



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



Second Sunday of Lent

March 1, 2026

Lord, let your mercy be on us,
as we place our trust in you.

Pastoral Team

Rev. Cyril O'Sullivan, Pastor
Rev. Raphael L. Laizer, 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, O.C.I.A.
Rev. Raphael Laizer, P.S.R.

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. (Mondays – Saturdays)

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 p.m.
 Mondays—Saturdays: Rosary 7:30 a.m.

Services at Most Holy Rosary Chapel

(located at One Saint Vincent's Drive, Marinwood)
 Website: 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 (O.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 O.C.I.A. program, please call the church office at 415-479-1560

Rectory / Parish Office	415-479-1560
Rev. Cyril O'Sullivan	479-1560 ext.21
Rev. Raphael Laizer	415-741-7408
St. Isabella's Parochial School	415-479-3727
Parish School of Religion	psr@stisabellasparish.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. Isabella CYO Basketball	www.sicyo.com
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School	www.stisabellaschool.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.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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Matthew 17 : 1 - 9



A few weeks prior to the Transfiguration, Jesus asked, "Who do people say I am." James and John said, one of the Prophets. Peter stated, "You are the living God." Now Jesus invites these three to witness the Transfiguration where they will never again have to question who is Christ. They saw his Glory, the Glory of the Heaven.



- 4. Lord
- 3. Parable
- 2. Fast
- 1. Giltgal
- Answer:

Pope Leo XIV

Pope Leo XIV advice for good Lent: To refrain from words that offend and hurt your brothers and sisters.

Catholic Trivia

1. The Israelites were instructed to take stones from the middle of the Jordan River and build a monument at _____ (Book of Joshua)
2. Typically altars are oriented in this direction
3. Title for Holy Spirit
4. Title for Jesus



Station of the Cross

Every Friday, 7 PM during Lent.

Catholic Societies, Why We Still Need Them

Not long ago, towns were dotted with societies. Today they have declined or died and the work they did with them. Remember these amazing groups, Knights of Columbus, Hibernians, Elks, Forresters, Eagles, Altar Societies, Boy & Girl Scouts; and secular groups as Lions, Rotary, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Druids, Oddfellows, Kiwanis Clubs. These group have less numbers today but what they brought to communities were service, social life, community and good works.

Relics (Part 3 of 3)

In St. Peter's Basilica, Rome, is a bit of wood in the altar of a wooden altar that he himself celebrated Mass on. Right at the center of Catholicism is a relic. The forth Lateran Council, 1215 AD stated relics must be authenticated and documented, otherwise discarded.

Did You Know?

How many relics does the Catholic Church say they authenticated? They have never given a figure, but it is in the thousands.

NEXT SUNDAY, 3/8, Day
Light Saving starts 2 AM

Catholic San Francisco

magazine, article on **Fr. Raphael's hospital chaplaincy**, "A calling within a calling - Hospital chaplains embody the archdiocese's ministry of presence", 2/20/2026 issue (p.9-10) https://issuu.com/productioncsf/docs/csf_february_2026

Book

"Can you be a Catholic and a feminist?" by Julie Rubio. Her book, the love of God extends to all. This book is for those who find tension between Catholicism and feminism in their lives. The question do I belong. Three levels of belonging recognized: (1). Am I noticed (2). Am I named (3). Am I known. Her conclusion: Relationships must be balanced with affirmations. (Might be worth reading)

Parish Ministries

The parish is asking for more volunteers in these parish ministries: PSR, OCIA, Parish Council, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Ushers, and Altar Servers. We could do with more help and appreciate your consideration. If you are interested, call the office, 415-479-1560.

Yours in Fraternity,
Fr. Cyril O'Sullivan



Upcoming Events

- 3/1 (Sun) ... 7th grade Family Mass
- 3/1 (Sun) ... Pancake Breakfast (parish center after Mass)
- 3/1 (Sun) ... MIAC St. Pat's Family Potluck (parish center, 4p-8)
- 3/7 & 3/8 ... Holy Land Sale (after Mass)
- 3/21 & 3/28 ... Men's Cursillo Retreat (parish center, 9-1)

"A magnificent building will never rise if we reject the insignificant bricks."





Weekly Offering & Stewardship

Collections February 21 – 22, 2026

Offertory	\$ 4,134.00
Parish Maintenance (Restricted)	\$ 200.00
Easter Flower Fund	\$ 50.00
Masses and Religious Ceremonies	\$ 160.00
Total for Parish	\$ 4,544.00
Holy Rosary/Latin Mass	\$ 196.15

2026 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal (AAA)
St. Isabella Assessment is \$ 58,255.00

Rosary Prayer Group


Weekdays Monday -Saturday

7:30 am ... Rosary/Divine Mercy Chaplet
 8:00 am ... Liturgy of the Hours
 8:30 am ... Mass
Tue, Thur. Fri & Sat
 7:20 am ... Exposition

Praying
for peace
in the
Holy
Land.



Family traditions: Lenten activities for Catholic families
<https://sfarch.org/family-traditions-lenten-activities-for-catholic-families/>

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

Second Collections - March

3/1 ... Maintenance
 3/15 ... Catholic Relief Services (USCCB)
 3/29 ... St Vincent de Paul 5th Sunday

Welcome into
our Faith Family,
newly baptized



Thiago Espinoza Lopez

Next weekend, 3/7 & 3/8, a representative from Jerusalem will be selling religious items from the Holy Land after Mass on Saturday & Sunday



MIAC
St. Patrick's Family Potluck,
this Sunday, 4 pm - 8 pm
 Parish Center. Food & drink,
 Irish dance, raffles.

Remember those
who have died.

**Laurence Sykes +
Ann McNally +**

Rest in Peace.



Events in the Archdiocese

Lenten resources: <https://sfarch.org/g/lent/>

St. Rita Lenten Lecture Series: "Are you listening?" The Parables of Jesus Christ. 5 Wednesdays 2/25-3/25. Soup supper 5:15 p.m. Lecture 6 p.m. For more info, contact 415-456-4815 | saintrita@fairfax.att.net

How God calls parents and grandparents, 2/28, 10a, Our Lady of Loretto, Novato. Talk & reception. Info & registration: <https://sfarch.org/event/howgodcalls/>

60th anniversary Nostra Aetate, Second Vatican Council on relation of the Catholic Church to Non-Christian Religions. 3/25, 5:30p. event center at St. Mary Cathedral, SF. 415-614-5571 | schmalzv@sfarch.org

Catholic Charities Easter Basket Food Drive, donation deadline, 3/25, St. Francis of Assisi, SF. Contact: | 415-972-1371 | volunteer@catholiccharitiessf.org

Catholic Men's Conference Called to Lead, 3/21, 8:30a - 3:30p, St. Pius, RWC. Info & registration: <https://sfarch.org/event/catholic-mens-conference/>

"Gathered by Grace, Empowered for Glory", Filipino Catholic Charismatic Communities Archdiocese of SF, 3/28, St. Mary Cathedral, SF. <https://fccspirit.com/>

Power, Presence, Permanence: The History of Sculpture in Six Short Strokes, 2/24—3/31, online course - <https://sfarch.org/history-sculpture-course/>

Protecting Children - to report abuse or for more info, visit: <https://sfarch.org/protecting-children/> or <https://stisabellaparish.org/protecting-children>



MASS INTENTIONS:

February 28 – March 7, 2026

Saturday	2/28	... 5 p.m.	Joe Mello +
Sunday	3/1	... 9 a.m.	John Kay + (7th grade Family Mass)
Monday	3/2	... 8:30 a.m.	†
Tuesday	3/3	... 8:30 a.m.	Eva Mackley +
Wednesday	3/4	... 8:30 a.m.	James Egide +
Thursday	3/5	... 8:30 a.m.	†
Friday	3/6	... 8:30 a.m.	Ernie Zeiter +
Saturday	3/7	... 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:

Judy Rosenbloom, Matthew Millsap, Sue Egisti, Bob Egisti, Jeanne Althuizen, Valerie Bortoli, Louise Rapoport, John Antonio IV, Colleen Skinner, Ken Valente, Special Prayers for STL, John Davis, Nena Lindquist, Bob Casper, Anna Ahern, Lynn Pieri-Young, Ann Sykes, Bob Arzave, Ken Vincent, Amelia Johansson, Mike Boland, Fr. Ray Reyes

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

Dcn. Jim Myers, Barbara Lee, Bishop Ayo-Maria Atoyebi, OP, George Roach, Mark Mullan, Steve Volk, James Wright, Kathleen Reilly, Jack O'Toole, Dan Keegan, Dorothy Ratto, Claudia Reimer, Phil Rapoport, Mary McCaffrey, Gregory Fissel, Joyce Bullentini, Russell Lease, Karen Arzave, Anthony Bosque, Barbara Landesman, Andres Dypoco Amil Sr., Leda Sanford, Patricia Kendall, Tom Crawford, Helen George, Jean Daramy, Christina (Bottarini) Reavis, Patrick Peters, Margaret Louise Schmidt, Pat Beigel, Fr. Neil Healy, Pat Clark, Marilyn Swieconeck, Michael Tieche, Michael Mello, Laurence Sykes, Ann McNally

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

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