Welcome to all who celebrate with us, both long-time residents or those newly arrived in the parish. You may register through our website: www.stisabellasparish.org, or fill out this form and put it into the collection basket or mail it to the rectory. Thank You!  

Name: ____________________________  
New parishioner  
New address or phone  
Moving, remove from list  
Please send Sunday envelopes  

Address: ____________________________  
Phone: ____________________________

Infant Baptism  
Expectant or new parents should contact the rectory at least two months before the desired date of baptism to complete a session of baptismal instruction.

Matrimony  
Engaged couples should contact the rectory at least six months before the desired wedding date. Requests for weddings or baptisms at Most Holy Rosary Chapel must be arranged by contacting St. Isabella’s Parish.

Christian Initiation (R.C.I.A.)  
Formation provided for adults and children, non-baptized, baptized in another tradition, and baptized Catholics seeking to complete the sacraments of Confirmation and the Eucharist.

To Register for RCIA, call Judy: 415-897-8241 or Sue: 415-472-1286

Pastoral Staff  
Rev. Mark Reburiano, Pastor  
Rev. Samuel Musiimenta, Parochial Vicar  
Rev. Neil Healy, Priest-in-Residence  
Rev. Mr. Jim Myers, Deacon  
Rev. Mr. Graham Cumming, Deacon  
Mrs. Susan Naretto, School Principal  
Mrs. Linda Myers, Director of Liturgy and Music  
Mrs. Lyn Gatti, Director of Religious Education  
Mr. Shane Graham, PYC Director  
Mr. Clarence Mamari, Office Manager & Parish Secretary  
Mr. Mike Mangini, Pastoral Minister  
Mr. Tom Stoddard, Facilities Manager  
Mr. Steven Pilc, Staff Accountant

Rectory Office Hours: 10:00 am—4:00 pm, Mon.-Fri.

Schedule of Services

Eucharist at St. Isabella’s Church  
Daily Mass (Monday—Saturday): 8:30 am  
Saturday evenings: 5:00 pm  
Sundays: 7:30, 9:00 (Family Mass), 11:30 am, 5:00 pm

Reconciliation at St. Isabella’s Church  
Saturdays, 3:30-4:30 pm (or by appointment)

Services at Most Holy Rosary Chapel  
(located at One Saint Vincent’s Drive, Marinwood)  
Sunday Mass: 9:45 am  
Gregorian (Latin) Mass: Website: www.tlmsf.org.org  
Traditional Form of Confession: 11:30—Noon  
Mass at 12:15 pm with Schola Cantorum

First Sunday of Advent  
December 3, 2017

Be watchful! Be alert!  
You do not know when the time will come.  
— Mark 13:33
Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

**GOD HAS A DIFFERENT PLAN**

We begin the season of Advent with a heartfelt call for our own repentance. We remember God’s faithful love for us, and call upon God to help us to turn back. For “behold, you are angry, and we are sinful” (Isaiah 64:4). In the first reading and in the psalm, we recall God’s promises and lament our unfaithfulness and our guilt. We call upon God’s might and power in order to save us. With Isaiah, we ask God to “rend the heavens and come down, / with the mountains quaking before you” (Isaiah 63:19).

Yes, God is faithful to us, because we are the work of God’s hands. God is the potter, we are the clay. And yet, our concept of how God will come to save us is rooted in our own expectations of a warrior God who crushes mountains and thunders into our lives with great noise and glory. But God has a different plan: the Incarnation.

United in Prayer Always,

/s/ Fr. Mark Reburiano

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**This Week (December 3 – December 10, 2017)**

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| **Sunday 12/3:** | PSR Classes, “Breakfast with Santa” Family Event  
9:00 am Mass, hosted by 4th Grade School & PSR: 9:00 am, Church  
Pancake Breakfast, hosted by Men’s Club: 8:30—11:00 am, Parish Center  
Photos with Santa: 10 am-12 pm; Advent Wreath Making, Cookie Exchange  
Christmas Pageant Practice: 1:30-2:30 pm, Church |
| **Monday 12/4:** | Blessed Mother Prayer Group: 5:00 pm, Church  
PYC Meetings: 7:30 pm, Members’ homes |
| **Tuesday 12/5:** | No events scheduled |
| **Wednesday 12/6:** | Baptism Preparation Class: 7:00-8:30 pm, Rectory |
| **Thursday 12/7:** | Immaculate Conception Vigil Mass: 7:00 pm, Church |
| **Friday 12/8:** | Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Holy Day of Obligation)  
Mass Schedule: 8:30 am (School Mass), 12:10 pm, and 7:00 pm |
| **Saturday 12/9:** | Maryknoll Affiliates Meeting: 10:00 am-12:00 pm, Rectory |
| **Next Weekend: Sunday 12/10:** | PSR Classes  
Christmas Pageant Practice: 1:30-2:30 pm, Church  
PYC Mass: 5:00 pm, Church |
| **Next Weekend’s 2nd Coll. (December 10, 2017):** | Retirement for Religious |

**Blessed Mother Prayer Group...**

Monday evenings at 5:00 pm in the Church  
All are invited to come pray with us.

**Announcement from Nazareth House:**

Would you like a meaningful and rewarding job as a caregiver, dietary aide, housekeeping or receptionist where you can make a difference in someone’s life? Our assisted living community is currently looking for caring, kind, dependable and personable individuals who desire to provide meaningful care and service to the elderly. To apply call: (415) 479-8282 or email your resume to: annan@nazarethhousesr.com

**Readers, Eucharistic Ministers and Ushers Needed, especially for Sunday 5:00 pm Mass**

*If you are interested in these important ministries, please contact Mike at the Rectory Office: 415-1560 x11, or mike@stisabellasparish.org*

**Helpful Hints for your Offertory Donations**

_from our Ministers of the Count_

If you donate by check, without offertory envelopes, please include your parishioner/envelope # in the “memo” line of your check. That simple act is a great time saver when recording your donations for your end of the year tax letters.
Weekly Offering & Stewardship

November 18-19:                               $  6,753.50
2nd Coll—Parish Maintenance:      $  1,056.00
November 25-26:                               $  12,858.00
2nd Coll—Catholic Camp. For Human Dev.: $      400.00
Credit Card Donations (last charged on 11/01/2017): $  4,125.65
To make your offertory donations by credit card, call the rectory: 479-1 560.

Weekly Operating Expenses:                   $ 12,618.58

Thank you for your generous Offertory gifts.

Archdiocesan Annual Appeal (AAA) - 2017

Our AAA 2017 Assessment:                   $101,606.00
Pledges Collected as of Nov. 2017:        $ 57,086.00

Thank you for supporting the AAA 2017

Re-Roofing  of our Church and Rectory
Funds Collected to Date: $38,710.00
Thank You to all our donors!

Immaculate Conception of the Blessed
Virgin Mary (Holy Day of Obligation)
Mass Schedule:
Thursday, Dec. 7th: Vigil Mass @ 7:00 pm
Friday, Dec. 8: School Mass @ 8:30 am
Mass @ 12:10 pm and 7:00 pm

Mass Intentions This Week: December 3, 2017—December 9, 2017

Sunday 12/3:          7:30: Doris & Robert Wilhem †
                       9:00: Henorei Pereira † Intentions of the People of St. Isabella
                       11:30: Frank Williams †
                       5:00: Mary Ellen Riley †
Monday 12/4:          8:30: Rena Sangiacomo † Art & Toni Lawrence †
Tuesday 12/5:         8:30: Ray Sommers † Jean Edward Welker †
Wed. 12/6:            8:30: Craig Pitti †
Thurs. 12/7:          8:30: Mae Redmond † & Pat Kelly † 7:00 pm: Ray Sommers
Friday 12/8:          8:30 am: Special Intentions 12:10 pm: Intentions of the Chang-Lo Family
                       7:00 pm: Jake Fischer †
Saturday 12/9:        8:30: Pat & Rome Brusati †
                       5:00: Mae Redmond † & Pat Kelly †

LET US REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS...
Newly added to our prayers for the sick: Joe Stallone, Baby Hudson
A Time for Sorrow, for those who live forever with Christ: Edward Luchessa, Annette Williams, Roberta Erlandsen, Edward Luchessa, Rose Marino, Jean S. Scutt, Bob Wilhelm, Marjorie Hoffman
A Time for Joy: Blessings for all educators, teachers and students
(To have your loved one added to (or removed from) the weekly Mass Intentions or our Parish Bulletin prayer list, please call the rectory at 415-479-1560, or email us at: office@stisabellasparish.org)

Advent Evening of Reflection
and Concert with Dan Schutte
Friday, Dec. 15th @ 7:00 pm
As you prepare for Christmas, give yourself and your family the gift of an evening of beautiful music and reflections of the season. Dan Schutte is a Catholic liturgical music and contemporary Christian songwriter best known for composing the hymns Here I Am, Lord, Sing A New Song, Glory in the Cross, and over 120 popular hymns and Mass settings, many of which we sing regularly at St. Isabella’s.
Don’t miss this exciting event!

The Christmas Pageant
Our St. Isabella’s Christmas Pageant will be presented on Christmas Eve during the 5:00 pm Mass. We have many rolls to fill! (ages 5 and up)

Practice dates are:
Sub 12/3, Sun 12/10, and Sun 12/17. All practices are from 1:30 pm-2:30 pm in the Church.

Dress Rehearsal:
Thurs 12/23 (6:30-8:30 pm in the Church)
If your child is interested in participating, please contact Lyn Gatti at lyn@stisabellasparish.org to sign up and come to the first practice on Sunday, December 3rd

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The 2018-2019 St. Isabella Catholic School Admission Season is Open

Come explore your Parish Catholic School and discover the difference a Catholic education can make for your child and your family. We provide a complete educational program built on strong core academics with faith formation and prayer woven into the students’ daily school experience. Our kindergarten through eighth grade faculty includes specialists in science, Spanish, music, physical education, and technology. Our Extended Day program is nurturing, reasonably priced, and available on a drop-in basis.

Admission tours are held Monday and Friday mornings at 8:45 by appointment. Arrangements can be made if these times cannot fit your schedule. We’re anxious to answer your questions about the application process for all grades. You are encouraged to call the office, 415-479-3727 and set an appointment or contact Admissions Director, Rob Pheatt, rpheattsisabellasschool.org

St. Isabella School admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. The school does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in the administration of its educational policies, scholarship and financial aid, and athletic and other school administered programs.

The Giving Tree

Thanks to all of Santa’s Helpers who have taken tags from our Giving Tree to fulfill Christmas wishes for some less fortunate children. Somehow, a few tags escaped without being recorded on the log sheets. Please take a moment to check your tag. We are missing the following numbers: #335, #355, #360, #376, #436 and #536. If you have one of these tags, please call Mike Mangini at the rectory (415-479-1560) or Ellen Dederian (415-479-0972). We need to be sure that all the children on Santa’s list will be taken care of. Gifts must be returned to the church and placed under the Giving Tree on the altar BY SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11th. Instructions are on the back of the gift tag. Thank you!

Christmas Volunteer Opportunities

With Catholic Charities

Embrace the Christmas season by taking time to serve others and spread holiday joy throughout our community! There are several ways to get involved:

* Decorate, wrap gifts, or prepare food at any of the program holiday parties and luncheons.
* Donate gift cards to Target, Safeway or Walgreens to help families in need buy gifts
* Donate bed sheets, wool socks, and warm blankets

For more info, visit: CatholicCharitiessf.org/All-Opportunities/ or contact Regina O’Connor: 415-972-1297

Marin Handicapables Mass and Luncheon

Persons with special needs (shut-ins, developmentally disabled, etc.) who would enjoy fellowship are cordially invited to the Marin Handicapables Mass and Luncheon on December 9, 2017. This event will be held at Marin Catholic High School, 675 Sir Francis Drake Blvd., Kentfield, with Mass at noon in the Chapel, followed by lunch in the Student Center. Sponsors are The Order of Malta Western Association. There is no fee to attend, but reservations are requested. RSVP to: Cheryl Giurlani, 415-308-4608 or ferrari1954@yahoo.com

St. Vincent de Paul Society says: Think about it... The trouble with some self-made men is that they worship their creator... Think about it.