



Saint Isabella Church & School

One Trinity Way, P.O. Box 6166, San Rafael California, 94903

and our Pastoral Mission at Most Holy Rosary Chapel:
One Saint Vincent's Drive, Marinwood, CA



First Sunday of Lent February 21, 2021

One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.

Pastoral Team

Rev. Cyril O'Sullivan, *Pastor*
Rev. Ephrem Tillya, *Parochial Vicar (Hospital Chaplain)*
Rev. Neil Healy, *Priest-in-Residence*
Rev. Mr. Graham Cumming, *Deacon*
Mr. Rob Pheatt, *School Principal*
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Mrs. Nahed Naser, *Finance*
Mrs. Lynn Pieri Young, *Liturgy & Music*
Ms. Therese Bruton, *P.S.R.*
Ms. Judy Rosenbloom, *R.C.I.A.*
Mr. Frank Lavin, *Baptismal Preparation*
Mr. Christopher Major, *Marriage Preparation*
Mr. Shane Graham, *P.Y.C.*
Mrs. Maria Renderos, *Cook & Housekeeper*

**** Check parish website for latest updates. ****

www.stisabellaparish.org

This section contains schedules that are on hold due to the pandemic

Schedule of Services

Eucharist at St. Isabella's Church

Daily Mass (Monday – Saturday): 8:30 am
Saturday evenings: 5:00 pm
Sundays: 9:00 am, 11:00 am

Reconciliation at St. Isabella's Church

Saturdays, 4:00 - 4:45 pm
or by appointment, call 415-479-1560

Services at Most Holy Rosary Chapel

(located at One Saint Vincent's Drive, Marinwood)
Website: www.tlmsf.org

Infant Baptism Expectant or new parents should contact the rectory at least two months before the desired date of baptism to complete a session of baptismal instruction.

Matrimony Engaged couples should contact the rectory *at least six months before the desired wedding date.*
Requests for weddings or baptisms at Most Holy Rosary Chapel must be arranged by contacting St. Isabella's Parish.

Christian Initiation (R.C.I.A.) Formation provided for adults and children, non-baptized, baptized in another tradition, and baptized Catholics seeking to complete the sacraments of Confirmation and the Eucharist.

To Register for RCIA, call Judy: 415-897-8241 or Sue: 415-472-1286

Rectory / Parish Office	415-479-1560
St. Isabella's Parochial School	415-479-3727
Parish School of Religion (PSR)	415-479-1560
Parish Youth Council (PYC)	415-479-1560
RCIA (Judy Rosenbloom)	415-897-8241
Music (Lynn Pieri Young)	707-763-3965
Parish Council/Liturgy Committee	415-479-1560
St. Vincent de Paul Help Line	415-454-0366
St. Vincent de Paul Car donations	800-322-8284
Fax: Parish	415-479-8303
School	415-479-9961
Email: Parish	office@stisabellaparish.org
School	rpheatt@stisabellaschool.org
Website: Parish	www.stisabellaparish.org
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Welcome to all who celebrate with us, both long-time residents or those newly arrived in the parish. You may register through our website: www.stisabellaparish.org, or fill out this form and put it into the collection basket or mail it to the rectory. Thank You!

New parishioner _____ Name: _____
 New address or phone _____ Address: _____
 Moving, remove from list _____ e-Mail: _____
 Please send Sunday envelopes _____ Phone: _____



First Sunday of Lent

Mark 1 : 12 - 15



40 is a number filled with meaning in the Bible often representing a period of preparation or trial. 40 days of the flood. Exodus – 40 years – Moses. Mt. Sinai, 40 days – Moses receives the 10 Commandments. Jesus Christ – 40 days in the desert. Lent lasts for 40 days. 40 always has tumultuous events surrounding 40.

LENTEN MASS SCHEDULE

St. Isabella INDOOR Mass beginning with the Lenten Season.

- ✦ **Saturdays** during Lent 5:00 p.m. Mass
- ✦ **Sundays** during Lent 9:00 a.m. Mass



Indoor services, wear masks and observe safety protocols. Many thanks to Mike Schalich, Jack Boland and their team of ushers and volunteers for all their works before and after each Mass.

Matthews Peter [Part 2 of 4]

The followers of Jesus constitute a new community with a distinct character and structure. *Mtt. 5:21-22, Mtt. 10:37, Mtt. 18:15-20, Mtt. 18:10-14.* The basic principle is if we are not able to be reconciled to each other, then we are not followers of Jesus Christ. We cannot go to heaven alone. God will say to us “where are the others.”

Parish Reminder

The Catholic Church today is very vigilant on reporting inappropriate behavior. Sexual abuse, harassment or misconduct will never be tolerated. Glad to say in San Francisco Archdiocese over the last 20 years not one credible accusation in the diocese.

Pope Francis

What good is it looking out the window as time passes you by. This day take the risk of making decisions.

The Four Last Mysteries Christians encounter, Death, Hell, Heaven, Judgement

Death (Part 1 of 4) : The end of physical existence, one of original sin punishments. Man still chooses death over life, A death of Relationship. A death of Creation. A death of the Good. A death of the Soul. Even though we die to this life, Christians believe what happened to Christ will happen to us. We rise, life is changed not ended. *Cor. 15:54.* The Lord is Risen! “Death is swallowed up in Victory.”

How did the Church respond to past plagues?

It may surprise you the Church was not stupid as if pandemics can be ignored.

1. Sacraments were restricted, curtailed
2. Priests working with the sick were isolated
3. Professors of colleges were sequestered
4. Confession was never denied to anyone
5. People were dispensed from receiving Holy Communion

What is the Principle behind all this? To do what is the universal good in abnormal times. The more what is good the more it is divine. That is the Principle.

“So you say you love the poor? Name them.” ... *Gustavo Gutierrez*



Yours in Fraternity,
Fr. Cyril O’Sullivan



Weekly Offering & Stewardship

Parish Offertory	\$ 2,015.00
Parish maintenance	\$174.00
Rectory roof	\$280.00
Total for Parish	<u>\$ 2,469.00</u>

Archdiocesan Annual Appeal (AAA) - 2020

2020 Assessment:	\$ 98,729	
Donations Received to Date:	\$ 58,985	60%

The 40-day period is called **Lent** after an old English word meaning 'lengthen'. This is because of the time of year when it happens, as this is when the days start to get longer, as we approach Summer. It is a time of reflection and of asking for forgiveness, and when Christians prepare to celebrate Jesus's resurrection at the feast of Easter, which comes at the very end of Lent. Lent ends with Holy Week, which leads to **Easter Sunday - the most important day in the Christian calendar.**

✠ Pray for the repose of the soul of **Max Delle Sedie**. Prayers for his family and may he Rest in Peace.



In Our Thoughts and Prayers

St. Isabella invited the **Carmelite Sisters** for a Farewell Luncheon. Mother Dolores Sullivan, Sr. Anna Maria Vanni, Sr. Teresa Francis, Sr. Mary Anne Biata, OCD, will be leaving their Blackstone Monastery on March 1st. They have been very much in our Marin community offering daily prayers, novenas, all-souls prayers, and celebrated all aspects of life in the Church. Their jam sales were a favorite of the holiday seasons. They will be greatly missed. We wish them well, a safe journey and peace be with each of them in their new spiritual homes.



Read Catholic San Francisco 2/11/2021 article by Christina Gray <https://catholic-sf.org/news/san-rafael-carmelites-to-resettle-in-separate-monasteries>

✠ Mass Intentions This Week: February 21, 2021 - February 27, 2021

Sunday 2/21	9 a.m.	Parishioners Intentions †
Monday 2/22	—	†
Tuesday 2/23	—	Doug Lathrap †
Wednesday 2/24	—	†
Thursday 2/25	—	Maurice Murray †
Friday 2/26	—	†
Saturday 2/27	5 p.m.	†



LET US REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS...

A Time for Healing, for those who are sick, that they experience strength in the Lord's compassion: Dianna Baetz, Lois Bishop, Lauren Bohm, Margo Boje, Kristin Brewer, Susan Britton, Bill Buttner, Susan Cane Ares, Michael Cane-Ares, Elaine Chan, Helen Cifuentas, Carl Clement, Emelia Colin, Judy Collins, Lena Cretti, Maradee Davis, Manuel Demengo, Dorothy Dixon, Richard Edelman, Annvie Farley, Richard Feliciano, Gayle Fenci, Frances Flynn, Gilberte Godfrey, Neil Graham, Jim Haase, Agnes Henderson, Edna Herrera, Richard Hunter, Josephina Iniguez, Millie Jones, Prudence Mary Kerr, Shannon Sinclair-Kloss, Ingga Lee, Ralph Gong Lee, Gene Lindquist, Margaret Lindsay, Mark Lindsay, Emy Luchessa, Joe MacKenzie, Jailun McIsaac, Nick Michael, Greg Motto, Kevin Moore, Deacon Jim Myers, Jovanna Nerrera, Jose Nunez, John Pardini, Mary Parnell, Lisa Pieper, Leonora Pilar, Gail Pierce, Carol Pierpont, Allan Rosenbloom, Pat Vicky Rufins, Molly Shepard, Fr. Wilt Smith, Joe Stallone, Frank Stankis, Jerry Streeter, Febronia Tabahita, Rob Wells, Deborah Wunderlich, Deacon Rich Younkin, Felix Conte, Fr. Neil Healy, Tiffany Martinson, Cathie Inglis, Beth Flaherty, Tara Garcia, Rich Martino, Jordan Roggenbuck, Louise & Phil Rapoport, Brendan Moylan

A Time for Sorrow, for those who live forever with Christ: Steve Callagy, Jackson Walsh, Barbara Reeves, Lloyd Peterson, Neal Graham Sr, Sr. Colleen Kern, Fr. Ken Westray, Fr. Brian Costello, Dan White, Connie Govi, Dcn. Rich Younkin, Doug Lathrop, Francine Strain, Michael & Norma Giannini

Remember in your Prayers: For the safety and well-being of all those affected by the Covid-19 epidemic

To have your loved one added to (or removed from) the weekly Mass Intentions or our Parish Bulletin prayer list, please call the rectory at 415-479-1560, or email: office@stisbellasparish.org

St. Isabella Indoor Mass Safety Protocol

1. Every person must always wear a mask.
2. To enter the church, all parishioners enter through the front of the church (no side entries).
3. Sanitation stations are at the entryway of the church. All parishioners need to sanitize their hands prior to entering the church.
4. Parishioners have a choice to go left or right down the side aisles. No one can walk down the center aisle.
5. When entering a pew, please slide all the way down to the end. The next person entering, will sit six feet away (there will be tape on each pew to show six feet separation).
6. At the end of mass, communion will take place. Everyone in each pew must stand up and get in line six feet apart from each other. Please pick up all your belongings, whether you are receiving communion or not. If you are not receiving communion, please exit from the side doors. No one can return to their seat.
7. Please do not congregate at the exit areas.

The Bridge - News from the Archdiocese

Churches reopen to 25% capacity (re: U.S. Supreme Court issued an injunction on February 5th.) Parishioners that those who are sick should not attend Mass, even if it's "just a cold" and they feel well enough to attend, and that the dispensation from the Sunday Mass obligation remains in place for now. The elderly and others at high risk from COVID, as well as those who care for them, may choose in good conscience to remain at home.

Meaningful Lent—Join Chris Stefanick from Real Life Catholic & bishops, including Archbishop Cordileone, for a 7-week Lenten retreat. Explore the major questions of life, like: Why am I here? What is the life I was made for? Is there a God? Does He even care about me? For info, visit <https://coaching.reallifecatholic.com/thesearch>

Prepare for Consecration to St. Joseph

Pope Francis has named 2021 the Holy Year of St. Joseph. Consecration on his feast day, March 19.

- Wednesdays, February 17 - March 17, 7:00pm. Info, visit: <http://smcsf.org/event/consecration-to-st-joseph-preparation-lectures/>

Book Club Studies "Jesus: A Pilgrimage"

Thursday, March 4 and Tuesday, April 13, 4 pm (Zoom) Frank Lavin 415-310-8551 franklavin@comcast.net

St. Isabella Catholic School Admissions

Come explore your Parish Catholic School and discover the difference a Catholic education can make for your child and your family. We provide a complete educational program built on strong core academics with faith formation and prayer woven into the students' daily school experience. Our kindergarten through eighth grade faculty includes specialists in science, Spanish, music, physical education, and technology. Our Extended Day program is nurturing, reasonably priced, and available on a drop-in basis.

Admission tours are held Monday and Friday mornings at 8:45 by appointment. Arrangements can be made if these times cannot fit your scheduled. We're anxious to answer your questions about the application process for all grades.

You are encouraged to call the office, 415-479-3727 and set an appointment or contact Principal, Rob Pheatt, send email to: rpheatt@stisabellaschool.org

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