St. Felicitas is a vibrant diverse Catholic Faith Community. We celebrate the Living Word of God, and the presence of Christ Jesus in the Holy Eucharist. We nurture the formation of Faith through Education & works of charity. In our various ministries we promote prayer, justice & peace. We welcome all to share in the Love of God.

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Mass Schedule:
Sunday 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am
12:15(Spanish) 4:30pm(Vietnamese)
Saturday 8:15am, 4:30pm (Vigil)
Daily (Mon-Fri) 7:00am, 8:15am
Holy Days 7:00am, 8:15am, 7:00pm
1st Friday Exposition 12:30 - 4:45pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday, 3:15 to 4:00pm or by appointment

Baptism
4th Sunday of every month 2:00pm
Contact Parish Office for information.

Marriage
Arrangements to be made 6 months prior to the wedding

Parish Office Hours
Mon-Thurs 8:45am-4:30 pm  Fri 8:30am - 12:30pm

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August 21, 2011 Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

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We are concluding “prayer for peace” on September 12th 2011 with a solemn Holy Mass. It has been ten years since this devotion was started in our Church. It has brought peace, consolation, support, strength and above all, the presence of the Lord Jesus into many hearts.

As with many devotions over the years the participation has waned; however the need to pray for peace is ever present. It is as urgent today as it ever has been. Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen (the cause of his canonization is formally introduced) stated that in the history of human civilization there is hardly any time when there was no war or violence in some parts of the world. However war, violence or terrorism is not a solution. Peace is the only solution; that is why prayer for peace is so necessary and urgent. I invite all to pray for peace every day although we are concluding the devotional practice.

What causes war and violence? It is a billion dollar question. There are so many answers and sociological studies out there trying to make sense out of this senseless situation. Why is our human history so strewn with war, violence, terrorism, and oppression? Are people born to war and strife or to love and peace? It is same as the question are people naturally good or are they naturally bad?

Our experience teaches us that people are naturally good; the majority of people I know are good people. Evil is the absence of this natural good in people. St. Augustine explains evil with the example of a cavity in our tooth. Cavity is the absence of that portion of the tooth which is to be there naturally. It is this absence of natural goodness in people that results in war, violence, terrorism and so on.

The Bible reaffirms our experience. Genesis 1: 26 says, ‘we are created in the image and likeness of God.’ If we are made in the image and likeness of God we are naturally good. When humanity lost this natural goodness, God sent his Son into the world that the world might be saved. Jesus Christ our savior and redeemer came into the world and became a man for our sake. He suffered and died to save humanity. But that is not the end. He rose again to eternal glory, redeeming humanity from the shackles and fetters of sin and evil.

What is the gift of the risen Lord? It is peace. In the Post resurrection appearance of Jesus He greets his disciples with these words, “Peace be with you.” Peace is God’s gift to us. We need to work for it, pray for it and treasure it as a wondrous gift.

Let us pray with Saint Francis of Assisi:

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace,
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;

where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
where there is sadness, joy;

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console;
to be understood as to understand;
to be loved as to love.
For it is in giving that we receive;
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

 Father Augustine
Events of the Week
Aug. 22 thru Aug. 27

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COLLECTIONS
Our Weekly Need: $11,500.00
Aug. 14, 2011

Sunday Collection $ 9,692.50
Children $ 9.00

Thank you for your generous donations.

STEWARDSHIP
Our Stewardship last week, in the amount of $484.62 went to the Monastery of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

This week our Stewardship will go to the Black and Native American Evangelization

PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN MILITARY SERVICE
We would like to keep all who serve in the Military in our prayers and in our hearts. If you know of any of our parishioners who are in the Military Services, or have a son or daughter in the Service, please contact us at the Parish. We pray especially for Angelo Lisondra, Army; Nelson Pena, Army; Benjamin Sacramento, Jr., Navy; Aurelio Sandoval Jr., Army; Shiloh Morrison, Marine Corps; Steven Accardo, Marine Corps. Michael Saragosa, Green Beret; Bruce Holmes, Army; Brian Pontes, Air Force; Denis Charles Gafke, Jason Buscovich, Army; Victor Avilla, National Guard; Omar Tejeda, National Guard; Michael Roe, Army; Kevin I. Ontai, Army National Guard; Marvin Terlaje, Army, Kyle Swatman, Marine Corp.; Megan McClain, Army Nat’l Guard;
Pray for The Sick & Homebound:


PRAY FOR THE DEPARTED……

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Mt 23:13-22
Tuesday: 1 Thes 2:1-8; Mt 23:23-26
Wednesday: Rv 21:9b-14; Jn 1:45-51
Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13; Mt 24:42-51
Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8; Mt 25:1-13
Saturday: 1 Thes 4:9-11; Mt 25:14-30
Sunday: Jer 20:7-9; Ps 63; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27

Mass Intentions Aug. 21 thru Aug. 28

Sun. 8/21 7:30 am Michael Frazier †
9:00 am Peter & Maria Tran †
10:30 am RCIA Participants in Easter Vigil, 2011
12:15 pm Maria Elsa Carbajal †

Mon. 8/22 7:00 am Casimiro Sampang †
8:15 am Arsenia Richard †

Tue. 8/23 7:00 am Fr. Augustine’s Intention
8:15 am Mary Mosser †

Wed. 8/24 7:00 am Jesse Telmo †
8:15 am Maxine Wyly †

Thurs. 8/25 7:00 am Fr. Augustine’s Intention
8:15 am Anita Berndt †

Fri. 8/26 7:00 am Jose Sanchez †
8:15 am Consuelo Glass †

Sat. 8/27 8:15 am Peter Ha Van Thinh †
4:30 pm Brendan Nelson †

Sun. 8/28 7:30 am St. Felicitas Parishioners
9:00 am Luis Rodrigo †
10:30 am Florencio Penaflor
12:15 pm Agustin Sepulveda †

R. C. I. A.

ARE YOU:
- Interested in learning about the Catholic Church?
- Not baptized and have a need for spirituality in your life?
- Baptized but never received First Communion, Confirmation or formal religious education?
- Married to a Catholic and you attend Mass with them and you want to share in their faith?

If so, the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (R.C.I.A.) is for you. The RCIA sessions are held on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 pm. Classes will begin on August 31 in St. Mary’s Center. For more information, call the Parish Office at 351-5244, ext. 283.

NOTE:
New Greeter’s Schedules are ready to be picked up this weekend In the Vestibule.
PARISH PICNIC
MARK YOUR CALENDAR
Plans are underway to make this a fun time for all families in the parish.
Food and fun for all!

When: Sept 25, 2011
Where: City of San Leandro Chabot Park

Plan to attend the 10:30 "Mass in the Park"
And stay for lunch and fun.
There will be NO 10:30 Mass in the church on that day!

Menu and additional details will follow!!

Youth Choir

We are in the process of starting a youth choir for the parish during 9:00 am Holy Mass. It is open to all parishioners. Choir director will be the young man, Albert Bellefeuille, who is a trained musician. Parents who want their children to be in the choir, please sign up. We will have only a limited number of children in the choir on a first come first served basis. Please find detailed information below:

- Open to all boys and girls grades 4-8
- No experience necessary
- Must be registered parishioners
- Sign-ups through the month of September
- Choir formation meetings scheduled October 4, 5, and 6
- Practices will be on Tuesdays at 6:30 pm in the Church (starting Oct. 11)
- First performance on November 27
- Contact the Parish Office for sign up

Fr. Augustine

Shepherds Field
Olive Wood Handcrafts
A group from the Holy Land (Bethlehem & Jerusalem) will be here at St. Felicitas, on the weekend of August 27/28. They will be selling religious articles after all the Masses on behalf of the Christian Catholic families in Bethlehem.

These families work in small workshops to produce religious articles from olive wood that represent the Christian art of the Holy Land.

Sales will be used to help and support the Catholics in the Holy Land and to encourage them not to immigrate.

Home Missioners Appeal
On the weekend of September 3-4, 2011, Glenmary Father Neil Pezzulo is scheduled to give an appeal on behalf of Glenmary Home Missioners.

Diocesan Survey
A quote from a letter from Bishop Salvatore Cordileone states:

“At this point in our history our Diocese faces many challenges—especially economic—that are holding us back from building upon the legacy we have received. Therefore, the time has now come to seek the opinions and perceptions of as many as possible from our community in order to study and determine the advisability of conducting a capital campaign and how such a campaign might be constructed.

The Diocese is asking all who are interested in the future of the Diocese to respond to an anonymous survey.

Please visit the Diocese’s website at www.oakdiocese.org and follow the link to the survey. If at all possible, please respond before August 31.

“Thank you in advance for your participation in this most important effort, which will help us, in our turn, to support viable ministries for the future so that the next generation of Catholics in the East Bay might know Christ better and make Him better known.”

Bishop Salvatore Cordileone

The happiest people don’t necessarily have the best of everything. They just make the best of everything.
Confianza

Las llaves son de gran importancia para quienes las llevan. Representan la confianza y la autoridad del dueño cuando son entregadas a otra persona. Quizás demos la llave de nuestra casa a un amigo de confianza para que la cuide en nuestra ausencia. Quizás damos las llaves a alguien responsable del mantenimiento u obras de un edificio en particular. Las llaves de vehículos se dan a personas que demuestran ser conductores responsables. Las lecturas de hoy se enfocan en este tipo de confianza, la confianza que confiere autoridad y responsabilidad.

En la Primera Lectura, el símbolo específico es una llave, pero en la Segunda Lectura y en el Evangelio se habla de confianza y liderazgo ya que se refiere a la Iglesia terrena que Jesús estableció. © Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.

!!! Santo es el Señor !!!

Durante la Plegaria Eucarística hay una aclamación que toda la asamblea canta: el Santo. Con esta aclamación, nos unimos a las “potestades celestiales” al reconocer la total santidad de Dios y no sólo confesamos que es santo, sino que lo repetimos cantando. Esta aclamación está tomada de Isaias 6:3, a quien la gloria y santidad de Dios se le revelan. Esta misma alabanza a la santidad de Dios se ha combinado con el “Hosanna” que, traducido directamente del hebreo significa “danos salvación, por favor”. El Evangelio de Mateo le atribuye este término a Jesús: “Hosanna al Hijo de David, bendito el que viene en nombre del Señor. Hosanna en las alturas”. Esta alabanza se hace no sólo en reconocimiento de su divinidad, sino de la salvación que nos trae. Por eso cantamos la santidad del Dios trinitario, que es Padre, Hijo y Espíritu Santo. Esa misma santidad es la vocación universal de toda la comunidad de creyentes: estamos llamados a ser el pueblo santo de Dios y lo que celebramos ha de transformar nuestra vida para

!!! INSCRIPCIONES EN DOMINGO !!!

Solamente durante el MES DE AGOSTO

Apreciados Padres de Familia o Guardianes

Después de nuestra celebración Eucarística, continuiremos distribuyendo y recibiendo aplicaciones para las inscripciones de preparación a la Primera Reconciliación y Primera Comunión.

También tendremos información para PERSONAS ADULTAS QUE ESTANDE Bautizadas AUN NO HAN RECIBIDO LOS DEMÁS SACRAMENTOS.

Mas información? Comuníquese con Mercey Zamora (510) 347-1293