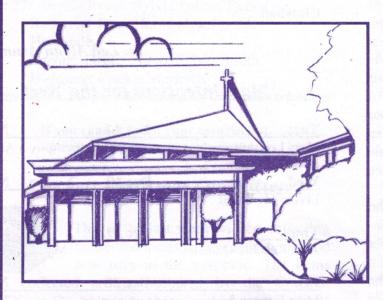
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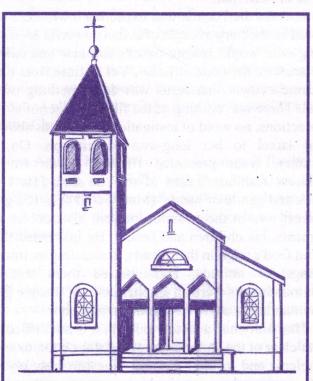
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Tues. - Fri.......12:00 noon
Holy Days

Crockett........12:00 noon
& 7:00 pm

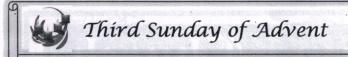
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From the Desk of Fr. Leo

Lenin, the father of Communism, made this statement in his last illness: "I have made a great mistake. Our main purpose was to give freedom to a multitude of oppressed people. But our method of action has created worse evils and horrible massacres. You know that my deadly nightmare is to feel that I am lost in this ocean of blood, coming from victims. It is too late to turn back now. But in order to save our country, we should have had men like Francis of Assisi. With ten such men, we could have saved our country." Men like St. Francis of Assisi, the Poor Man of Assisi! Men who conquer the heart by the example of their meek and holy lives! Even Lenin could see the value of such men.

St. John the Baptist was expecting a Messiah who would be the fiery avenger of evil, a powerful Messiah-King who would restore Israel's fortunes and deliver the anawin, the poor of Israel. Yet as time went on, it became evident that Jesus was doing nothing of the kind. There was nothing of the fiery avenger of evil in His actions, no word of instigation that he was about to lead Israel to her long-awaited triumph. On the contrary, Jesus presented Himself in an entirely different fashion. "Learn of me" he said, "for I am meek and gentle of heart." (Matthew 11:29). His great interest was in the common person, his troubles and ailments, his children and family. He instructed them about God's reign in their hearts, demanding an interior change of attitude, and showed them that all commandments were an amplification of the one great commandment of love of God and neighbor.

Humanity had a lesson to learn. It is not difficult to steer clear of the common troubles of the poor, to avoid problems and in their distress. One can busy oneself with many other seemingly important matters. But Jesus listened to the sinners, he had compassion to those in distress. He went out of the way to be available to them. He came for that very purpose: to heal the wounds deep in the heart of humanity. There would be a glorious Coming, when He would judge the world and render to each his or her due but now. He was the Savior of fallen, needy humanity.

Everyone can ask himself or herself: if he or she were on earth at the time of Jesus, would he or she have recognized the Promised Savior in Jesus of Nazareth? Would he or she have chosen to be in His company, in the midst of His merciful healings, participating in His long-drawn-out labors of preaching and instructing the crowds, and coming to the aid of the poor who could offer him or her nothing of this world's goods in return? But this is the real Christ, and this is the genuine Christian.

Fr. Leo Alban Asuncion

Mass Intentions for the Week

Tues.	Dec 17	Noon
Mary Lou Austria		Olivia Austria
Wed.	Dec 18	Noon
Living Memorial		Control of the Contro
Thur.	Dec 19	Noon
Aida Redoble-Quincena †		Mariano Family
Fri.	Dec 20	Noon
Mike Kenney †	hara'a	ICF #14
Sat.	Dec 21	4:30pm
Jennifer Sebastian †		Jenny.
Sun.	Dec 22	9am
Amparo Baloy †	A line of	
Port Costa	21.20	11:00am
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Prayers for the Deceased

In your prayers, please remember in a special way, John Neihouse.



Sunday Collection - December 8

St. Rose, Crockett/Regular Sunday

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St. Patrick Mission, Port Costa

No Mass

Thanks to all who support our Parish!

<u>Welcome Committee, Lectors and</u> <u>Ministers</u>

Dec 21: June Gallo, Lydia Banaga, Hugh Duckworth

Lector: Mary Duckworth Welcome: Mike Radcliff

Dec 22: Angela Reese, Sylvia Patino, Renee

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Lector: Danny Ajero, Sylvia Smith

Welcome: Cookie Maricich

Please see Fr. Leo for Christmas Eve/ Christmas schedule.

If you cannot fulfill your assignment, please find your own replacement.

Crockett Christmas Committee

This is the last week will be collecting canned/nonperishable food items and new toys in the vestibule. The items

collected are redistributed by the Crockett Christmas Committee to those in this community. If you know a family in our area that is in need of this help please let us know! You may call the office or contact Debbie directly. Please don't be afraid to speak up, your suggestion will remain anonymous. For more information or questions, contact Debbie at (510) 364-1323. If you would like to make a monetary donation, please make checks out to Crockett Christmas Committee.

The Committee will be putting the baskets together on December 20th and distributing them on December 21st!

Communal Anointing of the Sick

On the Fourth Sunday of Advent (Dec 21st/Dec 22nd),



we will be having our annual Advent Communal Anointing of the Sick at all masses at St. Rose of Limá and St. Patrick. If you have

family members or friends who need this sacrament, invite them to these masses. Come and be healed with God's healing touch.

We will continue accepting poinsettia donations in honor of deceased loved ones through Thursday, December 19th!





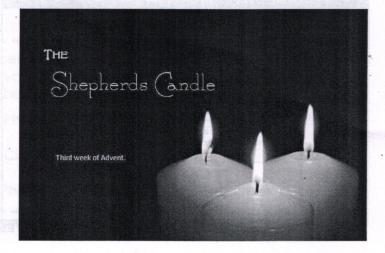
A heartfelt thank you to everyone involved in the Christmas Boutique this year, including all of the vendors who took a chance on our little event. We were able to raise just over \$2,000 with this fundraiser, which is 2/3 of our last Diocesan Assessment installment!

It was wonderful to see so many parishioners come forward and participate in our bake sale; thank you from the bottom of our hearts. You will never fully realize how much that little action was appreciated. And thank you to our Confirmation candidates and Trudi for working the booth all day!

A huge thank you to Jesse, Runette, Helen, Bev and Irma for the transformation of our hall into a warm, holiday space and all the other facets of this boutique that you made sure were covered. We will never be able to repay the time, effort and enthusiasm you put into this event. A special thanks to Runette as well for donating all of the earnings from her beautiful scarves to the Church!

Helen Aquino has been a great blessing to fundraising in our parish, especially with our boutique. Helen graciously prepared the delicious boutique lunch meals at no cost and donated all the proceeds to St. Rose. Thank you!!!

Most of all, thank you to all that were able to attend and support the boutique. While fundraisers like these are essential to keep our parishes running financially, they are also important events that bring us together as a community and remind us that we are a family outside of Sunday Mass as well.





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