

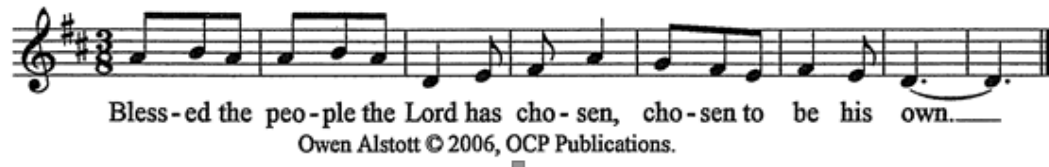
Gathering Song: *Save Us, O Lord* BB#648

Refrain: *Save us, O Lord; carry us back. Rouse your power and come.
Rescue your people; show us your face. Bring us back.*

- 1 O Shepherd of Israel, hear us. Return and we shall be saved.
Arise, O Lord; hear our cries, O Lord: bring us back!
- 2 How long will you hide from your people? We long to see your face.
Give ear to us. Draw near to us, Lord God of host!

Gloria: *Glory to God*
(Music card is in the pew pocket)

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 33: Blessed the People the Lord Has Chosen



Gospel Acclamation: *Gospel Acclamation*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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Preparation of Gifts: *All That is Hidden* BB#488

Refrain: All that is hidden will be made clear. All that is dark now will be revealed.
What you have heard in the dark proclaim in the light;
What you hear in whispers proclaim from the house-tops.

Mass: *Mass of St. Joseph*
(Music card is in the pew pocket)

Communion Song: *Our Life is Hidden With Christ* BB#498

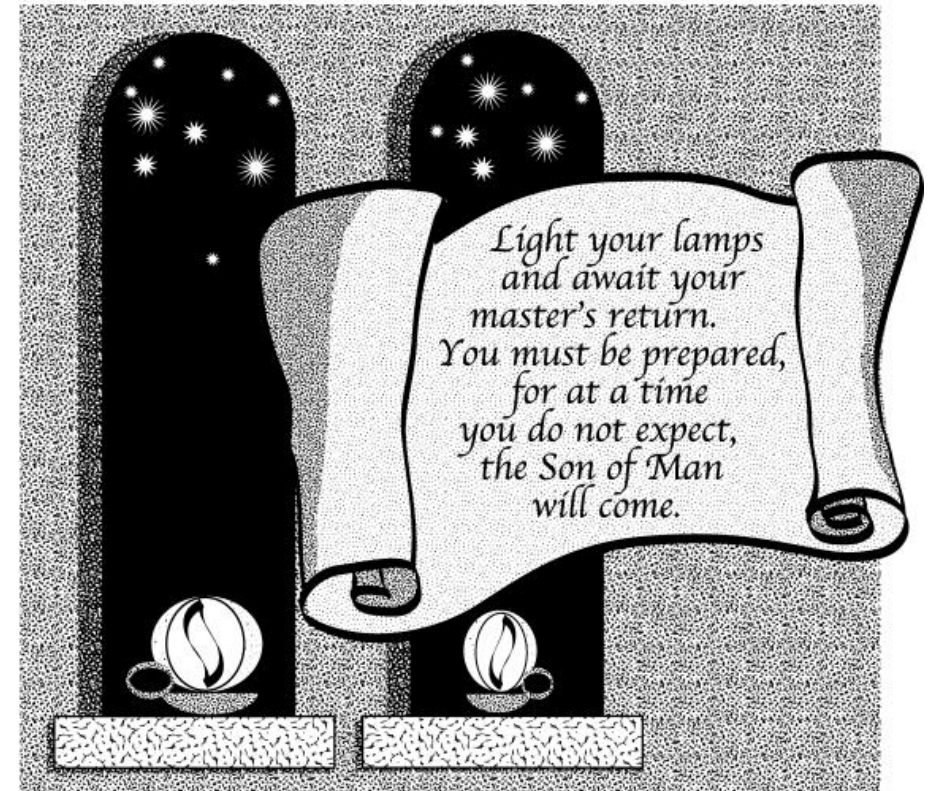
Refrain: Our life is hidden with Christ. Once crucified, in glory now,
he holds all things, the whole creation, within the heart of God.

Closing Song: *You Are all That I Need*

Refrain: You are all that I need. You are all that I want, and I need.
You are all that I need, O Lord.
You are all that I want, and I need.

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 10, 2025



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Mass Times

Saturday Mass: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday Masses: 8:00 a.m. Spanish
9:30 a.m. English
11:30 a.m. Spanish

Confession: 4:30 p.m., Saturdays
6:30 p.m., Wednesdays

Our website: www.stleesonoma.org

Weekday Mass:
8:30 a.m. M, W – F (NO Mass on Tuesday)
7:00 p.m. – Wed. – Spanish Mass

✠ Sacraments ✠
Baptisms and Weddings
Call the office, (707) 996-8422

MASS INTENTIONS: August 9th – August 17th

Sat. 9 5:00 p.m. Edwin Tompkins †
Sun. 10 9:30 a.m. Carol Hanna †
and Frank Caruso †
Mon. 11 8:30 a.m. Emerencia Balanga †
and Hae Sook Lounibos †
Tues. 12 NO MASS
Wed. 13 8:30 a.m. James & Julita Jeremiah †
Thurs. 14 8:30 a.m. Chelsea Vaccarezza †
Friday 15 8:30 a.m. Joseph Talar †
and Hilary Jo LaRosa †
Sat. 16 5:00 p.m. Bill Ramirez † & Jim Haver †
Sun. 17 9:30 a.m. Joe Byrne †, Frank Lynch †,
Deceased members of the Byrne, Lynch & Boyle families

FISCAL LOG: July 26 / 27

Sunday Collection: \$ 3,898.
Spare Change Fundraiser: \$27,048.95
Development Fund: \$ 2,385. Thank you

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Aug 15 Assumption of Mary, OFFICE IS CLOSED
Aug 16/17 2nd Collection – Diocesan Seminarians
Aug 19 Men’s Club Dinner Meeting, 6PM, LSW

SANCTUARY LAMP
Dedication for August
In Memory of
Pat & Bill Ramirez



BEST WISHES FOR THE NEW SCHOOL
YEAR: Our parish community sends warm wishes
to all students, parents, and teachers as the new
school year begins.

COFFEE & SCONES in the LSW this weekend.

2nd COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND is for
Diocesan Seminarians. This collection provides
financial support to help defray the cost of educating
young men in the seminary who are discerning a call
to the priesthood in our diocese.

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION: Assumption of the
Blessed Virgin Mary is Friday, August 15th. Mass will
be offered at 8:30 a.m. in English and an outdoor
Mass by the grotto at 7:00 p.m. in Spanish

MEN’S CLUB DINNER MEETING: Tuesday,
August 19th at the Lillian Sanders Wing. Cocktails at
6:00 p.m. and dinner to follow. All men of the parish
are welcome to attend. Questions, call the Men’s Club
President, Greg McSweeney, (415) 238-5940.

IN LOVING MEMORY: We are saddened to share
the passing of two cherished members of our parish
community.

Leonor Gordenker was a devoted member of our
parish, generously contributing her time to numerous
parish projects. A blessing in her memory will take
place on Friday, August 15, at 1PM at Duggan’s
Mission Chapel. She entered eternal rest on July 30,
2025.

Walter (Walt) Picchi was a dedicated and long-serving
parishioner, as well as a committed office volunteer. A
rosary will take place on Thursday, August 21st at
5:30PM here at St. Leo’s and a funeral mass will be
held on Friday, August 22nd, at 10AM at St. Leo’s as
well. He entered eternal rest on August 4, 2025.

ST. VINCENT De PAUL

Bags are needed for the Tuesday morning “Groceries
to Go” food distribution. Please drop your extra paper
or plastic shopping bags at the pantry or at the parish
office.

Reminder, no SVDP meeting this month.

FRIENDS AND FAMILY DINNER: Join us for our
“August Friends and Family Dinner and Bingo”

Tickets will be available for purchase after Masses

Date: Saturday, August 23rd
Doors open at 6:00 p.m.
Dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Italian Menu: Tuscan Chicken, Pasta Alfredo, Salad &
Dessert

Cost: \$25 per ticket

When the lights go on again all over the world . . .

Those words begin the lyrics of a song made popular by Vera Lynn, a British vocalist, in
1942. They and their melody always stir up an emotion in me, a kind of repressed sob. I was only
14 years old back then and it was the bleakest year of World War II. Britain was still staggered by
defeats in Europe, Africa and Asia, the United States had only begun to recover from surprise
attack, Russia had been pushed back a thousand miles into its own hinterland. Thoughts of
recovery ranged far into the future. And then we listened to Vera Lynn’s poetry of hope:

When the lights go on again all over the world / And the boys are home again all over the world /
And rain or snow is all that may fall from the skies above / A kiss won’t mean “goodbye” but
“Hello to love”

Nor did it take a second World War to raise that plaintive melody. Many a poet sensed
there was something already wrong with our world. Whereas people once believed at least by
habit in some kind of providence guiding human history, by the 20th century in 1919 we hear the
Irish poet Yeats saying: *Things fall apart; the centre cannot hold. / Mere anarchy is loosed upon
the world. . . / The ceremony of innocence is drowned; / The best lack all conviction, while the
worst / Are full of passionate intensity . . . / Surely some revelation is at hand.*

And we also heard that other Irish genius James Joyce in his novel *Ulysses* asking,
pleading before the ghost of his mother: *Tell me the word, mother. . . The word known to all men.*
The word is love – as is made clear by that other character in Joyce’s novel, Leopold Bloom, in a
futile pub argument with a rabid nationalist: *But it’s no use, says [Bloom]. Force, hatred, history, all
that. That’s not life for men and women, insult and hatred. And everybody knows that it’s the very
opposite of that that is really life. // What? says Alf. // Love, says Bloom. I mean the opposite of
hatred.*

Bloom is of Jewish ancestry and so the rabid nationalist (who is only described as “the
citizen”, no name) mocks Bloom’s Gospel of Love: *A new apostle to the gentiles . . . Universal love;*
and then in a cynically sing-song way chants: *Love loves to love love. Nurse loves the new
chemist. Constable 14A loves Mary Kelly . . . And this person loves that other person . . . but God
loves everybody.*

And yet as Richard Ellmann has said in an article “The Big Word in Ulysses”: *Affection
between human beings, however transitory, however qualified, is the closest we can come to
paradise. All of which simply supports our second reading from St. Paul today: Brothers and
sisters: Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, . . . All bitterness, fury, anger, shouting, and reviling
must be removed from you, along with all malice. And be kind to one another, compassionate,
forgiving one another as God has forgiven you in Christ. So be imitators of God, as beloved
children, and live in love, as Christ loved us.*

When the lights go on again all over the world / And the ships will sail again all over the world /
Then we’ll have time for things like wedding rings and free hearts will sing /
When the lights go on again all over the world.

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Geoff Wood