

ST. VERONICA CHURCH

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December 16, 2007

3rd SUNDAY
of
ADVENT

Mass Schedule

Saturday Evening: 5:00 pm
Sundays: 6:45, 8:00, 9:30, 11:00AM,
and 12:30PM
Eve of Holy Days: 5:30PM
Holy Days: 6:30, 8:30AM, & 7:30PM
Monday-Saturday: 6:30 & 8:30AM

Confessions

Saturdays: 3:30-5:00PM

Liturgy of the Hours

Monday-Friday: Morning Prayer at 6:00AM
Saturday: Evening Prayer at 6:15PM

Eucharistic Adoration

Monday-Friday: 9:00AM — 9:00PM
Sunday: 1:30PM — 9:00PM

Rev. Edward A. Bohnert, Pastor
Rev. Mark Taheny, Associate Pastor
Rev. Edmund (Ted) Shipp, In Residence
Deacon Roger Beaudry
Deacon Joseph LeBlanc

St. Veronica Rectory: 588-1455 / Fax 588-1481
Office Hours: Monday to Friday - 8:30 am to 4:30 pm
Administrative Assistants: Gail Andrews & Pat Weber
Business Manager: Rose Enriquez

St. Veronica School: 589-3909
Principal: Teri Pallitto

Religious Education Office: 871-5607
Coordinator: Toni "T.J." Jeide

Music Director: Christopher Lindstrom 588-1455

Welcome New Parishioners!

Please fill this out and return it to the parish rectory, or simply drop it in the collection basket.

Name(s) _____

E-mail: _____

Name(s) _____

___ Updating Current Parish Registration

Address _____

___ Send Sunday Envelopes

City & Zip _____

___ Moving / Please remove from mailing list.

Phone _____

___ Please call me.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sun 12/16 6:45 Eleanor De Leon
Mon 12/17 6:30 Verena Broussard
8:30 Robert Lagomarsino
Tue 12/18 6:30 Rodrigo Castolo
8:30 Patrick Ahern
Wed 12/19 6:30 Mrs. Delucchi
8:30 Lucille Creamer
Thu 12/20 6:30 Xavier Sebastiani
8:30 Eni & Agostino Mariotti
Fri 12/21 6:30 Mary & Arcadio Nuñez
8:30 Flo & Jack Moresco
Sat 12/22 6:30 Ruth Magee
8:30 Steve Tonegato
5:00 Lucille Creamer
Sun 12/23 6:45 Fortunato & Eleanor Risso

**Please say a prayer
for our many sick, homebound
and hospitalized parishioners
who are unable to attend Mass.**

Let us pray for those who have died...
Nancy Fletcher, Ruth Lindsey, & Anne Morrill
*"Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
And let perpetual light shine upon them."*

From the Pastor's Desk

Final Push for AAA

Reduce Your Tax Burden by December 31, 2007!

Your donation to the 2007 Archbishop's Annual Appeal will assist many Catholics from children to seniors in our community.

Make your **tax deductible** donation by **Dec. 31st**.

Thank you for your continued support for this most important cause.

Fr. Ed Bohnert
Pastor

ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL COLLECTION UPDATE

Parish Assessment: \$ 70,600.

As of December 12th

we have collected: **\$ 54,771.**

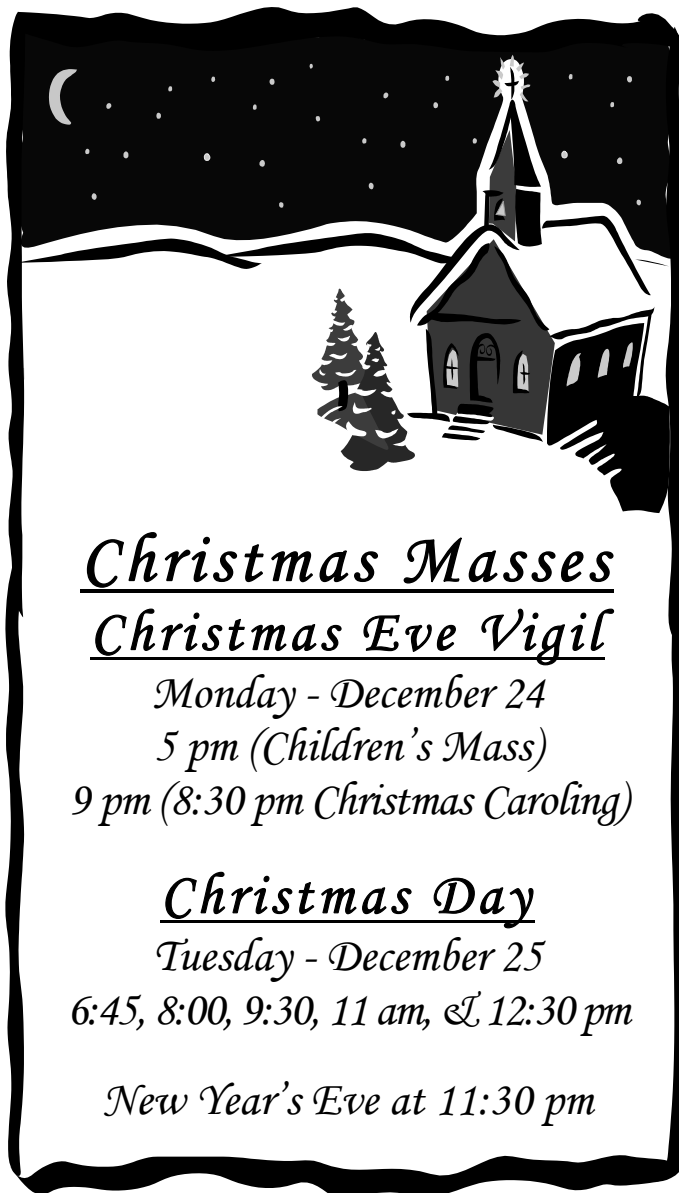
Remaining balance: \$ 15,829.

Out of 2,200 Parishioners,

328 have contributed so far.

St. Veronica's needs *your* help.

77%



RECTORY CLOSED

The Rectory will be closed at noon, Thursday, Dec. 20 thru Tuesday, Dec. 25 for the Christmas weekend.

The Rectory will also be closed on Friday, Dec. 28, and re-open again for business on January 2, 2008.

PRAYERS FOR THE ADVENT

WREATH

Week 3

Let us pray. We humbly beg You, O Lord, to listen to our prayers; and by the grace of Your coming, bring light into our darkened minds. You live and reign for ever and ever. Amen.

Week 4

Let us pray. Stir up Your might, we pray You, O Lord, and come; rescue us through Your great strength so that salvation, which has been hindered by our sins, may be hastened by the grace of Your gentle mercy. You live and reign for ever and ever. Amen.

Simbang Gabi Christmas Novena

The Simbang Gabi has become one of the most popular traditions in the country, a spiritual preparation for Christmas.

Simbang Gabi or *Mass at Dawn* is a novena (nine days) of Masses, usually beginning December 16 quite early in the morning and culminating with the “Misa de Gallo” on Christmas Eve.

Here at St. Veronica, our Novena will consist of nine evening Masses from December 15th until the 23rd, with a Rosary at 5:30pm and Masses at 6pm (except for the Saturdays of the 15th & 22nd, when we’ll have our regular 5pm Mass).

This tradition is significant not only because it strengthens relationships among family members but also because it is the time where our faith is intensified, where we most feel the presence of the Lord as we commemorate His birth.

All parishioners are invited to attend this novena as a special preparation for celebrating the birth of our Savior.

Next week’s 2nd Collection, December 15th & 16th will be for our “Christmas Novena” — or Simbang Gabi.

Church Support

\$7,493.75 - Sunday Collection
1,555.00 - Church Environment (Christmas)
\$9,048.75 - Total

Children’s Liturgy

First Sunday of Each Month

We will celebrate with Children in church the first Sunday of every month thru May.

Next celebration will be **January 6, Epiphany.**

Children’s Liturgy of the Word

On the remaining **Sundays** of each month, **Grades K-5 will celebrate Liturgy of the Word for Children in a separate location.**

On those Sundays:

Children will come to church with their families. After the “**Opening Prayer**” the celebrant will call the children forward, bless them and send them with catechists to hear the Word of the Lord. At “**Prayers of the Faithful**” the children will return to church and celebrate Liturgy of the Eucharist with the community.

Dates to remember for Advent - Christmas

January 6: Epiphany

December 23

(No Children’s Liturgy December 30 during Christmas Break)

Catholic Radio Comes to the Bay Area!

— 1260 AM —

EWTN Radio affiliate Immaculate Heart Radio launched its largest radio station to-date on December 10 in San Francisco.

This is Immaculate Heart Radio’s 19th station across 3 states (CA, NV, NM).

Immaculate Heart Radio airs EWTN Radio programming across all of its stations 18+ hours daily.

The transmitter was blessed—and you will be, too! Tune-in and listen to good, Catholic, radio.

St. Veronica’s Prayer & Study Group

The **Monday night Prayer & Study Group** will be taking a **short recess** from classes due to numerous **Advent & Christmas activities.**

The **Prayer & Study Group** will resume on **Monday night, at 6:00 p.m. on January 7th.**

Questions? Call the Rectory: 588-1455.

4th Annual
Walk for Life—West Coast
January 19, 2008 San Francisco

Mark your calendar. The first three years of this walk have seen a phenomenal growth from 7,000 participants to over 20,000!

Saint Veronica Parish will continue its participation, and you are invited to join us in walking from the Ferry Building to the Marina Green with the Pro-Life message that “Abortion Hurts Women” and “Women Deserve Better[®] than Abortion”.

You'll want to be there!

www.walkforlifewc.com



St. Veronica Catholic School
New Parent Information Night
Tuesday, January 22, 2008

7:30 p.m. - Falcon Hall (School Cafeteria)

Is your child ready for Kindergarten?

Are you new to the parish?

Are you thinking of St. Veronica Catholic School as a new beginning for your child's education?

Come to our informational session and learn everything you need to know about enrolling your child (ren) at St. Veronica Catholic School. Application packets will be available at this time. **Please note:** If you are thinking of enrolling your child for a grade other than kindergarten, availability will be determined after Easter.

Come to information night for an update.

St. Veronica Catholic School, mindful of its mission to be witness to the love of Christ for all, admits students of any race, color, national and/or ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, program and activities generally accorded to or made available to students at this school. St. Veronica Catholic School does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and/or ethnic origin, age, sex or disability in administration of educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, athletic and other school-administered programs.