TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  AUGUST 20th, 2017

CALLED TO ACT IN GOD’S NAME

“Let all the nations praise you!” (Psalm 67:4) today’s psalm response exclaims. In the psalms and other Hebrew scriptures, this kind of invocation is actually an invitation to God to act, to intervene in human lives in a manner that will cause everyone—not just the Chosen People—to give praise. Stated a bit more strongly, it is something of a “put up or shut up” challenge to God, the sort of strong statement the psalmists of Israel, trusting in their intimate and loving relationship with God, were not afraid to make.

The Gospel has its own exclamation, announcing the appearance of the Canaanite woman with “Behold!” (Matthew 15:22) “Behold!” is a scriptural flag that tells us that God is about to act or announce something through an individual or a situation. In the case of Jesus, God was going to act through this woman, whom nobody among Jesus’ followers would have believed to be an agent of the divine will. Like the psalmists, we might passively inform or perhaps even actively challenge God to do something so that everyone will come to believe, but God will always turn the tables on us. It becomes our calling, our duty (as it was for Jesus) to behold the situations and persons of our daily lives so that God can act through us, so the Kingdom can be announced through our living.

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Parish Announcements

**Upcoming Events**

**Our Lady of the Pillar**

**Third Tuesday of the Month**
Knights of Columbus Meeting
Old Hall—7:00pm

**Tuesday Nights**
Bible Study
5:30pm–7:00pm @ Conference Room

**Miércoles por la Noche**
Estudio de la Biblia
7:00pm en el Salón Viejo (Old Hall)

**Saturday Morning**
Legion of Mary Meeting
Conference Room
9:00am–11:00am

**Second Sunday of the Month**
Hospitality after 8:00am Mass (Old Hall)

**K-6 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**
Registration for Religious Education for all children entering kindergarten through sixth grade will begin on Monday through Wednesday from 6:00pm–8:00pm and will continue the same weekdays throughout August. We pray for all the parents of our parish, that they will fulfill their solemn duty in giving their children a Catholic education. For more information call Claudia at (650) 726-5587 ext. 210. Please note **THIS YEAR NO SUNDAY CLASSES AVAILABLE.**

**EDUCACION RELIGIOSA**
La inscripción para la educación religiosa para todos los niños que entran en kindergarten hasta sexto grado comenzará de Lunes a Miércoles de 6:00pm a 8:00pm y seguirá los mismos días de la semana durante todo el mes de Agosto. Oramos por todos los padres de nuestra parroquia, que van a cumplir con su deber solemne en dar a sus hijos una educación católica. Para mas información puede llamar a Claudia al (650) 726-5587 ext. 210. Por favor tome nota de que **ESTE AÑO NO HABRA CLASES LOS DOMINGOS.**

**OUR LADY OF THE PILLAR FESTIVAL**

**Sunday, September 24, 2017**
10:30 am Solemn Bilingual Mass
After Mass: Rosary and Procession down Main Street in Half Moon Bay
1:00–7:00 PM Festive Celebration at Our Lady of the Pillar Church with delicious food and drink from all over the world, raffle with amazing prizes, live music and cultural performances, mechanical bull, jumpers, face painting and much, much more! **There will be no Masses at 12:00 noon and 6:00pm in Our Lady of the Pillar and in Pescadero or La Honda that Sunday.**

**FESTIVAL DE NUESTRA SEÑORA DEL PILAR**

**Domingo 24 de Septiembre, 2017**
10:30 am Solemn Misa Bilingüe
Después de la Misa: Procesión y Rosario por las calles de Half Moon Bay.
1:00–7:00PM Celebración de Nuestra Señora del Pilar detrás de la Iglesia, con deliciosa comida de diferentes partes del mundo, bebidas, rifa, música en vivo, brin colines, toro mecánico, música cultural y bailes folclóricos, caritas pintadas y mucho mas!!! **No habrá Misas a las 12:00pm y a las 6:00pm en Nuestra Señora del Pilar, ni a las 9:00am en Pescadero o a las 10:30am en La Honda este Domingo.**

**IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT**
On the day of the festival September 24, 2017 the 10:00am, 12:00noon and 6:00pm Masses at Our Lady of the Pillar, the 9:00am Mass at St. Anthony’s and the 10:30 Mass at Our Lady of Refuge are suspended to allow the whole community to gather for the 10:30am Parish Festival Mass of Our Lady of the Pillar.

**ANUNCIO IMPORTANTE**
El día del Festival 24 de Septiembre del 2017 las Misas de 10:00am, 6:00pm y 12:00pm aquí en Nuestra Señora del Pilar y las Misas de 9:00am en San Antonio, 10:30am en Nuestra Señora del Refugio están suspendidas para permitir a toda la comunidad reunirse para la Misa del Festival a las 10:30am aquí en la Parroquia de Nuestra Señor del Pilar.

**THE POWER OF PRAYER**
Much prayer, much power!
Little prayer, little power!
No prayer, no power!
—Anonymous
Your Offerings | Supporting Our Parish

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Second Collection this week: Religious Education
August 27: Annual Appeal
September 3: Building Fund
September 10: Annual Appeal

St. Patrick’s Seminary Gala
Dinner and Raffle 2017
Saturday, September 9, 5:00 pm
St. Patrick’s Seminary, 320 Middlefield Rd., Menlo Park
Advesntment Office
650-289-3320
advesntment@stpsu.edu
stpsu.edu/2017-stpsu-gala

The major and only annual fundraiser for St. Patrick’s Seminary and University is Saturday, September 9. This Gala evening at St. Patrick’s includes reception, dinner, raffle, and the honoring of two San Francisco women who have created a new pro-life tradition: Dolores Meehan and Eva Muntean are co-chairs of the Walk for Life West Coast. Founded in 2005, the Walk is now the second largest pro-life event in the country, and the influx of young Catholics it generates each January makes it one of the most inspiring moments of the year in the archdiocese. Again this year, a highlight of the Gala evening is the Grand Raffle Prize of a new Lexus IS 200T (or $25,000). A limited number of raffle tickets is available at $50; and you need not be present to win. To buy raffle tickets in advance, phone or email the Advancement Office, above. For more information, and to register for the Gala or to donate, call or go online.

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Pray for Our Parishioners Who are Sick

Sick Relatives & Friends/
Parientes y Amigos Enfermos
Pray that God’s, healing power will fill them with strength and hope.

Alpha Program at St. Patrick Church,
San Francisco
Sundays through September 10, 10:30 – 11:45 am
St. Patrick Church, 756 Mission St., San Francisco 415-421-3730 stpatricksf.org

Do you have questions about life? If so, join in the Alpha program at St. Patrick’s on Sunday mornings in the parish hall. Alpha is an opportunity to explore life and the Christian faith in a friendly, open, informal environment. No charge. No pressure. No follow-up. Alpha runs in churches, coffee shops, bars, and homes all over the world. Typically Alpha has around ten weekly sessions and includes food, a short talk, and time to share your thoughts. Come, and invite others, especially those who have been away from the church for a long time (family members, friends, or co-workers). For information, phone the parish or visit the website, above.

Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Pius X
Tuesday: The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Wednesday: St. Rose of Lima
Thursday: St. Bartholomew
Friday: St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

Twilight Fashion Show for St. Vincent de Paul
Tuesday, August 22, 5:30 pm Trinity Church, 330 Ravenswood Ave., Menlo Park
Krissy Lagomarsino (650)373-0637 or email at: svdpsm.org

St. Vincent de Paul’s Catherine Center supports women transitioning from incarceration back into society. The Catherine Center relies on charitable donations to support its ministry. And you can help by purchasing tickets to our Twilight Fashion Show, Tuesday, August 22, at Trinity Church in Menlo Park. Come and enjoy delicious food and drinks while the women of Catherine Center model fun fashions from the SVP thrift stores. Tickets are $75 and are available at the website.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul
Neighbors helping neighbors.
Mass Schedule and Intentions

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St. Anthony’s
6:00pm August 19  Por las Almas del Purgatorio
9:00am August 20  Maria & Harry McElroy +
6:00pm August 26  Por las Almas del Purgatorio
9:00am August 27  Jeff Moir +

Our Lady of Refuge
10:30am August 20  Dorothy Wylie +
10:30am August 27  Dorothy Wylie +

St. Vincent de Paul Society
Our Lady of the Pillar Conference
FOOD PANTRY HOURS
Monday/ Lunes  5:00pm—7:00pm
Thursday/ Jueves  5:00pm—7:00pm
Saturday/ Sábado  10:00am— 12:00pm
LLAMADOS A ACTUAR EN EL NOMBRE DE DIOS

“¡Que todos los pueblos te alaben!” (Salmo 67:4) exclama la respuesta del salmo de hoy. En el salterio y en otras escrituras hebreas, este tipo de invocación es en realidad una invitación a Dios para que actúe e intervenga en las vidas humanas de tal manera que haga que todos —no sólo el Pueblo Elegido— expresen alabanzas. Dicho algo más fuerte, es como desafiar a Dios para que “aguante o se calle”, el tipo de palabras duras que los salmistas de Israel, confiando en su íntima relación de amor con Dios, no temían expresar.

El Evangelio tiene su propia exclamación que anuncia la aparición de la mujer cananea con un “Entonces” (Mateo 15:22). “Entonces” o “he aquí” es una señal en la Biblia que nos indica que observemos con mucha atención, que Dios está por actuar o anunciar algo por medio de un individuo o una situación. En el caso de Jesús, Dios iba a obrar a través de esta mujer, a quien ninguno de los seguidores de Jesús hubiera creído pudiera ser un agente de la voluntad divina. Como los salmistas, puede que informemos en forma pasiva a Dios o quizás hasta activamente le desafíemos para que haga algo para que todos lleguen a creer, mas Dios siempre nos volteará las posiciones. Se convierte en nuestro llamado, nuestro deber (como lo fue para Jesús) observar atentamente las situaciones y a las personas en nuestra vida diaria para que Dios pueda actuar a través de nosotros, para que el Reino sea anunciado en nuestro diario vivir.

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LOS SANTOS Y OTRAS CELEBRACIONES
Domingo: Vigésimo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Lunes: San Pío X
Martes: Santa María Virgen, Reina
Miércoles: Santa Rosa de Lima
Jueves: San Bartolomé
Viernes: San Luis de Francia; San José de Calasanz
Sábado: Santa María Virgen