Volunteer Dinner
August 12, 2014
THE ROCK

Peter was Jesus’ choice to lead the fragile band of apostles. In today’s Gospel, Simon is given a new name—Peter, the “rock.” In John’s Gospel, Peter is called to be a shepherd. He is expected to lay down his life for his sheep. And tradition tells us that he did just that. But today we think about the durable rocklike quality that Jesus needed in a leader.

Peter was appointed to his leadership position for reasons we are not able to fathom. God knows, and Jesus knew well, that Peter was flawed. We cannot mistake his enthusiasms, though, his manifest love, and his great, exuberant faith. Those virtues saw him through. They are durable, tough, beautiful virtues. They make Peter a sympathetic and lovable person. They provide us with the balance and humor that we need as we consider our own roles in the universal church.

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GOD’S WORD TODAY

For several weeks Saint Matthew has been painting his portrait of the Lord Jesus. We have seen the Lord feed the multitudes with a few loaves of bread and a couple of small fish. We have seen him walk on water and offer words of inspiration and reassurance. This week, Jesus asks his followers, “Who do you say that I am?” This question is also addressed to us. We experience the presence of Christ in so many ways throughout our lives: as teacher, healer, comforter, challenger, deliverer, among many other images. Today’s scriptures summon us, the holy Church founded on Saint Peter, to recognize once again the presence of Christ in this holy place. Perhaps God asks you the question, “Right here and right now, who do say that my Son is?” What is your response?

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THE TRUE MEASURE

When I die, God won't measure my head to see how clever I was. God will measure my heart to see how loving I was.

—Anonymous
Twenty-first Sunday of Ordinary Time
August 24th, 2014

No Children’s Liturgy of the Word during August.

2:00 pm  Baptisms in Church
6:30 pm  Confirmation Meeting in the Church/Gym

Second Collection
This Week: The Catholic Voice

Events for the Week of August 25th

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FINANCIAL CORNER
August 17th, 2014

Our Weekly Goal: $11,700.00
Sunday Collection: $9,248.50
Amount needed to reach goal: $2,451.50
Holy Father (Peter’s Pence): $1,714.00

Thank you for your generosity

Stewardship Report
This week’s stewardship will go to FESCO — Family shelter serving homeless families in Alameda County, providing emergency shelter, support services and after care for homeless

Parish Food Drive
Saturday, September 6th
Sunday September 7th

The St. Vincent de Paul (SVdP) conference requests food donations from our parish family. The conference will hold a parish wide food drive to assist the families in our community. Donation boxes will be available at the church the weekend of September 6-7, 2014. We are asking for non-perishable food items; Peanut butter, jelly, canned fruits and vegetables, pasta and pasta sauce, canned soup, fruit juice, pork and beans, canned tuna, canned meat, canned pasta, macaroni & cheese, and canned beans.

Also monetary donations and Safeway/Lucky gift cards are greatly appreciated. All items donated go to help people in need. Thank You in advance for your continued support.

Edgar Walters, President,
St. Felicitas, Saint Vincent de Paul

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF 8/25

Monday:  2 Thessalonians 1:1-5, 11-12; Matthew 23:13-22
Tuesday: 2 Thessalonians 2:1-3a, 14-17; Matthew 23:23-26
Wednesday: 2 Thessalonians 3:6-10, 16-18; Matthew 23:27-32
Thursday: 1 Corinthians 1:1-9; Matthew 24:42-51
Friday: 1 Corinthians 1:17-25; Mark 6:17-29
Saturday: 1 Corinthians 1:26-31; Matthew 25:14-30
Sunday:  Jeremiah 20:7-9; Romans 12:1-2; Matthew 16:21-27

New Greeter Schedules for September/October are in the Vestibule Office unless you receive yours by e-mail.
The Sick and the Homebound


** If any person in this list passes away to eternity, please inform the parish office so that we can pray for the repose of his soul.

LET PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON THEM

† Georgia Vlahos
Who entered into eternal life
August 15, 2014

† Virginia Delemator
Who entered into eternal life
August 16, 2014

GOOD EXAMPLE
A faithful Christian, illumined by the rays of grace like a crystal, ought to illumine his neighbor with the light of good example, through word and deed. —St. Anthony

Shroud of Turin Pilgrimage—Italy

May 17–27, 2015

The “Shroud of Turin” will go on public display, April 19–June 24, 2015.

The Archbishop of Turin said that Pope Francis has been invited to visit the Shroud. The Shroud of Turin is a centuries old linen cloth that bears the image of a crucified man and millions believe it to be the image of Jesus of Nazareth.

The Shroud of Turin Pilgrimage—places to visit: Rome, Pompeii, Sorrento, Capri, Amalfi, Pisa, Montecatini, Florence, Venice, Padua, Turin and Milan. Flyer is available in the Vestibule or Parish Office.

Father Augustine will be the Spiritual Director. For more information and reservations, contact the Group Leader, Linfa Belisario at (510)589-5479.
Your Invitation is Coming Soon!

We are Looking Forward to Your RSVP!

The Catholic Diocese of Oakland Community

Today, there are over 400,000 Catholics, 83 parishes and 1 mission, 108 active diocesan priests; 112 deacons, 29 seminarians, 175 religious priests, 96 religious brothers, 337 religious sisters, and 55 Catholic high schools, elementary schools and colleges under the pastoral care of Most Reverend Michael Barber. Our diocese includes rural, urban and suburban communities, and our population is perhaps the most economically and ethnically diverse in the nation. Masses are celebrated regularly in seventeen different languages, which is indicative of the rich cultural diversity of the East Bay and the local Church.

Together, we celebrate Mass and share in our call to discipleship. We proudly embrace and live our diocesan mission “to know Christ better and make Him better known.”

We Need Your Prayers...

Our faith teaches us the importance of prayer. Your daily prayers for the success of our important project are invaluable. Thank you for your faithfulness.

Over the next month, all registered parishioners of St. Felicitas Catholic Church will receive an invitation to attend a campaign reception.

These receptions are social and informative events that will allow Father Joseph and members of the Campaign Committee to present to you our plan of action for our Reclaiming Christ’s Mission Together Campaign. All of our receptions will take place at the Parish.

These receptions are a unique opportunity to learn firsthand about this historic campaign. By attending a reception, you will be presented with information about new Diocesan projects as well as what we plan to do in order to address our own needs here at St. Felicitas Catholic Church. We will have a personalized packet of information prepared for you when you arrive.

This is also a chance to take some time out of your busy schedule to meet and communicate with each other. Please remember, you will not be asked to turn in a pledge at these receptions. Leave your wallets at home, but bring your questions!

This campaign is absolutely vital for the life and growth of our Diocese. One of the most important things you can do during this campaign is to join us at a reception. When you receive your invitation, please be sure to RSVP as soon as possible!
Su Invitación Vendrá Pronto
¡Esperamos su Respuesta!

La Diócesis Católica de la Comunidad de Oakland

Actualmente hay más de 400,000 Católicos, 83 parroquias y una misión, 108 sacerdotes diocesanos; 112 diáconos, 29 seminaristas, 175 sacerdotes religiosos, 96 hermanos religiosos, 337 hermanas religiosas, y 55 escuelas secundarias, primarias y colegios católicos bajo el cuidado pastoral del Mas Reverendo Michael Barber. Nuestra diócesis incluye comunidades rurales, urbanas y suburbanas, también es quizás la población más económica y étnicamente diversa en la nación. Las misas se celebran por lo regular en diecisiete lenguajes, cual es indicativo de la riqueza de nuestra cultura católica en el Este de la Bahía.

Juntos celebramos misa y compartimos nuestro sentido de custodia. Orgullosos encomendamos nuestra misión diocesana de “conocer mejor a Cristo y hacer que la gente lo conozca mejor.”

Durante el próximo mes todos los feligreses registrados en la Iglesia Católica de San José recibirán una invitación para asistir una reunión de la campaña.

Estas reuniones son eventos informativos y sociales que permitirán al Padre Joseph y miembros de nuestro comité presentar el plan de acción para la campaña Recuperando Juntos la Misión de Cristo. Las reuniones se llevaran acabo en nuestra parroquia.

Las reuniones son oportunidades únicas para aprender de primera mano sobre nuestra campaña histórica. Se les presentara información de los nuevos proyectos diocesanos al igual que nuestro plan para satisfacer nuestras necesidades parroquiales aquí en Santa Felícitas. Tendremos un paquete de información preparado para ustedes cuando lleguen.

Esto también es una oportunidad para tomar tiempo de su horario ocupado y comunicarse el uno al otro. Favor de acordarse que no se les pide hacer una donación o compromiso en estas reuniones, dejen sus billeteras en casa pero traigan sus preguntas.

Esta campaña es fundamental para la vida y crecimiento de nuestra diócesis. Una de las cosas mas importantes que pueden hacer durante esta campaña es asistir una reunión. ¡Favor de reservar su asiento cuando reciban su invitación lo mas pronto posible!

Necesitamos sus oraciones...

Nuestra fe nos enseña la importancia de orar. Sus oraciones diarias para el éxito de nuestros proyectos importantes son invaluables. Gracias por su fidelidad.