



Let the heavens & earth
praise Him, the seas &
whatever moves in them.

Psalm 69:35

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time



June 25, 2017

June 25, 2017 – True Witness, True Grit

The First Reading, known as Jeremiah's confessions, expresses a profound feeling of despair. It tells of betrayal by his friends, whom he intended to help, but they mistook his words for a threat and used them as an excuse to attack him, throwing his love for them in his face. He did everything the Lord requested, but when these difficulties came, the Lord seemed unavailable. In spite of this setback, Jeremiah could not stop proclaiming God's word, even after trying to keep silent, so much did God's word burn within him. Ultimately the prophet had no one to turn to except the Lord in whom he now renewed his trust. Like the First Reading, the Responsorial is a lamentation of suffering and disaster that has befallen the psalmist due to his fidelity to the Lord. He then appeals for help, reminding the Lord of His help in the past, beseeching His continued beneficence, and reminding Him that He is the source of all kindness and mercy. Characteristic of all lamentation psalms, he ends with a thanksgiving for what he is sure will be God's quick delivery from these present difficulties. In the Second Reading we see how Love conquers hate; Life conquers death. Adam's (our) sin and spiritual death were vanquished by Jesus' death on cross. Jesus' sacrifice on the cross effected life. The beneficent power of the second Adam (Jesus), so overpowers the destruction of the first Adam's sin. Jesus brought us back to life by His death on the cross. Today's Gospel is one of encouragement in the face of the opposition we will encounter when speaking the truth and trying to live our Christian values. Our strength and consolation should come from the fact that at the final judgment, Jesus will testify to our devotion before the Father.

Daily Masses and Mass Intentions

Sunday 6/25/2017

8:00 AM (I) Bill Samcoff in Thanksgiving by Family
8:00 AM (I) Robert Blain Family by Mary Stember
10:00 AM (R) Cecily Terra by The Terra Family
4:30 PM (R) Tom Sekul by Ellyn & Girls

Monday 6/26/2017

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

Tuesday 6/27/2017 *MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP NOVENA

*8:30 AM (R) Babies that have been aborted

Wednesday 6/28/2017

8:30 AM (R) Daniel Thorne, Jr. by Barbara Prayter

Thursday 6/29/2017

8:30 AM (R) Margaret Mullen
by Tom & Anne Marie Moore

Friday 6/30/2017

8:30 AM (R) Rafael M. Virrueta by Tina Armando

Saturday 7/1/2017

8:30 AM (R) Sr. Maureen Hurley by Maryl Hurley
4:30 PM (R) Babies that have been aborted

Sunday 7/2/2017

8:00 AM (R) Dennis Ybarra by Theresa Ybarra
10:00 AM (I) Kathleen & Janet Juten by Juten Family
4:30 PM (R) Joe Biggi

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Thank you to those who have already made a gift to the 2017 Annual Catholic Appeal. Your gift is Mercy in Motion and will make a difference in someone's life. As of May 25, 2017, 356 parishioners have participated in the 2017 Appeal at our parish, totaling \$118,517.00 in gifts and pledges. If you have not yet made a donation, it's not too late! Prayerfully consider a gift. No contribution, no act of charity is ever too small or insignificant. Envelopes are still available in the church or in the parish office. Don't forget...25% of what you give is returned to our parish. This year, Appeal funds will be used by St. Vincent de Paul to help those in need in our community.

WORLD WIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Married Couples, are you looking for the perfect gift to give your spouse? How about a World Wide Marriage Encounter Weekend to rekindle your love and to celebrate new beginnings? It's the perfect way to show your spouse how much you love them. Upcoming weekends are: August 4th - 6th in Sacramento; October 6th - 8th in Reno, NV; and November 3rd - 5th in Sacramento. It is not too early to register for a weekend that you will never forget. For more information visit our website at: <https://www.sacramentowwme.org> or contact Terry & Janet, 489-3464 or applications@sacramentowwme.org.

eGIVING WITH FAITH

Faith Direct enables parishioners to make your Church contributions through either direct debit from your checking/savings account or through your credit/debit card. No more writing checks or searching for envelopes on the way out the door. Now you can apply the convenience of direct debit to your parish offerings in much the same way as you may now use it to make your mortgage, car or tuition payments. Visit www.faithdirect.net to enroll securely online. Our parish code is CA731.

100th ANNIVERSARY DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA

Join Bishop Myron J. Cotta and the Diocese of Sacramento September 15-24, 2017 for a once in a lifetime pilgrimage for the Centennial of Our Lady of Fatima! Pray in the Capelinha marking the spot where Our Lady appeared, see a Eucharistic miracle, visit the medieval town of Batalha, and take part in the 100th anniversary celebrations. Stops include Coimbra, where Sr. Lucia spent most of her life. Nazare on the Atlantic coast, Aljustrel, Obidos and explore the port city of Lisbon. To make a reservation, contact Canterbury Pilgrimages, 800-653-0017 or reservations@canterburypilgrimages.com.

ST. MEL GIFTS

St. Mel Gifts is open after all weekend Masses. Stop in and browse our selection of rosaries, books, statues and much more. Our store is a ministry for our Parish. Help is always needed. If you are interested in giving 15-20 minutes of your time after Mass to assist parishioners with their purchases, contact Brenda, 722-1965.

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

Patricia Goldsmith
Mahlon Hall

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.

ST. MEL SCHOOL FALL APPLICATIONS

St. Mel School is now accepting applications for the 2017-2018 academic school year. Call the school office at 967-2814 for admission information and a school tour. In addition, please visit us at our website at www.stmelschool.org.

ST. MEL SCHOOL SUMMER ADVENTURE

The St. Mel School Summer Adventure is still accepting registration packets but space is limited! St. Mel School is once again excited to offer a TOP-QUALITY-FUN-FRIENDLY-FANTASTIC summer program for students who will be entering grades TK-6 in August 2017. St. Mel Summer Adventure will run for seven consecutive weeks beginning on Monday, June 5th and ending on Friday, July 21st. Your child does not have to attend every week, you may pick and choose when your child will attend depending on your needs. We even offer daily rates. Contact the school office for a Registration Packet, 967-2814, or Mary White mwhite@stmelschool.org

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

Bereavement Support Group Meetings for adults experiencing the loss of a loved one are held at Mercy San Juan Medical Center 6501 Coyle Ave., Carmichael, on the 1st & 3rd Wednesdays of each month, 6:00 - 7:30 p.m., in the conference room on the main level across from the Russell elevators. Sessions are facilitated by staff chaplains. No registration required. No cost. For more information, contact the Spiritual Care Services department, 537-5098, or email: Matt.Sanders@DignityHealth.org.

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

Altar Server Training is never out of season. Orientation and training for new servers is available as needed after school and on weekends. *Refresher and update sessions are also available.* Interested students and parents may contact Dave Murray, 716-5187 or e-mail ddrmurray@comcast.net. Information forms for parents of servers are available in the church vestibule or upon request via e-mail.

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
July 1 - 2	June 23
July 8 - 9	June 30
July 15 - 16	July 7
July 22 - 23	July 14

CHAPEL OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST



Perpetual Adoration
GREAT NEED FOR ADORERS:
Sunday: 4 - 5am, 6 - 7am, 10 - 11am,
5 - 6pm, 6 - 7pm, 7 - 8pm
Monday: 5 - 6pm
Wednesday: 3 - 4am
Friday: 4 - 5pm
Saturday: 3 - 4am, 9 - 10am, 1 - 2pm,
3 - 4pm, 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 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".

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.

Commentator & Music Leaders & Altar Servers July 1st & 2nd

Mass Times	Commentator Altar Servers	Music Leader
SAT 4:30PM	Laywell / Sweeney David & Andrew	Men's Choir
SUN 8:00AM	Ward / Kreamer Abby & Vincent	Cantor
SUN 10:00AM	Wagner J / Cantrall Gavin & Collin	Contemporary Choir
SUN 4:30 PM	Handy / Wagner M Michael & Kyle	Youth Choir

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus are holding their Monthly Food Collection for the needy THIS weekend, June 24th & 25th.

ST. MEL MAINTENANCE & IMPROVEMENT FUND

There will be a second collection next weekend, July 1st & 2nd for the St. Mel Maintenance and Improvement Fund. These funds are used for taking care of our facility. Thank you for your generous support.

RECOGNITION ANNOUNCEMENTS

All wedding anniversaries for the month of July will be recognized at all Masses next weekend, July 1st & 2nd.

ST. MEL SCHOOL FUNDRAISER AT MARK & MONICA'S PIZZA

On Tuesday, June 27th (all day) help support St. Mel School while enjoying a delicious meal at Mark & Monica's! Mark & Monica's Pizza is located at 4751 Manzanita Avenue, Carmichael, CA 95608. No flyer is needed. Mark & Monica's Pizza will donate a percentage of sales back to the school when you tell them you are part of the St. Mel fundraiser.

BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS

Parents and Godparents, there will be a Baptism Preparation Class on Tuesday, June 27th at 7:00PM in the Parish Center Conference Room. If you are interested in attending, please call the Parish Office to register. 967-1229.

PRAYER INTENTIONS OF POPE FRANCIS



Please join the **Legion of Mary** in praying daily the intentions of Pope Francis for June. Please place special emphasis this month on...*National Leaders.*

That national leaders may firmly commit themselves to ending the arms trade, which victimizes so many innocent people. Amen.



And when He comes, He will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgement. -Jn 16:8

Reflection: Here is the reaction of a "pro-choice" person upon seeing what abortion is: "I have looked at the pictures on this site on aborted babies and I started to cry. I have always believed in freedom of choice but after seeing this, I have to say this is just murder."

Prayer: Lord, Your Holy Spirit teaches us about You, and helps us to see the full truth about what is right and wrong. May that Spirit reveal to our world its sin and its salvation.

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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.)

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

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:	Giovanna Bellocci	Call Parish Office
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION		
R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults):	Michael Faber	686-7020
Lighthouse Catholic Media	Mary Schaefer	988-3171
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	Patrick Wagner	961-8652
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 / Chris Guzman	967-0641 / 966-3266
"D. J. M." Disciples of Jesus and Mary	Joanne Hammett	765-4007
Divine Mercy:	Amy Lasat	342-2088
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
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	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
St. Mel Pro-Life Group:		
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	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: _____				