St. Felicitas Catholic Church



15th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"The seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold." - Mt 13:23

July 16, 2023

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Mass Schedule

Chương Trình Thánh Lễ / Horario para Misas

Sunday / Chúa Nhật / Domingo

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

Saturday / Thứ Bảy / Sábado

7:00 am - 4:00 pm (Vigil)

Daily / Ngày thường / Diariamente

(Monday to Friday) 7:00 am & 8:15 am

<u>Parish Office Hours/Giò làm việc VPGX / Horario de</u> Oficinas

Monday / Thứ Hai / Lunes to 9:00 am to 4:00 pm Friday / Thứ Sáu / Viernes

Sacraments / Các Bí Tích / Sacramentos

Reconciliation / Giải Tội / Reconciliación

Monday to Friday - 7:30 am to 8:00 am Saturday, 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. or by appointment.

Marriage / Hôn Phối / Matrimonio

Arrangements to be made 6 months prior to the wedding.

Baptism : If you are planning to have your child baptized, parents must be registered members of the parish for at least six months. For more information call the parish office at (510) 351-5244.

We have Baptisms in English on the 4th Sunday of the month at 2:00 pm and Baptism classes for parents and godparents will be on the 2nd Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm - St. Mary's Center.

Parish Staff

Nhân viên của Giáo xứ

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The Chapel at the St. Joseph's Center (the Parish Office) is open for worship. We encourage all our parishioners to spend time with our Blessed Lord.

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Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time—July 16th, 2023



"The seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and understands it."

MATTHEW 13:23

Todays Readings: Isaiah 55:10-11; Ps 65:1, 11, 12-13, 14 (Luke 8:8); Romams 8:18-23; Matthew 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

Reflection: Today's Gospel marks the beginning of the third long discourse given by Jesus in the Gospel of Matthew. Over the next few weeks, the Gospel readings will consist of the entire 13th Chapter of Matthew's Gospel, a lengthy teaching discourse.

Throughout this discourse, Jesus will offer several parables to illustrate for his listeners what he means by the kingdom of heaven. He begins with the parable of the sower, which appears rather straightforward—of course seeds grow best in good soil. Seeds that miss the soil, are sown on rocky ground, or are sown among other plants will not grow. The surprise in the parable is the enormous yield of the seed that is sown on good soil.

Jesus then explains his use of parables. Jesus seems to suggest that he uses parables to teach because the meanings of parables are not self-evident. The hearer must engage in some degree of reflection in order to comprehend the message of a parable. In this way, the medium—the parable—models the point of the parable of the sower. Those who are willing to engage themselves in the effort to understand will be rewarded by the discovery of the message and will bear fruit.

To bring home the point, Jesus interprets the parable of the sower to his disciples. The different types of soil in which the seeds are sown are metaphors for the disposition with which each individual hears the teaching about the kingdom of heaven. Some will be easily swayed away from the kingdom of heaven. Some will receive it for a time but will lose it when faced with difficulties. Some will hear the word but will then permit other cares to choke it out. Yet some will receive it well, and the seed will produce abundant fruit.

Readings for the week of July 16, 2023

Monday: Exodus 1:8-14, 22; Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8; Matthew 10:34—11:1 Tuesday: Exodus 2:1-15a; Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34; Matthew 11:20-24 Wednesday: Exodus 3:1-6, 9-12; Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 6-7; Matthew 11:25-27

Thursday: Exodus 3:13-20; Ps 105:1 and 5, 8-9, 24-25, 26-27; Matthew 11:28-30 Friday: Exodus 11:10—12:14; Ps 116:12-13, 15 and 16bc, 17-18; Matthew 12:1-8 Songs 3:1-4b or 2 Corinthians 5:14-17; Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9; John 20:1-2, 11-18

Considering becoming Catholic? Interested in what Catholics believe? Then consider RCIA (The Rite of Christian Initiation).

- Would you like to get a better idea of what it means to be Catholic and what is involved in becoming fully initiated into the Catholic Church?
- Are you unbaptized and feel the need for a spiritual dimension in your life?
- Are you baptized in a different Christian tradition and would like to explore Catholic beliefs and practices?
- Are you married to a Catholic and attend Mass, and would like to take the next step to become Catholic yourself?
- Are you a baptized Catholic but have not received First Communion or Confirmation?

If you have answered "yes" to any of these questions the RCIA may be for you. A new RCIA session will begin in **August**. If interested please call the parish office at (510) 351-5244 for more information.

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Parish Offering for July 2nd:

Sunday Collection - \$ 7,738 Parish Maintenance - \$ 3,839

Parish Offering for July 9th:

Sunday Collection - \$ 6,873.50 Peter's Pence \$ 2,172 Solar Energy Fund - \$4,417

Second Collection this Sunday - Building Fund Second Collection next Sunday - Solar Energy Fund

Thank you for your continued generosity.

The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for July

For a Eucharistic Life - We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters. You are invited to answer the Pope's request and pray with people worldwide for this intention

HELP RAISE OUR CHURCH ROOF!

July 22nd and July 23rd

The Parish Council will have two fundraisers after the masses on the front patio

After 4pm Mass:

Ice Cream and Frozen Lemonade Cups \$2 per item

After 7:30am & 9am Mass: Donuts, Hot Chocolate/Coffee \$1 per item

After 10:30am, 12:30pm and 4:30pm Ice Cream and Frozen Lemonade Cups \$2 per item



Schedule of Masses for Our Lady of Fatima Devotion All Masses at 7:00 P.M.

August 11 Friday September 13 Wednesday October 13 Friday

PARISH MINISTRIES & SCHEDULES

Adult Confirmation

Classes every Saturday, at 9:00 a.m. at the St. Mary's Center. For more information contact Maria Lara at (510) 877-2888 or email her at maripazlara2211@gmail.com

Faith Formation

English: Director of Religious Education - Sandi Walton All Classes now in person. For information call (510) 347 1282 Spanish: Director, Mercey Zamora, Pastoral Associate, For more information contact Ms. Zamora (510) 347-1293

Vietnamese: Sr. Mariann Le

Classes: Sunday 1:00pm, Vietnamese Language 3:00pm, Catechism

RCIA-the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Meetings held in person at the St. Joseph's Center at 6:30 pm -Contact Deacon Timothy Myers

Youth Ministry

Youth Confirmation - Contact Geri Lara Classes now in person on the following days: 1st year Sunday at 3:30 pm: 2nd year Sunday at 5:30 pm

Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Every Wednesday morning after 7 am Mass

Rosary Devotion - Daily after the 7:00 am morning Mass

Catholic Daughters

Catholic Daughters invite you to meet on the 3rd Monday of each month in St. Mary's Center at 6:30 pm. Contact Lorine Bakowsky at (510)461-7317 or email <u>cdacourtmqw@gmail.com</u> for more information.

Legion of Mary: Meets every Wednesday at 5:00 pm in the St. Mary's Center. Contact Ms. L. Legaspi at (510) 909-4474 for more information

St. Vincent de Paul: Meetings: 2nd & 4th Monday-6:30 pm Knights of Columbus - invites Catholic men to join. If interested please contact Carl Webb at (510) 8135957 or email Carlwebb3@gmail.com

Phone Nos./Emails - refer to 1st page of the Bulletin.



Pray for those who serve in the armed forces

Lorenzo Blandon Zamora –Navy Shianne Solomon - Sgt. US Army Jamie Placheno - Sgt. Military Manuel Gonzalez-Cmdr. U.S.Navy Jericho Meno (Navy) Thomas Meno (Army) Troy Meno (Air Force) Brittany Manglona (Air Force)

Ryland Toves - Navy Joey Mesa - Navy Julian Chan - Navy

If you know anyone who is serving please call the office

Solar Energy Project

We will be commencing work on our Solar Project shortly. The total cost for this project is around \$134, 560.00 and for this huge amount we are relying on your generosity. I request you to prayerfully consider donating towards this project which will dramatically reduce the cost of energy used at Church and school.

Any amount donated is a step closer to reaching our goal. All donations received will be assigned to the project and its maintenance. Please make out your checks to St. Felicitas Church and in the memo area please mention "Solar Energy Project". All donations are appreciated.

Thank you.



St. Felicitas Church -Youth Confirmation Final Sacrament of Initiation

The program starts in September. This is a 2 year program and is open to all youth ages 13-17 years (must be in High School) The program is under the direction of The Youth Ministry Group of our partish which is made up of high school students. The group meets at least 2 Sundays per month from September to May. Classes begin from September 17 and the each class is for about 2 hours. This program is a very spiritual, transformational as well as a fun faith journey.

Pray

Denise Abero Jennifer L. Ag Barbara O'Co Sal Costilla David Boles
Evelyn Becker Barbara Becker Barba

We will be accepting registrations for the 2024 Confirmation program on the following two Sundays - August 13th and August 20th from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm in the Gym.

Registration forms will be available after the 10:30 am Mass on all Sundays. Please bring your Baptism and First Communion certificates along with registration fee.

For information about fees and other confirmation related questions please contact Geri Lara at (510) 326 5693



Mass Intentions Ý Lễ trong tuần Intensions' para las Misas

Week of July 15, 2023

CLAN	A Co. No.				
Sat.	07/15	4:00 pm	Parishioners		
Sun.	07/16	7:30 am	Maria Nhan †		
		9:00 am	Robert Ulloa †		
		10:30am	Ann & Tom Chermack †		
		12:30 pm	Spanish Mass		
		4:30 pm	Vietnamese Mass		
Mon.	07/17	7:00 am	Ann Nguyen †		
		8:15 am	Dolores Caraballo †		
Tue.	07/18	7:00 am	John & Rosemary Tootle (L-H)		
		8:15 am	Estrella Sacramento †		
Wed.	07/19	7:00 am	Philip Bangloy †		
		8:15 am	Fre Falleiro †		
Thur.	07/20	7:00 am	Terry Clancey †		
		8:15 am	Elsie Turgo (B-L)		
Fri.	07/21	7:00 am	Alfred Guerra †		
		8:15 am	Estrella Sacramento †		
Sat.	07/22	7:00 am	Nicanor Javier †		
		4:00 pm	Salvador Victoria †		
Sun.	07/23	7:30 am	Parishioners		
		9:00 am	Katherine & Lester Vierra Sr.†		
		10:30am	Telma Teixeira & family †		
		12:30 pm	Spanish Mass		
L-Li	ving †-Dec	ceased A-Anniver	rsary B-Birthday T-Thanksgiving H-Healing		

Pray for our sick relatives and friends

Jennifer L. Aguilar Barbara O'Connor Sal Costilla David Boles Evelyn Becker Barbara Becker Alfonso Chavez Diane Delucchi Mark A. D'Cunha Michell Duffey Nelda Erlwein Joycelyn Garner Robin Homen Susan Hernandez William Keany Joan Kellogg Susan Lara

Maria Leonard Gloria Muskopf Genesis Miranda Kent Myers Corazon Mislang Yolanda Pasadas Tony Silveira Mary Torres Felisimia Toste Geoffrey Salvatierra Luningning Hobbs Virgie Mercado Saturnina Fuentes Reynaldo Corldano Zenevd Cecilia Munoz Martin Munoz Bernice Winslow Oney Cort Hernandez

Laura Aruda Catalino & Nenita Santos Lilia Garcia Santos Javier Martin Muñoz Ma. Guadalupe Solis Saung Loeung Ruben Raygoza Ernesto Tiglao Joseph Sanchez Violet Chancey Phillip G. M. Paul Prado Mary Drayton Martin Indalecio Julie Chin Donald Salomone Ken Pestana

FOR DAILY READINGS

go to http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings/

St. Felicitas Parish - Spanish - Speaking Community

15º Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario - 16 de julio de 2023



Escuchar la Palabra de Dios, entenderla con la mente y llevarla al corazón para que enseguida dé fruto. Así de fácil es decirlo, pero, ponerla en práctica es como el proceso de la semilla que se siembra, se entierra, y poco a poco, con la luz del sol, brota cuando menos se espera. Cuidar es la clave para que haya fruto en abundancia. Dejar que la semilla penetre en el corazón es no dejar de luchar contra las tentaciones que a diario nos aquejan. El diablo siempre está en busca de quitarnos las cosas buenas que tenemos, tal como la bondad y las ganas de trabajar por la justicia y la paz. La vida cristiana no es fácil, no estamos aquí para encontrarlo todo fácil y a la medida de nuestros caprichos, sino que estamos para servir.

El Papa Francisco nos dice sobre este Evangelio que "La parábola del sembrador es un poco la madre de todas las parábolas, porque habla de la escucha de la Palaba. Nos recuerda que

la Palabra de Dios es una semilla que en si misma es fecunda y eficaz; y Dios la esparce por todos lados con generosidad, sin importar el desperdicio. ¡Así es el corazón de Dios! Cada uno de nosotros es un terreno sobre el que cae la semilla de la Palabra, ¡sin excluir a nadie! La palabra es dada a cada uno de nosotros" (07/12/2020). El reto para cada uno de nosotros es pedir una mente atenta y un corazón fértil para escuchar la Palaba de Dios y dar frutos abundantes. ¿Cuáles son tus frutos? ¿Có

TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

Uno de los pasajes bíblicos más bellos tiene que ser el de Isaías 11:6. El profeta proclama la paz mesiánica como una paz en donde animales voraces como el lobo, el leopardo, el león y la osa habitarán tranquilamente con animales mansos como el cordero, el cabrito, el ternero y la vaca "y un niño pequeño los conducirá". Esta es una paz donde la justicia rectifica las desigualdades y pone fin a la violencia. En esta profecía el Cristo es un niño que pastorea el mundo con una eficacia sorprendente. Él hace lo que los gobernantes del mundo pretenden hacer pero nunca logran, pone fin a la guerra, la pobreza y el hambre.

Las lecturas de la semana del 16 de julio de 2023

Domingo: Is 55, 10-11/Sal 64, 1. 11. 12-13. 14 (Lucas 8, 8)

/Rom 8, 18-23/Mt 13, 1-23 o 13, 1-9

Lunes: Ex 1, 8-14. 22/Sal 123, 1-3. 4-6. 7-8/Mt 10, 34—11, 1

Martes: Ex 2, 1-15/Sal 68, 3. 14. 30-31. 33-34/Mt 11, 20-24

Miércoles: Ex 3, 1-6. 9-12/Sal 102, 1-2. 3-4. 6-7/Mt 11, 25-27

Jueves: Ex 3, 13-20/Sal 104, 1 y 5. 8-9. 24-25. 26-27/Mt 11, 28-30 Viernes: Ex 11, 10—12, 14/Sal 115, 12-13. 15 y 16. 17-18/Mt 12, 1-8

Sábado: Cant 3, 1-4 o 2 Co 5, 14-17/Sal 62, 2. 3-4. 5-6. 8-9/Jn 20, 1-2. 11-18

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Dollar A Dip Dinner

\$1 per spoonful

Get Involved

Help St. Felicitas raise funds for the Solar Panel Project by participating in a Dollar A Dip Dinner. This means getting to know your neighbor, as well as enjoying a buffet style dinner where each "dip" (spoonful) is a dollar.

Donate

This event comes together in the form of donated dishes and wonderful volunteers who help us serve. Sign Ups to bring a dish or Volunteer will be after masses on 8/5/23 and 8/6/23 or Call Lorine at 510-461-7317

Join Us

On Saturday, August 19, 2023 at 6pm Dishes must arrive by 5:30pm Dessert/Beverages hosted by Catholic Daughters

Please put your name on your serving dish and serving spoon