Saint Isabella Church & School
One Trinity Way, P.O. Box 6166, San Rafael California, 94903
and our Pastoral Mission at Most Holy Rosary Chapel:
One Saint Vincent’s Drive, Marinwood, CA

First Sunday of Advent
December 1, 2019
“You must be prepared,
for at an hour you do not expect,
the Son of Man will come.”
— Matthew 24:44

Pastoral Staff
Rev. Cyril O’ Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Tony Vallecillo, Shared Parochial Vicar
Rev. Ephrem Tillya, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Neil Healy, Priest-in-Residence
Rev. Mr. Graham Cumming, Deacon
Mr. Rob Pheatt, School Principal
Ms. Elissa Kuhr, Vice Principal
Mrs. Lyn Gatti, PSR Director (Parish School of Religion)
Mr. Shane Graham, PYC Director (Parish Youth Council)
Mrs. Lynn Pieri Young, Director of Music
Mr. Clarence Mamariil, Office Manager
Mr. Mike Mangini, Pastoral Minister
Mr. Steven Pile, Staff Accountant

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
2:00 pm Spanish Mass/Misa en Español

Reconciliation at St. Isabella’s Church
Tuesdays, 5:00-7:00 pm (English or Spanish)
Saturdays, 3:45-4:45 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
Traditional Form of Confession: 11:30 am
Mass at 12:15 pm with Schola Cantorum

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

Welcome
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:

Rectory / Parish Office 415-479-1560
St. Isabella’s Parochial School 415-479-3727
Parish School of Religion (PSR) 415-479-1560
Parish Youth Council (PYC) 415-479-1560
RCIA (Judy Rosenbloom) 415-897-8241
Music (Lynn Pier Young) 707-763-3965
Liturgy Committee (call Rectory) 415-479-1560
Parish Council (Courtney E. Therien) 415-676-9253
St. Vincent de Paul Help Line 415-454-0366
St. Vincent de Paul Car donations 800-322-8284
FAX (Parish) 415-479-8303
(School) 415-479-9961
Email: Parish office@stisabellasparish.org
Email: School rpheatt@stisabellasschool.org
Website: www.stisabellassparish.org
Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

HOPEFUL EXPECTATION

Our liturgical year begins with the season of Advent—a time of hopeful expectation of the coming of the Lord. On the First Sunday of Advent we look forward to the end of time when we will awaken to the dawn of Christ’s new day.

Today we hear Isaiah speak of a day when God’s power will have brought universal peace and God’s Word will have instructed all people, radiating God’s “light” (teachings) into all of human society. Only when humanity walks “in the light of the LORD” (Isaiah 2:5), when all people desire to be instructed “in [God’s] ways” (Isaiah 2:3), will the world be set aright and our deepest longings fulfilled. The reading from Romans calls us to “awake from sleep” for this final “day is at hand” (Romans 13:11, 12). Together this Sunday’s scriptures proclaim our Christian faith that Jesus is the One who will finally come to fulfill God’s plan of salvation.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Cyril O’Sullivan

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**This Week (December 1-8, 2019)**

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<td>RCIA Classes: 9:00 am-2:00 pm, Parish Center &amp; Cougar’s Den</td>
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<td>Tuesday Confessions: 5:00-7:00 pm, Church</td>
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<td>First Friday: Adoration and Benediction after 8:30 am Mass</td>
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**Next Week’s 2nd Collection:** Religious Retirement

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**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

Parishioners are encouraged to spend time in the Church with the Blessed Sacrament on the First Friday of each month. Can you spare time to be with Jesus in the Eucharist?

**Next Date for Adoration & Benediction:**

Friday, December 6, 2019
following the 8:30 am Mass

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**Blessed Mother Rosary Group**

The Blessed Mother Rosary group meets on Mondays at 5:00 pm, in the church. All are welcome to pray the rosary with us.

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**Patronize Our Advertisers**

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**Time**

**Talent**

**Treasure**
**THE GIVING TREE:**
A St. Isabella’s Tradition

The Giving Tree is up, and all but 20 tags were taken. What a great response! Here are just a couple of reminders:

* Please be sure to print your name and your phone number on the tag sheets in the binders on the table in the vestibule.
* All gifts should be wrapped and the tag from the tree should be firmly attached to the gift.
* Place gift cards in securely wrapped packages, i.e., small boxes. It is a program when a gift card falls from a small gift bag or envelope. Gift cards should be $35, so that children in the same family or residents in the same group home are treated equally.
* Gifts should be returned to the church at a weekend Mass, no later than next weekend: Dec. 7th—8th.

Thanks to all of Santa’s Helpers for your generosity. If you have any questions, please call or leave a message for Ellen Dederian at 415-479-0972.

**Next Weekend’s Second Collection, Dec. 7-8**

Religious Retirement

Next Weekend’s Second Collection supports hundreds of U.S. religious communities care for aging members. Some 30,000 senior Catholic sisters, brothers and religious order priests benefit from your generosity.

To learn more, visit retiredreligious.org

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**Mass Intentions This Week: December 1-7, 2019**

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**LET US REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS...**


Newly added to our prayers for the sick:

Emelia Colin, Thomas Howard, Rob Wells, Clint Sinkular, Gilberte Godfrey

**A Time for Sorrow, for those who live forever with Christ:**

Debby DeGennaro, Wynn Halligan, Cathi Strickland, Helen Casamus, Dennis Crisp

Remember in your Prayers: For the safety and well-being of our students, teachers and staff.
St. Isabella Catholic
School Admissions
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 Principal, Rob Phettt: rphettt@stisabellaschool.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.

CARMELITE NUNS ANNUAL FALL JAM SALE

Enjoy delicious Apricot, Peach, Strawberry, Plum-Pear & Brambleberry Jam, and Pear-Apple Sauce. These make wonderful gifts for Thanksgiving, Christmas & Valentine’s Day.

All proceeds support the Carmelite Sister’s contemplative life of prayer. For more info, call: 415-847-3381
God bless you!
Address: Carmelite Monastery
530 Blackstone Drive,
San Rafael, CA 94903

Marín Cursillo
Supporting the Christian Community in Marin County
Give your faith a chance to blossom and grow...
Ask someone about Cursillo.

Upcoming Cursillo 2020 Weekends:
♦ The Women’s Cursillo will be held at the San Francisco Theological Seminary in San Anselmo from Thursday evening, April 23 to Sunday, April 26, 2020.
♦ The Men’s Cursillo will be held Thursday, April 23 to Sunday, April 26, 2020, also at the Seminary.
For more info, visit: www.marincursillo.com
Or contact Peggy Pugh: peggyppugh@yahoo.com
Applications on line at: marincursillo.com

Por la Misa En Español:
LECTURAS DE HOY
Primera lectura — Todas las naciones confluirán hacia el monte del Señor (Isaías 2:1-5).
Salmo — Qué alegría cuando me dijeron: “Vamos a la casa del Señor” (Salmo 122[121]).
Segunda lectura — Ya es el momento de que se despierten del sueño (Romanos 13:11-14).
Evangelio — Velen, pues, y estén preparados para la venida del Hijo del hombre (Mateo 24:37-44).

The St. Vincent de Paul Society says:
Think about it... Let's approach Christmas with an expectant hush, not a last minute rush.
Think about it...