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 Mamaril, Office Manager
Mr. Mike Mangini, Pastoral Minister
Mr. Steven Pilc, Staff Accountant

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 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: ____________________________

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.org
Traditional Form of Confession: 11:30 am
Mass at 12:15 pm with Schola Cantorum

Fourth Sunday of Advent
December 22, 2019
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— Matthew 1:23

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

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 Pieri 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
FAX: (School) 415-479-9961
Email: Parish office@stisabellasparish.org
Email: School rpheatt@stisabellaschool.org
Website: www.stisabellasparish.org

Welcome

Renovate
shall
announce
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**From the Pastor**

**This Week (December 22-29, 2019)**

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<td>St. Isabella’s School Closed for Christmas Vacation&lt;br&gt;Courses Resume January 6, 2020&lt;br&gt;Blessed Mother Rosary Group: 5:00 pm, Church</td>
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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.

**SVDP 5TH SUNDAY COLLECTION**

Recent tragedies and natural disasters demonstrate how fragile life can be, and how quickly life circumstances can change. Your St. Isabella Conference of St. Vincent de Paul provides assistance to families in the parish who face uncertain circumstances, or emergencies, that may lead to homelessness, with help paying rent, utilities, groceries, or medical expenses.

Our 5th Sunday collection will be **next weekend, December 28-29**. Please help us help your neighbors in need.

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

**TRUST IN GOD**

On this final Sunday of Advent our scriptures focus on the historical birth of Jesus, who is son of David and Son of God, child and king, Jesus and Emmanuel.

Isaiah the prophet begs Ahaz to ask for a sign, to allow God to offer him reassurance of the survival of the Davidic dynasty. The king hypocritically refuses to “tempt the Lord” in that way (Isaiah 7:12), but the prophet foretells the birth of a son, an heir to the throne, who will prove the Lord’s enduring protection of God’s chosen lineage on the throne of David. The child will be called Emmanuel.

Matthew’s reference to this history in his description of the birth of Jesus highlights the contrast between the faithless refusal of trust shown by Ahaz, and the complete trust in God shown by Mary and Joseph in bringing about the birth of Jesus Christ.

Yours in Christ,

*Fr. Cyril O’Sullivan*
Mass Intentions This Week: December 22-28, 2019

Sunday 12/22: 7:30 am: Doris & Bob Wilhelm †
9:00 am: Intentions of the People of St. Isabella
11:30 am: Intentions of Maria McGivney
2:00 pm: †
5:00 pm: †

Monday 12/23: 8:30: Gus Neves †
Rosalie Tallerico Scalise & Emillio Tallerico †

Tuesday 12/24 (Christmas Eve):
5:00 pm—Family Mass & Nativity Pageant
9:00 pm—Vigil Mass with Adult Choir
12:00 am - Midnight Mass

Christmas Day Masses: Wednesday, December 25:
7:30 am, 9:00 am, 11:30 am, and 2:00 pm (Espanol)

New Years Masses:
(Solemnity of Mary—A Holy Day of Obligation)
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Masses: 8:30 am, 12:10 pm and 5:00 pm

With our Christmas Blessings:
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CHRISTMAS 2019 and NEW YEAR’S 2020

Mass Schedule

The joyous season of Christmas is upon us:

Christmas Eve Masses: Tuesday December 24:
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God bless you!
Address: Carmelite Monastery
530 Blackstone Drive,
San Rafael, CA 94903

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.
Your are encouraged to call the office, 415-479-3727 and set an appointment or contact Principal, Rob Pheatt: rpheatt@stisbellaschool.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.

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
First Friday: January 3, 2020,
Following the 8:30 am Mass

It’s not too late for your AAA 2018 contribution. Please use the envelopes in the main vestibule.

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Por la Misa En Español:
LECTURAS DE HOY
Primera lectura — La señal es que la virgen estará embarazada y dará a luz un hijo varón (Isaías 7:10-14).
Salmo — Va a entrar el Señor: él es el Rey de la Gloria (Salmo 24 [23]).
Segunda lectura — Jesús, descendiente de David biológicamente, fue establecido el Hijo de Dios en poder (Romanos 1:1-7).
Evangelio — María quedó embarazada por obra del Espíritu Santo (Mateo 1:18-24).

The St. Vincent de Paul Society says:
Think about it… You can take the day off, but you can’t put it back…
Think about it…