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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

Parish School
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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.
Parts of the Mass: Holy Mass has mainly two parts – Liturgy of the Word and Liturgy of the Eucharist.

Part 1 – Liturgy of the Word. The liturgy of the Word has the following elements.

Gathering rites

Coming together, assembling, is at the heart of our Sunday worship. The reason behind each of the ritual actions of the first part of the Mass can be found in this word: gathering. The purpose of these rites is to bring us together into one body—the Body of Christ—ready to listen to God’s word and to break bread together.

Greeters

In many churches today there will be someone at the door to greet you as you arrive for Sunday Mass: We all like to be greeted and welcomed when we gather for a celebration. If the greeters (and we all should serve this function for one another) recognize that you are new to the parish, they will give you a special hello and make you feel at home to pray well with the assembly.

Use of water

One of the first things Catholics do when they come to church is dip their hand in water and make the Sign of the Cross. This ritual is a reminder of our Baptism: We were baptized with water and signed with the cross. At every Mass we renew our promises to die to sin. The Eucharist begins in Baptism; it is Baptism that brings us to Church.

Genuflection

In medieval Europe, it was a custom to go down on one knee (to genuflect) before a king or person of rank. This secular mark of honor gradually entered the Church, and people began to genuflect to honor the altar and the presence of Christ in the tabernacle before entering the pew. Today, many people express their reverence with an even older custom and bow to the altar before taking their place.

Posture, song

When the Mass begins, everyone stands up. Standing is the traditional posture of the Christian at prayer: It expresses our attentiveness to the word of God and our readiness to carry it out. Often we begin by singing together. What better way to gather than to unite our thoughts and our voices in common word, rhythm and melody.

Greeting

The priest will ask us to begin with the sign of the cross, again reminding us of Baptism, and will greet us, saying, “The Lord be with you.” You will hear this greeting frequently. It means many things. Like “good day,” it can mean both “hello” and “good-bye.” It is both a wish (May the Lord be with you) and a profound statement of faith (As you assemble for worship, the Lord is with you). It is an ancient biblical greeting: Boaz returned from Bethlehem (we read in the Book of Ruth 2:4) and said to the reapers, “The Lord be with you!” The ritual response to this greeting is the formula, “And with your spirit,” by which we return the hello, the good wishes, the statement of faith.

Penitential Act, Gloria

All the other ritual acts of this first part of the Mass are intended to gather us together into a worshipping assembly. We are asked to pause and recall our common need for salvation (the Penitential Act). Sometimes the hymn “Glory to God in the highest” is sung or recited at this point. The “Gloria” has been a part of the Mass since about the sixth century! These longer hymns and responses are found in the prayer card that will be made available at our seat, once the changes are introduced.

Collect Prayer

At the close of this first part of the Mass the priest will ask us to join our minds in prayer, and after a few moments of silence he will collect our intentions into one prayer to which we all respond “Amen,” a Hebrew word for “So be it.”

(From Catholic Update)
Events of the Week
Oct 17 thru Oct. 22

| MON 10/17 | 8:30 am | School Bell Choir | AE Rm |
|           | 3:00 pm | School Choir Practice | AE Rm |
|           | 7:00 pm | Catholic Daughters | Hall |
| TUE 10/18 | 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 Mtg. | AE Rm |
|           | 7:30 pm | Parish Pastoral Council | SJC |
| WED 10/19 | 1:00 pm | Golden Glow Club | Hall |
|           | 6:00 pm | Spanish Mass Practice | Church |
|           | 6:30 pm | RCIA | SMC |
|           | 7:00 pm | Spanish Prayer Group | AE Rm |
| THU 10/20 | 7:00 pm | Youth Ministry Meeting | SMC |
|           | 7:00 pm | Spanish Youth Group | Hall |
| FRI 10/21 | 8:30 am | School Bell Choir | AE Rm |
|           | 5:00 pm | Catholic Daughters | Gym |
|           | 7:00 pm | Spanish Children’s Choir | Hall |
|           | 8:00 pm | Vietnamese Choir | AE Rm |
| SAT 10/22 | 8:00 pm | Catholic Daughters | gym |
|           | 3:15 pm | Confessions | Church |

COLLECTIONS
Our Weekly Need: $11,500.00
Oct. 9, 2011
Sunday Collection $ 9,231.50
Children $ 8.00
Catholic Voice $ 2,408.00

Thank you for your generous donations.

STEWARDSHIP
Our Stewardship last week, in the amount of $461.57 went to the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament.

This week’s Stewardship will go to the Sisters of the Gospel Missionair, Vietnam

COMMUNAL ANOINTING OF THE SICK
Saturday, October 15
10:30 am in the Church

The Church encourages the faithful, especially the elderly & those experiencing bodily or emotional illness, to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

All parishioners wishing to receive the Sacrament are invited to be anointed.

Any questions or concerns, please call the Office @ 351-5244—ext. 282.

All I have seen teaches me to trust
The Creator for all I have not seen
Faith Formation Classes for 2011-2012
For children, Kindergarten through 8th grade, who are not attending Catholic School. 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.

Mass Intentions Oct. 16 thru Oct. 23
Sun. 10/16 7:30 am Dan O’Connor †
9:00 am Merlie & Ofren Mascasieb (29th Wedding Anniversary)
10:30 am Francisco Sousa †
12:15 pm Virginia Miramontes †
Mon. 10/17 7:00 am No Mass
8:15 am Vincent Nguyen †
Tue. 10/18 7:00 am No Mass
8:15 am Pedro & Mabel Camacho †
Wed. 10/19 7:00 am No Mass
8:15 am Monica Serrato
Thurs 10/20 7:00 am No Mass
8:15 am Laverne Marts (Birthday)
Fri. 10/21 7:00 am No Mass †
8:15 am Leo, Edna & Francis Jeanminette †
Sat. 10/22 8:15 am Epifanio V. Luna †
4:30 pm Phillip Bigayan (Birthday)
Sun. 10/23 7:30 am St. Felicitas Parishioners
9:00 am Pedro Quiroga †
10:30 am Rafael Herrera †
12:15 pm Brianna Gutierrez (Birthday)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK
Monday: Rom 4:20-25; Lk 12:13-21
Tuesday: 2 Tm 4:10-17b; Lk 10:1-9
Wednesday: Rom 6:12-18; Lk 12:39-48
Thursday: Rom 6:19-23; Lk 12:49-53
Friday: Rom 7:18-25a; Lk 12:54-59
Saturday: Rom 8:1-11; Lk 13:1-9
Sunday: Ex 22:20-26; Ps 18; 1
Thes 1:5c-10; Mt 22:34-40
**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.

- 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.

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**ST. FELICITAS SCHOOL**

The school year is well on its way and we have already taken learning outside of the classroom by taking fieldtrips to San Francisco and San Jose. The 6th grade ventured out to the De Young Museum at the end of September to see the Picasso exhibit that was available for a limited time. Before they went they made their own beautiful Picasso pictures. They were able to see paintings all through his life and relate it to the artistic era that he was living in and how he rebelled against it. It was a great experience for our sixth graders in appreciation of the arts and understanding historical contexts.

Just last Friday, our Kindergarteners traveled by train to the San Jose Discovery Museum. The museum is perfect for young children as every exhibit is made to be touched and manipulated. They learned all about the properties of bubbles for science and all about the food pyramid and where it comes from with two very popular exhibits. It is a wonderful place for exploratory learning.

Our students are blessed to experience many different learning opportunities, both inside and outside of the classroom. If you know of any great learning opportunities feel free to let me know!

Abundant Blessings!

*Mrs. Meghan Jorgensen*

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**ALL SAINTS**

Each year, as the month of October ends with All Hallow’s Eve (Halloween) Catholic communities begin the celebration of All Saints Day. This holy day, November 1, commemorates all the saints. At the 10:30 a.m. Masses on October 30th the children of our parish are invited to dress as their patron saints, the saint whose name they bear or a saint special to them, process into the church as our cantor leads us in “When the Saints Go Marching In.” The children will then sit with their families. Please encourage your child/ren to participate in this special Mass. This will be a good opportunity to help you and your children explore some favorite saints, their lives, and the example they bring to us. If you would like to know more about your patron, you may come into the Religious Education office and look at some books on the saints. If you should have any questions, please contact Sandi at 483-4880.

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**Eucharistic Minister Meeting**

All Eucharistic Ministers are required to attend the Eucharistic Minister Meeting on Thursday, Nov. 10, 2011 at 7:00 pm in the Church. This meeting is part of the Ministers’ spiritual formation, as well as an opportunity to review your ministry as ministers of the Holy Eucharist.

If you have any questions or concern, please call Sr. Magdalena Duong at 347-1287 or Debi Parker at 483-4865.

Thank you for your dedicated and wonderful service at the table of the Lord. May God bless you and your family with God’s abundant love and grace.

*In Christ,*

*Debi Parker & Sr. Magdalena*
Las clases de confirmación comenzarán el PRIMER DOMINGO DE NOVIEMBRE.
Si aún no se han inscrito, por favor pasen por la oficina. Esta es la última semana en que estaremos aceptando inscripciones. Para más información, por favor llamen a la Sra. Mercey Zamora. (510) 3407-1293

Comunión: dar y recibir
La celebración eucarística es la oración por excelencia de toda la Iglesia; la plenitud de esta celebración es la comunión. Aunque comulguemos personalmente, es una acción totalmente comunitaria.

No comulguemos como individuos sino como un solo cuerpo mistico de Cristo que somos. Cristo mismo partió su cuerpo y nos lo dio; durante su ministerio publico, pidió a sus apóstoles que repartieran el pan a la gente.

La comunión se nos da porque es un don y regalo de Dios. Si tomamos directamente la comunión, empobrece el significado porque no es un autoservicio o algo que simplemente podemos tomar. Al comulgar lo que somos, dice san Agustín, estamos llamados a ser lo que comemos. La Eucaristía, como sacramento, es un regalo absoluto de Dios, es un estilo de vida, una espiritualidad a vivir, nunca una conquista propia.

La Eucaristía, nos lo recuerda Juan Pablo II, “crea comunión y educa a la comunión”. En comunión no sólo se recibe el don, sino que la persona comulgante, se da a sí misma, a lo que comulga y a la asamblea con quien comulga y vive esa comunión. —Miguel Arias, © Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.

SÓLO EN DIOS
Isaías nos habla hoy de Ciro, el rey de Persia, ungido del Señor. Dios llama a Ciro por su nombre y lo conduce a servir a los israelitas. En este pasaje oímos que es el Señor quien le da a Ciro su título, quien lo arma contra sus enemigos, y quien abre los portones, y no deja nada trancado ante él. Y Dios hace todo esto para que su pueblo llegue a saber que “yo soy el SEÑOR,” y que “no hay otro” (Isaías 45:6).

Pablo abre su carta esencialmente con la misma noción, que sólo en Dios podemos hallar gracia y paz. Pablo también da gracias a Dios en nuestro nombre, recordando nuestro trabajo fatigoso de fe, esperanza y amor. Y en la familiar lectura del Evangelio, Jesús dice a los fariseos que den al César lo que es del César y a Dios lo que es de Dios.