



# 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, California



## Third Sunday of Advent

December 12, 2021

*The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,  
because he has anointed me  
to bring glad tidings to the poor.*

### Pastoral Team

Rev. Cyril O'Sullivan, *Pastor*  
Rev. Ephrem Tillya, *Parochial Vicar (Hospital Chaplain)*  
Rev. Neil Healy, *Priest-in-Residence*  
Rev. Mr. Graham Cumming, *Deacon*  
Mr. Rob Pheatt, *School Principal*  
Ms. Elissa Kuhr, *Vice Principal*  
Mrs. Ginny Pheatt, *Office*  
Mrs. Nahed Naser, *Finance*  
Mrs. Lynn Pieri Young, *Music*  
Ms. Therese Bruton, *P.S.R.*  
Ms. Judy Rosenbloom, *R.C.I.A.*  
Mr. Frank Lavin, *Baptismal Preparation*  
Mr. Christopher Major, *Marriage Preparation*  
Mr. Shane Graham, *P.Y.C.*  
Mrs. Maria Renderos, *Cook & Housekeeper*

### Schedule of Services

#### **Eucharist at St. Isabella's Church**

Saturday evenings: 5:00 p.m.  
Sundays: 9:00 a.m.  
Daily Mass: 8:30 a.m. (Monday – Friday)

#### **Reconciliation at St. Isabella's Church**

Saturdays, 4:00 - 4:45 p.m.  
or by appointment, call 415-479-1560

#### **Rosary/Prayer Group at St. Isabella's**

Mondays: 5:15 p.m. (All are welcome)

#### **Services at Most Holy Rosary Chapel**

(located at One Saint Vincent's Drive, Marinwood)  
Website: [www.tlmsf.org](http://www.tlmsf.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

Rectory / Parish Office	415-479-1560
St. Isabella's Parochial School	415-479-3727
PSR (Therese Bruton)	415-479-1560
RCIA (Judy Rosenbloom)	415-897-8241
Parish Youth Council (PYC)	415-479-1560
Music (Lynn Pieri Young)	707-763-3965
Parish Council/Liturgy Committee	415-479-1560
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	<a href="mailto:office@stisabellasparish.org">office@stisabellasparish.org</a>
School	<a href="mailto:rpheatt@stisabellaschool.org">rpheatt@stisabellaschool.org</a>
Website: Parish	<a href="http://www.stisabellasparish.org">www.stisabellasparish.org</a>
School	<a href="http://www.stisabellaschool.org">www.stisabellaschool.org</a>



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](http://www.stisabellasparish.org), or fill out this form and put it into the collection basket or mail it to the rectory. Thank You!

New parishioner \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 New address or phone \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Moving, remove from list \_\_\_\_\_ e-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Please send Sunday envelopes \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_



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Luke 3 : 10 - 18



Many of us think it is evangelists who go out and touch people's lives in a way they convert. This Gospel sees it differently. It is people who are coming and asking for faith, morals and spirituality, and in their coming they convert.

# Advent



### Pope Francis

One cannot know Jesus if one does not know the Church.

### Why was Saint Nicholas removed from the official calendar of saints?

Pope Paul VI removed Nicholas from the official list. He felt Santa Claus and all his toys was becoming far too important above the Christ child therefore Nicholas was demoted.

### International News

It is reported that Chinese Bishop Shao Zhumin of Wenzhou has been kidnapped by Chinese authorities. He has not been seen since October 2021 and his flock are fearing for his safety. Chinese authorities are saying he is on vacation which is a bizarre explanation.

### Christmas gifts (to consider)

- ◆ The Catholic Card Game. Questions and answers pertaining to Catholic Faith, tradition, and culture. Price \$35.00, website: [CatholicCardGame.com](http://CatholicCardGame.com).
- ◆ Vatican Christmas Cookbook. 70 recipes. Price \$34.00, website: [SophiaInstitute.com](http://SophiaInstitute.com).
- ◆ Religious Cards for All Occasions, website: [CardsbyAnne.com](http://CardsbyAnne.com).
- ◆ Catholic Keychain, website: [OSVCatholicBookstore.com](http://OSVCatholicBookstore.com).

### Toward a Synod Church

1. Phase I has begun in San Francisco Archdiocese. Fr. Summerhays will be the chair for our diocese.
2. St. Isabella is to have a committee formed by January 1, 2022. Anyone interested in this let Fr. O' know.
3. Late January, a questionnaire from the Vatican will be sent to all parishes.
4. The Vatican wants to hear what people are thinking through their responses.
5. By April 2022, all responses will be sent to Rome. All this is anonymous. No names or e-mails is required.
6. 2023, the Vatican will share to the world its conclusions.

Every diocese in the world is participating in this.

### The Crèche

I would like to thank 3rd grade students of St. Isabella School for setting up the 2021 Crib in the capable hands of Danielle Boland, Mike Schalich, Jeff Pheatt, and with the help of the eighth-graders. This year's Christmas crib will be a village, Bethlehem and Jerusalem of homes and work-shops, and the Sea of Galilee.



*In Sweden they have a saying,  
"There's no such thing as bad weather,  
only bad clothes"*



Yours in Fraternity,  
Fr. Cyril O'Sullivan

### Mark your calendar

#### Christmas & New Year Mass Schedule

- ✦ Friday 12/24 **Christmas Eve** – 5PM Mass
- ✦ Saturday 12/25 **Christmas Day** – 9AM & 11AM Masses
- ✦ Sunday 12/26 – 9AM
- ✦ Saturday 1/1/22 – 5PM
- ✦ Sunday 1/2/22 – 9AM





## Weekly Offering & Stewardship

To be reported next week

### Archdiocesan Annual Appeal (AAA)

2021 St. Isabella's Goal:	\$ 82,827.00
Donations received to date:	\$ 38,000.00
Need to raise by year-end:	\$ 43,927.00

Second collection this week:

◆ **Retirement for Religious** (USCCB) Visit <https://retiredreligious.org/>



**Thank you to all those who contributed toward our Christmas flowers including those who did so in memory of their loved ones listed below:**

*Agusta Berger, Gilma & Roque Diaz, Dimitratos Family, Alia Elkurdi, Galeazzi Family, Clare Hance, Kevin Haney, Hunter Family, Linde & Lorenzo Lo, Malvino Family, Herbert Noel, Edith Noel, David Noel, Lucille Phillips, Caroline Phillips, Leonard Phillips, Picollo Family, Barbara Pincince, Philip Swieconeck, John Sadlowski, Ernie Zeiter*

2021 Crib —3rd grade students setting up the Christmas village



Every Monday, 5:15 PM  
Rosary Prayer Group prays.



Congratulations to **Jolene Yore & David Ruskin**, married last week. May they have a long and happy life together.

Prayer request for **Cathie Peters**, recovery from surgery

### This Week: December 11 - December 17

Saturday 12/11	5:00 p.m	†
Sunday 12/12	9:00 a.m.	Rosemary Dow +
Monday 12/13	8:30 a.m.	†
Tuesday 12/14	8:30 a.m.	Timothy O'Sullivan +
Wednesday 12/15	8:30 a.m.	Ray Johansson +
Thursday 12/16	8:30 a.m.	†
Friday 12/17	8:30 a.m.	†



### LET US REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS...

**A Time for Healing, for those who are sick, that they experience strength in the Lord's compassion:** Dcn. Jim Myers, Fr. Neil Healy, Beth Flaherty, Tara Garcia, Jordan Roggenbuck, Louise & Phil Rapoport, Brendan Moylan, Sue Egisti, John Walters, Elsie & Michael Peregrin, Mary Polizza, Maria Renderos, Pat Buttner, Baby Charlotte Merino, Dr. Mark Higgins, Ally Glass, Una Sherman, Margaret Cervetto, Neal Graham, Jr., Claire Lee, Mary Gail Mibach, Cathie Peters, Tommy Watson & family, Baby Jimmy Bogden

**A Time for Sorrow, for those who live forever with Christ:** Dcn. Rich Younkin, Doug Lathrop, Francine Strain, Michael & Norma Giannini, Fr. Wilton Smith, Alice Bogan, Nola Joy Slingsby, Alfred Petrofsky, Virginia Page, Rich Martino, Gilberte Godfrey, Robert Gash, Ivano Santi, Oliver Mackley, Mike Mangini, Mark Mombosse, Jimmy Lucero, Istvan Kadar, Robert Burkhard, Eileen Kerr, Margorie Manko, Barbara Walsh, Lucille Bailey, Maria Ponce, Lorraine Duffy, Jonathan Edwards, Gary La Rocca, David Papke, Martha McNeil, Barbara Ingrassi, Marinetta Ferraro, Mario Waters, Tom White, Jack Cooper, Pat Vincent, Kara Roell, Ann Gregory, Elizabeth (Betty) Sheehy



**Remember in your Prayers:** For the safety and well-being of all those affected by the Covid-19 epidemic

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: [office@stisabellaparish.org](mailto:office@stisabellaparish.org)

### SUPERBOWL PARTY 2022

Please join us for our Annual Super bowl Party on Saturday **January 29, 2022** from 6:00PM – 9:00PM in the Parish Center. Enjoy food, refreshments and football fun hosted by the St. Isabella's School Alumni! Donations received by January 7, 2022 qualify for a chance to win \$ prizes. **All proceeds go to many needed upgrades at St. Isabella.** For more information and to make a donation, please see the flyers at the church vestibules or call Tom or Kirk Hunter at 415-453-4916.



12th Annual **SIMBANG GABI**—A Filipino Religious Tradition of Advent Masses and Rosaries in preparation for Christmas, **December 21, 22 & 23**

6:30 pm ... Reconciliation  
6:45 pm ... Holy Rosary  
7:00 pm ... Mass

- For Inquiries: Sherry Aquino, [spriana1@yahoo.com](mailto:spriana1@yahoo.com)  
- Mass Intentions: Lettie Ranjo, [lettieranjo@yahoo.com](mailto:lettieranjo@yahoo.com)

### 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 Pheatt. e-mail: [rpheatt@stisabellaschool.org](mailto:rpheatt@stisabellaschool.org)