



From the Desk of Fr. Leo

St. (Pope) John Paul II became pope in October 1978. There were lots of bad news then. The cold war was threatening world peace. Modern culture was destroying traditional social and moral values. Priests and nuns were abandoning their vocations in huge numbers. Conservatives and liberals were battling over the implementation of Vatican II. His message to the Church and the world at the beginning of his long pontificate are the words we hear in this weekend's gospel: "Be not afraid."

Fear, of course, is a healthy thing when it motivates us to protect ourselves from some threat to the well-being of ourselves or of those, we love. Fear stimulates us emotionally to prepare for fight or flight. But a lot of people are consumed by fears that are groundless, irrational, or certain things we can do nothing about except pray.

In last weekend's gospel, we heard about Jesus miraculously feeding over 5,000 people with five loaves of bread and two fish. St. Matthew immediately follows that gospel with this weekend's gospel. The miraculous feeding took place on the sea of Galilee. Jesus made the disciples get into a boat and He went off to the hills alone to pray. St. Matthew leaves us to wonder why Jesus acted this way.

The story of Jesus walking on the water is an unusual miracle. Usually when Jesus worked a miracle, He was responding to someone's needs: hunger, sickness, evil spirit possessions, storm on the sea. Jesus' walking on the water is simply a manifestation of His divine nature. Seeing Him approaching them, the Apostles panicked and Jesus said: take courage, it is I, be not afraid." It is "I" is an important part of this weekend's gospel because it gives greater clarity about what this event meant. It could mean, "it's just me." But it is also in Greek the name that God gave Moses when Moses wanted to know God's name: "I am", or "I am who I am."

The Eucharistic symbolism that begins with the miracle of the feeding continues into the story of walking on the water. Here we have the Apostles struggling in the night, with the wind against them, feeling as if they were not making any progress. Suddenly Jesus assures them of His presence. He would not desert them. He brings courage and calms

their fears by announcing His presence, which He will also do for us. He usually does this in the Eucharist when he tells us: "This is my body," "this is my blood."

Fr. Leo A. Asuncion

Mass Intentions for the Week

<u>Tues.</u>	<u>Aug 11</u>	<u>11:00AM</u>
Special Intentions		
<u>Wed.</u>	<u>Aug 12</u>	<u>11:00AM</u>
Special Intentions		
<u>Thur.</u>	<u>Aug 13</u>	<u>11:00AM</u>
Erma Deloviar		Ed & Mae
<u>Fri.</u>	<u>Aug 14</u>	<u>11:00AM</u>
St. Rose of Lima Novena- Buenaflor Roth Family		
<u>Sat.</u>	<u>Aug 15</u>	<u>4:30PM</u>
Romellia Arcega		Mom and Dad
St. Rose of Lima Novena- Vilma Jacob		
<u>Sun.</u>	<u>Aug 16</u>	<u>9:00AM</u>
St. Rose of Lima Novena- Buenaflor Roth Family		
<u>Port Costa</u>	<u>11:00AM</u>	
Rita and Miguel Gomez†		Your Children

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REMINDER, THERE IS NO MASS ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 23RD AT ST. PATRICK MISSION. ALL PARISHIONERS PLEASE JOIN US AT THE ST. ROSE OF LIMA FEAST DAY MASS AT 10:00AM!

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Sunday Collection -August 2nd

St. Rose, Crockett	\$2686
CCD	\$477
St. Patrick Mission	\$112
CCD	\$67

Thank you again to all who support our Parish! We know how generous you have been in the changing times!

St. Rose of Lima

Feast Day Celebration

Sunday, August 23rd

Please join us in celebrating our patrón saint's feast day.

Mass will begin at 10:00AM, with a potluck fellowship in the hall immediately following.

The celebration will begin on August 14th, with nine days of masses (a Novena) dedicated to St. Rose and culminate with a full celebration on Sunday, August 23rd.

All in our community are invited!

August 23rd is the feast day, the liturgical date we remember a saint or event, for our patron saint, St. Rose of Lima.

This year we will be celebrating St. Rose with a Novena that will culminate on August 23rd with a special mass at 10:00am, followed by a celebration in the hall. There is also a pot luck sign up in the vestibule.

We encourage all parishioner to invite friends and neighbors to come celebrate with our parish. Please spread the word!

July Financial Overview

St. Rose	
Expense:	
Priest Salary	\$2767.24
Priest Food Reimbursement	\$382.50
Secretary Wages	\$2420.35
Health Insurance	\$1554.48
Lay Employee Pension	\$643.14
Priest Annual Retreat	\$850.00
PG&E Classrooms	\$118.25
PG&E Church/Rectory	\$841.34
Comcast	\$330.78
Garbage	\$381.80
EBMUD	\$354.14
Liability	\$2252.91
EDD	\$174.56
IRS	\$1578.00
Church cleaning	\$340.00
Rectory Cleaning	\$260.00
Host	\$80.71
Envelope service	\$122.78
Unemployment	\$39.91
Total	\$15,492.89
Income:	
Sunday's Plate	\$7948.00
CCD Envelope	\$215.00
Maintenance	\$416.00
Sacramental Service	\$400.00
Facility Use	\$715.00
Reimbursement	\$350.00
Fundraisers	\$244.00
Donations	\$50.00
Diocesan Interest	\$610.31
Other income	\$314.00
Total	\$11,262.31

St. Patrick Mission

Expense:	
PG&E	\$21.92
Reimbursement	\$350.00
Total:	\$371.92
Income:	
Sundays Plate	\$1376.00
CCD Envelope	\$20.00
Maintenance	\$110.00
Total	\$1506.00