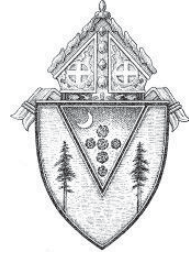


# St. Joseph Parish and St. Patrick Mission

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**Saint Joseph Parish**  
14th and N St.  
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**Diocese of Santa Rosa in California**  
Deanery Humboldt - Del Norte



**Saint Patrick Mission**  
Park & Pershing Sts,  
Loleta, CA 95551

**Sunday, July 20, 2014**

***SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME***

The kingdom  
of heaven  
is  
like a  
mustard  
seed



### Mass Schedule - Horario de Misas

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday 8:00 a.m. (at St. Patrick's, Loleta)  
Sunday: 10:00 a.m.  
Domingo: 12:00 noon (Spanish)

### Daily Mass

#### Redwood Memorial Hospital

Monday - Friday: 12:00 noon

### Benediction and

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

First Friday after noon Mass

**Reconciliation:** Saturday 4:15-4:45 or by appointment

### Parish Office - Oficina Parroquial

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Horario de Oficina:

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### Parish Staff: Fr. Manuel Chavez, Pastor

Deacon Thomas Silva, Deacon Francisco Núñez

Deacon Abraham Castillo, Deacon Rafael Meraz

Deacon Jon Pedicino

Secretary—Ginny Fox

## A MIGHTY GOD

The first reading says that God's might is the basis for divine justice. We might take this to mean that God uses mighty power to punish sinners, in the legal sense of justice. But the reading also talks about God's lenience and clemency. So maybe God's power is so great that punishment is not necessary. Sinners can be forgiven. After all, we usually punish those we fear will hurt us again. But God is too powerful to be injured by our sins. God can afford to wait for us to repent. That is the point of the parable of the wheat and the weeds. We are used to expecting swift justice. We like TV shows in which the bad guy is caught and convicted in an hour. The idea of God giving sinners until the end of time to repent is almost un-American—at least, until we realize that we are sinners, too. "But my sins are so minor." Even the smallest sin says that we know better than God what is right. Yet God is still willing to wait for all of us to repent. On the other hand, we hear people who say they don't deserve to be forgiven. True, but no one could ever deserve forgiveness. That is the wonder of God's love, that God's Son came to die for sinners, even before we sinned. As we experience that forgiveness, we learn the depth of God's love for us. Hopefully, we also learn to share that love with others. Of course, that means that we also share forgiveness with others. If God waits till "the end of the age" before burning the weeds, shouldn't we be willing to forgive those who hurt us? The Church encourages us to celebrate the sacrament of reconciliation often. Many people today wait till they have a lot of sins, or at least one whopper, to confess. But the more often we go, the more we are reminded of God's love and forgiveness. Those reminders can help us to be more willing to show mercy ourselves. Let us ask God for the courage to seek forgiveness and the strength to forgive.

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"Meeting people where they are, leading them to where God is calling them to be" is the aim of Matthew Kelley's Dynamic Catholic Book Program. For the last few years they have been partnering with St. Joseph Parish to reach this goal by offering inspirational books at reasonable prices. At Dynamic Catholic, they have an onsite chapel where they have daily Mass. Their Chaplain, Fr. Bob Sherry, and their whole team will be offering a Mass on July 31 to pray for our parish. We are fortunate to have them remembering us and hope that you will remember them, and their goal, in your prayers also.



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**Mass Intentions**

**Sunday, July 20  
 8 a.m.**

+Ella & Louis Biondini  
 req by Larry & Linda Biondini

**12 noon**

+Raul & Pascual Martinez  
 +Aristeo Herrera  
 req by Maria Elena Herrera

**Wednesday, July 23**

**12 noon**

+Margarite Stringer  
 req by Kathy Stringer

**ENRICH YOUR PRAYER LIFE**

Brother Juniper of the Redwoods Secular Franciscan Fraternity is studying the Catechism of the Catholic Church; Part 4, on Prayer. We would like to invite all parishioners interested in this topic to join us at 2 p.m. on August 3 at the Parish Activity Center, Youth Room and continuing the first Sunday of each month until we finish the section. We have extra copies of the Catechism if you do not have your own. If you have any questions call Craig or Rene Brown, 725-5040.

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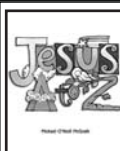
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