



# 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



Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time  
August 27, 2023

*"You are Peter and upon this rock  
I will build my Church."*

## Pastoral Team

Rev. Cyril O'Sullivan, *Pastor*  
 Rev. Ephrem Tillya, *Parochial Vicar,  
Hospital Chaplain*  
 Rev. Mr. Christopher Major, *Deacon,  
P.S.R., Marriage Preparation*  
 Rev. Mr. Graham Cumming, *Deacon*  
 Mr. Rob Pheatt, *School Principal*  
 Mrs. Lynn Pieri Young, *Music*  
 Mrs. Ginny Pheatt, *Office*  
 Mrs. Nahed Naser, *Finance*  
 Mr. Frank Lavin, *Baptismal Preparation*  
 St. Isabella's Parish Team, *R.C.I.A.*

## 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 – Saturday)

### **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. For more information about the RCIA program, please call the church office at 415-479-1560

Rectory / Parish Office	415-479-1560
St. Isabella's Parochial School	415-479-3727
PSR (Deacon Chris Major)	PSR@stisabellaparish.org
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
St. Isabella CYO Basketball	<a href="http://www.sicyo.com">www.sicyo.com</a>
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Website: Parish	<a href="http://www.stisabellaparish.org">www.stisabellaparish.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.stisabellaparish.org](http://www.stisabellaparish.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: \_\_\_\_\_



## Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Matthew 16 : 13 – 20



The primacy of Peter was not something invented by the Church later on. It goes right back to the will of Christ himself who selected Peter to lead his flock. The failures of popes throughout history do not contradict Jesus promise that the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. Peter himself failed the Lord. The popes are servants, but the Church's true foundation is Christ himself.



### Pope Francis

"Grace is not part of consciousness; it is the amount of light in our souls, not knowledge nor reason."

### Catechism

Why are Priests not allowed to marry?

Celibacy is not a precept of divine law or natural law. It is a law since the 10th century of the Catholic Church imposed with a view to the duties of the Priesthood. It enables the clergy to devote themselves entirely to sacred ministry. This Canonical law can always be changed allowing Priests to marry.

### The Spirituality of Grief (Part 2 of 4)

Grief is a deeply spiritual experience that can draw us closer to God if we allow him in. Fear is a part of grieving. We are afraid of being alone. Afraid of other people intruding. Afraid of other people avoiding us. Afraid of new responsibilities. Afraid life will never be the same again. Slowly but surely we have to confront our grieving fears.

### Book

"*A Grief Observed*", C.S. Lewis.

### St. Vincent de Paul, Marin

Paid \$1.1 million in rental assistance to neighbors struggling to make ends meet.

### Did you know?

Ukraine has received \$165 million in munitions from its allies.

### Church Documents (Part 1 of 4)

These are the official teaching of the magisterium on revelation and sacred tradition.

These are divided into two groups:

1. Legislative Documents are doctrinal and binding on the whole Church, regarding faith and morals.  
The catechism and the code of Canon Law come under this branch
2. Explanatory Documents help members further to understand faith and morals from the Legislative Documents.  
A Bishop as teacher can be involved in this process.

### Parish News

The plan is to build a garden in front of the church, a bird fountain, benches, flowers etc. Parishioners' ideas always welcome.

Do we have a parishioner who is a landscaper architect? Contact Fr. O'. 415-479-1560 extension 21.

"What is done cannot be undone."



Yours in Fraternity,  
Fr. Cyril O'Sullivan



## Weekly Offering & Stewardship

Week Ending August 19 - 20, 2023

To be reported next week

### 2023 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal (AAA)

St. Isabella's Goal:	\$ 61,512.00
Donations received to date:	\$ 36,810.00
To raise:	\$ 24,702.00

Archbishop Cordileone filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy re-organization on August 21, 2023. Please visit the link for the Archbishop's letter, a video and a FAQ (Questions & Answers) in response to lawsuits filed against the Archdiocese under AB-218. <https://sfarch.org/protecting-children/>



**Maui Fire Fund Raiser**—Join the Dominican Sisters & Friends as Patrick Landeza, Northern California's top Hawaiian musician performs in the spirit of aloha (love) to raise funds for those affected by the fires on Maui. Saturday, September 2, 4PM. Dominican Sisters Motherhouse, Dominican Center, 43326 Mission Circle, (Entrance Off Mission Tierra), Fremont, CA. \$30 (If unable to attend, please consider making a donation) For information, contact (510) 933-3546. Visit [www.msjdominicans.org](http://www.msjdominicans.org).

Remember those who has died.

**James Egide +  
Bebe McDermott +  
James McGeehan +  
Alice Thompson +  
Bill Bixby +**

May their souls rest in peace.



### 2023-2024 PSR Registration

Information & online registration at [www.stisabellaparish.org](http://www.stisabellaparish.org). Contact Deacon Chris Major at: [PSR@stisabellaparish.org](mailto:PSR@stisabellaparish.org) with any questions.

**Mondays** —5 p.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, —5:15 Holy Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet. Everyone is welcome.



Dominican Sisters of Mission San Jose Center for Education & Spirituality present: **Celebration of the Bishop John S. Cummins Personal Book Collection.** Sunday, September 10, 2 - 3:30PM. Motherhouse Library. Free/Donations Welcome. Info: 510-933-3546

## MASS INTENTIONS: August 26—September 2

<b>Saturday</b>	8/26	5 p.m.	Winnie Coleman +
<b>Sunday</b>	8/27	9 a.m.	Matthew Millsap
<b>Monday</b>	8/28	8:30 a.m.	Cheryl Lobermeir +
<b>Tuesday</b>	8/29	8:30 a.m.	†
<b>Wednesday</b>	8/30	8:30 a.m.	†
	8/30	11 a.m.	Funeral Bebe McDermott
<b>Thursday</b>	8/31	8:30 a.m.	†
<b>Friday</b>	9/1	8:30 a.m.	Michael Piper
<b>Saturday</b>	9/2	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:** Fr. Neil Healy, Cathie Peters, William Thomas

Reilly, Marilyn Swieconeck, Ann Sykes, Richard Hunter, Kevin Swanson, Shirley McGrath, Lacey Graham, Matthew Millsap, Shirley Dimitratos, Jake Williams, Therese Bruton, BettyAnn Wright, Ginny Kerbs, George Kerbs, Les Mize, Barbara Landesman, Bruce Landesman, Ralph Pershing, Michael Piper, Mylo Peterson, Becky Tecson, Jim Sullivan, Judy Rosenbloom, James McCarthy, Gray Flory

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

Nancy Ghilotti, Colleen McGuinn, Mary Gail Mibach, James McKinley, James Juarez, Janet Dunn, Aileen Moriarty Kelly, John Swieconeck, Nancy Zaharin, Peter Tritz, Patricia Calhoun, Elizabeth Molarin, David Dunn, Anita Verena Bollinger, Paul Mueller, Violet Swanson, Katherine Pokas, Terese Moriarty, Alice Flaherty, Ryan Dallara, Honey Cabalza, Diana Santi, Doris Galli, Fran Gazdik, Hannah Daly, Ralph Tischbern, Alan Rosenbloom, Elizabeth Paganini, Betty Cronin, Reno Cantarutti, Jacqueline Tarantino, Robert Thomas, Robert "Bob" Doyle, Helmut Wendler, Christa Wendler, Louis Reilly, Tom Aiello, Richard Levy, Garry Altamirano, Michael Peregrin, Jean Perez, Patrick Johnson, Jordyn Powell, Florence Williams, Robert Anello, Greg Carman, Tom Bong, Nicholas Kunst, Cathie Inglis, David Alexander Swerrie, Bill Boitano, Lila Martinez, Fabrizio Martinelli, Donald W. Torre, Alfred Garcia, Winnie Coleman, Astrid Jan-son, Kathy Drady, Janet Payne, Rosalie Barozzi, Michael Alaimo, Patrick Buttner, Diana Nay, Alberto Gutierrez, Diana Tarantino, James Egide, Bebe McDermott, James McGeehan, Alice Thompson, Bill Bixby

## News from the Archdiocese

Maui Fire—from Bishop Larry Silva, Diocese of Honolulu. <https://sfarch.org/maui/>

9/2—1st Saturday Mass at Holy Cross, 11AM

9/10—San Francisco Police-Fire Mass, 10AM St. Anne, SF. <https://sfarch.org/event/2023-san-francisco-police-fire-mass/>

9/20—REBOOT! fun, inspiring & practical experience of applying the beauty & genius of the Gospel to every aspect of your life. From prayer & spirituality, to work, dating, marriage, parenting, health and more. St. Dominics, SF. <https://reallifecatholics.givevirtuous.org/Event/st-dominics-reboot>

9/24—Celebrate the life of St. Padre Pio at the National Shrine of St. Francis. <https://knightsofsaintfrancis.org/>

8/26— Young Adult Mass, 7PM Mission Dolores, SF. <https://sfarch.org/event/bay-area-wide-young-adult-mass/>

Read about How baseball imitates the spiritual life: <https://sfarch.org/how-baseball-imitates-the-spiritual-life/>

## St. Isabella Catholic School Admissions



SAINT ISABELLA SCHOOL  
EDUCATING TOMORROW'S LEADERS

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 scheduled. 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)