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Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 22, 2019

God... wills everyone to be saved and
to come to knowledge of the truth.

-- 1 Timothy 2:4



Daily Mass

Week of September 23rd - 28th

Monday: 8:00 Intentions: Peg Gallagher
Tuesday: 8:00 Carol Broeren+
Wednesday: 8:00 David Broeren+
Thursday: 8:00 Mary Lou Taylor+
Friday: 8:00 Charles Elsenius+
Saturday: 8:00 Terry Riley+



Please remember the sick in our Parish, especially Maradee Davis, Jim Faison, Rita Jackson, Julia, Helen Roberts, Michael Echaniz, Tina Chaix, Samantha Winterer, Michael Kluziski, Sebastian Romeo, Louise Ahern, Owen Burns, Bernice De Vries, Paul Cummings, Patricia Dombrink, Laura Pierce, Marvin Johnson, Cora Rose, Tom Reid, Alexis Walker, Michael Bozman and Dori McGee-Lundy.

Weekly Collection	September 15 th
Plate	\$9,462.00

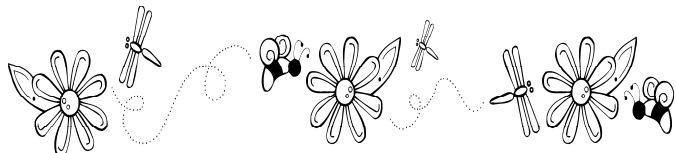
Celebration of Life!

Please come celebrate with us the life of Mary Lou Taylor, born into this world on February 18, 1939 and born to new life in Christ on August 18, 2019. The burial will be on Thursday, October 3rd, 11:00 a.m. at Holy Sepulcher, 26320 Mission Boulevard in Hayward. Celebration of Life will follow, 1:00 p.m. at Palomares Hills Clubhouse, 6811 Villareal Drive in Castro Valley. Please RSVP to Susan Formaker at: sformaker@gmail.com or call (510) 258-9002.

Warm Regards, Karen Taylor

Don't Forget!

The Parish Directories are here! Each family that had their pictures taken can pick up their copy at the Parish Office. If you are unable to come during Parish Office hours, please call to make other arrangements. The Directories will not be mailed out.



My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Next week's gospel tells us the story about the rich man and Lazarus.

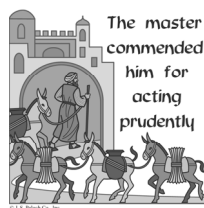
The rich man lived in the lap of luxury and was completely oblivious to the plight of poor Lazarus. After their deaths, they experienced a reversal of fortunes. Lazarus rested comfortably in the bosom of Abraham while the rich man wallowed in the pit of despair.

The rich man was condemned to the netherworld, not because of his wealth, but because of his indifference toward Lazarus. Even in death, he refused to accord Lazarus the respect he deserved:

"Send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue..."

The warning to you and me is clear: if we ignore the needs of our brothers and sisters in this life, we will pay the price in the world to come.

Love, Fr. Leo



Today's Readings

First Reading -- The Lord never forgets the sins of those who take advantage of the poor (Amos 8:4-7).

Psalm -- Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor (Psalm 113).

Second Reading -- God our savior wills everyone to be saved (1 Timothy 2:1-8).

Gospel -- The one who is trustworthy in small matters is also trustworthy in great ones (Luke 16:1-13 [10-13]).

An Old English Prayer!

Give us, Lord,
a bit of sun
a bit of work and
a bit of fun.

Give us in all the struggle and sputter
Our daily bread and a bit of butter;
Give us health and our keep to make,
And a bit to spare for others' sake;
Give us, too, a bit of song,
And a tale, and a book to help us along.
Give us, Lord, a chance to be
Our goodly best, brave, wise and free.

Are You on a Faith Journey? Looking for Companions?

The RCIA process at Corpus Christi offers a chance for anyone on a spiritual journey to gather with others who are asking questions about their spirituality or faith beliefs. It is an opportunity to search, share, question and grow alongside others who are exploring the Catholic faith. Jesus always invited others, without pressure, to "come and see" if they were interested in living the way that he lived. We invite you to do the same, no strings attached. Meetings are on Thursday evenings in the Rectory Conference Room. Contact Ann at (510) 521-8011 or email: ann@gopspelling.org for more information.

Annual Walk-A-Thon!

The 40th Annual Corpus Christi School's Walk-a-thon Fundraiser will be held on Saturday, October 19th, from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Sponsorship in the form of contributions from local businesses, Corpus Christi student pledges, and purchases of raffle tickets and WAT t-shirts enable the event's success and help support our School. Please consider supporting this neighborhood event. Contact Kathleen Willard at: kwillard22@gmail.com or call (415) 370-4511 for more information.

Treasures From Our Tradition!

When the Roman Empire turned a favorable eye toward the once-persecuted Christians, among the effects was a population explosion in the baptismal font, as Christian sympathizers stepped from the shadows. With more and more people becoming Christians, laws were passed to protect Sunday as a work-free day. Soon, it became possible to celebrate Mass later in the morning, rather than the older custom of gathering before dawn to celebrate Eucharist. Amazingly, despite the increasing numbers of Christians, there was great resistance to adding to the number of worship events; the Eucharist that began as a few friends around a table soon was transformed into a more formal event with throngs crowding a large hall. All the Christians in a city or town would gather around the bishop for the one Sunday Eucharist, and only when the crowds became unmanageable was there an impulse to divide the assembly by splitting off a new bishop and flock.

Now, sixteen hundred years later, many parishes see a need to trim or combine Mass schedules. This is often seen as tough surgery. Yet our forebears in the faith would see it as a gain: a filling up of the Eucharist with a large and vigorous assembly, a fullness of ministry, an opportunity to make the Church more fully visible and stronger for service.

Please be sure to thank the generous advertisers in our Bulletin. Through their participation, our Parish receives our weekly Bulletin free of charge!

Corn Dog Event!

Please join the Hospitality Committee and the Outreach Committee for a special corn dog event this Saturday, after the 5:00 p.m. Mass and today, September 22nd, after the 10:30 a.m. Mass. This is a perfect opportunity for a quick and easy Saturday night supper or Sunday lunch with friends and family! The event will benefit Elizabeth House. The Home's professional staff and dedicated volunteers provide a warm, welcoming and structured environment to allow these families time and space to rebuild their lives. A free-will donation to Elizabeth House will be appreciated.



The **Annual Corpus Christi Parish Picnic** will take place on Sunday, October 6th, at Roberts Regional Park from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Please join us for Mass at 11:00 a.m. led by Fr. Leo, followed by a fantastic picnic with great food and beverages. Enjoy activities and games by our Faith Formation Ministry. There will be relay races and the favorite tug-of-war competition. Most importantly, hang out with and meet parishioners of our great community. Whether you're a long-time member or new to Corpus Christi, this is a great time for you and your family to get together for a fun day! Registration is taking place this month. Please contact Daryl Grace at: dgrace64@gmail.com. Hope to see you there!



2019 School Supplies Drive!

The School Supplies Drive is still going on which benefits the Community Education Partnerships (CEP) and the Visitation Center in downtown Oakland. CEP recruits and trains volunteers to provide high-quality academic tutoring for homeless children in the pre-kindergarten through 12th grade school system. Much needed items include: backpacks, staplers, scissors, protractors/compasses, folders, pencils, pencil boxes, pencil sharpeners, rulers, binder paper, erasers, colored pencils, mead composition notebooks, glue sticks, calculators, crayons, ballpoint pens and multi-subject spiral notebooks. Feel free to add other items that you feel would be useful and appropriate. Drop off your donations in the Gibson Center through September. Contact Madeline Briar at 530-6316 or Lenore McCracken at 530-7304.

Extra Yarn Needed!

If anyone has any extra yarn that they are not using, please drop it by the Parish Office. A neighbor is making blankets, hats and mittens for the homeless in Contra Costa County. Thank You for your help!

