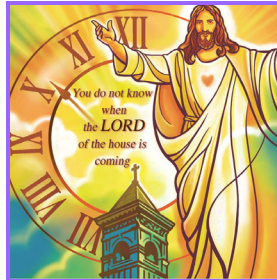




Saint Isabella Church & School

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 3, 2017

Be watchful! Be alert!
 You do not know when the time will come.
 — Mark 13:33

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 Mamaril, *Office Manager & Parish Secretary*
- Mr. Mike Mangini, *Pastoral Minister*
- Mr. Tom Stoddard, *Facilities Manager*
- Mr. Steven Pile, *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



Rectory / Parish Office	415-479-1560
St. Isabella's Parochial School	415-479-3727
Parish School of Religion	415-479-1560
Parish Youth Council (PYC)	415-479-1560
Liturgy & Music	415-479-8428
Staff Accountant, Steven Pile	(208) 770-9243
Pastoral Council (Joe Gatti)	415-499-4650
St. Vincent de Paul Help Line	415-454-3303
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	snaretto@stisabellaschool.org
Website:	www.stisabellasparish.org

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 _____ **Address:** _____

Moving, remove from list _____
 Please send Sunday envelopes _____ **Phone:** _____

From the Pastor

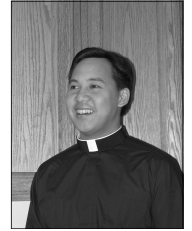
Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

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*



This Week (December 3 - December 10, 2017)

This Weekend:	Second Collection: Parish Maintenance
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:	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.



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@stisabellaspriest.org

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

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



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

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...

A Time for Healing, for those who are sick, that they experience strength in the Lord's compassion: Jordan Adelman, Baby Arthur, Diane Baetz, Michael Brantseg, Susan Britton, Susan Cane Ares, Virginia Calderon, Michael Cane-Ares, Mike Cass, Elaine Chan, Loretta Chipley, Roberta Cione, Dede Dalton, Dolores DeLeon, Joseph Derrough, Flora Devia, Judy Donati, Charlotte Dooley, Velda Draper, Gerry Eling, Tom Everhart, Linda Ford, Chuck Gagliano, Jose Garcia, Rosemary Grayson, Mary Grimes, Hal Guill, Dorothy Hernon, Richard Hunter, Wally Jennings, Joe Kelly, Lucy LaForest, Rodger Lippa, Rocky Loberg, Bud Lonergan, Lilia Martinez, John Maurer, Noel McCarthy, Nancy McGovern, Jane Walsh McGowan, Jailun McIsaac, Milton Michael, Nick Michael, Claire Denise Miller, Steve Monson, Gabrielle Moyer, Philip Pecoraro, Jean Perez, Sarah Purcell, Carter Warden Ranghiasi, Mary Rosa, Judy Rosenbloom, Dorothy Russon, Stephanie Sinkular, Joseph Smith, Jerry Streeter, Jacqueline Tarantino, Arthur Welch, Peggy Wittman.

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)

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, rpheatt@stisabellascatholic.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



The 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.*