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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Church Etiquette

We had a meeting of the volunteers who clean, maintain and take good care of our Church and other facilities. Some of their concerns were regarding Church etiquette which I am happy to bring to everyone’s attention. The following is a reflection that might help us in this matter.

Church etiquette varies greatly between the different nations and cultural groups among whom the Christian Church is found. In Western Culture, in common with most social situations, church etiquette has generally changed greatly over the last half-century or more, becoming much less formal. Church etiquette might be seen to mirror other social changes, with the use of given names for leaders, informal dress.

Up until the late 1950s, it was often expected that worshippers wore their best clothes to church services (known colloquially as the Sunday best). Those who support more relaxed dress codes do so, on the basis that congregants should come to God as they are, and that communion with God requires no special clothing. Those who support more formal dress consider that although communion with God does indeed not require special clothing, a church service is an office of devotion and as a matter of respect, it is therefore appropriate to wear one’s best attire. Even when dress code is more relaxed it is still generally considered proper to dress modestly.

You can always tell where the young children have been sitting in the Church. The telltale signs are graham cracker crumbs, cheerios, and animal crackers. Parents sometimes bring snacks or juice along for children during the services. Such activity could be disrespectful of the sacred services and disruptive to others in attendance. At the very most, a bottle may be brought for very small children and babies. If a child has an immediate need for nourishment, they should be fed before the services, or taken outside the church to eat a snack. If a child did eat something during the service, parents should clean up any mess before leaving the Church. By the way, chewing gum is a NO-NO in Church and its surroundings for everyone. Similarly no used tissues should be left in the Church.

The liturgy is not the time to socialize with friends or prepare the offering envelope. Instead, sit quietly and pray. Turn off cell phones and pagers before entering the Church. It helps all to pray without interruption and disturbance.

Saint Paul’s counsel to Titus is so very relevant. “In everything set … an example by doing what is good … so that … they have nothing bad to say about us.” (Titus 2:6-8)

Fr. Augustine
Events of the Week
Aug. 1 thru Aug. 6

| MON 8/1 | 700 pm | CYO Board Meeting | Hall AE Rm |
| TUE 8/2 | 7:00 pm | Spanish Catechist Meeting | Hall AE Rm |
| WED 8/3 | 7:00 pm | Spanish Prayer Group | AE Rm |
| THU 8/4 | 7:00 pm | Spanish Children Choir | Hall SMC |
| FRI 8/5 | 12:30 pm | FIRST FRIDAY Eucharistic Adoration | Church |
|        | 4:30 pm | Vietnamese Choir | Church AE Rm |
|        | 6:30 pm | Vietnamese Adoration | Church |
|        | 7:00 pm | Vietnamese Choir | Church AE Rm |
|        | 8:00 pm | SAINTS | Church |
| SAT 8/6 | 3:15 pm | TRANSFIGURATION Confessions | Church |
|         | 4:30 pm | SVdP Bundle Sunday | Church |
|         | 6:30 pm | Vietnamese Memorial Mass | 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**

Bundle Sunday August 6-7, 2011

The St. Vincent de Paul conference will host **Bundle Sunday** and **Electronic-waste Collection August 6-7, 2011**, at the parish. The collection times are **Saturday 12:00pm to 6:00pm and Sunday 8:30am to 6:00pm**. Bundle Sunday bags are available at all Masses this weekend, **July 30-31, 2011**, with a list of acceptable items to donate to the community.

**God Bless you.**

Dimas Resendez, President
St. Felicitas SVdP Conference

**STEWARDSHIP**

Our Stewardship last week of $413.40 went to Mary’s House (San Pablo).

This week our Stewardship will go to Bay Area Crisis Nursery. (Prevents abuse & neglect of children by providing support to families who are in crisis.) Located in Concord.

**COLLECTIONS**

Our Weekly Need: $11,500.00

| Sunday Collection | $ 8,268.00 |
| Children | $ 14.00 |

Thank you for your generous donations.

**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.
Maintenance Work

Some of the maintenance work we planned for summer is either completed or well underway. Thanks to our volunteers we have been able to refinish the school patio floor & take care of landscaping around the rectory. We are in the process of replacing the windows of the gym, refinishing the floor & painting the outside. I would like to thank all the parishioners who sponsored a window.

We had a great & enthusiastic response from many generous persons & groups. So far we have raised $59,000 for the work. We still need about $40,000 more to complete the work. We trust the generosity of everyone!

Father Augustine

Thank you!
From San Damiano Retreat Center

Dear Fr. Augustine:

I would like to thank St. Felicitas Parish for your $472.62 donation to the San Damiano Retreat Center's "Sharing God's Goodness...Touching Lives" campaign.

Your generosity is truly a blessing to San Damiano, and your participation, along with that of many others, will enhance the Retreat Center's ability to fulfill its increasingly critical role in the spiritual and emotional health of thousands of individuals.

I am very encouraged by the support that we have received. My hope is that all members of the greater San Damiano family—retreatants, friends and others—will follow this example and help make this campaign a success we all can celebrate.

Again, I thank you for your commitment and I ask for your continued prayers for this effort.

Yours in Christ,
Fr. Raymond J. Bucher, OFM
Director, San Damiano Retreat Center

Pray for The Sick & Homebound:


Guillermo Duarte,

Mass Intentions July 31 thru Aug. 7

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 †

Mon. 8/1 7:00 am Maria Hien Tran †
8:15 am Muriel Camozzi

Tue. 8/2 7:00 am Estelitas Magalona Bangloy †
8:15 am John McSharry †

Wed. 8/3 7:00 am Nieves Viloria †
8:15 am John Heasley †

Thurs 8/4 7:00 am Joaquin David-Malig †
8:15 am Bill Brennan †

Fri. 8/5 7:00 am Betty Beedle †
8:15 am Egidia Omelas †

Sat. 8/6 8:15 am John Mullen †
4:30 pm Mary Hussey †

Sun. 8/7 7:30 am Michael Frazier †
9:00 am St. Felicitas Parishioners
10:30 am Baby Jayson Landeza Dinh †
12:15 pm Socorro Duenas Corral †

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Nm 11:4b-15; Mt 14:22-36
Tuesday: Nm 12:1-13; Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14
Wednesday: Nm 13:1-2, 25 -- 14:1, 26-29a, 34-35; Mt 15:21-28
Thursday: Nm 20:1-13; Mt 16:13-23
Friday: Dt 4:32-40; Mt 16:24-28
Saturday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Mt 17:1-9
Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a; Ps 85; Rom 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33
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 I. Ontai, Army National Guard; Marvin Terlaje, Army; Kyle Swatman, Marine Corps; Megan McClain, Army Nat’l Guard;

HIDDEN IN PLAIN SIGHT

Today’s Gospel is a familiar story. A large crowd gathers to hear Jesus speak, and we learn that there were “about five thousand men, not counting women and children” (Matthew 14:21). If all were counted the actual size of the crowd might have been anywhere from double to triple that number. That makes Jesus’ feeding of such a large gathering with only five small loaves and two fish a true miracle. Yet the miracle is not simply, as many people think, Jesus performing some sort of superior magic trick to impress us or to fool us. Instead he is pointing to a greater truth for us to ponder, and he uses signs and symbols to get our attention.

Signs and symbols surround us. They are a vital part of every human culture, but they vary in meaning from one part of the world to another. For example, the color red often denotes danger in most Western countries; in the East it is the color of celebration. Similarly, a handshake, a bow, an embrace, or a hug all have different interpretations in different cultures. In this Gospel story the feeding of the crowd is a sign of Jesus’ power to feed so many with so little, and a symbol of the Eucharistic bread we still share today.

At the same time, remember that small gem of phrasing in the story that is worth considering—“not counting women and children.” This is significant, for many societies today do not consider women or children equal to men. Who does “not count” or is hidden among the crowd in the community of faith? How can we feed those who are starving—for attention, a kind word, a helping hand? What can we do personally that might make all the difference?

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Let gratitude for the past inspire us with trust for the future.

Cicero
NUESTRAS NECESIDADES MÁS PROFUNDAS

La Palabra de Dios nos brinda hoy una tremenda fiesta. Isaías llama a todos los que tienen hambre y sed para que vengan a satisfacerse en el Señor. El salmista proclama: "Abres tú la mano, y sacias de favores a todo viviente" (Salmo 145:16). San Pablo nos dice que nada puede separarnos del amor de Dios. Finalmente, en el Evangelio, escuchamos sobre el milagro de la multiplicación de los cinco panes y dos pescados con que se alimentaron a más de cinco mil personas. Nuestras necesidades diarias suelen estar cubiertas. Sin embargo, estas lecturas tienen mucho que decir al creyente contemporáneo. Debemos preguntarnos: "¿Dónde está mi hambre más profunda? ¿De qué estoy sediento?". Una vez satisfechas las necesidades materiales y, en algunos casos, más que satisfechas, mucha gente sigue ansiando tener equilibrio y bienestar espiritual. Al multiplicarse los panes y pescados en el Evangelio de hoy, tal vez nuestra oración es anhelar que nuestras necesidades más hondas sean satisfechas por el único que puede hacerlo: Dios. (c) Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.

Presencia real por excelencia

Una vez que los dones han sido consagrados por la acción del Espíritu Santo y que el sacerdote ha concluido la Narración, recordando las acciones y palabras de Cristo, el pan y el vino han dejado de ser pan y vino y se han convertido en el Cuerpo y Sangre de Cristo. ¿Qué pasó? No fue una transformación, porque no hubo cambio de forma; no fue una transfiguración, porque no hubo cambio de figura; fue una transubstanciación porque hubo un cambio de sustancia, manteniendo así la misma forma y la misma figura. Esta presencia de Cristo, total y real, bajo las acciones de pan y de vino es la presencia real por excelencia y constituye la enseñanza principal de la Iglesia en torno a la presencia de Cristo. Así nos lo recuerda el Concilio de Trento: Por la consagración del pan y del vino se realiza la conversión de toda la sustancia del pan en la sustancia del Cuerpo de Cristo, Señor nuestro, y de toda la sustancia del vino en la sustancia de su sangre". Se le llama presencia real, "no por exclusión... sino por antonomasia... porque por ella ciertamente se hace presente Cristo, Dios y hombre, entero e íntegro" (Ecclesia de Eucharistia, 15). —Miguel Arias, (c) Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.

Inscripción

Apreciados Padres de Familia o Guardianes
El Ministerio de Formación en la Fe, les comunica que el próximo Domingo 7 de Agosto, después de nuestra celebración Eucarística, tendremos una REUNION DE ORIENTACION EN EL TEMPLO. En este Domingo repartiremos formas de INSCRIPCION para la Primera Reconciliacion y Primera Comunion. También tendremos información para PERSONAS ADULTAS QUE ESTAN BAUTIZADAS Y NO HAN RECIBIDO LOS DEMAS SACRAMENTOS. Mas informacion? Comuníquese con Mercey Zamora (510) 347-1293 o bien, escribiendo Spanishmin@slstfelicitas.org