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Office Hours: Tue.- Fri. 9am - 1pm

The Church is open

weekdays 7:30am –8:30pm,

Saturdays & Sundays 7:30am - 5:15

pm.

April 14, 2026

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time



They were like sheep without a Shepherd

Parish Staff

Pastor: Rev. Thomas Diaz #4

Office Manager: Chris Giacometti: #1

Mass times: #2

Youth Faith Formation: Jennifer
Bedoka #3

Executive Board: Tony
Madia/Chairperson, Linda
Biondini/Vice Chairperson, Katie
Chase, Larry Ruminson, Diane
Colbrook

Floral Decorations: Cesira Rantissi
Heric

Sacraments and Devotions

Reconciliation: Sundays: 9:45-10:15am,
Thu 1-1:30pm.

Marriage: One year notice to the pastor.

Infant Baptism: 1 month notice. The
preparation class for parents and godparents.
of children under 4 will be on June 21st from
noon-2pm in the hall classroom. You must
register.

Anointing of the Sick: Please call Fr. Tom.
Usually, it is celebrated after 10:30 Sunday Mass.

The Rosary: ½ hr. before weekday Masses.

Divine Chaplet: Tuesdays after the noon
Mass.

Exposition & Benediction: Thu. 12:45-
1:45pm.

Mass Schedule and Intentions for the Week

Sat/June 13, 4pm +Betty Chua

Sun/June 14, 8:30am People of the Parish
10:30am +Joan Brosnan

Mon/June 15, 11am Memorial Mass for
Mark Mardahl

Tue/June 16, 12:15pm +Felix Rojas

Wed/June 17, 8:15am Ints. of Marcella Dorado

Thu/June 18, 12:15pm +Paul Morales

Fri/June 19, 8:15am +Felix Rojas

Sat/June 20, 4pm +Abel Sagon

Sun/June 21, 8:30am Ints. of Dolores
Sanchez

10:30am People of the Parish

Events in the Parish

Sun/June 14, 9:30am SVDP Mtg/Hall

Wed/June 17, Noon Monthly Potluck/Hall

Sun/June 21, 12-2pm Baptismal
Preparation/Hall

Stewardship For June 6th & 7th

**\$6,002. Thank you for your continued
generosity. The second collection today
is for Building Maintenance.**

Last Week Homily Highlights

- What does Jesus tell you from the Host.
- Besides eating His body Do we take time to thank Him for His marvelous meal.
- How does receiving His body make your relationship with God a bit closer/more intimate?

Sunday Scripture Readings

Reading I: Exodus 19:2-6a, **Reading II:**

Romans 5:6-1, **Gospel:** Matthew 9:36-10:8

Sunday Reflection

I am sending you: In today's first reading, we see the first part of our call. This reading tells us about one of the most famous covenants of God with his people in the Old Testament, the Sinai

Covenant. Through it, God made Israel his people and offers to guide them toward a great destiny, and his people offer obedience.

If the people are faithful to their promise, they will forever be the sacred people, God's possession. If they fail due to their human destiny, God will not abandon them but will continue to search for them. This is God's way of acting. Although we fail, God never abandons us. Therefore, the saying is wise: "To err is human; to forgive divine."

Ashumans, we always fail in our part of our covenant with God. Like the Israelites in the Old Testament, we are quick to say, "All that the Lord has spoken we will do!" (Exodus 19:8). We are quick to say yes, we believe and will be faithful to our covenant. However, most times, we fail. Despite this, God never abandons us. He continues to be faithful to his covenant.

In today's second reading, Paul reminds us of how God continues to be faithful to us through his only Son, Jesus Christ, for our salvation: "What proves that God loves us is that Christ died for us while we were still sinners." Through the sacrifice of Christ, we are constantly reconciled with God. So, God never abandons us because he chose and called us to be his people.

The second aspect of our calling is to be Christ's disciples in a world quickly losing life's meaning, in a world where many feel abandoned, helpless, and hopeless. This call and mission were born from mercy and compassion for a dejected and abandoned world. Hence, today's gospel tells us, "At the sight of the crowds, Jesus' heart was moved with pity for them because they were troubled and abandoned, like sheep without a shepherd."

Therefore, as Christians, each of us has a unique call. By virtue of our baptism, God chose and called each of us by our new name, as he called his twelve apostles today, to help our abandoned world. This is a special call and invitation to lift and save our dejected world from ruins. It is a call to be faithful shepherds to one another. As God and his Son continue to show us mercy and compassion, we must also show mercy to one another, especially to those who have failed or erred in one way or the other.

Finally, our call had a unique purpose and message. Today, Christ sent his disciples with specific instructions. "Do not go into pagan territory or enter a Samaritan town. Go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, make this

proclamation: 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.' Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, and drive out demons."

Christ came to save the world. However, our call and mission must start from somewhere. We must start this mission with ourselves. It must begin in our homes, families, and communities (mission *ad intra*). Later, the mission can be extended (*ad extra*) to others. Through this, Christ reminds us that Charity begins at home. This is important because we must first become God's people before becoming God's disciples.

Discussion Question: How do I show Jesus that I want to be His follower? How can small acts of kindness be a form of evangelization?

Family Connection: Every person in the Church is sent by Christ to do the work that he did. This task can seem daunting. Yet when we have learned to work together with others to achieve a common goal, we have learned something of what it means to do the work of Christ. The family is one such place in which we work with others, sharing a common task and a common goal.

As family members gather, invite each person to reflect upon their contributions to family life. Invite each one to share one or two things that they do to help keep your family life flowing smoothly. Take time to thank one another for the contributions each person makes to your family life.

Invite a family member to read aloud today's Gospel, Matthew 9:36-10:8. In this Gospel, Jesus sends the disciples to proclaim the kingdom of heaven. Point out that the disciples are called to work together just as family members must work together. Pray together that your family will always work together as a family to help one another. Pray that your family can be a model for other families. Pray together the Lord's Prayer.

Please pray for the health intentions of: Bi Bi Ballesteros, Giselle Ballion, Giovanna DeSimone, John Diaz, Marcella Dorado, Maryann Eger, Jim Estrella, Rosita Faltado, Kathy Fontana, Cedric Fontana, Greyson Goff, Trinidad Legasti, Nancy Keegan, Fatima

Manhoso, Judy Nelson, Mary Piccioni, Vivian Pruet, Emi Jade Przyborowski, Linda Sime, Cecilia Tarrant, Diane Thrailkill, Jim Turegano. Jackson Vallee.

Prayer for the Sick
Heavenly Father,

In Your boundless mercy, look with love upon those who are ill.

Grant them comfort in their pain, strength in their weakness, and peace in their hearts.
 Amen

If you want a name on the prayer list, please call the office.

Please pray for the soul of Mario Russo and keep his family in your prayers.

Prayer for the Dead:
God our Father,

Your power brings us to birth, Your providence guides our lives, and by Your command we return to dust. Lord, those who die still live in Your presence." Amen

Do you know someone who would like to prepare for First Communion?

REGISTRATION IS OPENED!



Please use the QR code provided or fill out a packet located in the vestibule and registration fee is \$125.00.



Faith Formation offers First Communion Classes (Grades 1-12) classes will begin September 16th. Don't forget to register before the end of August. Faith formation will have a table for registration after Mass the weekend of June 22nd

POTLUCK REMINDER FOR THIS WEEK

We normally have our potluck on the last Wednesday of the month, but due to another hall commitment, we will meet this week

Please join us on Wednesday, June 17th. at 12 noon for our monthly potluck. We will gather at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Hall for lunch. Please bring an entree or a dessert to share. Looking forward to seeing you on the 17th. Larry, Jo and Linda



For the taking: a very large chalk board, 8X4 in good condition has been taken down from the old meeting room in the Rectory. It is free for the taking along with a table that was outside the back door of the hall where people put produce for the taking. In the past.



Woman of the Year 2026

Do you know a woman at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton that has played an exceptional role in our parish? We are seeking nominations from parishioners to represent St Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish as Women of the Year. In the last few years Giovanna De Simone Evelyn Estrella, and Maureen Sheridan-Scott have been chosen. Nominees must be registered member of the parish. Please complete the form below including your phone number should we need more information. **Place the form in the collection box in the vestibule. Deadline is June 28 at noon.**

Contact Linda Biondini for questions: (707) 407-6386

Your name(print): _____

Your phone: _____

Person you are nominating and reason: (print)

Coming Next Month

Friendship luncheon is back

Philippine America Friendship Day

July 12, 12pm at SES Parish Hall

ENJOY CHICKEN ADOBO
(1) PORK SKEWER
(4) MEAT LUMPIA, PANCIT, RICE,
BOTTLED WATER, DESSERT

\$25/person
\$15/ child, under 12 yrs old

WIN BIG DOOR PRIZES
and 50/50 RAFFLE

ENJOY DANCING, ENTERTAINMENT

Hosted by the Filipino -American Society (FASSES)

Pastor's Corner

This past week we celebrated Mass on Wednesday at 5pm. Would you like the Mass time changed from 8:15 to 5pm on Wednesdays for July and August?

Just a reminder to those who dump compost waste in the large dumpster or the bins: NO PLASTIC wrap or recycled goods. I do not like fishing through the waste and taking out garbage that is not compost.

All bills to the parish need to be in early as the fiscal year ends on June 30th. So have all bills for payment in by June 26th.

I want to thank those who volunteered to cut the lawn!

I want to thank John Buhagiar for washing down areas of our building that were full of webs and dirt.

With some remodeling in the rectory's old meeting room would anyone like some oak cabinets in very good shape? All you have to do is take them down. The same goes for the basketball hoops in the hall.

Ministry Schedule June 20th & 21st

4pm Mass

Readers: Evelyn Estrella, Tony Sacramento

EMS: Jovita Bishop, Luisa Bustillos, Tony Madia

Ushers: Mark & Selina Johnson

Greeters: Roxanne Bialkoski, Tony Piazza

8:30am Mass

Readers: Liz Ritchie, Dolores Sanchez

EMS: Remie Alinas, Diane Cook, Mary Thayer

Ushers: Gus & Liz Chang

Greeters: Alan & Caroline Kalaw

10:30am Mass

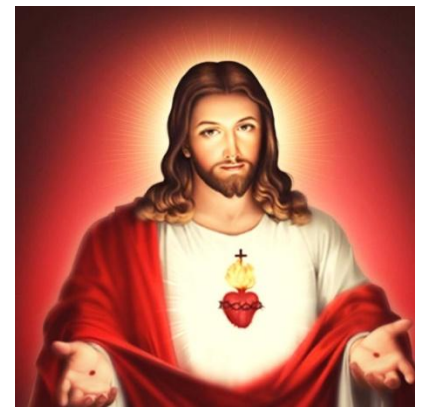
Readers: Fred Adam, Nora John

EMS: Lorraine Datu, Giovanna Desimone, Victoria Gregorio

Ushers: Giovanna Desimone, Dianne Foppoli

Greeters: Nativity Mata, Sally Shami

June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, a devotion celebrating Christ's divine love and mercy. The Sacred Heart of



Jesus is a devotion rooted in the 17th-century visions of St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, in which Jesus revealed His love and invited people to offer themselves to Him. The heart symbolizes His boundless love, sacrifice, and willingness to suffer for others. Consecration to the Sacred Heart is seen as a way to:

- Respond to Christ's self-offering and love.
- Be inspired to care for the poor, vulnerable, and suffering
- Live out the Gospel values of truth, justice, and charity in daily life as an individual or as a country.

Prayer of Consecration

O Most Sacred Heart of Jesus:
You know the longings of our hearts,
and you desire that we enjoy friendship
with you.

From your pierced side, you have
poured out the wellspring of life, for
which we thirst.

Your heart burns with a love for all
people to return to a right relationship
with you.

We celebrate the abundant gifts you
have given this nation, founded on the
self-evident truths that our Creator has
endowed all people with the right to life,
liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

We make reparation for the offenses
against you and against human dignity
that have taken place in this nation.

May our hearts be united to yours,
so that our families and communities
enjoy peace and happiness; may broken
relationships be reconciled, injustices
repaired,
and the wounds of our land be healed.

May your holy Catholic Church serve
as a sign, pointing all people to your
infinite love.

O Desire of Nations and Center of
History, we ask you to bless these
United States of America.

Who live and reign with God the
Father
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever. Amen