**SEPTEMBER 6, 2015**
**TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

### Mass Schedule

**Sunday**
- 7:30 am - 9:00 am - 10:30 am
- 12:30 pm (Spanish) 4:30 pm (Vietnamese)

**Saturday**
- 8:15 am - 4:30 pm (Vigil)

**Daily (Monday to Friday)**
- 7:00 am - 8:15 am

**Holy Days**
- 7:00 am 8:15 am 7:00 pm

**1st Friday Exposition**
- 12:30 to 4:45 pm

### Sacraments

**Reconciliation**—Saturday, 3:15 p.m.- 4:00 p.m. or by appointment.

**Baptism**—4th Sunday of every month at 2:30 p.m.
- Contact Parish Office for information

**Marriage**—Arrangements to be made 6 months prior to the wedding.

### Parish Office Hours

- Monday - Tuesday 9:00 am to 4:00 pm
- Wednesday - Thursday 9:00 am to 4:30 pm
- Friday 9:00 am to 12:30 pm

### Mass Etiquette

Please,
- Come to Mass early enough not to disrupt.
- Leave late enough not to insult.
- Worship reverently enough not to distract.
- And dress proudly enough not to offend.

### Parish Staff

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### Parish School

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- 357-2530
- Fax: 357-5358

### Religious Education Office

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- stfelicitasccd@comcast.net

**Geri Lara**
- Youth Services
- 347-1285
- stfelicitasym@yahoo.com

**St. Vincent de Paul**
- 706-1972
My Dear Parishioners:

How have you encountered Jesus? As Christians we encounter the person of Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, every day. As Christians we have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. This encounter with Jesus brings us new perspective, a new freshness in our faith and much more. It gives us the comfort of knowing that God is always with us no matter what happens in our life. God’s faithfulness will triumph. This conviction brings us comfort and joy.

In the scripture readings this weekend we have an invitation to reflect on how our encounter with God in faith can bring us comfort and joy even in the midst of difficulties, hardships, and the trials of life. “Be strong, fear not! Here is your God... he comes to save you” (Isaiah 35:4)

“The God of Jacob keeps faith forever, secures justice for the oppressed, gives food to the hungry. The Lord set captives free.” (Psalm 146:6)

Today’s scriptures invites us to encounter God directly in faith, especially in our difficulties so we can experience the newness—the freshness—of our faith. The gospel of Mark tells us of the faith of the people who brought a man to Jesus to be healed. Jesus looked heavenward emphasizing that the healing comes from God, the Father, through Him. Jesus showed that God is with us and is an understanding, merciful God. We need to understand that we are never alone—God is always with us. The knowledge that we are never alone gives us energy and strength to share our faith with others easily and more effectively.

Father Tom
Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 6th, 2015

Children’s Liturgy of the Word

Second Collection
This Week: Maintenance
Next Week: Diocesan Priest Retirement Benefit Trust

This weekend is Labor Day Weekend.
The office will be closed on Sunday, September 6th and Monday September 7th.

Events for the Week September 7, 2015

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FAITH FORMATION

Sandi Walton will be available after the 9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Masses on Sunday, September 6th in the vestibule for you to complete the necessary forms to enroll your child for classes or you can contact Sandi at 510-347-1282 in the Religious Education office during the week for an appointment.

FREE BOOKS

There will be books on the table in the vestibule of the church after every Mass. These are books from St. Joseph's Center that have been collected over the years. No one has had access to them so we have decided to make them available to our parishioners.

Please feel free to help yourselves to as many as you want. If the early Masses take quite a few, the number will be replenished as the day goes on. They are available at the Spanish and Vietnamese Masses, as well.

Please do NOT BRING any books you might have. This is only for books from St. Felicitas Library.

FINANCIAL CORNER

Our Weekly Goal: $11,700.00
Sunday Collection—August 23rd: $9,913.00
Amount needed to reach goal: $1,787.00

Thank you for your continued generosity.

Stewardship Report
Stewardship for August 30th of $495.65 went to a Special Need.

Adult Faith: Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.) Please remember Father Tom’s call for each of us to bring someone new to the faith, you provide the invitation, we will do the work. If you or someone you know is over the age of 16 and in need of the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, and/or Holy Eucharist) please contact Father Eddie at 510-351-5244.

My fellow kababayans and St. Felicitas parishioners.
The first Filipino Association of St. Felicitas was organized last August 8, 2015, under Father Tom and Father Eddie’s support and guidance. We have identified 7 events that the Filipino Association will be sponsoring. The first one will be The Feast of San Lorenzo Ruiz de Manila—September 27, 2015 (at the 10:30 Mass). ALL are welcome to join us with our first event on September 27, during the 10:30 Mass. Celebration will follow in the gym with some favorite Filipino dishes.

If you have any questions please call the Lead coordinator, Grace F. Echalas at: 510-508-4523.

Our Lady of Fatima Devotion
All Masses at 6:30 P.M.
September 14—Monday
October 13—Tuesday

New Greeter Schedules for September and October are available in the vestibule office unless you received yours by e-mail.
If any person on this list is well and no longer in need of prayers please inform the parish office. If they pass away please let us know so we can pray for the repose of his or her soul.

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**WHO ENTERED INTO ETERNAL LIFE**

**BERTHA JARDINE † - August 31, 2015**

**PATRICIA VARGAS † - August 31, 2015**

**LET PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON THEM**

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**Pray the Rosary for World Peace**

- 7:30 am Church (daily)
- 8:45 am Church (Mon-Tues-Wed-Fri-Sat)
- 8:45 am S.J. Chapel on Thursday

Please Pray for the success of Reclaiming Christ’s Mission Together Campaign

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**Mass Intentions**

For the Week of September 6th to 13th

Sun. 9/6 7:30 am Parishioners
9:00 am Virginia Montesano †
10:30 am Maria Ensl Castro †
Jordan “Bud” Rames †
12:15 pm Monchita Mairena †

Mon. 9/7 7:00 am Peter Hien Phan †
8:15 am Wally Frederickson †

Tues. 9/8 7:00 am Sonia Wyatt †
8:15 am Luz Quinto †

Wed. 9/9 7:00 am Marie Choury †
8:15 am Têrêsa Trân †

Thurs. 9/10 7:00 am Hortensia Prado †
8:15 am Mr. & Mrs. Barber (A)

Fri. 9/11 7:00 am 9/11 Intentions
8:15 am 9/11 Intentions

Sat. 9/12 8:15 am Policarpio Villanueva †
4:30 pm Paul & Jeanne Cromwell †
Yit Khaun Behnke †

Sun. 9/13 7:30 am Peter Banq †
9:00 am Parishioners
10:30 am Têrêsa Trân †
Lorraine Lau †
12:15 pm William Amezquita (L)

(A) Anniversary (B) Birthday (T) Thanksgiving

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**READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 7th**

**Monday:** Colossians 1:24 — 2:3; Psalm 62:6-7, 9; Luke 6:6-11, or, for Labor Day, any readings from the Mass “For the Blessing of Human Labor,” nos. 907-911

**Tuesday:** Micah 5:1-4a or Roman 8:28-30; Psalm 13:6 Matthew 1:1-16, 18-23 [18-23]

**Wednesday:** Colossians 3:1-11; Psalm 145:2-3, 10-13ab; Luke 6:20-26

**Thursday:** Colossians3:12-17; Psalm 150:1b-6; Luke 6:27-38

**Friday:** 1 Timothy 1:1-2, 12-14; Psalm16:1b-2a, 5, 7-8, 11; Luke 6:39-42

**Saturday:** 1 Timothy 1:15-17; Psalm 113:1b-7; Luke 6:43-49

**Sunday:** Isaiah 50:5-9a; Psalm 116:1-6, 8-9; James 2:14-18; Mark 8:27-35
It’s Time to Register for Religious Education Classes

FAITH FORMATION

Faith Formation Registration for 2015-2016

All children, Kindergarten through 8th grade, who are not attending Catholic School should be attending Faith Formation classes. We offer classes for children in Kindergarten through 6th grade on the following days:

Tuesday 3:45 to 4:45 p.m. or Sundays 9:15 to 10:15 a.m.

Junior High students (7th and 8th grade) meet on Monday from 6:45 to 7:45 p.m.

We will be available after the 9:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Masses the weekend of September 5th in the vestibule for you to complete the necessary forms to enroll your child for classes or please contact Sandi at 347-1282 in the Religious Education office during the week for an appointment.

From The Principal of St. Felicitas School
— Meghan Jorgensen —

The students of St. Felicitas Catholic School have continued to put their “best foot forward” during the first few weeks of school. They have done a tremendous job with their active participation in Mass over the past few weeks. Our choir and school children sang beautifully thanks to the guidance and work of our music teacher, Mr. Krummell. It has been so wonderful to share the time with the parishioners at the 8:15 morning Mass and, as always, at our 9:00 monthly Sunday Mass. It is always a wonderful symbol of the important connection between the parish and school. Thank you from the bottom of my heart for all the love, support and prayers that you have given to the school! We have a fantastic school thanks to your love and support!

I am very much looking forward to working closely with Father Tom and the School Board as we continue to find opportunities to celebrate the school and parish partnership. We still have openings in the school board if you are passionate about building community!

You are always in my prayers!

Abundant Blessings,

Meghan Jorgensen

ST. FELICITAS CATHOLIC SCHOOL PRESCHOOL
Educating hearts, minds, and spirits.

We are currently accepting applications for our new preschool. We have open enrollment and students can start immediately. We offer a student-centered program where students learn through structure and fun exploration.

Interested parents are welcome to come and observe with your preschool student.

Please contact our school office or visit our website at www.stfelicitas-school.org for more information.

Serve in Your Parish Through the Ministry of SPRED

The Special Religious Education Department or SPRED reaches out to individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities in the Diocese of Oakland. The SPRED Model Center Community invites you to assist in welcoming these individuals into an environment where anyone can become aware of God’s love. Become a SPRED Catechist; training is provided for interested volunteers. For information about this beautiful ministry call 510-635-7252 or email info@spreodoakdiocese.org

Website: www.spreodoakdiocese.org
Reflexionemos sobre la Palabra de Dios

Quizás hayas visto la película El discurso del Rey (título original: The King’s Speech), que trata sobre Jorge VI, el futuro rey de Inglaterra, cuyos trastornos del habla eran tan severos que lo hacían llorar de ira y humillación. Su esposa Isabel encontró un logopeda que fue capaz de ayudarlo usando algunos métodos heterodoxos, tales como dar vueltas sobre el piso, maldecir y cantar. Es un momento profundamente conmovedor cuando el rey Jorge se dirige por fin a su pueblo a través de la radio y da un discurso impecable dándole a su pueblo ánimo en la víspera de la Segunda Guerra Mundial.

La historia en este Evangelio nos cuenta cómo Jesús ayudó a un hombre a encontrar su propia voz. El hombre a quien Jesús había tocado con su saliva (un elemento al cual se le daba la propiedad de espantar los demonios) comenzó a hablar “correctamente”. “Ábrete”, dice Jesús, y así sucede (Marcos 7:34). Entonces el hombre habló la verdad sobre lo que Jesús había hecho por él y ensalzó a Jesús por ello.

Al afincarnos en nuestra fe en el Señor, Jesús nos pide tanto hablar como a actuar “correctamente” a los ojos del mundo preocupándonos por aquellos que tienen poco y tratándolos con la misma dignidad que el mundo le concede a aquellos que tienen mucho. Estamos llamados a imitar a Jesús con nuestra tierna atención a aquellos que han sido heridos por la vida y están abrumados por el rechazo de otras personas. Ayudar a los demás para que escuchen la melodía del amor se puede hacer de muchas maneras sencillas sin necesidad de mucha algarabía. James A. Wallace, C.Ss.R. 2014, World Library Publications. Todos los derechos reservados.

Hermano, hermana!

Si usted aún no ha recibido los sacramentos de la “Primera Comunión”, o si aún no está confirmado, no vacile en llamarnos y nosotros le procuraremos mayor información referente a la preparación para estos sacramentos.

Las clases se imparten en días Domingos, con el mismo horario de “Formación en la Fe” para los niños y niñas del catecismo.

Si desea mayor información, ya sea para usted, jóvenes para la confirmación o preparación para la primera comunión, comuníquese con la Sra. Mercey Zamora, llamando a: (510) 347-1293 ó (510) 351-5244, o bien escribiendo merceyzwwjd@gmail.com ¡Sea Bienvenido/a!

Vivamos la Palabra de Dios

Señor, abre nuestros oídos para oír las muchas maneras en que tú nos hablas, para escuchar la suave melodía de tu voz, que a menudo nos llega en medio de la quietud. Que nos rindamos para reconocer que tú eres nuestro Dios, siempre dispuesto y deseoso a acercarte más a nosotros.

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