



September 2, 2018, The Twenty- second Sunday in Ordinary Time

THE HIGHEST LAW

From time to time, newspapers and magazines will offer, as an item of “filler,” various laws that are still on the books but seem silly to us in our day and age. In one California city, it is illegal to have two indoor bathtubs in one house. Clean water, a precious commodity when the law was written, is now readily available, so the law seems silly. But the human value of protecting and preserving precious resources is still around, evident in many conservation laws that seem sensible to us. So it is with the laws of religious tradition. What Jesus scorns today is others’ attitude toward ritual laws, an attitude that becomes nearly idolatrous when laws are observed for their own sake. Jesus teaches that observation of external ritual laws is of value only when they are emblems of our internal disposition toward the will of God. Our whole lives must follow the one ultimate law of God: to love God completely and to love neighbor entirely. Roman Catholicism is a tradition rich with customs, traditions, and even laws. As we continue to listen to the voice of Christ, we must always look into our own hearts and underneath our ritual practices to make sure that love of God and love of neighbor are what we prize above all.

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SACRED HEART PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

*We are a diverse, multi-cultural Roman Catholic Parish.
Relying on the guidance of the Holy Spirit,
we endeavor to build the kingdom of God through
liturgy, prayer, education and outreach to those in need.
We come together as a faith community
to celebrate life’s joys and sorrows and minister to all who come to us.*



Prayers for Strength and Healing If you wish to add someone to the prayer concerns for the sick, please gain permission from the patient *before* calling the Parish Office. Thank you.

Please remember in your prayers, the sick and their caregivers:

Rafaela Cendejas, María Guerrero, Joe Mora, Alicia Prieto, Dcn. Jack Bullen, Shawna Roberson, Carol Roberson, Tim Coombs, Bea Lambdin, Barbara Bullen, Maile Nail, Ana Ceja, Glenda Parker, Ferrell Shatswell, Doug Bauman & Family, Dan Spanfelner, Mary Jane Best, Bill Pierce, Anakona Pierce, Vanessa DeLaTorre and Family, Kolton Kafader, Trisha Andrews, Ellen Gentry, Carol Underwood, Scotty Brown, Donna Schoelen, Wynette deBarga, Kathleen Figueriedo, Clare Carbonell, Cheryl Oylear, Susan Taylor, Dottie Hackson, Bertha Erbes, Mark Preston, Cindy McDonald, Justine McDonald, Carolyn Gilbert, Jim Logan, Kathy Lammay, John Smith, Mary Treat, Diamond Family, Rebecca Anderson, Darlene St. Onge, Dave Klingforth, Peggy Kinner Dawson, Rudy Casados, Johnny T. Seyssel, Maria Martinez, Cadence Bonham, Sam Ranberg, Cee Dempsey.

~Rest in Peace~
Rosemarie Mandolfo

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

When an altar is dedicated, the Rite of Dedicaton directs that, if possible, the relics of a martyr be mortared into the church floor under the mensa, or “altar table.” Up until this revised rite, the general practice was to include small relics of saints in an altar stone, a slab of marble that was normally set in the altar itself. Today’s rite states a clear preference for “martyr,” and for a substantial part of the body, in accord with our tradition’s desire for substantial symbols. Martyr, of course, means “witness” in Greek, and was the title given early on to the people who by their death imaged the death of Christ.

From the beginning, there has never been a shortage of such people, although it took a while for the Church to develop a process to declare someone a martyr. Saint Augustine tells how it was done in the fifth century. By then, popular opinion didn’t count as much as an official tribunal set up by the bishop of the place where the martyr suffered. After the inquiry established that the person did indeed die for the faith, a metropolitan bishop had to ratify the decision before a shrine could be built or an altar set up over the martyr’s tomb. For the most part, the honor paid to a martyr (called a “cult”) was restricted to that diocese, although the fame of some heroes spread so much that they were celebrated elsewhere. The age of the martyrs is now, and more people died for the faith in the twentieth century than ever before, witnessing to Christ to the end. Their sacrifice remains “the seed of the Church.”

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Mass Schedule / Intentions

Week of September 3-9

Mon: 7:00 AM	† John Mertens
Tues: 7:00 AM	Intentions of Peggy Salazar
Wed: 7:00 AM	† Erin Brainard
Thurs: 7:00 AM	Intentions of Matt Stroud
Fri: 7:00 AM	No Mass
Sat: 5:15 PM	† Janet Winn
	Pro Populo
Sun: 8:00 AM	† John Mertens
	Pro Populo
	10:00 AM
	12:00 PM

Rosary for September: ~ For teachers and students ~

Feast Days and Readings for the Week

Monday:	St. Gregory the Great, 1 Cor 2:1-5; Ps 119:97-102; Lk 4:16-30, or, for Labor Day, any readings from the Mass “For the Blessings of Human Labor,” nos. 907-911
Tuesday:	1 Cor 2:10b-16; Ps 145:8-14; Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday:	1 Cor 3:1-9; Ps 33:12-15, 20-21; Lk 4:38-44
Thursday:	1 Cor 3:18-23; Ps 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6; Lk 5:1-11
Friday:	1 Cor 4:1-5; Ps 37:3-6, 27-28, 39-40; Lk 5:33-39
Saturday:	Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 13:6; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 [18-23]
Sunday:	Is 35:4-7a; Ps 146:7-10; Jas 2:1-5; Mk 7:31-37

*** The parish office will be closed on Monday, Sept. 3 in honor of Labor Day.**

Week at a Glance September 2-9

Sun:	All Masses	Maintenance Collection
	8:30AM-12 N	Pancake Breakfast- Parish Hall
Mon:		Office Closed
	7:00 PM	NO Youth Group- Parish Hall
Tues:	6:30 PM	Boy Scouts- West Rm
	7:00 PM	Spanish Holy Hour- Church
Wed:	8:30 AM	School Mass- Church
	6:30 PM	Choir- Church
	6:30 PM	Arbol de Amor, call 736-1462
	6:45 PM	First day of CFF- Sacred Heart School
	7:00 PM	Pilares- St. Mary's Hall
Thurs:	8:00 AM	Rummage Sale Prep-St. Mary's Hall
	8AM-3 PM	Freshman Retreat- Parish Hall
	6:00 PM	Cub Scouts- West Rm
	6:30 PM	RCIA-David's Rm
	7:00 PM	No Pro-Life Rosary Group
Fri:	6:00 PM	Spanish Choir- St. Mary's Hall
Sat:	All Masses	Priest Retirement Collection
Sun:	All Masses	Priest Retirement Collection

BAPTISM CLASS: Parents and Godparents of children to be baptized are required to take an Adults-only Baptism Preparation Class. The Spanish class is usually held on the last Monday of the month at 7 PM in David's Rm. The class in English is usually held the first Tuesday of every month at 7 PM in David's Room. Please call the office to register, and to confirm the class date, 527 - 1351.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS concerns: Karina Ramirez; kramirez@sacredhearttrb.org

LAY MINISTRY: Breanna Farmer; brose@sacredhearttrb.org

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Jay Arnold, Grand Knight, 530-200-9136.

PARISH OFFICE: 10 AM to 4 PM, Mon-Fri, 2355 Monroe Ave., 527 - 1351; Fax 529 - 2586.

RCIA: (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults): For persons wanting to know more about the Catholic faith please call 527 - 1351.

RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY: Margie Duey, 586-1506

ROSARY TEAM: To join a rosary team, call Cindy Sale, at 527 - 4854

SACRED HEART PARISH E-MAIL: sacredhearttrb@hotmail.com

SACRED HEART PARISH WEBSITE:

www.sacredheartredbluff.org.

WOMEN'S GUILD: Sandi Kramer, President, 527-8900.

NEW PARISHIONERS, OR IF YOU ARE NOT RECEIVING CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES: Please call the Parish Office at 527 - 1351.

The Endowment Boutique

Another \$500 Match for the first \$500 sales in September at the Sherwin Colaste Scholarship Endowment Fund! New beautiful items have been added. Not too early to think 'Christmas Shopping' while items last. Featuring Peach and Apple Cobblers with ice cream on top at the Food Table to ease us into the Autumn Season. The faster we build up the Fund, the sooner we can sit back and watch it do all the work for us!

***Due to no registrations, the Tuesday, September 4th English Baptism class will be canceled.**

Confirmation Class

Saturday, September 8, 2018, marks the first required gathering for the class receiving Confirmation in 2019. Candidates, join us in the Parish Hall from 10 A.M. - 4 P.M. for prayer, catechesis, and fun! Snacks and lunch provided! Be sure to bring your completed Confirmation Candidate Promise form. Parents, please sign your students in and out of meetings, we have special materials for you too.

LifeNet Grand Opening!

On Thursday, Sept.13, LifeNet is having their Grand Opening and you are invited! The Ribbon Cutting will be at 10 AM, with an Open House following until 2 PM. Please plan to attend to get more information about how we can all help those who find themselves with an unplanned pregnancy. The location is 525 Rio St., Red Bluff. Phone 727-9888 for more information or to find out how you can be involved in this life-saving ministry.

Collection for Priest Retirement

Next weekend, there will be a second collection- the Diocesan Collection for Priests Retirement. This is an opportunity for parishioners to thank our priests for their long and loving service to the diocese. Please consider making a donation. Special envelopes are available in the church vestibule.

Caregivers Retreat

On October 19, 2018 from 9:30 AM-2:30 PM, Christ the King Passionist Retreat Center will be hosting a Care Givers Retreat. Jesus taught us to love others from the depth of our mind, heart, and soul. This love for others must be rooted in deep self-care. Our Retreat day for Caregivers is designed to help those who care for others find some spiritual rest and refreshment as they continue to serve. Through reflections, sharing, rituals of healing, and peaceful quiet we offer an opportunity and an atmosphere for Caregivers to be cared for. Registrations will begin at 9:30 at \$40 a person and the retreat will conclude with Eucharist presented by Fr. Tom Bonacci.



Pancake Breakfast!

A whole new season of the Knights of Columbus monthly parish pancake breakfast begins on **Sunday, September 2nd**, from 8:30 am to Noon in the Parish Hall. Join us every first Sunday of the month... and bring along your neighbors, friends, and everyone sitting in your pew. Still \$5 (with all the usual special discounts).

Bereavement Retreat

On September 7, 2018 from 9:30 AM-2:30 PM, Christ the King Passionist Retreat Center will be hosting a Bereavement Retreat. The example of Jesus in his life reveals his practical trust in God. Jesus engaged his feelings and confronted his death with uncommon and transforming courage. The Church understands death as radical participation in the self-giving and courage of Jesus. Our Retreat Day is a time to reflect on God's love in the midst of sorrow and grief. As people of faith, we prayerfully engage the harsh reality of death and loss as we seek to reach out to other grieving persons. Through memorial services, prayer, reflections and sharing we will bless and encourage one another with our wisdom and presence. Registration will begin at 9:30 AM and will conclude with Eucharist presented by Fr. Tom Bonacci.

Connecting with Candidates

During their Confirmation class our candidates will be reflecting on the promise of their Baptism and the Sacraments of Initiation and how faith is a gift and a journey. Join them by reflecting on the effect belonging to the Church has on your daily life and reflection on your own journey of faith.

Tehama County Health Fair!

This year we will be hosting our 11th Annual Health Fair at Woodson Elementary School in Corning. There will be Health screenings, Dental screenings and booths with job opportunities and immigration information all provided in bilingual services. There will be food, raffle prizes and giveaways, fun for the whole family! The health fair will be set up in the quad area of Woodson Elementary on Saturday, September 15 from 8:30 AM- 1 PM.