



May your way be
known upon the earth.

Psalm 67:3

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time



August 20, 2017

August 20, 2017 – All are Called to Worship the Lord

The First Reading sets the stage for today's readings. God, the one, true God of Israel is the one and only God, and therefore the God not only of the Jews, but of all people, including the pagans (who were about to find this out). If God was the only God and the God of all, then the pagans should be welcomed into Israel to worship God on His holy mountain. Today's Responsorial Psalm speaks of the Lord as the God of all nations. Yahweh is no longer just a national God of the Jewish people, with the pagans having their own gods. The Jews came to understand that since their God was the only God in all the earth, then He was also the God of all people on earth, including non-Jews. In the Second Reading, St Paul explains to the Romans, the new Christians (the former pagans) how God allowed the Jews to disobey, be rejected and later through repentance, be re-accepted by His mercy. Their disobedience left room for the pagans to convert and become part of God's people. This would make the Jewish people jealous and want to convert back to obedience to God. God wants us to know that His mercy is much greater than our guilt. The Jews' disobedience paved the way for the entrance of the pagans into Christianity. God allowed disobedience so that He could exercise His mercy and bring them all more fully into His love. In today's Gospel, we see how God came (in the person of Jesus) to save the lost sheep of Israel and beyond, to include the whole world, even the pagans. The Magi were the first pagans to worship the one true God and today's Gospel tells of the pagan woman from Phoenicia, who beseeches Jesus to heal her daughter, tormented by a demon. At first, He seems to brush her off, but she perseveres, knowing He possesses God's healing power. Jesus praises her for her unshakable faith in Him and grants her request, for her faith indicated that His message had now reached beyond the people of Israel and was beginning to spread throughout the world.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sunday 8/20/2017

8:00 AM (R) David Heimbach by Condon Family
10:00 AM (R) Emmanuel Acuna
4:30 PM (R) Mahlon Hall by Mammano Family

Monday 8/21/2017

8:30 AM (I) Callie Turvill by Ben & Carla Pelka

Tuesday 8/22/2017 *MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP NOVENA

*8:30 AM (R) Rachael Ferris

Wednesday 8/23/2017

8:30 AM (R) Anne Ledna by Rosalie & John Atilano

Thursday 8/24/2017

8:30 AM (R) Ronald Valerio by Kowalski Family

Friday 8/25/2017

8:30 AM (R) Robert Sackett by Condon Family

Saturday 8/26/2017

8:30 AM (R) Frank Franzago by Franzago Family
4:30 PM (I) Don & Mary Pat Jones
by Andy & Colleen Pugno
4:30 PM (I) Julie & Rich Cockerton by Ben & Carla Pelka

Sunday 8/27/2017

8:00 AM (I) Merl & Laurie Susmilch -
50th Wedding Anniversary by Cindy & Bill
10:00 AM (I) Kathleen & John Gunel by Juten Family
10:00 AM (I) Dave & Michelle Lehman -
40th Wedding Anniversary
4:30 PM (R) Judy Kutz by Tom & Maria Johnson

*Apart from the cross there is no other
ladder by which we may get to heaven.*

-St. Rose of Lima

Commentator & Music Leaders & Altar Servers August 26th & 27th

Mass Times	Commentator	Altar Servers
SAT 4:30PM	Mammano N / Mammano F	Jack, Max & Alexandra
SUN 8:00AM	Ward / Styer	Wyatt & Abby
SUN 10:00AM	Juten K / Cantrall	Greta & Sophia
SUN 4:30 PM	Wagner M / Karelius	Grace / Andrew

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus are holding their Monthly Food Collection for the needy NEXT weekend, August 26th & 27th.

ST. MEL YOUNG ADULTS

Beginning in August, the St. Mel Young Adult group will meet every Third Saturday following the 4:30PM Mass in the Convent. All ages 18-39 are welcome! Hope to see you August 19th!

CURSILLO MEN'S WEEKEND

Men, are you searching for a closer walk with Christ? Are you seeking a better understanding of your faith? If so, now is the time to sign up for a Men's Cursillo Weekend. The Cursillo Movement is based on piety, study and action and has been attended by millions of Catholics worldwide. It is fully endorsed and encouraged by the magisterium of the church. It involves many things including prayer, Mass, study, learning, laughter and fellowship. The men's weekend is September 21st - 24th at the Jesuit Retreat Center in Applegate. For more information visit the Sacramento Cursillo Website or email Denny Shunta at dshunta@comcast.net. It will be a weekend that will be with you the rest of your life!

CARMELITE MONASTERY LUNCHEON AND RAFFLE

The Our Lady of Mount Carmel Auxiliary and the Auburn Chapter of Knights of Columbus are hosting a Spaghetti Luncheon and Silent Auction to benefit the Carmelite Monastery in Georgetown on Saturday, October 7th from 12-3PM. A beautiful handmade quilt for the Special Quilt Raffle will be on display after all Masses at St. Mel the weekend of September 9th & 10th. The luncheon will be held at the St. Joseph Parish Hall in Auburn. Tickets are \$25 and can be purchased online at carmeliteauxiliary.org or by check to Brenda McCollum, 8233 Foxfire Drive, Orangevale, CA 95662.

MELCHIZEDEK PROJECT

EVERY good, young, practicing Catholic man who loves Jesus Christ and his church should ask himself this question:

Is Jesus Christ calling ME to become a priest?

How do you answer this question? Have you taken the time to gather good information about the priesthood?

The Melchizedek Project series and discussions will help you gain the spiritual tools to discern your true vocation and become a better Catholic man in whatever vocation God is calling you to, whether it's to the priesthood, religious life, married or single life in generous service to Christ.

Open to all young men (18-30s) in the Diocese of Sacramento. The sessions are led by a priest and are confidential. First session begins Thursday, September 14, 2017, 7-8:30PM, at St. Mel Parish in the St. Jude Room.

This is seven part program and the cost is free. You will be given a copy of a book to help with discussions, but to ensure adequate supplies, please pre-register with the Diocesan Vocations Office, 733-0258.

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

*Enrique Medina, Jr.
Ruth Friedmann*

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

CFF registration is now open. CFF classes will meet Sunday mornings from 9-10AM. Registration fee is \$25 per child. \$65 maximum per family. Please go to stmelchurch.org to print out your registration form.

MERCY SAN JUAN HOSPITAL VOLUNTEER GUILD

The Mercy San Juan Hospital Volunteer Guild is looking for volunteers. Volunteers are asked to work two 4-hour shifts per month. They help the hospital by working in the gift shop, escorting patients and visitors, facilitating registration, and assisting in the NICU. Bake sales are held to fund adult scholarships and special projects for the hospital. If you are interested in helping, please call Carol Gallagher, 965-3479 or the Volunteer Office, 537-5298.

SCRIPTURE & RELIGIOUS STUDY PROGRAM

Scripture and Religious studies will begin again in mid-September. The following studies will be offered:

Monday PM: TBA

Tuesday AM: *Eucharist: Discovering Mass in the Old and New Testament*

Tuesday PM: *Catholicism: The Pivotal Players*

Tuesday PM: *Epic: Early Church-First 500 Years*

Wednesday PM: Ongoing class

Thursday AM: *Mary: Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother*

Thursday PM: *Follow Me: Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John*

Questions? Call Cheryl, 769-4627 or 966-1830 or Karen, 202-0606 or 966-0184.

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
August 26 - 27 September 2 - 3 September 9 - 10 September 16 - 17	August 18 August 25 September 1 September 8

CHAPEL OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST



Perpetual Adoration
GREAT NEED FOR ADORERS:
Sunday: 6 - 7am, 10 - 11am, 5 - 6pm
Wednesday: 3 - 4am
Thursday: 12noon - 1pm, 1 - 2pm
Saturday: 3 - 4am, 11 - 12noon, 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, 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".

FAIR OAKS KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 6066 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Welcome and congratulations to Brother Knights, Vincent Brown, Ruben De Anda Padilla, Rex Dinneny and Gerald Young for joining our Council this month!

If you're interested in becoming a Knight please stop by our table or see one of our Council Knights after each Mass during our August Membership Drive the weekend of August 26th & 27th. Membership to the KofC has only two requirements: the man must be 18 years of age and must also be a practical Catholic. If you would like more information, contact Membership Director, Michael Ochoa, 730-3178 or Grand Knight Patrick Wagner, 961-8652.

FAIR OAKS KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 6066 SMARTPHONE APP AND SOCIAL MEDIA!

Stay connected with Council 6066 events, pictures, news, prayer requests and more with our new smartphone app and social media accounts! Download the free "Knights of Columbus California App" at your iOS or Android app store. Once the app is loaded on your phone search for, "6066" "Fair Oaks" or "St. Mel" in the search field to find our app. Don't forget to save us as a favorite to receive notifications for council activities, prayer requests, volunteer opportunities and MORE! You can also find the app here: www.connectumedia.com/knights-of-columbus-ads/. You can also follow our council on Twitter: @KofCCouncil6066 or Facebook @KofC6066.

THINKING ABOUT BECOMING CATHOLIC?

Join our students in finding out what the Catholic Church believes, and how you may be received into the Church Jesus started! Our ministry is year around. It is never too late to start your own spiritual journey of discovery! For more information call Michael Faber, 719-5565.

PRAYER INTENTIONS OF POPE FRANCIS



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

That artists of our time, through their ingenuity, may help everyone discover the beauty of creation.



The Lord said to Cain, "Where is your brother Abel?" "I don't know," he replied. -Gen 4:9

Reflection: In 1973 the Supreme Court was asked the same question posed to Cain and gave the same answer.

Unable to admit that unborn children are our brothers and sisters, the Supreme Court said, "We need not resolve the difficult question of when human life begins... the judiciary... is not competent to speculate as to the answer." That's the same as "I don't know."

Prayer: Lord, may all of us recognize and love our brothers and sisters, born and unborn.

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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

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

St. Mel Parish Ministries & Social Groups (REV. July 5, 2017)

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 Group	Giovanna Bellocci	Call the Parish Office
St. Mel Young Adults (ages 18-39)	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	Aaron Thompson	stmelmusic@outlook.com
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	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
Legion of Mary (Day):		
Society of Our Lady of Guadalupe:	Joyce Savage	342-6179
Prayer Chain:	Dolores Leon	337-1800
Fraternity of Fatherhood:	Dolores Moniz	962-0571
Men's Cursillo Group:	Mike Allison	834-6226
	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
Fr. Richard Doheny Religious Education Fund:		
Bishop-Gallegos Maternity Home:	Walt Schaff	961-4698
	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: _____				