



# 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



## Baptism of the Lord January 12, 2025

*The heavens were opened and  
the voice of the Father thundered:  
This is my beloved Son, listen to him.*

### Pastoral Team

- Rev. Cyril O'Sullivan, *Pastor*
- Rev. Emmanuel Adams, *Parochial Vicar,  
Hospital Chaplain*
- Rev. Mr. Christopher Major, *Deacon,  
Marriage Preparation*
- Mr. Rob Pheatt, *School Principal*
- Mrs. Lynn Pieri Young, *Music*
- Mrs. Ginny Pheatt, *Office*
- Mrs. Nahed Naser, *Finance*
- Mr. Frank Lavin, *Baptismal Preparation*
- Rev. Cyril O'Sullivan, *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

- Weekdays: Adoration 7:20 a.m. Rosary 7:30 a.m.
- Mondays: 5 p.m. (All are welcome)

#### Services at Most Holy Rosary Chapel

- (located at One Saint Vincent's Drive, Marinwood)
- Website: [www.tmsf.org](http://www.tmsf.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 R.C.I.A. program, please call the church office at 415-479-1560

Rectory / Parish Office	415-479-1560
St. Isabella's Parochial School	415-479-3727
Parish School of Religion	PSR@stisabellasp parish.org
Music (Lynn Pieri Young)	707-763-3965
Parish Council/Liturgy Committee	415-479-1560
RCIA (Rev. Cyril O'Sullivan)	415-479-1560
St. Vincent de Paul Help Line	415-454-0366
St. Isabella CYO Basketball	www.sicyo.com
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School	rpheatt@stisabellasp arish.org
Website: Parish	www.stisabellasp arish.org
School	www.stisabellasp arish.org



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.stisabellasp arish.org](http://www.stisabellasp arish.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: \_\_\_\_\_

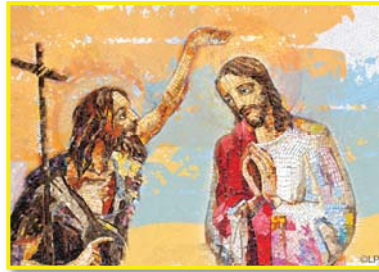


# The Baptism of the Lord

Luke 3 : 15 - 22



Even though Jesus is without sin, yet he allowed himself to be baptized by John the Baptist though he had no need to be reconciled to anyone. Baptism was a defining moment in the life of Jesus. It marked the beginning of his public mission. The Father sets his approval on Jesus mission as he is about to begin.



### Pope Francis

Pope Francis urges Catholics to seek Jesus during the Holy Year 2025. For those coming to Rome, he asked they remember it should be a journey with the goal of encountering and listening to Jesus, who brings real joy and peace.

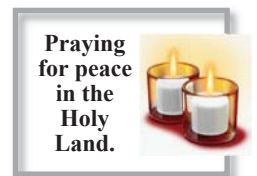
### Vatican Facts

Where is the boundary line between Vatican and Italy? It is a white line that run through the Vatican that no one pays attention to. This was the line that Hitler's tanks and troops never dared to cross during WWII.

### Catholic Trivia

1. First person in the Bible to build an altar
2. Jacob's first wife
3. Saint Nicholas, Patron Saint of
4. Abraham's father
5. What separates the nave from the sanctuary?

Answer:  
1. Noah (Gn. 8:20)  
2. Leah  
3. Children  
4. Terah  
5. Today, it is steps leading to higher ground.



### Tabernacle

There are two days in the year where the tabernacle sit empty in repose, no hosts within the chamber. For two days we are like Protestants, Holy Thursday to the Easter Vigil, the sanctuary is empty, devoid of hosts as the Triduum is celebrated. By Easter Sunday, the Church is returned to its sacramental presence for one year till the next Triduum comes around.

### Stations of the Cross

Every Catholic church has the fourteen Stations of the Christ's Passion on its walls. It is a rare sight today to see people praying at the Stations. Nevertheless, it is a reminder to us that our redemption came at a price, the suffering of Jesus Christ for our sins.

Weekday Masses  
Prior to the 8:30AM we now have Adoration at 7:20AM and Rosary at 7:30AM

### Did You Know?

Eight in ten people of Americans say religion has lost influence in public life.

**Mondays** —5PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament followed by the Holy Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet. Everyone is welcome.

### Book

"What is Christianity?" by Benedict XVI. All Christians should be able to answer this question but you would be surprised how many cannot. This is Benedict's last book. Some consider it his greatest.

### Parish News

Parish Council asks parishioners to consider how St. Isabella can become more of a welcoming community. Send your comments to rectory office or to Fr. O' by 1/15/2025.

Yours in Fraternity,  
Fr. Cyril O'Sullivan

Holy Year 2025  
Every 25 years the Church has a Holy Year based on the Old Testament tradition of a jubilee year renewal and forgiveness. It is a time of pilgrimages, prayer, confession, visiting shrines. The fourth door of basilicas is open for the year. <https://www.usccb.org/jubilee2025>

*"Do what you love and you'll never work a day in your life."*



### Weekly Offering & Stewardship

#### Collections December 24-25, 2024

Christmas Offertory	\$ 13,267.60
2nd collection for St. Joseph icon	\$ 1,563.60
Parish Maintenance (restricted)	\$ 5,655.00
Masses and Religious Ceremonies	\$ 25.00
Parish Center Rental	\$ 2,000.00
Christmas Flowers	\$ 45.00
Total for parish	<u>\$ 22,556.20</u>
Holy Rosary Chapel/Latin Mass	\$ 347.00

#### Week Ending December 28-29, 2024

Offertory	\$ 4,835.00
Parish Maintenance (restricted)	\$ 26,052.03
Masses and Religious Ceremonies	\$ 400.00
Total for parish	<u>\$ 31,287.03</u>

#### Week Ending January 4-5, 2025

Offertory	\$ 5,631.50
Parish Maintenance (restricted)	\$ 4,915.30
Parish Hall Rental	\$ 3,000.00
Masses and Religious Ceremonies	\$ 310.00
Total for parish	<u>\$ 13,856.80</u>
Holy Rosary Chapel/Latin Mass	\$ 353.00

#### 2024 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal (AAA)

St. Isabella's Goal	\$ 72,891.00
Donations received to date	\$ 31,320.00
<b>Balance needed</b>	<b><u>\$ 41,571.00</u></b>

*Thank you for your generous gifts  
May God reward your generosity!*



### Christmas Flower Offering in remembrance of:

Gerald Kerby; Bob Brahm; Deceased members of the Mazza & Gallagher Families; Mary & Joseph Lavin; Helen & Frank Cassidy; Joe & Irene Bondanza; Frank & Maria Cresci; Millagrus Lavin; Ed & Hazel Healy; Charles & Kate White; Tom White; Lucille Phillips; Katherine Eck; Patricia Vincent; Gene Lindquist; Jaime Claus; Ernie Zeiter; Ed Gallagher; Ray Johansson; Deceased members of Agnew Family; Cliff Vattuone; Carolyn Maglialo; Chazbel Seraphim; Patricia Molatore; Virginia Bispo; Dan White; Josephine & Bud Leedham; Teddy Russel; Oliver & Eva Mackley; Sofia Parra; Cheryl Lobermeier; Richard Mackley; Gail Oestreich; Harold & Jackie McConnell; Howard Sanford; Tom McConnell; Brian McConnell; Paola Smith; Mr. & Mrs. James Metzler; Mr & Mrs Charles DeJonghe; Mr. & Mrs Lionel O'Connor; Mr. & Mrs Hugh Dengler; Ronald Derenzo; The Bole Family; The Sinclair Family; Rosalie Scalise; Emilio Tallerico; Jack & Catherine Bastida; John & Sophie Mangone; Frank, Anthony, Dino, Stacey Ratto; Peggy Maile; Florence Whiteley; Robert Doyle; The Rulli Family; The Doye Family; Joe & Mary Bruce; LoloDoro; Leticia Aquino; Norman Silva; Slevin & Silva Families; Gilma & Roque Diaz; Linde & Lorenzo Lo; Herbert & Edith Noel; David Noel; Barbara Pincince; Alia Elkurdi; Mary Lyman; Dimitratos Family; Picollo Family.

#### SUPERBOWL PARTY 2025

Sat, 1/25/2025, 6PM - 9PM  
Annual fundraiser  
proceeds benefit  
St. Isabella Parish  
& School. See  
pink flyer at the church.



#### Events in the Archdiocese

**Annual Walk for Life West Coast**– Sat. 1/25. St. Mary Cathedral, SF, **Mass** 9:30a. SF Civic Center, starting 11a info faire, Rally 12:30, **Walk** 1:30. <https://www.walkforlifewc.com/>

**Advocate Against Expansion of Assisted Suicide in California.** Seeking volunteers to share stories of loved one. Contact [lifeanddignity@sfarch.org](mailto:lifeanddignity@sfarch.org)

**St. Raphael** hosting 2 events supporting immigrant community 1/19 & 1/26, 1:30p. [immigration@sfarch.org](mailto:immigration@sfarch.org)

**Knights of Columbus Clergy Night** to honor clergy & religious, St. Mary Cathedral SF, Fri. 1/24 5:30pm. Info/RSVP [johnpaes2@gmail.com](mailto:johnpaes2@gmail.com)

**"For This Reason, I Fix My Eyes on You"** – Learn how Jesus invites us to leadership, following the gospels where Jesus is ... Sat. 1/25 11:45a. 1611 Oak St., SF. (Jesuit School of Theology) | [islc@saintagnessf.org](mailto:islc@saintagnessf.org)



### MASS INTENTIONS:

January 11 — January 18, 2025

<b>Saturday</b>	1/11	... 5 p.m.	Mark Thomas +
<b>Sunday</b>	1/12	... 9 a.m.	Ronald Benson +
<b>Monday</b>	1/13	... 8:30 a.m.	Connor Burke +
<b>Tuesday</b>	1/14	... 8:30 a.m.	Special Intentions for Josephine Hughes & Family
<b>Wednesday</b>	1/15	... 8:30 a.m.	Jack Heintz +
<b>Thursday</b>	1/16	... 8:30 a.m.	Francesca Cantarutti +
<b>Friday</b>	1/17	... 8:30 a.m.	Connor Burke +
<b>Saturday</b>	1/18	... 8:30 a.m.	Susan McDonald +
		... 1 p.m.	Funeral Daniel Edwards



### 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, Matthew Millsap, Judy Rosenbloom, James McCarthy, Sue Egisti, Bob Egisti, Jeanne Althuiszen, Valerie Bortoli, Louise & Phil Rapoport, Dorothy Ratto, John Antonio IV, Colleen Skinner, Ken Valente, Special Prayers for STL

**A Time for Sorrow, for those who live forever with Christ:** Cliff Vattuone, Marjorie Alaimo, Maria Lorch, Cecelia Kudlick, Dennis Bohm, Les Mize, Ron Derenzo, Elsie Adamson, Marilyn McCarthy, George Kerbs, Johnny Devine, Wayne Botkin, Jr., Tim Boland, Rosemary Gentile, Dolores Cuerva, Sue Stallone, Timothy Collins, Helen Stichler, Bobbie Danz, Frank Bertolli, Felix Conte, Daniel Edwards, Susan McDonald

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)

### 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 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)