



**Twenty-fourth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
September 13, 2020**

Forgive your neighbor's injustice;  
then when you pray,  
your own sins will be forgiven.

— Sirach 28:2

**Forgiveness**

Nearly ten years before, a son and father had parted ways when the business they shared went bankrupt. The son blamed the father. They did not speak to each other again.

Then the father became seriously ill. The mother called the son and told him he had better come soon. The son walked sheepishly into the hospital room. The father motioned his son to him and whispered: "Did you ever think you could do anything that would keep me from loving you?"

Resentment and anger are foul things, the first reading from Sirach tells us. Remember the last things. Stop hating. Live by the commandments. As St. Paul writes to the Romans, we are to live for the Lord and die for the Lord.

Jesus' parable in today's Gospel reminds us of God's compassion. The immense sin of humanity has been forgiven and stricken from the record. We are to forgive others in the same way. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



**Mass Intentions**

- Sat., 5:00 pm- People of the Parish
- Sun., 10:00 am- +Charles Robert Schaefer  
+Miguel Martinez  
Int. Alan Doctor
- Sun., 6:00 pm- People of the Parish



**Let Us Remember Our Sick...**

Please keep our sick and homebound in your prayers: Irene Hammond, Martinez Family, Silva Family, Alice Blankenship, Louis Mikklesen, Gloria Villalvazo, Abel Martinez, Katherine Clark, Alan & Judi Doctor. May they know Christ's healing.

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- ◆ In-Office Donations: \$1,138.00
- ◆ Electronic Donations: \$ 680.00
- Total: \$ 2,516.00**

**Memorial Mass**

A Memorial Mass for long-time parishioner Louise Kalshan will take place on Fri., Sept. 18th, at 2:00 pm in front of the church. Chairs, with social distancing, will be set up. Please wear a mask. Remember to keep Louise and her family in your prayers.



**Special Second Collection for the USCCB Bishops' Disaster Fund**

Prompted by Hurricane Laura and wildfires in the western states, the US Catholic Conference of Bishops has requested that we take a special collection to support the humanitarian and Church needs arising from these and any future disasters. Collected funds will be used where they are most needed. Please note these will be used to support the efforts of Catholic Charities USA and/or Catholic Relief Services, as they and their local agencies, help us to continue to respond to immediate emergency needs for such necessities as water, food, shelter and medical care, and aid in long-term rebuilding and recovery at the local and national levels. The Diocese of Monterey will be seeking a grant from this national collection to assist those who have been impacted by fires in our diocese. Next weekend at the Masses there will be a special basket for contributions. You may also mail us a check at 1174 Main St., or bring it by the parish office. Checks should be made out to "Santa Rosa Church". Thank you for your generosity.

**Today's Readings**

- First Reading**— Remember the commandments and hate not your neighbor (Sirach 27:30—28:7).
- Psalm**— The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion (Psalm 103).
- Second Reading**— Whether we live, or whether we die, we do so for the Lord (Romans 14:7-9).
- Gospel**— Forgive one another from your heart (Matthew 18:21-35).

**Saints and Special Observances**

- Sunday: Grandparent's Day; Catechetical Sunday
- Monday: Exaltation of the Holy Cross
- Tuesday: Our Lady of Sorrows
- Wednesday: Ss. Cornelius and Cyprian
- Thursday: St. Robert Bellarmine
- Friday: Rosh Hashanah (Jewish New Year) 5781
- Saturday: St. Januarius

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