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Mass Schedule:
Sunday 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am
12:15 (Spanish) 4:30 (Vietnamese)
Saturday 8:15am, 4:30pm (Vigil)
Daily (Mon-Fri) 7:00am, 8:15am
1st Friday Exposition 12:30-4:45pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturdays 3:15-4:00 pm or by appointment

Baptism
4th Sunday of every month 2:00pm
Contact Parish Office for information.

Marriage
Arrangement to be made 6 months prior to the wedding

Parish Office Hours
Mon-Thurs 8:45am-5:00pm Fri 8:45am--12:00 noon

Parish School
Rodney Pierre Antoine, Principal
1650 Manor Blvd.
Ph. 357-2530  Fax: 357-5358

MISSION STATEMENT
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.
“I have made you a light to the Gentiles, that you may be an instrument of salvation to the ends of the earth.”

— Acts 13:47b

Temperance

Christian life is an invitation to lead a virtuous life. Virtues are habits that one has to develop consciously and with effort. Just as there are habits that are not so healthy – smoking, addictions, cursing, etc. - there are also good and healthy habits that make our life’s journey smooth, pleasant and a happy one. No one becomes an addict to smoking or alcohol just by doing it one time. It is the practice of it over a period of time that makes the difference. Virtues belong to that category of good and healthy habits; we need to practice over a period of time if they are to become part of our human fabric.

Among the virtues, four are called cardinal virtues – justice, prudence, fortitude and temperance. In coming days I would like to dwell on virtues; may it help us to grow in virtues.

Temperance means moderation. It is a conscious action on the part of a person at self control. In our times much is said about self-expression and self-fulfillment. Temperance is not opposed to self-expression and fulfillment. It only calls for moderation because excess leads to self-destruction!

Temperance is a cardinal virtue (from Latin cardo meaning hinge) because virtues like abstinence, chastity, and modesty hinge on it.

Abstinence means restraint in food and drink. Its opposite vice is gluttony and drunkenness. Lack of abstinence could lead to physical illness like obesity. The temperance movement in Europe in the latter part of the 19th century focused on moderation in drinking. G.K Chesterton humorously called it, “an intemperate denunciation of temperate drinking.” Abstinence is necessary for all people at all times and places; however the measure of it will vary from people to people and place to place.

Chastity is moderation in sensual desires or in other words, bodily and sexual pleasures. Opposite vice to chastity is lust. It can take the form of sex-addiction, pornography through internet, video and TV. Every person married or single and in all professional life needs to practice chastity. The practice of chastity, however, varies according to cultures and people.

Modesty concerns our external behavior. That our behavior and dress, speech and life style conform to demands of decency and decorum. The vice opposed to it is pride, exhibitionism, flashing and so on. Modesty is necessary for all, although its practice varies widely.

The new animated movie, How to Train your Dragon, illustrates the meaning of temperance. The movie is about the fierce Viking warriors. Their entire life is all about fighting and killing the fire spitting dragons that attack their village. Hiccup, the son of the chief, is so feeble and weak that everyone makes sport of him. He is a disgrace to his own father the great warrior chief. Though physically weak, hiccup is an inventor. He invents an equipment that can down a dragon. He downs a dragon but no one believes him. He, however, finds this dragon but has no heart to kill it. Instead he befriends it; he is able to tame the dragon and fly on it. After much struggle, he is able to persuade the fierce Vikings to realize that taming the dragon is of far greater advantage than fighting it. Virtues are all about taming the dragon. Temperance is an invitation to us to moderate our life style that we can enjoy the fullness of life with Jesus our savior.

Father Augustine
Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 25, 2010

Second Collection: Catholic Home Missions

MON
4/26
6:30 pm
St. Vincent DePaul meeting
AE Rm

TUE
4/27
3:30 pm
CCD Classes
School
SMC

6:00 pm
CCD Parent Faith Share
Church

7:30 pm
1st Communion Practice
SJC

Enviornment/Liturgy meeting

WED
4/28
1:00 pm
Golden Glow Club
Hall

7:00 pm
Spanish Ministries Mtg.
AE Rm

7:30 pm
RCIA
SMC

THU
4/29
7:00 pm
CCD 1st Communion Practice
Church

FRI
4/30
7:00 pm
Spanish Choir
Hall

7:00 pm
Spanish Prayer Group
SMC

8:00 pm
Vietnamese Choir Practice
AE Rm

SAT
5/1
3:15 pm
Confessions
Church

Events of the Week:
April 26 thru May 1

COLLECTIONS
OOPS!! We are sorry but the amount of the collection printed last week was a mistake. It should have been $9,840.50 instead of $11,840.50 (Wishful thinking!!)

April 18, 2010

Sunday Collection $10,746.00
Children's Collection $  24.00

Thank you for your generous contributions. Please consider remembering us in your will.

Stewardship

Last Sunday, April 18, our Stewardship of $537.30 went to Missionaries of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

This Sunday, April 25, our Stewardship will go to Seminarians of the Oakland Diocese.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26; Jn 10:22-30
Wednesday: Acts 12:24 — 13:5a; Jn 12:44-50
Friday: Acts 13:26-33; Jn 14:1-6
Saturday: Acts 13:44-52; Jn 14:7-14;
or (for the memorial) Gn 1:26 — 2:3
or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24; Mt 13:54-58
Sunday: Acts 14:21-27; Ps 145; Rv 21:1-5a; Jn 13:31-33a; 34-35

Vocation Prayer

Generous God,
You show us the way that leads to everlasting life
Through baptism you have called us to proclaim the Good News.
Bless and strengthen those who have made a commitment of service in the Church.
Guide and give wisdom to those discerning their vocation.
Enrich our Church with dedicated married and single people, priests, deacons and religious.
May our youth listen to God's call & be encouraged to respond generously.

World Day of Prayer for vocations

Today, Good Shepherd Sunday, is a special day for everyone in our parish. We celebrate “World Day of Prayer for Vocations”.
We ask that we may be filled with joy & the Holy Spirit as we carry on the mission of Jesus, our Good Shepherd.
Let us pray for one another that we may be strengthened in our Christian vocations as married & single people, priests, deacons and religious.
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**The Sick & Homebound:**

For all who are ill that through the touch of Jesus, they may be restored to the fullness of life, especially for our Parishioners at this time:

- Fr. Joseph Fiedorowicz
- Gregory Caruso
- Earl Granahan
- Nick Botelho
- Juan Gobel
- Barbara Holt
- Rose Rachel Boniglonol
- Brendan Nelson
- John Silva
- Stana Oven
- Mary Mosser
- Bob Richard Attow
- Virginia Brown
- Albert Pontes
- Evelyn Lake
- Doug Mendoza
- Mercedes Corral
- Joe Monsor
- Nina Asuncion
- Dorothy Freitas
- Florentino Mamuyac
- Dena Maffei
- John Heasley
- Daniel Torrer
- Debora Houston Perakis
- Margarita Ubeda
- Teresa Wagner Smyth
- Richard Smid
- Kevin Murphy
- Bailey Gendreau
- Ramona Balagat
- Gene Torres
- Oscar Bickerten
- Jerry Torres
- Howard Mart
- Herman Schmitt

**PRAY FOR THE DEPARTED:**

- Edward Oliver
- John Soares
- Herman Schmitt

**Mass Intentions**  
April 25 thru May 2

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**Vacation Bible School**

Planning your summer vacation?

Be sure to mark your calendars for the week of July 12th through July 16th and plan to have your children attend. Each day from 9:00 am to Noon. Everyone between the ages of Kindergarten and 6th grade are invited!

If you should have any questions, please call Sandi in the CCD Office, 483-4880

**ST. FELICITAS PARISH**

**Spring Clean-up & ‘Sparkle’ Day**

It’s that time of year again! Please mark your calendars for Saturday, May 15 from nine till noon and join your fellow parishioners in a campus wide cleaning and gardening day. We will be cleaning both inside and out so please bring whatever tools and equipment you have that matches the type of work you want to perform. Please listen for continuing announcements in Church as we get closer to the May 15 date. Thank you for your continued support of our beautiful parish facilities and grounds.
CONGRATULATIONS
NEW EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

We welcome our new Eucharistic Ministers who were commissioned on April 18th, 2010 at 9:00am Sunday Mass

Jean Marie Stott
Mary Young
Jack Young
Phillip Parker
Maria Luisa Penaranda
Brain Bellefeuille
Maria Delos Reyes
Nellie Turner
Aida Hernandez
Beth Hernandez
Edger Waters

We appreciate your dedication to this ministry to distribute Holy Communion. May God constantly strengthen your faith and bless your family with His love and joy through your ministry.

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS MEETING

We have scheduled another meeting for the Eucharistic Ministers who missed the previous meeting. The meeting will be on Tuesday, May 04, at 7:30 pm in Saint Mary Center. The purpose of this meeting is to refresh your ministry and to inform some guidelines. We wish that those who were unable to attend the previous meeting will arrange your schedule to attend this meeting. Thank you, and we hope to see all of you at the meeting.

Debi Parker and Sr. Magdalena Duong

Thank you Michele

We are sorry to report that Michele Javier-Poma, our Youth Minister, will be leaving St. Felicitas at the end of May.

We want to thank Michele for serving so well as Youth Minister / Confirmation Coordinator for this year.

We are looking for a new Minister to take over this position and will be accepting applications at this time.

Anyone interested in applying, may call the Parish Office at 351-5244.

ST. FELICITAS SCHOOL

Help Shape the Future of Catholic Schools!

The Diocese of Oakland is embarking on a strategic planning process to ensure that our Catholic schools are vital and viable for generations to come. You are invited to help re-imagine the future of our schools! Everyone in our parish and school community is invited to share their perspectives and ideas about Catholic schools in an anonymous Community On-Line Survey that can be accessed through the following links from April 1 through April 30:

English:  www.surveymonkey.com/s/dioceseofoaklandcatholicschools
Spanish:  www.surveymonkey.com/s/dioceseofoaklandcatholicschoolsspanish

Our school has recently revised our protocols for student safety in the event of an earthquake or other disaster requiring evacuation. An evacuation drill is scheduled for Friday, May 7th. This drill will involve a controlled student pickup that will require the closure of the entrance and exit of our main driveway following the conclusion of the 8:15 mass. We thank you in advance for your flexibility.

Peace and God Bless,
Mr. Pierre-Antoine

RETREAT FOR YOUNG ADULTS

Saturday, May 15, 2010
10 am to 9 pm
Young Adults - 21 - 40
Sister Rebecca, Presenter

Queen of the Holy Rosary Center
Dominican Sisters of Mission San Jose
Motherhouse

NEW GREETERS’ SCHEDULES

New Greeter’s Schedules are now available and may be picked up after Mass in the Vestibule Office or at the Parish Office during the week.
La vida Cristiana es una invitación que conduce hacia una vida virtuosa. Las virtudes son hábitos que uno tiene que desarrollar conscientemente y con esfuerzo. De forma en que existen hábitos que no son saludables —como el fumar, adicciones, lenguaje soez, etc.— existen también buenos y saludables hábitos que hacen que el camino de nuestra vida sea tranquilo, agradable y feliz. Nadie se hace adicto al fumar o al alcohol solo por hacerlo una vez. Es la continuidad en hacerlo por un periodo de tiempo lo que hace la diferencia. Las Virtudes pertenecen a la categoría de buenos y saludables hábitos; Necesitamos practicarlos por un periodo de tiempo si ellos van a ser parte de nuestra naturaleza humana.

Entre las virtudes, cuatro son llamadas Cardinales —justicia, prudencia, fortaleza y templanza. En días futuros, me gustaría hablar extensamente sobre las virtudes; tal vez eso nos pueda ayudar a crecer en virtudes.

Templanza significa moderación. Es una acción consciente en el aspecto personal de propio control. En nuestro tiempo se habla mucho acerca de auto-control y auto-realización. La templanza no se opone al auto-expresión y a la realización. Solo llama a la moderación porque el exceso conduce a la propia destrucción.

La Templanza es una virtud cardinal (de el Latin cardo que significa depender, -apoyarse) porque virtudes como la abstinencia, la castidad y la modestia, dependen de ella.

Abstinencia significa restricción en la comida y en la bebida. Lo opuesto a esto es la glotonería y la bebida o embriaguez. La omisión de la abstinencia, podría conducir a la enfermedad física de la obesidad. La abstinencia es necesaria para todas las personas de todos los tiempos y lugares; aunque la medida de esto, va a variar de pueblo a pueblo y de lugar a lugar.

La Castidad es la moderación en los deseos sexuales o en otras palabras, en los placeres corporales y sexuales. El vicio opuesto a la castidad es la lujuria. Puede tomar la forma de adicción al sexo, pornografía a través del internet, videos y televisión. Cada persona casada o soltera y en toda la vida profesional, necesita practicar la castidad. La practica de la castidad, no obstante, varía de acuerdo a las culturas y a la gente.

La Modestia concierne a nuestro conducta externa. Nuestro comportamiento y nuestro vestir, nuestro hablar y nuestro estilo de vida se someten a la exigencia de decencia y decoro. El vicio opuesto a ella es la arrogancia, el exhibicionismo, el deslumbramiento y otras además. La modestia es necesaria para todos, aunque su práctica varia extensamente.

La película animada, “Como tratar a tu Dragon, ejemplifica el significado de la templanza. La película es acerca del violento guerrero Vikingo. Su vida entera es toda acerca de pelear y matar al dragon que escupe fuego y que ataca a su villa.

Hiccup, el hijo de el jefe, es débil y flojo. El es una desgracia para su propio padre, el gran jefe guerrero. Aunque físicamente débil, Hiccup es un inventor. El inventa un equipo que puede vencer a un dragon. El puede vencer a un dragon pero nadie cree en el. Aunque el encuentra a este dragon, no tiene corazón para matarlo. En vez de eso, hace amistad con el; Hiccup es capaz de amanzar al dragon y volar sobre el. Después de mucho batallar, el es capaz de persuadir al violento Vikingo para que comprenda que amanzar al dragon es mayor avance que pelear con el.

Todas las virtudes son acerca de amanzar al dragon. La templanza nos invita a moderar nuestro estilo de vida para que disfrutemos el tiempo de nuestra vida con Jesus nuestro salvador.

Fr. Augustine Joseph                              Traduccion: Merezy Zamora