February 3, 2019
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
“Empowered by the Spirit of God we celebrate Jesus’ presence in Prayer, Liturgy, Sacrament and Service”
**Mass Intentions**  
*February 2nd through February 10th*

**BC**: Fr. Brian Costello  
**EA**: Fr. Erick Arauz  
**VP**: Visiting Priest

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**May all our deceased Parishioners rest in the loving arms of Christ.**

*Please pray for our parishioners who are sick and suffering that they may know the embrace of Christ’s healing love.*

Ruby Azevedo, Chuck Becker, Peter Fulchiron, Andy Herr, Rob Lowe, Bob Riley, Richard Thomas, Carlota Tovar, Renee Trechter

*We are updating our prayer list and have removed names which have been included for some time. Please call the Rectory to place someone on the Prayer List.*
TODAY’S READINGS
First Reading — I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD (Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19).

Psalm — I will sing of your salvation (Psalm 71).

Second Reading — If I have all faith so as to move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing (1 Corinthians 12:31 — 13:13 [13:4-13]).

Gospel — No prophet is accepted in the prophet’s hometown (Luke 4:21-30).
AN ONGOING MISSION

In his hometown synagogue, Jesus’ neighbors are amazed by his words. Nevertheless, they remind each other, “Is this not Joseph’s son?” Surely the people know who he is. The carpenter’s son. The young man who had learned in this very synagogue. The boy down the street.

Conflict arises as Jesus begins to define himself in a new way. When he compares himself to the ancient prophets Elijah and Elisha the tensions grow. The tensions multiply when Jesus begins to tell of a new mission for God’s people: the good news of the scriptures is intended for all.

In his famous passage from the First Letter to the Corinthians, St. Paul reminds us of the eternal nature of love. Love does not come to an end. In today’s readings, we are reminded that, like love, Jesus’ mission cannot be contained. Jesus slips through the crowd of persecutors and moves on to new challenges. We are called to this same perseverance in the name of love.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO TAKE A BREAK? WHO WOULDN’T?!

Here’s your chance….

Enjoy a wonderful 3 day Christian Retreat. Cursillo is an experience in Christian community, which celebrates the Gospel message in today’s world. It’s purpose is to increase our understanding of what it means to be a Christian and to share ways that will sustain us on our lifetime faith journey as we return to our parish.

Marin Cursillo is now accepting candidate applications for….

Women’s Weekend:
Thursday evening, May 2 - Sunday afternoon, May 5

Men’s Weekend:
Thursday evening, May 16 - Sunday afternoon, May 19

TAKE THE TIME; YOU WON’T REGRET IT!

DON’T DELAY. CONTACT:
Jean & Tom Nelson
(415) 892-2348

A Stewardship Prayer

I offer this day to you, dear God.

Thank you for the blessings you have given me.

May I use these gifts to build your kingdom.

May my actions be a reflections of your love.

May what I do today bring others closer to you.

May my words be kind and gentle and may they bring joy to others.

Today, help me to give back a portion of what you have given me.

I ask this in Jesus’ name.

Amen

Monthly Giving Annual Update and Renewal

DONATIONS BY MONTHLY CHECK
Thank you for your continued support of Our Lady of Loretto over this past year. For those paying by check, please contact Erin Troy, at the Rectory, if you would like to receive 12 blue envelopes for your monthly offering.

DONATIONS BY CREDIT CARD
For those who make their monthly offering via credit card, you will be receiving a mailing. In this mailing you will see a new credit card authorization form which we would ask you to send back to us by January 31, 2019.

ONLINE (SELF MANAGED) GIVING
For those utilizing our parish website to manage their donations, we would ask that you take some time to ensure all your information is up to date.

We appreciate everyone’s prayerful consideration to increasing your donation in the coming year. All donations, regardless of amount, are appreciated.

Thank you to everyone who helps support Our Lady of Loretto through their ongoing stewardship. We wish you all a very Happy New Year.
Dear Friends,

Please mark your calendars for Saturday, March 2nd. On that day we will be hosting the heart of St. John Vianney, the Curé d'Ars, Patron Saint of Diocesan Priests. More will following future Bulletins, but I want to thank the Archbishop for being the only parish in Marin to host St. John Vianney’s Heart.

Before Christmas, I gave you a rosary from the Holy Land. I also told you these rosaries sparked an international incident. Let me explain.

Last March, I wanted to get 1500 rosaries to give out to my parishioners. I asked a friend who had a friend in Bethlehem named Jack in Jerusalem and he agreed to send the rosaries to Novato, since I did not have enough room in my luggage. Guess what? The rosaries were never sent. Since the order for rosaries were sealed with a handshake (people in the middle East rarely use paper receipts), I though I was up a creek. Enter Issa. Issa is the person who came to OLL in early December to sell his Holy Land wares. Issa is from Bethlehem and knew Jack. Issa sent his cousin George in Bethlehem to confront Jack about not sending the rosaries. Things got so heated between George and Jack, that George stood in the doorway to Jack’s shop, so that the Bethlehem Police got involved. Since Jack was losing a lot of business, Jack agreed to send the rosaries just in time for Christmas. Thank you, Issa and George, for helping me get the 1500 rosaries I already paid for. You made my parishioners very happy.

Today is Super Bowl Sunday. Even though Jared Goff is from Novato, via Marin Catholic and Cal, I cannot root for an L.A. Team. I hope it is an entertaining game.

Have Great Week!

Father Brian

2019 Walk for Life
**This Week at OLL**  
**February 3 — February 10**

**Sun.** Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
**Mon.** SVDP—Teachers Lounge—7pm  
**Tue.** Perpetual Help Prayer Group—6pm—Chapel  
Al-Anon/Alat een—Convent—7:15pm  
**Wed.** Our Lady’s Prayer Group—Church—7:30pm  
K of C—Knights Room—7:30pm  
**Thurs.** Choir Practice—Church—6:30pm  
Charismatic Prayer Group—Chapel—7pm  
**Fri.** Adoration—Chapel—9:30am to 5pm  
**Sat.** Cenacle—Chapel—9:30am  
**Sun.** Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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**Esta semana en OLL**  
**3 Febrero — 10Febrero**

**Domingo:** Cuarto Domingo Tiempo Ordinario  
**Lunes:**  
**Martes:** Nuestra Señora Grupo de  
Oração—Capilla—7:30pm  
**Miércoles:** Ensayo del Coro-Espanol—Iglesia—7pm  
**Jueves:**  
**Viernes:** Adoration—Chapel—9:30am to 5pm  
**Sab:** Cenacle—Chapel—9:30am  
**Domingo:** Quinto Domingo Tiempo Ordinario

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**RCIA/Adult Education**  
Our Lady of Loretto RCIA Program meets at 7:30 p.m. each Wednesday, upstairs in the Convent. The topic on February 6 is: *The Church: An Introduction*. All adults are invited to participate.

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**FROM ADULT FAITH FORMATION**  
**OLL BOOK CLUB**  
The OLL Book Club will meet next on **February 6th** at 10am in the Convent Chapel for coffee & discussion of *Story of a Soul by Saint Thérèse of Lisieux*.  
Don't have time to read the book? Come and join us anyway, all are welcome! If you would like discussion questions emailed to you ahead of time, please contact Amy Reeder—

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**THIS WEEK IN OLL CONFIRMATION & YOUTH MINISTRY**

**Monday, February 4:** Middle school classes meet in the convent, 7-8:30.  
**Thursday, February 7:** High school classes meet in the convent, 7-8:30. **SPONSOR MEETING @ 7:30** in the convent chapel.  
Every student being confirmed this Spring must be represented either by their sponsor or a parent.  
**Saturday, February 9:** Confirmation Enrollment Mass. Mandatory for all 2019 Confirmation candidates & sponsors. 5pm in the church.

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**LECTURAS DE HOY**  
**Primera lectura** — Dios destina a Jeremías a ser profeta de las naciones (Jeremías 1:4-5, 17-19).  
**Salmo** — Señor, tú eres mi esperanza (Salmo 71 [70]).  
**Segunda lectura** — El amor con todas sus muchas facetas es la más importante de las virtudes (1 Corintios 12:31 — 13:13 [13:4-13]).  
**Evangelio** — Jesús reclama que su misión salvífica es para todos los pueblos (Lucas 4:21-30).
Queridos amigos,

Por favor marque sus calendarios para el sábado 2 de marzo. En ese día recibiremos el corazón de San Juan Vianney, el Cura de Ars, patrón de los sacerdotes diocesanos. Seguirán más boletines en el futuro, pero quiero agradecer al Arzobispo por ser la única parroquia en Marin que alberga el Corazón de St. John Vianney.

Antes de Navidad, te regalé un rosario de Tierra Santa. También te dije que estos rosarios provocaron un incidente internacional. Dejame explicar.

En marzo pasado, quería conseguir 1500 rosarios para entregar a mis feligreses. Le pregunté a un amigo que tenía un amigo en Belén llamado Jack en Jerusalén y él aceptó enviar los rosarios a Novato, ya que no tenía suficiente espacio en mi equipaje. ¿Adivina qué? Los rosarios nunca fueron enviados. Ya que la orden de rosarios se selló con un apretón de manos (la gente en el Medio Oriente rara vez usa recibos en papel), pensé que estaba en un arroyo. Entra Issa. Issa es la persona que vino a OLL a principios de diciembre para vender sus productos de Tierra Santa. Issa es de Belén y conoció a Jack. Issa envió a su primo George a Belén para enfrentar a Jack por no enviar los rosarios. Las cosas se calentaron tanto entre George y Jack, que George estaba en el umbral de la tienda de Jack, para que la policía de Belén se involucrara. Como Jack estaba perdiendo muchos negocios, Jack accedió a enviar los rosarios justo a tiempo para Navidad. Gracias, Issa y George, por ayudarme a conseguir los 1500 rosarios que ya pagué. Hiciste muy felices a mis feligreses.

Hoy es domingo de Super Bowl. Aunque Jared Goff es de Novato, a través de Marin Catholic y Cal, no puedo alentar a un equipo de L.A. Espero que sea un juego entretenido.

Que tengas una gran semana!

Padre Brian

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TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

En muchos hogares Latinos el tiempo de Navidad terminó el día dos de febrero con la levantada del Niño Dios en la fiesta de la Candelaria. Es interesante como el pueblo cristiano tiene un cierto afecto para Jesús en su aspecto de niño. Desde hace siglos con el evangelista Lucas y la virgen María la imaginación cristiana ha ido buscando al Divino Niño en el templo; con san Cristóbal lleva cargando al Niño Dios sobre los hombros mientras cruza el río de la vida y san Antonio de Lisboa juega con el Niñito Jesús sobre un libro teológico mientras estudiaba la Palabra de Dios.

Fueron los monjes cistercienses del siglo XII quienes primero desarrollaron esta devoción al Niño Jesús. En su afán por conocer mejor a Dios hecho humano entraban por medio de la meditación imaginativa en los cuatro evangelios. Esta meditación es un entrar en la vida de Jesús de tal manera que vives los eventos en tu corazón y desarrollar así una relación afectiva con él. La devoción al Niño Dios debe ser acompañada de la *lectio divina*.

—Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Glz, OFM, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.