VISION-MISSION STATEMENT

We are an all-welcoming Christ-centered community celebrating our deeply rooted Catholic traditions, respectful & appreciative of our multicultural diversity, journeying together to share family values and commitment to service.

Parish Office Hours:
Tues. and Fri. 9 am-1 pm
Mon., Wed., and Thurs. closed

PRAYER OF ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON

O Father,
the first rule
of our dear Savior’s life
was to do Your Will.
Let His Will
of the present moment
be the first rule
of our daily life & work,
with no other desire
but for its most full
and complete accomplishment.
Help us to follow it faithfully,
so that doing what You wish
we will be pleasing to You.
Amen.

“When Christ your life appears, then you too will appear with him in glory.” Col 3:4

DECLARACIÓN DE NUESTRA VISION y MISIÓN

Somos una comunidad totalmente acogedora y centrada en Cristo que celebrando nuestras tradiciones Católicas profundamente arraigadas, respetamos y apreciamos nuestra diversidad multicultural, caminamos juntos para compartir los valores de la familia y el compromiso al servicio.

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ORACIÓN DE SANTA ELIZABETH ANN SETON

Oh Padre,
la primera regla de la vida de nuestro querido Salvador fue hacer tu voluntad. Dejar que tu Voluntad en el momento presente sea la primera regla de nuestra vida cotidiana y nuestro trabajo, sin ninguna otra voluntad sino hacer tu voluntad plena y completa. Ayúdanos a seguir con fidelidad, para que haciendo lo que deseas seamos más agradables a Ti. Amén.

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WHITE ORCHIDS IN MEMORY OF OUR LOVED ONES

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.
Let Your Perpetual Light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace. Amen.

Ed Ladewski, Sr.
Mary C. Koleska
William Schanberger
Alex & Lois Giavinos
Vincent Kelley
Francisco & Apolina Cavagas
Gul Cavagas
Roy & Gladys Meece
The Kemble Family
The LeNoue Family
Mary Ann O'Reilly
Ernest Ray Plunkett
Teodora Espiritu
Eufemia Dizon
Edgardo Dizon
Luisito Leyva
Genilo Family
Ioli Family
Ana Cleto Cortez
Francisco Cortez
Maura Cortez
Aqui Family
Manuel & Leonicia Padua
Sixta & Jerry Tabosan
Rosalia Lacasen
Gloria Salcedo
Deceased members of Evangelista, Rustria, De Lima, Buena families
All souls in purgatory

Myrna Oliveros
Andres Simangan
Amparo Simangan
Andres Simangan, Jr.
Romulo Corrales
Lita Pagulayan
Fredo Dela Cruz
Mina Cantorna
Andy Boy Dela Cruz
R. Rodriguez Family
Basilio Lopez, Sr.
Yuriko N. Lopez
Salvacoin Rabaca
Estaban Rabaca
Aurelia A. Pacaaoan
Nicomedez Aguinaldo
Carlota Aguinaldo
Pedro Luna
Maria Cantorna
Mamerta G. Luna
Eublera Family
da Cruz Family
Eddie Boy Quines
Pedro Aghi
Olivia Cruz
Armando Torres
Victorina
Dave Bresnan
Grace Tevis

The primary music ministers are the faithful who attend the Mass. Musicians & cantors serve the faithful so that all can actively participate. I encourage everyone, let us sing & praise God together! Fr. Joey

MUSIC FOR APRIL 20/21, 2019
ENGLISH MASSES
Please listen to Cantor’s announcement for any changes

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The April 2019 schedule of liturgical ministers is as follows:

HAPPY EASTER TO ALL!
MAY THE BLESSINGS OF OUR RISEN LORD JESUS CHRIST BE WITH YOU ALL!

APRIL 2019 SCHEDULE OF LITURGICAL MINISTERS

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**HELP! EMERGENCY 2ND COLLECTION FOR S.E.A.S. PARISH OPERATIONS ON EASTER SUNDAY**

How to help? Please put donations inside RED envelopes. Do not forget to print your name outside (for your tax letter next year.) Drop it in the 2nd collection basket. Questions? Contact Fr. Joey or Javier or Heather.

**APPRECIATION PARTY FOR DAVID AND PAT AKLEY ON APRIL 28TH**

As Dave and Pat prepare to move to Arizona, please come to celebrate them, and their many years of love and devotion to our parish in the myriad of ministries in which they have served.

The pot luck celebration honoring Dave and Pat begins after the 9:00AM Mass on April 28th. Please bring a dish to share.

**CINCO DE MAYO KERMES**

**GRAND FOOD SALE**

Sunday, May 5th

10:00am to 3:00pm

**SPANISH MASS REMINDER**

1) Friday Spanish Mass time is returning to its pre-Lent schedule.
   6:30pm Exposition of Blessed Sacrament, Spanish Divine Mercy, Adoration and Benediction
   7:00pm Spanish Mass

2) Divine Mercy Sunday Spanish Mass is at 1:00pm

**PLEASE REMEMBER**

A great way to help our parish become financially stable is to remember your parish church in your Will or Trust. To make sure the entire amount (100%) will go to St. Elizabeth’s, please word the bequest like this: “I leave a bequest of $____ to ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON CATHOLIC CHURCH at 2050 Palisades Avenue, Los Osos, CA 93402.” If you wish to privately discuss this matter with Fr. Joey, please call parish office or email him at frjoeyseasparishlo@gmail.com to set an appointment. Thank you for considering SEAS to your final distribution.

**DIVINE MERCY NOVENA BEGINS ON GOOD FRIDAY**

In her diary, St. Faustina noted that Jesus told her: “On each day of the novena you will bring to My heart a different group of souls and you will immerse them in this ocean of My mercy ... On each day you will beg My Father, on the strength of My passion, for the graces for these souls.”

Good Friday (April 19) is the 1st day of the Novena to the Divine Mercy of Jesus.

On Good Friday, please take home a pamphlet that teaches how to pray the novena so that you may pray it on your own/as a family on Friday, Saturday, and Easter Sunday (April 19, 20, and 21st).

The Divine Mercy Novena will be prayed daily as a community after our 8:30 daily Masses and Communion Services from Monday, April 22—Saturday, April 27.

**ELECTRONIC-GIVING IS A BETTER CHOICE THAN THE ENVELOPE SYSTEM.**

Thank you to those who chose ELECTRONIC-GIVING. We invite everyone to consider ELECTRONIC-GIVING. It is safe, convenient, consistent & accurate. Forms are available at the back of church and parish office. Questions? Info? Please talk to Heather or Javier.

**ANNUAL MINISTRIES APPEAL AMA 2019: “BRIDGES OF HOPE”**

Your gift is vital to the success of the “2019 Annual Ministry Appeal: Dave Bresnan Memorial Fund.” Your help gives us HOPE to have money for parish operations and needs. Please complete the form at your pews or you can also give securely online at www.dioceseofmonterey.org/giving. Thank you so much for your help.

**THANK YOU!**

Thank you to everyone who helped in so many varied ways this entire Holy Week for yard work, cleaning sidewalks and church interior, preparing luminaries, candles for Easter Vigil, the practices, food preparations for helpers, donations of Easter orchids and Easter eggs, to helping at the Masses, Easter egg hunts, and Easter chicken fundraiser. Many thanks also go to our parish liturgical ministers, Confirmation students, and Youth Group that helped at masses this week. Many thanks and blessings to all celebrating Christ’s Death and Resurrection with us.

**S.E.A.S. CHICKEN FUNDRAISER for PARISH OPERATIONS PICK UP DAY: EASTER SUNDAY 9am-1pm**

SEAS Chicken Fundraiser
slow-cooked oven chicken with rice and beans

Chicken dinners available until sold out!

$10 a chicken dinner

Tickets are available after Easter Day Masses just go to the pick-up area and inquire.

DON’T FORGET TO PICK-UP YOUR ORDER!!!

Pick-up is Easter Sunday at our church from 9am to 1pm
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**SCHEDULE OF MASSES, READINGS & INTENTIONS**

**LET US PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING / OREMOS POR**

- Timothy Ketcherside
- John LeNoe
- Peter Hewitt
- Jere Brosnan
- Fely Plattou
- Mary Cavagnaro
- Bonifacio Garcia
- Michael Cubertson
- Steven Greenville
- Rafael & Margarita Garcia
- Doris Stanley
- Frances Meehan
- Emily Sumner
- David Wright
- Aurea Cruz
- Nathan Berry
- Robert Ruiz
- June Vivian
- Sylvia Radford
- Eleonora Brown
- Sarah & Josh Matthews
- Michael Vella
- Lila Martinez
- Darleen Krouse
- Carolyn Lemos
- Donna Marie Bechtel
- Robert Green Sr.
- Rodney & Helen Maciel
- Susi Reich
- Sidney & Dorsey Dunton
- Elisa Fajardo
- Alfred & Irene Castaneda
- Mary de Angelo
- Jessica Ketcherside
- Fr. Derek Hughes
- Joe O’Brien
- Dolores R. Buena
- Candido D. Buena Jr.
- Rosemarie Greenville
- Aaron Kondziela
- Maggie Quinn
- Donita Nichols
- Colleen Clark
- Leonora Eublera
- Daniel Quintana
- Mark Woehrle
- The Rivers Family
- Daniel Nunez
- Cecilia Deines
- Nola, Nick, Louis, Dolores, Esitiella, Jaelyn Solo

**ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTM O LORD**

- Helen Penwell
- Charles Penwell
- Harold Plattou
- Larry Mischel
- Dwight Mobley
- Gertrude Stimson
- John D. Wajah
- Elizabeth Martinez
- Ofelia Labra
- Severino Repollo
- Justo Yasay
- Joe Greeney
- Cristina Patterson
- Filippo Mazzulla
- Elena Aurelio
- Home Of Paredes
- Femima Manuel
- Beacon Jim Cooper
- Emma Nieman
- Rodrigo Martinez
- Reyna Gomez
- Lourdes Lepisto
- James Emery
- Simonne Townsend
- Fernando Marcos
- Cecilia Marcos
- William Schanberger
- Umartha Smith
- Eusebio Galo
- Melinda Rose
- Julia Ortiz
- Guillermino dela Cruz
- Serafin Sepulveda
- Hermila Arquillo
- Anatalia Ortiz
- Uloleta dela Cruz
- Mason & Simon Brito
- Pat Wright
- Joseph Cavagnaro
- Manuel John Reis.
- Lawrence Utibe
- Margaret Utibe
- Joe Fraga
- Msgr. Joseph Sliger
- Fr. Ken Brown
- Fr. Michael Bell
- Lyn Ketcherside
- Robert Beavers
- Arcadia Tambo
- Orella Tambo
- Dionisia Acian
- Aurelia Acian
- Dick O’Malley
- Jim Stewart
- Jaime Reppolo
- Paulina Y. Andres
- Gabriel Osorio
- Dennis O’Brien
- Michael Brito
- Venustiana Rodriguez
- Celestino Salgado
- Mary Prendergast
- Melicia Garcia
- Felicitas Castillo
- Antonio Medrano
- Tambo
- William (Bill) Kemble
- Diana Acunia
- Grace Tevis
- Jennica Alaine Harris
- Paul Landry
- Casamira Asuncion
- Carol Ann Burns
- Andy Boy de la Cruz, Jr.
- Fr. Harry Freigmuth
- Crescenciana Gallia
- Ismael Ibat Tombeck
- Maria Carmen Zaragoza
- Ruth Casper
- Fr. Ray Roh
- Joyce O’Brien
- Mariano Rusina
- Robert Townesend
- Sherman Lemos
- Otilia Cruz
- Wenceslao Garcia
- Enrich Reich
- Mike Wright
- Fr. Lawrence Buetzoff
- Nicky Miller
- General Mason
- Mary Friedman
- Shirley Rustria
- Gerry Weltman
- Evelyn Pellatton
- Chuck Ice
- John Greenville
- Norman Charette
- John de Angelo
- Pat Kienck
- Beverly Jean Rocha
- Adelaida Gabatín
- Guadalupe Haugh
- Julia Keefe
- Bishop Richard
- Cara
- William K. Lander
- Kathleen Patricia
- Crawford
- Joseph Carlson
- Martin Basi
- Manuel Ayalta Arroyo
- Shirley Matthews
- David Bresnaru
- Lydia Catoca Green
- Myrna Oliveros
- Mina Cantorna
- Adela Fatjue
- Remy Lejeune

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Light and Life

God of joy,
you lead us along the path
to the garden tomb,
where we discover in the dark
and in the emptiness,
light and new life.
Give us the strength and courage
to enter this time of redemption
and to proclaim the message
of the Risen Christ to all we encounter.
By our Baptism, we are anointed
priest, prophet, and king.
May we live this threefold mission
and bear witness to the world.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Sunday, April 21, 2019
Alleluia, Alleluia

Today's Readings: Acts 10:34a, 37–43; Psalm 118:1–2, 16–17, 22–23; Colossians 3:1–4 or 1 Corinthians 5:6b–8; John 20:1–9 or Luke 24:1–12 or Luke 24:13–35 (afternoon or evening). The Lord is risen! Alleluia! With the women and other disciples, we rejoice at the empty tomb as we enter into the great paschal feast of Easter. In Luke’s account of the Resurrection, the women did not waste time in spreading the Good News after encountering the men in dazzling garments. What could the women have been thinking as they rushed to tell the others of the empty tomb? And what could Peter have thought as he rushed to the tomb?

The Gospel notes that the women were terrified upon seeing the men at the tomb but then remembered Jesus’ words. Peter was amazed when he arrived at the tomb. All must have wondered what this meant for them. The discovery of the empty tomb does not offer Jesus’ followers an immediate response of joy. They had to grow in their understanding of the Resurrection.

Let us remember that when we find ourselves in moments of fear or confusion, like those who first reached the garden tomb, we can return to the Word of God in the Bible to offer us an understanding of the identity of the Risen Lord and a better understanding of ourselves in relationship with him.
THIS WEEK AT HOME

Monday, April 22
The Octave of Easter
At the beginning of the fifty days of Easter is an eight-day celebration called the Octave of Easter. During these days, let the light of Christ shine forth as your family sings “alleluia” at the dinner table or around the prayer table as you celebrate the octave. Today’s Readings: Acts 2:14, 22–32; Psalm 16:1–2, 5, 7–8, 9–10, 11; Matthew 28:8–15.

Tuesday, April 23
I Have Seen the Lord!
Weeping at the tomb, Mary is so consumed with finding her Lord that she does not realize that she is speaking to angels. Only when Jesus says her name does she realize the man she has questioned is the Lord. The Good Shepherd calls his sheep by name. Christians were called by name on the day of their Baptism, the day they were claimed for Christ. Let us pray this day for all those who are longing to find Christ and to hear their name called by the Lord. Today’s Readings: Acts 2:36–41; Psalm 33:4–5, 18–19, 20, 22; John 20:11–18.

Wednesday, April 24
In the Breaking of the Bread
Two disciples are making their way to Emmaus, which is about seven miles from Jerusalem. Even as Jesus walks with them, they do not recognize him as their Lord. They are only able to know his identity when they sit at table and are breaking bread. How have you come to know Jesus through the Eucharist? Today’s Readings: Acts 3:1–10; Psalm 105:1–2, 3–4, 6–7, 8–9; Luke 24:13–35.

Thursday, April 25
Preaching to All the Nations
“Peace be with you,” Jesus says as he appears to his disciples. Still, they are terrified, afraid they have seen a ghost. In response, Jesus confronts their fears and does a very human thing—he asks for food and eats the fish before them. Where do you find peace in the accounts of Jesus’ Resurrection? Is it comforting to know that Christ ate with those he loved after rising from the dead? Today’s Readings: Acts 3:11–26; Psalm 8:2, 5, 6–7, 8–9; Luke 24:35–48.

Friday, April 26
An Abundance of Fish and the Bread of Life
Jesus appears to the disciples on the shore of the Sea of Galilee. They have been fishing all night and have caught nothing. After Jesus instructs them to cast their net over the starboard side, they took in so many fish that they could not take in the net. Jesus calls them over to the beach, where they eat fish and bread. Does this sharing of bread and fish remind you of another event in Scripture? Today’s Readings: Acts 4:1–12; Psalm 118:1–2, 4, 22, 24, 25, 27; John 21:11–14.

Saturday, April 27
Proclaim the Good News
It took three tries for the Apostles to believe the Lord had risen. They believed neither when Mary Magdalene told them nor when the two disciples on the way to Emmaus returned with the news. Only when the Lord appeared to them did they believe. Do you believe enough to “Go out into the world and proclaim the Gospel to every creature”? Do you let anyone know of your belief? What holds you back from allowing others to see that you are a Christian? Today’s Readings: Acts 4:13–21; Psalm 118:1, 14–15, 16–18, 19–21; Mark 16:9–15.