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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
Rodney Pierre Antoine
   Principal
   1650 Manor Blvd.
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SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME  
July 24, 2011

All things work for good for those who love God.

— Romans 8:28a

“Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received.” (1 Peter 4:10)

Our Church is considered a large parish. It has many ministries and many opportunities for the faithful to do much good. We acknowledge with gratitude to God the many volunteers who serve our Church. Thanks to everyone for their generous gifts of time, talent and treasure.

Volunteers are priceless resources to run ministries in our church. Churches cannot afford to pay for all the people who serve at a church. Who’s going to teach the middle school youth group? What about the running of the kid’s program? Outreach takes committed people, too. Everyone in the church has a spiritual gift. First Corinthians 12 explains about the spiritual gifts and how they are to be used for the good of the church body.

Why volunteer?

People volunteer for a wide variety of reasons, especially wanting to help others. But it’s also OK to want some benefits for yourself from volunteering. Some people are uncomfortable with the notion that a volunteer "benefits" from doing volunteer work. There is a long tradition of seeing volunteering as a form of charity, based on altruism and selflessness. The best volunteering does involve the desire to serve others, but this does not exclude other motivations, as well.

Instead of considering volunteering as something you do for people who are not as fortunate as yourself, begin to think of it as an exchange. Consider that most people find themselves in need at some point in their lives. So today you may be the person with the ability to help, but tomorrow you may be the recipient of someone else’s volunteer effort. Even now you might be on both sides of the service cycle: maybe you are a tutor for someone who can’t read, while last month the volunteer ambulance corps rushed you to the emergency room.

Volunteering also includes "self-help." So if you are active in your neighborhood crime watch, your home is protected while you protect your neighbors’ homes, too. Adding your effort to the work of others makes everyone's lives better.

In the Church volunteering brings spiritual benefits. Jesus tells us, "Truly I say to you, to the extent that you did it to one of these brothers and sisters of Mine, even the least of them, you did it to Me.' (Matt.25:40) It helps us to live our Christian vocation fully. The Lord says, “This is My commandment, that you love one another, just as I have loved you...” (John 15:12) And love is service.

Please find information about volunteer dinner in the Bulletin Fr. Augustine
SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
July 24, 2011
2:00 pm  Baptisms

There will be no Vietnamese Mass in the Church at 4:30 today. The Mass will be said at the Vietnamese Community picnic in the park.

Dear Parents of Altar Servers,
We are happy to inform you that the New Altar Server Schedule is now available in the vestibule and in the parish office. Please pick up a copy for your child if you have not gotten it via email. We thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your continued support and love and the service you offer to God and to the People of God here at St. Felicitas Parish. May God bestow abundant blessings upon you and your family during this summer.

If any of your loved one is sick or has passed away, please inform us so that we can keep you and your loved one in our prayers.

Yours in Christ,
Susan Dionisio, Katie Cronin and Sr. Cecilia

TODAY
St. Felicitas Uniform Exchange
Sunday, July 24, 2011
10:00 a.m. – Noon

It’s that time of year again – clean out those closets and bring us your uniforms. You can exchange them for a bigger size, smaller size or whatever you need for this coming year. For those of you who do not have a uniform to exchange, you can now purchase gently used uniforms. All proceeds go back to the school.

STEWARDSHIP
Our Stewardship last week of $478.95 went to LaSallian Educational Opportunities.

This week our Stewardship will go to Mary’s House (San Pablo) a Catholic home for pregnant & homeless women in crisis.

Collections
Our Weekly Need: $11,500.00
July 10, 2011
Sunday Collection $ 9,579.00
Children $ 23.00
Cath. Univ./ Latin America $ 2,436.50

Events of the Week
July 25 thru July 30

| MON  7/25 | 6:30 pm | St. Vincent DePaul | AE Rm |
| TUE  7/26 | 7:00 pm | Spanish Catechist Meeting | AE Rm |
| WED  7/27 | 7:00 pm | Spanish Prayer Group | AE Rm |
| THU  7/28 | 7:00 pm | Knights of Columbus |
| FRI  7/29 | 6:30 pm 8:00 pm | Spanish Children’s Choir Vietnamese Choir | AE Rm AE Rm |
| SAT  7/30 | 3:15 pm | Confessions | Church |

There will be no Prayer for Peace in August.
We are concluding Prayer for Peace on September 12th with a Holy Mass at 7:00 pm

Father Augustine
Learning Tree and Parish Food Drive
“Thank You”

The St. Vincent de Paul conference wish to extend our sincere thanks to Father Augustine, and our parish family for their generous donations to the “LEARNING TREE BACK TO SCHOOL” and “FOOD DRIVES”. We received over 50 backpacks and many school supplies to ensure the children will have the resources to begin the school year. The non-perishable donations to the food pantry will be distributed to the needy families in the St. Felicitas community. May God bless you and your loved ones for helping the children of our parish.

Dimas Resendez, President
St. Felicitas SVdP Conference

Mass Intentions  July 24 thru July 31

Sun. 7/24  7:30 am  Florentino Mamuyac †
9:00 am  Carole Johnson †
10:30 am  Eugene Dougherty
12:15 pm  Susana Nohemi Lopez (Living)

Mon .7/25  7:00 am  All Souls †
8:15 am  Ronald & Maria Willkom (Wedding Anniversary)

Tue.7/26  7:00 am  Ed & Sandy Braun (40th Wedding Anniversary)
8:15 am  Maria Avilla †

Wed.7/27  7:00 am  Joseph Bao Hoang †
8:15 am  Joe Riccio †

Thurs 7/28  7:00 am  Joseph Hieu Hoang †
8:15 am  Dena Muffel †

Fri. 7/29  7:00 am  Felicidad Arenas †
8:15 am  Tony Ramirez †

Sat.. 7/30  8:15 am  John Hoang †
4:30 pm  Dominador Barrina Sr. †

Sun. 7/31  7:30 am  St. Felicitas Parishioners
9:00 am  Anton—Maria Tran †
10:30 am  Kenneth Kammerer †
12:15 pm  Richard Lopez †

VOLUNTEER DINNER

The Volunteer Dinner this year will be held on August 18th. All Volunteers are invited. If you are a regular volunteer in one of our many ministries in the parish, you are welcome even if you have not received an invitation as yet.

Please respond to the Parish Office if you plan to attend so that we will have a correct count. Also, let us know if you have not received your invitation. Thank you.

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, Army; Jason Buscovich, Army; Victor Avilla, National Guard; Omar Tejeda, National Guard; Michael Roe, Army; Kevin J. Ontai, Army National Guard; Marvin Terlaje, Army, Kyle Swatman, Marine Corp.; Megan McClain, Army

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:  2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 20:20-28
Tuesday:  Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28; Mt 13:36-43
Wednesday: Ex 34:29-35; Mt 13:44-46
Thursday: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Mt 13:47-53
Friday:  Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
Saturday: Lv 25:1, 8-17; Mt 14:1-12
Sunday:  Is 55:1-3; Ps 145; Rom 8:35, 37-39; Mt 14:13-21
THANK YOU!!

Letters of thanks:

From "April Showers"

Dear St. Felicitas Parishioners:

Please accept our most grateful thanks for your recent very generous contribution of socks, briefs, and T-shirts to the Interfaith Homelessness Network & its ministry at April Showers. Your donation was put to work right away to help clothe our homeless neighbors.

St. Felicitas has been a faithful and regular contributor to IHN services and we appreciate the special offerings of funds and supplies that you so graciously provide. We give thanks for your partnership with us, and we look forward to future efforts with you.

Please know that your funds are put to work immediately to help the men & women who are in such difficulty at this time. Your thoughts & prayers also are most appreciated.

Again, thanks for your caring & concern.

Sincerely,
Maxine Sitts, for Gene Bass
Vice Chair & Treasurer

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From Oakland Elizabeth House:

Dear St. Felicitas Church:

Maya Angelou once said, “A bird doesn’t sing because it has an answer, it sings because it has a song.”

This is what we believe at Oakland Elizabeth House when we invite in a family that has come to us for help. When a mother brings her children through our front door, she quickly learns it is important to know that all of life is open to her and that life can be better than the one she has known thus far. At EHouse, she will work on the beginning of a beautiful “song” with her family.

You have made a generous grant of $446.15 to EHouse. Your gift supports our belief in the resilience of the human spirit & that each mother at EHouse, regardless of her personal history, should have an opportunity to become the best person she can be & the best mother she ought to be in a safe & nurturing environment. You have given a new life to the mother as well as her children. Thank you.

Gratefully,
Lori Ottolini

WHAT DO YOU WANT? WHAT DO YOU NEED?

Seattle resident Alex Martin made a dress. She washed it frequently, wore it with different accessories, and hardly anyone noticed that she had it on every day for a whole year. Martin was protesting over-consumption and the intensive marketing that pushes us to buy “stuff.” Most of us aren’t going to stop shopping, but we could ask ourselves why we focus so much on outward appearance. Do we give equal attention to our inner self? In today’s first reading Solomon could have prayed for more riches, the defeat of his enemies, or long life. Instead, he asks for a heart that knows right from wrong in order to fulfill his kingly responsibilities. God grants him wisdom, and he uses the gift for the good of all. Perhaps you dream of winning the lottery or making a fortune. Pray, rather, for the inner gifts you need to help build the kingdom of God.

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If my heart is right with God, every human being is my neighbor

Oswald Chambers
PARTICIPACIÓN EN EL REINO

Hoy concluye la tercera semana de una serie de textos del Evangelio en que hemos escuchado un total de siete parábolas sobre el Reino. Se pide al creyente que considere el pedido que Dios hace a Salomón en la Primera Lectura de hoy: "pídeme lo que quieras, y yo te lo daré" (1 Reyes 3:5). Las parábolas de hoy sobre el tesoro enterrado en el campo y la perla de gran precio nos debería empujar a responder: "¡Una participación en tu Reino, oh Dios!". Hoy descubrimos que el Reino de Dios es invalorable, un tesoro que no tiene precio. Desafortunadamente, nuestra cultura nos bombardea con cosas que considera tesoros inapreciables: vehículo utilitario deportivo, cremas antiarrugas y contra la calvicie, dietas milagrosas, y mucho, mucho más. Tener una participación en el Reino de Dios y contribuir a la venida del Reino son los mayores tesoros que jamás podamos esperar ganar.

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FIESTA DE LA FE

De la epíclesis a la narración

La narración es una parte de la Plegaria Eucarística y comienza después de la epíclesis, es decir, quien preside la Eucaristía (y quien concelebra, si es el caso), invocan el poder del Espíritu Santo para que consagre los dones que la Iglesia ha ofrecido; que se conviertan en el cuerpo y la sangre de Cristo. El signo visible que acompaña este momento es la imposición de manos sobre los dones. A partir de esta invocación, comienza la narración de la Institución en que Nuestro Señor Jesús cristo nos deja la Eucaristía en el contexto de una comida. Esta narración es esencial a la fe cristiana porque describe el dinamismo de su Tradición de una forma pura y fiel. Pablo nos lo recuerda en la primera carta a los corintios: "Yo he recibido del Señor lo que a mi vez les he transmitido" (23). Así pues, el recuerdo de la institución eucarística en el contexto de una comida, no sólo era una historia bonita para recordar, sino un precepto del mismo Jesús que identificará a la comunidad con una historia nueva, una nueva Pascua, un nuevo pan, una Nueva Alianza que se renueva cada vez que se come de este pan y se bebe de este cáliz. Todo esto sucede ahí mismo, frente a nuestros ojos.

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