



...I will make you  
fishers of men.

Mark 1:17

### Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 21, 2018

#### January 21, 2018 – Called to Conversion

In the First Reading, we again see how the people who believed in God respond to His call. Jonah, the prophet, was sent by God to the large pagan city of Nineveh, to warn of impending destruction. The people respond with a call to repentance, even the king decrees a fast for all in the city, reasoning that God might relent and forgive them their sins (which is exactly what happens). As in every Mass, today we are called to examine our lives and turn from our sinful ways so that we too can respond to God's call. The Responsorial is a beseeching of the Lord to instruct us in His ways, to reveal His paths to us so that we can do what is pleasing in His sight, for human effort alone will fail. We experience God's compassion, not only in His forgiveness, but also in His teaching us how to avoid sin, which hurts us. God does not leave us orphan, but treats us as His children guiding and instructing us in His ways of goodness, humility and justice. The Second Reading is a reminder of the ephemeral, transitory nature of the world and worldly things. It calls us to keep this life and worldly concerns in perspective. We can do so if we view all things in light of eternity. Today's Gospel recounts the call of the first Apostles: Peter, Andrew, James and John. Both sets of brothers (Peter and Andrew), (James and John) were fishermen, and here Jesus calls them to proclaim the Word. The Good News is that Jesus is the personification of God's Kingdom and the dawning of a new era. These first Apostles left all and followed Jesus wherever He went. Being His followers, means that our Christian calling permeates how we live; and all else: work, possessions, status, etc. are secondary to that call.

#### CHAPEL OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST



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

If you would like to be in the Real Presence of Jesus and visit with Him for one or more of the above hours, or any Hour, or be a substitute, please call Marge, 967-0641 or Chris, 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".

Please remember to call if you can't make your assigned hour out of respect to those who are in the Adoration Chapel waiting for you to arrive.

#### Mass Intentions for the Week

##### Sunday 1/21/2018

8:00 AM (R) Mary Vaccaro by Ken & Kay Daack  
10:00 AM (R) Bill Mullin by Bob & Dottie Ahern  
4:30 PM (R) Mark O'Brien by Matt & Sara Donnelly

##### Monday 1/22/2018

8:30 AM (I) Lucille - 75th Birthday

##### Tuesday 1/23/2018 \*MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP NOVENA

\*8:30 AM (R) Frank Franzago by Franzago Family

##### Wednesday 1/24/2018

8:30 AM (I) Frank & Cyndy Mason -  
50th Wedding Anniversary by Marcy Leach

##### Thursday 1/25/2018

8:30 AM (R) Hector Flores by Frank & Doreen Gastelum

##### Friday 1/26/2018

8:30 AM (R) Frank Franzago by Fanzago Family  
8:30 AM (R) George Gaudet by Michele Carrothers

##### Saturday 1/27/2018

8:30 AM (I) Christine Brennan  
by Dave & Michelle Lehman  
4:30 PM (I) Pat Wagner by Dave & Michelle Lehman

##### Sunday 1/28/2018

8:00 AM (I) Frank & Cyndy Mason  
- 50th Wedding Anniversary by Marcy Leach  
10:00 AM (R) Bertha Gardner by Marcy Leach  
4:30 PM (R) Lydia C. Dela Victoria  
by Adonis Dela Victoria

God loves each of us as if there were only one of us.

~ St. Augustine

#### Commentators & Altar Servers January 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>

Mass Times	Commentator	Altar Servers
SAT 4:30PM	Roland / Laywell	John Paul, Andrew & Augustine
SUN 8:00AM	Styer / Wagner P	Jenna, Matthew & Trinity
SUN 10:00AM	School Mass	School Mass
SUN 4:30 PM	Ricaforte / Handy	Kate, Grace & Ralph

#### ST. MEL YOUTH MINISTRY

The St. Mel Youth Group meets twice a month after the Sunday 4:30PM Mass. All high schoolers are invited to come enjoy food, fun and fellowship. The next meeting is January 21<sup>st</sup> in the Convent and we hope to see you there! Future meeting dates are February 11<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> and March 11<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions, please contact Gigi at [ymstmel@gmail.com](mailto:ymstmel@gmail.com) or 936-2793.

#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus will be holding their monthly food drive NEXT weekend, January 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>. Your generosity is appreciated.

#### ST. MEL SCHOOL CRAB FEED



Save the date! St. Mel School will be hosting its annual Crab Feed on February 10<sup>th</sup>. This is an adult only event with the doors opening at 5:30 pm. Don't miss out on this night of fun complete with appetizers, fresh salad, pasta, crab and live entertainment! Tickets are available now in the school and parish offices.

#### WEST COAST WALK FOR LIFE 2018

Mark your calendars for Saturday, January 27<sup>th</sup> and join upwards of 50,000 pro-lifers for the 14th Annual Walk for Life in San Francisco as we peacefully proclaim our message that abortion hurts women. Join the Knights of Columbus and fellow St. Mel parishioners on two buses leaving from the St. Mel parking lot at 8:30 AM. Before the buses load, please join us for Mass at 7:45AM. Reserve your bus seat now for \$28 per person or \$110 max for large families. Please make your check payable to the Knights of Columbus 6066. For more information, please contact Doug Crumley Jr. or Pauline Cole, 638-4600.

#### DIVINE MERCY PARISH MISSION

St. John the Baptist in Folsom will be hosting a Divine Mercy Parish Mission Wednesday, January 24<sup>th</sup> through Thursday, January 25<sup>th</sup>. Fr. Chris Alar, Director of the Association of Marian Helpers, will lead the mission each evening beginning at 7:00PM. Admission is free. For more information contact the St. John the Baptist parish office, 985-2065 or visit [www.thedivinemercy.org/events](http://www.thedivinemercy.org/events).

#### CHRIST THE KING PARISH RETREAT

The theme of the 2018 Christ the King Parish Retreat is "*May the Passion of Jesus Christ be Always in our Hearts.*" All parishioners are invited 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 **JANUARY 26<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup>** and the **MEN'S retreat** will be **April 13<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup>**. Reserve your spot today by calling your Parish Coordinator, Martha Styer, 962-3307; or Donna Greuel, 225-2456 or the retreat center, 725-472 Ext 301. Or register online, [www.christthekingretreatcenter.org](http://www.christthekingretreatcenter.org). If you're unable to attend our parish date, check the website for other retreat weekends. *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.

Let us pray for all those in our community who have passed away.

Roy Cardoso  
Joyce Riffel  
Stan Carrothers

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

#### CATHOLIC FAITH FORMATION

Classes are in session this weekend, Sunday, January 21<sup>st</sup>.

#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FREE THROW CONTEST

The Knights of Columbus are holding their Free Throw and Three Point shooting contest Sunday, January 21<sup>st</sup> after the 8:00AM and 10:00AM Masses. Boys and girls ages 9 to 14 are invited to participate in the Free Throw shooting contest and boys and girls ages 15 - 18 can shoot in the Three Point shooting contest. Look forward to seeing you in Doheny Hall.

#### CHRIST THE KING RETREAT

All are invited to a presentation by Dr. Hai Tran, "*LIFE as first envisioned*", on Thursday, February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018, 8:30AM - 3:00PM, at Christ the King Passionist Retreat Center. Cost is \$30 if registered by January 25<sup>th</sup>. The brochure is available at the Church entrance or [sacatholic.com](http://sacatholic.com).

#### GRIEF SHARE

There is a new Ministry beginning at St. Mel and it is called Grief Share. The leaders of this ministry are Diocesan Certified. Grief is a natural process when we lose someone we love. The deeper the love, the deeper the grief. Talking and sharing our feelings and where we are at inside can help us grow and heal. It lets us know we are not alone. If you or anyone you know is grieving the loss of a loved one and could use some help dealing with the grieving process please call Rita, (408) 903-6344 or email [ritaecdao@gmail.com](mailto:ritaecdao@gmail.com).

#### 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](mailto:stmeloffice@yahoo.com), no later than **NOON ON FRIDAY** to be included in the next bulletin. Thank you for your cooperation.

Bulletin Weekend Dates 2018	Articles DUE Prior To FRIDAY
January 27 - 28 February 3 - 4 February 10 - 11 February 17 - 18	January 19 January 26 February 2 February 9

**MASS CHANGE**

Until further notice, the 12:00PM Mass will not be offered.

**PRO LIFE MASS WITH BISHOP SOTO**

On Monday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament, Bishop Jaime Soto will celebrate the 12:10PM Mass in recognition of the anniversary of *Roe v. Wade*, the U.S. Supreme Court's infamous 1973 decision which required abortion to be legal everywhere in our country. All priests are invited to congregate and all the faithful are encouraged to attend. For more information call the diocesan respect life office, 733-0133.

**WORLD MARRIAGE DAY-RENEWAL OF VOWS**

On Saturday, February 24<sup>th</sup> Bishop Myron Cotta will preside at a special 11:00 am Mass at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament in which married couples may renew their marital commitments. An informal reception for couples and their families will follow the Mass. Special certificates will be given to couples celebrating milestone anniversaries (10, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 50+). If you are interested in attending this free event, please register (names and anniversary year) at [www.SacWMD.com](http://www.SacWMD.com). For more information call the Dept. of Evangelization & Catechesis, 733-0123.

**8<sup>th</sup> GRADE BAKE SALE**

Please help support our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students by shopping at their bake sale after the 8AM and 10AM Masses next Sunday, January 28th. In addition to selling goodies outside the church, 8<sup>th</sup> grade students will be selling coffee and pastries at their café in Doheny Hall.

**PRAYER INTENTIONS OF POPE FRANCIS**



Please join the **Legion of Mary** in praying daily the intentions of Pope Francis for January. Please place special emphasis this month on... **Religious Minorities in Asia.**

*That Christians, and other religious minorities in Asian countries, may be able to practice their faith in full freedom.*



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 marches 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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**6<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL MEN'S DAY OF FAITH RENEWAL**



The 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Men's Day of Faith Renewal will be Saturday, April 14<sup>th</sup> from 8:00AM to 3:15PM in the St. Mel Parish Center. Former mega church pastor, Allen Hunt, will share his journey into the Catholic Church, speaking on “The Eternal Treasures of the Catholic Faith: Have you found them?” Tickets are \$40 and includes a continental breakfast and a catered BBQ lunch. Register today at [smpevents.org](http://smpevents.org). For more information call, 635-7791.

**MORNING ROSARY PRAYER GROUP**

Everyone is welcome to attend a Daily Rosary Group that meets in the Baptismal Room inside the church. One group meets at 7:30 AM and the other group meets at 9AM, Monday through Saturday.

**Please Pray for the Sick of Our Parish**

(Names will appear for 2 months unless a call is received by the Parish Office to extend the time or to remove the name.)

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|-------------------|----------------------|------------------|
| Aiden Hulse       | Emma Moss            | Joe Hoffmann     |
| Amanda Barron     | Frank & Renee Weiss  | John English     |
| Bob Ahern, Sr.    | Gene Fischer         | Jude Hoffmann    |
| Dawna Jones       | Gerald A. Hoffarth   | Martinez Family  |
| Delores Bousliman | Helen S. Worthington | Rudy Worthington |
| Diana Fischer     | Helen Chilcott       | Victoria Hummer  |
| Diane Castonguay  | Jeannette Barron     | Zaida Ackerson   |
| Elaine Ervin      |                      |                  |

**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:  PHONE  EMAIL

Do you have any special request: \_\_\_\_\_

**St. Mel Parish Ministries & Social Groups (REV. September 26, 2017)**

<b>PARISH COUNCILS</b>		
Parish Pastoral Council	Denny Shunta	952-4502
Parish Finance Council	Jim Joyce	967-1229
<b>PARISH SCHOOL</b>		
St. Mel School:	Janet Nagel (Principal)	967-2814
St. Mel School Parents Club:	Contact the School Office	967-2814
St. Mel Youth Group	Giovanna Bellocchi	Call the Parish Office
St. Mel Young Adults (ages 18-39)	Giovanna Bellocchi	Call Parish Office
<b>RELIGIOUS EDUCATION</b>		
R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults):	Michael Faber	719-5565
<b>LITURGICAL SERVICES</b>		
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
<b>ALTAR SERVICES</b>		
Altar Servers:	Dave Murray	338-5011
Music Ministry Director	Aaron Thompson	stmelmusic@outlook.com
Commentators:	Patrick Wagner	961-8652
Eucharistic Ministers:	Deacon Anthony Pescetti	704-0057
Ushers	Patrick Wagner	961-8652
<b>PRAYER ADVOCACY</b>		
Charismatic Prayer Group	Karen Juten / Chris Juten	712-3706 / 715-1162
Fiat Rosary Group	Peggy Grass	962-9244
Eucharistic Adoration Chapel:	Marge Della Villa / Chris Guzman	967-0641 / 966-3266
“D. J. M.” Disciples of Jesus and Mary	Joanne Hammett	765-4007
<b>LEGION OF MARY (DAY)</b>		
Legion of Mary (Day):	Joyce Savage	342-6179
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
<b>SOCIAL CONCERNS</b>		
Hospitality	Parish Office	967-1229
Loaves and Fishes Volunteers:	Kathy Yanez	967-1229
Knights of Columbus #6066:	Patrick Wagner	961-8652
St. Mel “Sip & Sup” Fellowship Dinner Program	Roelof & Claire Van Ark	802-1089
St. Vincent de Paul Society:	Bill Savage	967-1229
Sacramento Life Center: Pro-Life Pregnancy Support:	Joanne Hammett	451-4357
Bereavement/Grief Share	Rita Ecdao	408-903-6344
Fr. Richard Doheny Religious Education Fund:	Walt Schaff	961-4698
Bishop-Gallegos Maternity Home:	Mary Schaefer / or June Schott	988-3171 / 967-9158
<b>PARISH ORGANIZATIONS</b>		
Altar Society:	Parish Office	967-1229
Marriage Encounter:	John & Regina Ruport	987-5616
Boy Scouts:	Chris Herne	798-8493
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	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
For Any Changes to Ministry List	Parish Office	967-1229