



# 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



January 3, 2021

## The Epiphany of the Lord

*Lord, every nation on earth  
will adore you.*

### 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*  
Ms. Elissa Kuhr, *Vice Principal*  
Mrs. Ginny Pheatt, *Office*  
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.stisabellasparish.org](http://www.stisabellasparish.org)**

*No indoor service. Church building in lockdown due to 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](http://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	<a href="mailto:office@stisabellasparish.org">office@stisabellasparish.org</a>
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School	<a href="http://www.stisabellaschool.org">www.stisabellaschool.org</a>



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.stisabellasparish.org](http://www.stisabellasparish.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: \_\_\_\_\_



# The Epiphany of the Lord

Matthew 2 : 1 - 12



The gifts which the wise men bring are gold, frankincense and myrrh. Gold represents worldly power since the Son of God is the source of all creation. Frankincense represents divine power as incense is used for worship to God. Myrrh is a resin gum used for entombment of the dead. Jesus would one day suffer greatly; he will be a sacrificial victim.

## Vatican

Pope Francis announced 2021 a special year dedicated to the family, marking the fifth anniversary of the publication of his apostolic exhortation *A moris Laetitia* (The Joy of Love) addressing the pastoral care of families.

## Did you know?

The first text message was transmitted Dec. 3, 1992. Engineer Neil Papworth typed "merry Christmas" on a computer and sent the first SMS message to the cellphone of Vodafone director Richard Jarvis.



## Parish Comments

Catholic Parishes do not feel like parishes when we are in lockdown. All of our religious celebrations and communal gatherings is a great loss to our way of life. But safety of parishioners is always foremost, not money, and whatever is not essential that poses health risks should always be evaluated.

It always amazes me that on December 26th, you see Christmas trees on street pavements. Christmas trees are expensive. What a waste of a tree. Why buy a tree that has no Christmas symbol. I am always sad to see Christmas trees discarded so early. Don't understand the mentality. Christmas Season is to January 6, traditionally the day of the Epiphany.

Joe Jimenez who walked the hallowed grounds of St. Isabella, came to Mass every Sunday as a young lad and teenager, was picked by the professional Pirates Baseball team, September 2020. Great achievement! But of course we are always SF Giants. Sorry Joe.

Parish is looking for Technology-Savvy volunteers. E-mail [office@stisabellasparish.org](mailto:office@stisabellasparish.org).

The fastest and most efficient way to communicate with our parishioners is via email. Send us your email to receive timely events, announcements and updates.



As we begin the year 2021 and when the pandemic begins to leave this land, my vision of parish life for St. Isabella is simple — Ownership. Whatever it is we want in our parish community, it is we who must take the initiative, give of our energy, and with our talents make impossible dreams realities. Parish life is always about making life happen. Let's meet the challenge.

Yours in Fraternity,

Fr. Cyril O'Sullivan

*"Be at war with your vices, at peace with your neighbors, and let every new year find you a better man."* ... Benjamin Franklin





## Weekly Offering & Stewardship

### Parish:

Christmas offerings and donation received to be reported next week.

*Thank you for your generous Offertory gifts.  
May God reward your generosity!*

### Archdiocesan Annual Appeal (AAA) - 2020

2020 Assessment: \$ 98,729  
Donations Received to Date: \$ 42,048 43%

To donate online, visit the Archdiocese's online giving page;  
<https://www.sfarchdiocese.org/aaa>.

Select from the [Designation] drop-down list:

PARISH: "St. Isabella Parish 2020 AAA"

AAA Pledge Envelopes and Letters are in the vestibules and the Rectory. Thank you for your generosity.

Prayers for **Jordan Roggenbuck**,

26 years of age, former student of St. Isabella.  
He is recovering from a sudden heart attack.



Prayers for **Louise & Phil Rapoport** for  
the success of their surgeries & speedy recovery.

### 2020 Year in Review

- Church Roof project completed
- Lighting in the Church installed
- Pandemic hit. Parish life was disrupted since March. Easter celebration was only available via online streaming
- Last parish event before the lockdown was the St. Patrick's Party
- School invested in new video technologies—utilizes "Zoom Rooms" along with "Neat Bars" installed in each classroom to enable remote learning
- The amazing teachers and staff of St. Isabella School
- Parish staff restructured. Welcome new staff and we are thankful for our wonderful volunteers running the parish essential programs
- Finance Committee's enormous effort and dedication in the work to strengthen the parish financial structure
- Kudos to our Ushers and team of volunteers who step in every Mass organizing the consent forms, sanitization, setting up chairs and altar for the outdoor Masses as well as the safety protocol for indoor Masses
- Restructuring of Masses
- Rectory dry rot fixed. Front 5 rooms remodeled.
- 1st Holy Communion and Confirmation for the School and PSR were outdoor at the school yard
- Virtual meetings (deanery meetings, rehearsals, ...) become a norm
- Gift cards for St. Vincent School for Boys, Giving Tree, St. Vincent de Paul — helping those who are in need

## † Mass Intentions This Week: January 3, 2021 - January 9, 2021

Sunday 1/3	—	†
Monday 1/4	—	†
Tuesday 1/5	—	Souls in Purgatory †
Wednesday 1/6	—	Michele Magiulo †
Thursday 1/7	—	Larry Clarke †
Friday 1/8	—	†
Saturday 1/9	—	†



### ***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 Cifuentes, Carl Clement, Emelia Colin, Judy Collins, Lena Cretti, Maradee Davis, Manuel Demengo, Dorothy Dixon, Richard Edelman, Annave 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.

***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

***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](mailto:office@stisbellasparish.org)

## **The Bridge** - News from the Archdiocese

Archbishop's response to Supreme Court Rulings  
[sfarch.org/letters-and-statements](https://sfarch.org/letters-and-statements)

Day of Prayer for Legal Protection of the Unborn January 22  
[sfarch.org/legal-protection-unborn](https://sfarch.org/legal-protection-unborn)

Charitable Gifts and Tax Benefits for 2020  
[sfarchdiocese.org/gifts-of-stock](https://sfarchdiocese.org/gifts-of-stock)

For Liturgical Year 2021, Free Resources to Pray for Vocations  
[sfarch.org/vocationpray](https://sfarch.org/vocationpray)

Vocation Discernment Opportunities for Men  
[sfpriest.org/discernment-articles](https://sfpriest.org/discernment-articles)

St. Mary's Cathedral Sunday "Musical Meditations" Livestream  
[St. Mary's Cathedral YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=...)

The following Catholic Events and Learning Online: Available 24/7

- St. Teresa in Ecstasy: Catholic Art with Archbishop Cordileone  
[youtu.be/R3Ui29GYtff](https://youtu.be/R3Ui29GYtff)
- Three Talks on the 5th Anniversary of Pope Francis's encyclical Laudato Sí. A follow-up encyclical, Fratelli Tutti. [bit.ly/2ITyEvL](https://bit.ly/2ITyEvL)
- Teaching the Faith – Recordings from the 2020 Faith Formation Conference. Sr. Celeste Arbuckle. [hhr.sidecarprod.com](https://hhr.sidecarprod.com)
- Priests Retirement Celebration: [sfarch.org/priestfund](https://sfarch.org/priestfund)

The **Carmelite Sisters** appreciate your support of their contemplative life of prayer. Let Fr. O' know the number of jams you wish to buy.



<u>Jam Order</u>	<u>8 oz.</u>	<u>12 oz.</u>	<u>16 oz.</u>	<u>32 oz.</u>
Apricot Jam	\$7	\$10	--	--
Peach Jam	\$7	\$10	\$12	--
Strawberry Jam	\$7	\$10	--	--
Bumbleberry Jam	\$7	\$10	--	--
Pear-Apple-Plum Sauce	--	--	--	\$14

## **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 schedule. 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](mailto:rpheatt@stisabellaschool.org)

*St. Isabella School admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. The school does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in the administration of its educational policies, scholarship and financial aid, and athletic and other school administered programs.*

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