to the world - Pope Benedict XVI, Feb.22, 2007. "In a world where there is so much noise, so much bewilderment, there is a need for silent Adoration, of Jesus concealed in the "Host".

Pope John Paul II - On the mystery and Worship of the Holy Eucharist - Sacrament of Love, April 1980, "*The Church and the world have a great need of Eucharistic Adoration. Jesus waits for us in this sacrament of Love. Let us be generous with our time in going to meet "HIM" in adoration and in contemplation that is full of faith and ready to make reparation for the great faults and crimes of the world. May our adoration never cease.*"

Daily Masses and Mass Intentions

Sunday 1/15/2017

8:00 AM (I) Bill Samcoff by Merl & Laurie Susmilch
 8:00 AM (I) Dean DeSmet by Merl & Laurie Susmilch
 8:00 AM (I) Marjorie Booth by St. Mel Faculty & Staff
 10:00 AM (R) Adriana Kurniawan by Anthony
 4:30 PM (R) All Souls In Purgatory by Mike & Grace Cao

Monday 1/16/2017

7:00 AM (R) Romualdo & Mary Carnazola by Emma Moss
 8:30 AM (I) Nathan Khattar by Nick & Antonia Cammarota

Tuesday 1/17/2017 *MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP NOVENA

*7:00 AM (I) Trish & Kevin Ashlock
 by Chuck & Mary Hagar
 *8:30 AM (I) Mary Rose Veasey by Paul & Marti Gohring

Wednesday 1/18/2017

7:00 AM (R) Joanna Y. Dever by Jim & Mary Bednash
 8:30 AM (I) Diane Castonguay by Paul & Marti Gohring

Thursday 1/19/2017

7:00 AM (R) Yvonne Elbe by Mary Ann Henrikson
 8:30 AM (I) Gelacio Carolino by Gloria Sterlin

Friday 1/20/2017

7:00 AM (I) Honig Family by Don & Mary Pat Jones
 8:30 AM (I) Dale A. Russell by Knights of Columbus 6066

Saturday 1/21/2017

8:30 AM (I) Matthew Jones by Nick & Antonia Cammarota
 4:30 PM (I) Friedrich Family by Denny & Barb Shunta
 4:30 PM (I) Deacon Dave Lehman by Carol McNelly

Sunday 1/22/2017

8:00 AM (I) Donna Wheeler by Chuck & Mary Hagar
 10:00 AM (R) Matthew Lopez by Dale Carter
 4:30 PM (I) Elijah Miller by Condon Family

Commentator & Music Leaders & Altar Servers for January 21 & 22, 2017

Mass Times	Commentator Altar Servers	Music Leader
SAT 4:30 PM	Mammano N / Mammano F Michael O, John Paul R, Michael G	Men's Choir
SUN 8:00 AM	Wagner P / Wagner Do Wyatt, Ryan & Abby	Music Leader
SUN 10:00 AM	Lehman / Juten C Isaac, Gabrielle & Collin	Traditional Choir
SUN 4:30 PM	Wagner D / Karelius Augustine, Kate & Sean	Youth Choir

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

The St. Mel youth group invites all teens to a "Hang Out" session every Wednesday from 4-8PM in the Convent. Teens are welcome do homework, read, or just hang out. Snacks will be provided. The first session will be THIS Wednesday, January, 18th.

The Youth Group meets every other Sunday. The dates for February are the 5th and 19th. Join us at 5:30PM in the Convent!

CORPORAL WORK OF MERCY

Fair Oaks resident parishioner is looking for a ride to daily Mass at 7am. Sunset area. Call the Parish office if you can help. 967-1229.

REMINDER

Please do not leave valuables in your cars when you are at Mass. There have been several break-ins in the parking lot.

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

The final session of "Let Us Pray: Introduction to Catholic Worship" will take place Wednesday, January 18th at 7:00PM at St Joseph's Church in Auburn. This session will be: "Mass & Mission: Living a Sacramental Life in a Secular World." St Joseph Catholic Church is located at 1162 Lincoln Way, Auburn.



PLEASE JOIN US...

Women's Day of Faith Renewal
 for
 all women 14 to 104!!!
 Saturday, February 11th, 2017
 \$40
 St. Mel Catholic Church

A perfect pre-Valentine's or pre-Lenten gift for your wife, daughter, Mom or any of the women in your life!

Poster, flyers and bookmarks available in narthex or Church Office.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Have you ever wanted to take a fresh look at your Marriage? With Christmas just two weeks away, consider this: making a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. It is a unique approach aimed at revitalizing your Sacrament of Matrimony. Weekends for 2017 are as follows: February 10-12, 2017 in Sacramento; March 31-April 2, 2017 in Reno, NV.; August 25-27, 2017 in Sacramento; October 6-8, 2017 in Reno, NV., and November 3-5, 2017 in Sacramento. It is not too early to register for a weekend that you will never forget. For more information visit our website, www.sacramentowwme.org or email Terry & Janet at applications@sacramentowwme.org or 489-3464.

CATHOLIC FAITH FORMATION

There will be no CFF classes on January 16th & 17th in honor of Martin Luther King Day. Classes resume January 23rd & 24th.

CHRIST THE KING PARISH RETREAT

You are invited to the 2017 Christ the King Parish Retreat! The theme is "*Gathered in the Name of Jesus*" and we invite all to come and probe the depth of God's Love for us in Christ as we gather in prayer, study, meditation, sacraments, and rest. The *Women's* retreat will be March 10-12 and *Men's* retreat will be March 31- April 2. Reserve your spot by calling your Parish Coordinator, Martha Styer, 962-3307; Donna Greuel, 225-2456 or the retreat center, 725-472 Ext 301. You can also register online at www.christthekingretreatcenter.org. If you're unable to attend our parish date, visit the website for other dates. *Accept this invitation as a precious gift to yourself as you awaken and rejuvenate the spirit within you.* Please know, no one is refused because of inability to pay full amount.

Sacramento Catholic Forum presents:
 Mass, Breakfast, and Talk with Bishop Soto
 on Pope Francis' Post-Synodal Apostolic Exhortation
 on The Joy of Love

Join Bishop Soto on Thursday, January 26th at Christ the King Retreat Center, 6520 Van Maren Lane, Citrus Heights, for a presentation on Pope Francis' Post-Synodal Apostolic Exhortation on The Joy of Love. Bishop Soto will celebrate Mass at 6:30AM, followed by networking, a continental breakfast and the presentation. Cost is \$20.00 for pre-register or \$25.00 at the door. For more information and reservations visit www.saccatholicforum.org.

CATHOLIC FUNERAL & CEMETERY SERVICES

Did you know you can pre-plan your Funeral services with the Diocese of Sacramento? Do you have questions about cremation? Calvary Cemetery & Funeral Center will be hosting an informative presentation along with a question and answer session next weekend, January 21st & January 22nd, after every Mass here at St. Mel Parish. Please join us for refreshments and allow us to answer your questions about funeral, cremation and cemetery services. We are here as your resource through one of life's most difficult times. For more information regarding our presentation and Parish Outreach Pre-Planning Discount, please contact Melissa Kenerly, Director of Community Outreach, 452-4831.

PLEASE NOTE!

*** SCHEDULE FOR BULLETIN ARTICLES ***
 Please send your typed articles, in MS Word - Times New Roman, font 10, via email to stmeloffice@yahoo.com, no later than **NOON ON FRIDAY** to be included in the next bulletin. Thank you for your cooperation.

Bulletin Weekend Dates 2017	Articles DUE Prior To FRIDAY
January 21 - 22 January 28 - 29 February 4 - 5 February 11 - 12	January 13 January 20 January 27 February 3

COLLECTION FOR PRIESTS RETIREMENT

There will be a second collection next weekend, January 21st & 22nd, for the Annual Diocesan Collection for Priests Retirement. Your generous gift will support our retired priests, many of whom continue their ministry even after they have "officially" retired. We thank our priests for their commitment to God so that we all can share the Eucharist.

WEST COAST WALK FOR LIFE 2017

Mark your calendars for Saturday, January 21, 2017 for the 12th Annual Walk for Life in San Francisco. There will be two buses leaving from the St. Mel parking lot at 8:30AM that morning. Mass will be celebrated at 7:45AM before the buses are loaded. Reserve your bus seat now for \$28 per person or \$110 max for large families. Checks payable to the Knights of Columbus 6066. For more information, please contact Doug Crumley Jr. or Pauline Cole, 638-4600.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

Sunday, January 29th, is the start of Catholic Schools Week. The faculty and staff of St. Mel School would like to invite everyone to our Open House and New Family Student Registration (2017-2018), on Sunday, January 29, 2017, following the 10:00am Mass until 12:30PM. For more information, or to make an appointment to visit our dynamic, faith-filled school - now in our 56th year, please call 967-2814. You may also visit our website, www.stmelschool.org. Our school includes TK-8th grade. Hope to see you at Open House!

CAMP PENDOLA IS HIRING FOR SUMMER 2017

Applications for summer 2017 positions at Camp Pendola are now being accepted. Camp Pendola is looking for energetic people to work with children ages 6 to 17 in a Catholic outdoor setting. Staff positions begin in early June and finish the 2nd week of August. Staff lives at Camp Pendola for the summer and must be at least 18 years old. Positions include counselors, kitchen staff, health center staff, and program staff. For more information and apply go to www.pendola.org/employment.

CHRISTIAN BROTHERS HIGH SCHOOL PLACEMENT EXAM

Eighth graders interested in attending CB in the 2017-18 school year are required to take the placement exam on Saturday, January 21st from 8:45AM - 12:30PM. Online applications are due on January 19th. Please contact the Admissions Office for more information, 733-3690 or visit the CB website at www.cbhs-sacramento.org.



I will grant them the safety for which they long. –Ps 12:6

Reflection: Dr. Alveda King, niece of Martin Luther King Jr., while marching at the annual March for Life was asked, "Does this remind you of the civil rights movement and the marchers with your uncle?" Her response was, "This *is* the civil rights movement."

The message of Martin Luther King was not just about the equality of our black brothers and sisters; it was about the equality of *all* our brothers and sisters. Civil rights begin with the right to *life*.

Prayer: Defend Your people, O God, and protect the rights You have given to them all.

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St. Mel Crab Feed

Family Night: Friday, February 10th at 5:30PM
Adult Night: Saturday, February 11th at 6:00PM
Ticket information coming soon!

Please Pray for the Sick of Our Parish

Al Volmer	Garvin Arnett	Katie Henson
Alan Cheuse	George Kim	Katie Spain
Alex Quiroz	Gianna Atilano	Keith Sprengle
Amanda Barron	Grace Barrios	King David Chico
Anthony Caillou	Gregory David	Latasha Rodriguez
Arthur Morton	Howard McCormack, Jr.	Linda Ramsey
Audrey Holden	James A. Martinez	Lydia Melendez
Bob Ahern, Sr.	Jean Crupi	Margaret Anderson
Candy Barrios	Jeanette Barron	Margaret Valley
Charles Joseph Ortner	Jerry Esparza	Mary Alyce Gisla
Cheryl Richardson	Jerry Smith	Michael J. Martinez
Chris Stabile	Jim Maher	Michelle Atwood
Christian Dimitri	Joanne Kim	Mollie Dear
Daniel Schwartz, III	Jody & Ron Martinez	Nellie Henson
Dave Kangas	Johanna Ross	Nick Tenaglia
Deana Landingham	John Forrest	P. J. Spain
Delfina Rodriguez	John Langland	Patty Arcenequex- Conti
Diane Castonguay	John Wise, Jr.	Pilo DeLeon
Donald Wise	Jose Mascoro	Ray Willey
Dora V. Marczak	Joseph Dimitri	Rendtor Ramirez
Dora Palpallatoc	Joseph Jacin	Richard Robinson
Eduardo Murallon	Joseph McCormick	Robert Atkinson
Elizabeth McMahon	Judy Spinelli	Robin Dunton
Evelyn Dimitri	Karen Petersen	Rodney Wise
Fred H. Salter	Katie Grant	

St. Mel Parish Ministries & Social Groups (REV. January 10, 2016)

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PARISH COUNCILS		
Parish Pastoral Council	Bob Mayer	342-2139
Parish Finance Council	Jim Joyce	967-1229
PARISH SCHOOL		
St. Mel School:	Janet Nagel (Principal)	967-2814
St. Mel School Parents Club:	Contact the School Office	967-2814
St. Mel Youth Ministry:	Dominick Romano	Call Parish Office
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION		
R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults):	Brenda McCollum	722-1965
Lighthouse Catholic Media	Mary Schaefer	988-3171
Marian Movement of Priests:		
Catholics Return Home:	Karen Fitts	966-0184
Catholic Faith Formation (CFF):	Sara Donnelly	966-4314
Scripture & Religious Study:	Cheryl Hoffmann / or Karen Fitts	966-1830 / 966-0184
Parish Library open after weekend Masses:	Joanne Wagner	967-0190
LITURGICAL SERVICES		
Altar Servers:	Dave Murray	338-5011
Music Ministry Director		
Commentators:	Patrick Wagner	961-8652
Eucharistic Ministers:	Deacon Anthony Pescetti	704-0057
Ushers	Walt Schaff	961-4698
PRAYER ADVOCACY		
Charismatic Prayer Group	Karen Juten / Chris Juten	712-3706 / 715-1162
Fiat Rosary Group	Peggy Grass (Wed)/Marge Young (Tues)	962-9244 / 967-2540
Eucharistic Adoration Chapel:	Marge Della Villa / or Chris Guzman	967-0641 / 966-3266
"D. J. M." Disciples of Jesus and Mary	Mike Allison	834-6226
Divine Mercy:	Amy Lasat	342-2088
Legion of Mary (Day):	Joyce Savage	342-6179
SOCIETY OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE		
Society of Our Lady of Guadalupe:	Dolores Leon	337-1800
Prayer Chain:	Dolores Moniz	962-0571
Fraternity of Fatherhood:	Mike Allison	834-6226
Men's Cursillo Group:	Chuck Friedrich	635-7791
SOCIAL CONCERNS		
Annettes (St. Mel's funeral luncheon providers):	Parish Office	967-1229
Loaves and Fishes Volunteers:	Kathy Yanez	967-1229
Knights of Columbus #6066:	Jim Carlson	801-9373
St. Mel "Sip & Sup" Fellowship Dinner Program		
St. Vincent de Paul Society:	Craig Shaw	967-1229
Sacramento Life Center: Pro-Life Pregnancy Support:	Joanne Hammett	451-4357
St. Mel Pro-Life Group:		
Gabriel Project (crisis pregnancy assistance):	Kathy Knutson	967-1229
Fr. Richard Doheny Religious Education Fund:	Walt Schaff	961-4698
Bishop-Gallegos Maternity Home:	Mary Schaefer / or June Schott	988-3171 / 967-9158
PARISH ORGANIZATIONS		
Altar Society:	Parish Office	967-1229
Marriage Encounter:	John & Regina Ruport	987-5616
Boy Scouts #217:	Chris Herne / Bob Mayer	798-8493 / 342-2139
Cub Scouts	Chuck Brasfield	214-5730
Girl Scouts:	Jill Dutra	217-3990
KKIS:	Laura Lumenta	718-2718
OPUS DEI:	Deidra Chapman	944-1356 or 425-4904
CHILDREN'S LITURGY		
Children's Liturgy	Sara Lebeck / Serena Carleton	967-1229
Clara's House	Martha Rusnak	448-3976
Religious Articles:	Brenda McCollum / Dorothy Wagner	967-1229
Vocations Ministry:	Jeanne Condon	349-6936
Wedding Coordinator:	Karen Fitts	966-0184
Parish Center Coordinators:	Yolanda & Jim Carlson	966-3803
For Any Changes to Ministry List	Parish Office	967-1229

We welcome all new parishioners and ask that you complete this registration form and place it in the collection basket at Mass, or return it to the Parish Office.

Quick Registration St. Mel Catholic Church		Envelopes?	Yes	No
Last Name _____	First Name(s) _____			
Mailing Name (i.e. Mr. & Mrs. John Doe) _____				
Address: _____				
Street _____	City _____	Zip Code _____		
Phone # _____				
E-mail _____	CONTACT ME BY:	<input type="checkbox"/> PHONE	<input type="checkbox"/> EMAIL	
Do you have any special request: _____				