October 2, 2011  Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

PARISH PICNIC

Mass In The Park
(and the Rain !)
Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God.
— Philippians 4:6

Parish News

Church picnic
We had a beautiful picnic at Chabot Park. There were drops of blessings. However, instead of it dampening the spirits, it rejuvenated the enthusiasm of everyone who participated in the Holy Mass in a spirit of picnic. As if in God’s divine providence, the rain ceased for the Eucharistic prayer and for the Holy Communion. After the Holy Mass a few more drops fell probably to wash off the benches and chairs and to settle the dust! We had lunch and fun together; yet the wet weather did not contribute to an enjoyable picnic as planned. Some people hurried off after the Holy Mass.

I would like to thank the Parish Pastoral Council, the Facilities’ committee and Liturgy Committee who jointly organized the picnic. In particular, our thanks go out to Denise Abero who coordinated the entire planning process. Thanks to all who participated in the picnic. It helps to build up community and fellowship.

Parish Gym maintenance
Works to refinish the parish hall are in progress. Gym floor and the windows are nearly completed. Painting of the outer walls will start very soon. We hope to finish it all by the end of October. I thank everyone who contributed specifically to these works. Please pray that all the works conclude well without further delay.

Parish Ministry Handbook
Many parishioners and visitors have been requesting a handbook of all the parish ministries. Finally we have been able to put it all together. Thanks to Sister Magdalena Duong who took charge of this challenging work. It is done! The handbook is available in the parish office for those who wish to have a personal copy. Please find sample copies posted on the Bulletin Board in the vestibule of the church for you to check it out.

New members for Parish Pastoral Council and for Facilities Committee
These committees are accepting new members. If you wish to serve as members of any of these committees, kindly contact the parish office. It is a wonderful opportunity to get involved in the planning of the pastoral life of the parish and bring your time and talent to the service of our parish community.
Events of the Week
Oct 3 thru Oct. 8

| MON 10/3 | 8:30 am | School Bell Choir | AE Rm |
|          | 3:00 pm | School Choir Practice | AE Rm |
|          | 7:00 pm | Faith Formation-Jr. Hig | AE Rm |
|          | 7:00 pm | Facility Meeting | Hall |
| TUE 10/4 | 8:30 am | School Bell Choir | AE Rm |
|          | 3:30 pm | CCD Parent Faith Share | SMC |
|          | 6:30 pm | Adult Confirmation | SMC |
|          | 7:00 pm | Spanish Catechist Meeting | AE Rm |
|          | 7:00 pm | CYO Board Meeting | Hall |
| WED 10/5 | 6:30 pm | RCIA | SMC |
|          | 7:00 pm | Spanish Prayer Group | AE Rm |
| THU 10/6 | 7:00 pm | Spanish Meeting. (O.L.G.) | Hall |
|          | 7:30 pm | Liturgy Committee Meeting | SMC |
| FRI 10/7 | 8:30 am | FIRST FRIDAY | Church |
|          | 9:15 am | School Bell Choir | Church |
|          | 12:30 pm | School Mass | Church |
|          | 4:45 pm | Eucharistic Adoration | Church |
|          | 7:00 pm | Benediction | Church |
|          | 7:00 pm | Spanish Children’s Choir | Hall |
|          | 7:00 pm | Vietnamese Adoration | Church |
|          | 8:00 pm | Vietnamese Choir | AE Rm |
| SAT 10/8 | 3:15 pm | Confessions | Church |

COLLECTIONS
Our Weekly Need: $11,500.00

Sunday Collection $ 8,007.00
Children $ 8.00
Peter’s Pence $ 1,295.00

Thank you for your generous donations.

Faith Formation Classes for 2011-2012
We encourage all children, Kindergarten through 8th grade, who are not attending Catholic School to attend Faith Formation classes. We offer classes for children in Kindergarten through 6th grade on the following days: Tuesday 3:45 to 4:45 p.m. or Wednesday 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Junior High students (7th and 8th grade) meet on Monday from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. Please contact Sandi at 483-4880 in the Religious Education office during the week for an appointment to complete the necessary forms to enroll your child for the classes.

Young at Heart Luncheon
We are sorry to report that The Young at Heart Luncheon had to be cancelled because of the continuing work in the gym.

The next Luncheon will be held on Wednesday, November 2

The October Menu will be the same and the October tickets will be good for the November Luncheon.

STEWARDSHIP
Our Stewardship last week, in the amount of $400.35 went to St. Vincent DePaul Catherine Center, San Mateo
This week’s Stewardship will go to Alzheimer’s Association (to help make their drive and all efforts to defeat Alzheimer’s disease a success)

The Voice is the only regular source of Catholic news and information delivered to all parishioners in the diocese. Please be generous in your support. Checks should be made payable to the parish.
High School Confirmation
Parent & Student
Welcome/Registration Night

Confirmation is a two-year program at St. Felicitas. To sign up for the first year, please attend the welcome meeting this evening, Sunday, Oct. 2, at 7:00pm. Cost for registration is $55.

Please bring a copy of your baptism certificate to registration.

If you have any questions, please contact Mary Segismundo at the Faith Formation Office. @ 483-4880.

Mass Intentions Oct. 2 thru Oct. 9

Sun. 10/2  7:30 am  Emily Teo†
          9:00 am  St. Felicitas Parishioners
          10:30 am  Herculano & Patricia DaRocha†
          12:15 pm  Jose, Maria & Norberto Vargas†

Mon. 110/3  7:00 am  Clifford Hobbs (Birthday)
            8:15 am  Parke, Grace & Robert Mattison†

Tue. 10/4  7:00 am  Chuckie Moscardini†
          8:15 am  Stanley & Ramona Langner†

Wed. 10/5  7:00 am  Jose, Maria & Norberto Vargas†
             8:15 am  Dan O’Connor†

Thurs 10/6  7:00 am  Maria Tubojan†
            8:15 am  Kathy Browne†

Fri. 10/7  7:00 am  Fr. Augustine’s Intention
            8:15 am  John Haesley†
            9:15 am  School Intention

Sat. 10/8  8:15 am  Isidro Berroya Sr. & Jr
            Birthdays
            4:30 pm  Tony Ramirez†

Sun. 10/9  7:30 am  Juanita Orlanda & Felix
            Damian Celario†
            9:00 am  Peter Zeffaro†
            10:30 am  St. Felicitas Parishioners
            12:15 pm  Laura Garcia†

Pray for The Sick & Homebound:

Please Bring the Departed…..
Eleazar Posa

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:  Jon 1:1 — 2:2; 11; Lk 10:25-37
Tuesday:  Jon 3:1-10; Lk 10:38-42
Wednesday:  Jon 4:1-11; Lk 11:1-4
Thursday:  Mal 3:13-20b; Lk 11:5-13
Friday:  Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Lk 11:15-26
Saturday:  Jl 4:12-21; Lk 11:27-28
Sunday:  Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22:1-14 [1-10]
Youth Choir

The organization of the Youth Choir for the 9:00 am Mass on Sundays is well under-way.

Parents who want their children to be in the choir, please sign up.

- Choir open to all boys & girls grades 4-8
- No experience necessary
- Must be registered parishioners.
- Sign-ups thru the month of September
- Choir formation meetings scheduled for October 4, 5, and 6th.
- 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.

ST. FELICITAS SCHOOL

Despite the rain on Sunday, it was quite a wonderful experience going to mass at the park. Some of our eighth graders were able to donate their time and did a great job greeting everyone and passing out song sheets. It was another great sign of the school and parish connection and strong community.

Next week, we will be having parent-teacher conferences on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. The Scholastic book fair will be set up in our library beginning on Monday and will run through the week. The hours are as follows:

- October 3rd and 4th – 3pm to 5pm
- October 5th and 6th - 1:30pm to 7:30pm
- October 7th – 8am to 2pm

All are welcome to come and celebrate literacy and buy books to support our school. We look forward to seeing you there!

Abundant Blessings,

Meghan Jorgensen

LIFE & DIGNITY SUNDAY SET FOR OCTOBER 15/16

At the request of Bishop Cordileone, all parishes in the Diocese of Oakland will be focusing attention on our civic responsibilities by inviting interested parishioners to register for a newly created Catholic Legislative Network. It has been described as a “Voice for Life and Dignity in California”

Next weekend there will be a one-page explanation of the Network and Life & Dignity Sunday in our parish bulletin. Please read it and then carefully and prayerfully consider registering for the Catholic Legislative Network on October 15/16.

Friends of the Poor Walk

Society of St. Vincent de Paul of Alameda County

Date: Sunday, October 2, 2011,
Time: 2pm to 6pm
Where: Moreau Catholic High School
Hayward, CA

Help the community by sponsoring Dimas & Barbara Resendez in our goal to raise donations

Insert the URL into browser to pledge support for Dimas & Barbara

Please use a credit card to make your pledge online or make your check payable to SVdP St. Felicitas.

Love puts the fun in together…..
The sad in apart....
The hope in tomorrow….
The joy in a heart.
EL REGALO DEL REINO DE DIOS

El Evangelio de hoy según san Mateo amplía considerablemente la balada de Isaías. Una comparación con el mismo relato en el Evangelio según san Marcos muestra que aquí el autor se ocupa de enseñar a su comunidad de judío-cristianos: “Este es un relato sobre el Israel de antaño; y es también un relato sobre Jesús y los dudosos líderes”.

Jesús llegó a decir a estos líderes judíos que ellos eran los viñadores que primero apedrearon a sus propios profetas. Y le dijo a los líderes que ellos eran los viñadores que pronto se desharían de él, Jesús, y que, al hacerlo, renunciarían a su papel privilegiado de presentar al Mesías prometido al mundo.

“Y éste”, dice el Evangelio según san Mateo, “es un relato sobre ustedes, los herederos de lo que fue primeramente ofrecido a Israel”. El Reino de Dios fue abierto primero para Israel y ahora es ofrecido a todo el mundo, pero debe ser recibido como un regalo. Los primeros cristianos son los nuevos viñadores. La más profunda realidad del Reino de Dios es que está a disposición de toda persona sobre la faz de la tierra, incluso a Israel.

Comunión bajo las dos especies

Lo común es que las primeras generaciones de emigrantes tengan en su experiencia litúrgica la sagrada comunión solamente bajo la especie del pan. La han recibido bajo las dos especies sólo en circunstancias extraordinarias. Aunque la teología más tradicional nos ha enseñado que al comulgar el pan solamente (la hostia), comulgamos también la Sangre del Señor, el comulgar bajo las dos especies tiene mucho sentido, no porque Jesús esté incompleto al comulgar sólo alguna de las formas, sino porque Cristo se nos da plenamente y nosotros nos unimos plenamente a él. El pan, en la tradición judía, solía suplir al cordero pascual que les recordaba la liberación de Egipto; asimismo, el vino les recordaba la alianza que Dios había establecido con ellos. Para nosotros, los cristianos, el pan es el Cuerpo de Cristo, en plenitud, que se nos da, como se nos dio en la Última Cena y también en la cruz. El cáñiz, que tiene la sangre de la alianza “nueva y eterna”, representa nuestro deseo de “beber el mismo cáñiz” que Jesús bebió, seguirlo hasta las últimas consecuencias. Al beberlo confesamos públicamente no sólo nuestra fe en Cristo, sino nuestro deseo de compartir su suerte, la de la cruz.

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Las clases se iniciaran el Primer Domingo de Noviembre. Durante los dos primeros Domingos de Octubre, después de misa, estaremos aceptando inscripciones para los jóvenes de Primer y Segundo Año en el Programa para la Confirmación. El o la joven debe estar al menos en Noveno Grado o tener 15 años de edad.

Para mas información, por favor llame a la Sra. Mercey Zamora al (510)347-1293

OCTUBRE!
M E S D E D I C A D O A N U E S T R A S E Ñ O R A D E L R O S A R I O.
R E Z A M O S E L S A N T O R O S A R I O P O R L A P A Z E N
NUESTROS HOGARES Y POR LAS NECESIDADES EN EL
MUNDO ENTERO.