

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.stleosonoma.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: June 14th – June 22nd

Sat. 14 5:00 p.m. Catherine Pendergast †
Sun. 15 9:30 a.m. Joe Byrne †, Frank Lynch †
Deceased Members of the Boyle, Lynch, Byrne families
Mon. 16 8:30 a.m. Jim Haver †
Tues. 17 **NO MASS**
Wed. 18 8:30 a.m. Alberto & Remedios Ancheta †
Thurs. 19 8:30 a.m. Juanito & Onen Aguil †
Friday 20 8:30 a.m. Greg & Elaina Wardwell,
Happy Anniversary
Sat. 21 5:00 p.m. Greg Donohue †
Sun. 22 9:30 a.m. Joan Polan †

FISCAL LOG: June 7 / June 8

Sunday Collection: \$3,323.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

June 14/15 2nd Collection-Peter's Pence/ Holy Father
June 15 Father's Day
June 28 Friends & Family Fiesta, 6PM
June 30 Funeral for Steve Rogers †, 11AM
July 19 RE Registration, 9 – 2PM, FINN
Aug 6 /7 Confirmation registration for HS & 8th grade

SANCTUARY LAMP
Dedication for June
In Memory of
The Brocco Family



ADULT-ED ON YOUTUBE: Adult Ed session with Fr. Jim on the Pope, can be found on: www.youtube.com/@stleoschurchsonoma539.

2nd COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND: Peter's Pence/Holy Father. This collection helps to support the Universal Church and the works of the Holy See, including charitable works of the Pope. These works benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters.

SCONES & COFFEE IN LILLIAN WING TODAY: following the 9:30a.m. Mass.

PRICE FOR DONUTS TO INCREASE: Starting June 15th the price for a donut will increase to \$2.00. Coffee will remain the same-\$1.00 a cup with free refills.

FRIENDS & FAMILY FIESTA DINNER & DANCING AT ST. LEO'S: Join us on **Saturday, June 28th starting at 6PM** for dinner and dancing. The dinner ticket price is \$25. and includes Chips & Salsa, 3 Tacos (choice of Pork, Chicken or Beef), Beans, Rice, Dessert & 1 Drink (choice of Beer, Wine, Margarita, Soda or Water). Additional water or soda tickets ... \$1.00, Adult drink tickets will be available for \$3. each. Dinner tickets will be on sale this weekend and in the parish office.

SPARE CHANGE LENTEN FUNDRAISER: This year the funds will support the construction of a chapel at the orphanage served by the Missionaries of Faith. **To date we have collected \$25,338.44. Please return your coin donations when you can. Thank you!**

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Long time parishioner, Steve Rogers passed away on Tuesday, May 27th. A Funeral Mass for Steve Rogers is scheduled for Monday, June 30th @ 11a.m. with reception to follow. Please keep Steve along with his family in your prayers.

HIGH SCHOOL & 8th GRADE CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION will be on August 6th & 7th, from 11a.m. to 3p.m. Each class size is limited to 25 students. Priority will be given to student families registered at St. Leo's parish.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION 2025 – 2026: The one-day registration is **July 19th, 9a.m.-12noon** in the Finnegan Center. Starting July 10th registration packets will be available in the RE office. For more information and requirements, check the flyer on the bulletin boards at the entrance of church.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR HARD WORK: We'd like to thank our volunteer, Jose Antonio Lunes de Leon, who has been working hard on cleaning up the landscape around the church. If interested in volunteering, call the parish office, (707) 996-8422. You are always welcome.

Hide and Seek

How can the number One be the number Three? Or vice versa how can the number Three be simply the number One? How can each person of the Trinity (Father, Son and Holy Spirit) be divine yet together amount to only One Divinity and no more?

Right away there is something about us human beings that wants to solve that riddle. Emily Dickinson shied away from using the word God but she did believe in something as when she wrote: *This World is not conclusion. / A Species stands beyond - / Invisible, as Music - / But positive as Sound - / It beckons and it baffles - / Philosophy don't know - / And through a Riddle, at the last - / Sagacity must go – . . .*

We tend to look for something logical behind the world, behind the phenomena around us. Illogical things, mysteries make us uncomfortable. And yet they also entice us, test the reach of our minds, our wish to control our environment. They obsess us the way the Holy Grail obsessed the Knights of the Round Table or the top of Mt. Everest seduces climbers, so many of whom die trying to reach its summit in air so thin (at 29,000 feet) it can take a climber twelve hours to cover the mere distance of one mile.

One of our favorite games as kids on the street was "hide and seek". The searcher (the boy who was *It*) had to place his eyes against his forearm raised against a wall or a tree and count to ten – and then "Ready or not, here I come!" And his playmates could be anywhere in the dark. Excitement had begun. That's how we are: always looking to catch someone, something, capture the mystery of things – making of life in general a game, making life interesting, to escape the boredom we expect if we have nothing left to discover. For theologians a God who is three divine persons but somehow only One Divinity, a Holy Trinity, meets that need, maintains that challenge.

But, writes Emily Dickinson, what if such a game proves too hard to play, what if there is no solution because there is no God at all? *But should the play / Prove piercing earnest - / Should the glee – glaze - / In Death's – stiff – stare - // Would not the jest - / Have crawled too far!* (Why not relax and smell the daisies?)

Still Emily in that same poem can't let go of her conviction that there is something more in no uncertain terms: *I know that He exists. / Somewhere – in silence – / He has hid his rare life / From our gross eyes. / / 'Tis an instant's play - / 'Tis a fond Ambush - / Just to make Bliss / Earn her own surprise!*

As when in response to Philip's request: *Master, show us the Father and that will be enough for us*, Jesus complains: *Have I been with you for so long a time and you still do not know me, Philip? Whoever has seen me [in the flesh] has seen the Father.* And we might add the Holy Spirit as well!

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Geoff Wood