

## March 14, 2021

#### From the Desk of Fr. Leo

Any organization or community that would develop its potential well, must have genuine leaders who are not out for their personal advancement, but for the good of the organization or the community. In aiming at a definite goal, a leader will meet with obstacles, and even opposition, if the ideals he or she sets forth are with the lower standards of those less concerned about the good of the organization. Opposition is not always a sign of poor leadership. It may evidence just the contrary.

By the witness of his gospel message and his powerful deeds, Jesus proclaimed the Kingdom of God to be at hand. He himself is the great prophet of God, God's mouthpiece, the very Word of God Incarnate, clearly manifesting to his brothers and sisters in the flesh what the will of the Father is for them. The fact that he boldly proclaims what is right in God's eyes, and what the Father in heaven wants his children to do, brings upon him mounting opposition, "Because men loved darkness rather than light" (John 3:11); and the opposition breaks out into open hostility until he is "lifted up" on the Cross, betrayed by one of the Twelve, rejected by his own people, and handed over to the pagans. Yet he did proclaim that "I, once lifted up from the earth, will draw all men to myself (John 12:32).

While the role of the teacher is to preserve and hand down the doctrine of Christ, interpreting it for the People, the role of the prophet is to render the message more relevantly by applying it to existing conditions which need proper and immediate attention, as well as by proposing solutions for rising problems in the light of the Gospel. Therefore, the prophetic Christian has to be dynamic, stirring up his or her fellowmen and women to the urgent need at hand. He or she speaks boldly like, John the Baptist or the Savior himself, and is not afraid to call misdeeds by their proper name. Hence, he or she will often stir up oppositions, and even hostility, because people are too often more interested in material gain than in the Law of Love of Jesus Christ. The prophet brings to light his or her words and by his or her example the falsehood that is latent in every man or woman, and the inner sinfulness which pride is not willing to acknowledge and confess. His or her role is to lead men and women to the light so that they recognize that Christ alone can bring salvation, fulfillment and universal peace.

The Christian exercises his or her prophetic role chiefly by his or her example of a good Christian life, his or her fidelity to Christian principles, and willingness to stand up for them in face of opposition. He or she likewise deepens his or her knowledge continually of what God has revealed to be his will in the Scriptures, especially the Gospels, and he or she willingly hearkens to the Voice of Christ resounding in the words of those whom Christ has placed over his flock to feed or guide them.

Fr. Leo Alban Asuncion

Though we are not able to meet together during this week, please keep these intentions in your personal prayers, as Father will continue to include them in his private masses.

#### Mass Intentions for the Week

Tues.	March 23	11:00AM
Special Intentions		
Wed. Living Memorial	March 24	11:00AM
Thur.	March 25	11:00AM
Special Intentions		
Fri.	March 26	11:00AM
Special Intentions		
Sat.	March 27	4:30PM
Ted Gallo†		Bob & Lydia
Sun.	March 28	9:00A
Vincente, Arline, John David		Pena Family
& Elise †		11:00AM
People of the Parish		
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#### Sunday Collection - March 7

St. Rose, Crockett \$1801

St. Patrick Mission, Port Costa \$475

Thank you again to all who support our Parish!

# Indoor Mass!!!

From here on out, hopefully, we will be back inside, but maintaining a maximum of 60 people at St. Rose (25 at St. Patrick) for now.

Please remember face coverings are required, keep six feet distance at all times and only sit in the open sections/pews.

During communion, please follow Fr. Leo's directions, and STAY ON THE MARKINGS IN THE AISLE TO MAINTAIN A SAFE DISTANCE!!!

#### Catholic Relief Services

Next week our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to vulnerable people here and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the collection and help Jesus in disguise. Learn more about the collection at <a href="https://www.usccb.org/catholic-relief">www.usccb.org/catholic-relief</a>.





In honor of St. Patrick, we are having a wisp of a fundraiser in the form of a game! In the vestibule (or brought to St. Patrick!) you will see a clear container filled with green candies. For a \$5 donation, guess the number of candies the jar contains! The person who gets closest without going over will win a \$25 gift card! We will keep the jar up through 3/21, just to give everyone a chance to play.

While this certainly isn't a Fish Fry fundraiser, it is a heads up to all in our parish that we need some help in the fundraising department. The Fish Fry makes the parish about \$10,000 a year, so we need to find some ways to make some of this up; what do we do? There is really no point in putting on fundraisers that no one wants to participate in, so we would really, really like to know WHAT KIND OF FUNDRAISERS WOULD YOU LIKE????

### Hymns for all professions:

**Dentist's Hymn:** Crown Him with Many Crowns **Weatherman's Hymn:** There Shall Be Showers of Blessings

Contractor's Hymn: The Church's One Foundation

Tailor's Hymn: Holy, Holy, Holy

Golfer's Hymn: There's a Green Hill Far Away Politician's Hymn: Standing on the Promises Optometrist's Hymn: Open My Eyes That I Might

See

IRS Agent's Hymn: I Surrender All

Gossip's Hymn: Pass It On

Electrician's Hymn: Send The Light Baker's Hymn: Bread of Life

**Shopper's Hymn:** Sweet By and By

**Realtor's Hymn:** I've Got a Mansion, Just Over the

Hilltop

Massage Therapist's Hymn: He Touched Me

Doctor's Hymn: The Great Physician