

The Epiphany of the Lord

“Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.” *(Psalm 72)*

January 3, 2010



Adoration of the Magi, Rogier van der Weyden, 1455

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Mass Schedule

Saturdays 8:30AM & 5:00PM
Sundays: 6:45, 8:00, 9:30, 11:00AM, and 12:30PM
Eve of Holy Days: 5:30PM
Holy Days: 6:30, 8:30AM, & 6:30PM
Monday—Friday: 6:30 & 8:30AM

Confessions

Saturdays: 4:00—5:00PM

Liturgy of the Hours

Monday—Saturday: Morning Prayer at 6:00AM

Eucharistic Adoration

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

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Sacrament of Baptism

Baptismal Preparation classes are held once a month.
Call the Parish Office 588-1455

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

Classes in October and end on Pentecost.
Call the Parish Office to register 588-1455

Religious Education: 871-5607

Catechetical instructions (1st to 8th grades)

Confirmation Classes: 588-1455

Mass Intentions

WEEK of January 3, 2010

Sun 01/03 6:45 † MaryLouise LoPorto
8:00 † Angela & Peter Warneke
9:30 † Castro Antolin
11:00 † Roldolfo Nazario
12:30 People of St. Veronica

Mon 01/04 6:30 † Cerilo & Ceriaca Buen
8:30 † Constantino Antolin

Tue 01/05 6:30 † Helen Burt
8:30 † Paul & Bruce Navarret

Wed 01/06 6:30 † Aldo & Gerturde Bignardi
8:30 † Mary Reed-Rancatore

Thu 01/07 6:30 † Lazaro Garcia
8:30 † Rafael & Julia Montalvo

Fri 01/08 6:30 † May Evanchak
8:30 † Michael Cummings

Sat 01/09 8:30 † Maria & Francisco Del Porto
5:00 † Timothy Gotshalk

Kindly remember in your prayers the sick, homebound and hospitalized members of our parish community.

Welcome New Parishioners!

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

Name(s) _____

Name(s) _____

Address _____

City & Zip _____

Phone _____

E-mail: _____

___ Updating Current Parish Registration

___ Moving / Please remove from mailing list.

___ Please call me.



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Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come,
the glory of the Lord shines upon you.
— *Isaiah 60:1*

KINGLY GIFTS

This day in many parts of the world is called Three Kings Day because of today’s Gospel reading about the visit of the three kings or magi to see the child Jesus. The church’s name for the day, Epiphany, is based on a Greek word that means “to reveal” or “make visible.” Here, the child Jesus is honored not by his own people—and certainly not King Herod—but by strangers from afar. Only Matthew’s Gospel tells their story. There are not many details about the magi, but pious legends have built up around them over the centuries. A modern version is the operetta *Amahl and the Night Visitors*, which used to be seen on television at this time of year. The Jewish hope for centuries had been that a Messiah, God’s Anointed One, would be sent to the Jewish people to save them from their sins and deliver them from their enemies. But here we see that God reveals the Son not just to the Jews but to the Gentiles, people like us who are also seeking a Savior, one whom they recognize with joy. We have expected the Savior all through Advent; we have celebrated the wonderful gift of his birth during Christmas; and now, in this new calendar year, what gifts will we present to him in return? New Year’s resolutions often include

a decision to work off all those the extra pounds that we have gained from all our feasting and celebrating. That is all well and good as far as it goes, but why not resolve to do something extra for those you love and something more for the community in which you live? Show the love of God that is at work in your heart, or as Saint Francis of Assisi is thought to have said, “Preach the gospel at all times. When necessary, use words.”

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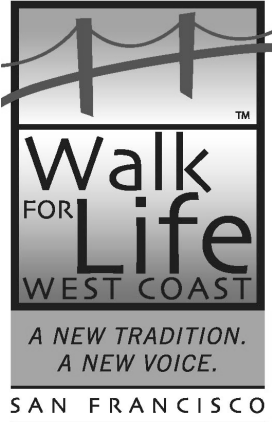
RISE UP IN SPLENDOR

This great feast of the Epiphany of the Lord opens with these words: “Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you” (Isaiah 60:1). That reading goes on to describe a world covered with darkness. Even in that world, the prophet announces that the glory of the Lord will shine on Jerusalem. Many would agree that our world is covered with darkness—the darkness that war, terrorism, and famine bring. Today we announce that even in today’s world, the Lord can scatter that darkness, if only we would welcome Epiphany’s light. As we remember the visit of the magi to the manger, let us pray that one day our weary world will rise up in splendor—the splendor of peace and justice. © Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.

Our Sincerest Appreciation for Your Support to the Parish Community

Christmas Day Collection: \$26,708

<u>Day</u>	<u>Mass Time</u>	<u>1st. Collection</u>	<u>2nd Collection</u>	<u>Totals:</u>
Saturday 12/26	5:00PM	1082.00	196.00	1278.00
Sunday 12/27	6:45AM	1328.35	172.35	1500.70
	8:00AM	852.50	148.00	1000.50
	9:30AM	1259.00	218.00	1477.00
	11:00AM	1400.00	359.00	1759.00
	12:30PM	1092.00	312.00	1404.00
TOTALS:		7013.85	1405.35	8419.20



**Walk for Life—West Coast
2010!**

Mark your calendars for
Saturday, January 23rd 2010
11:00AM Justin Herman Plaza
Lawn (at the Embarcadero)
ends at the Marina Green

Join upwards of 30,000 pro-lifer's for the 6th Annual Walk for Life in San Francisco as we peacefully proclaim our message. This event is truly changing hearts and minds and has helped to revivify the pro-life movement on the West Coast. For more information visit the website www.walkforlifewc.com. To volunteer contact 415-586-1576 or email questions to info@walkforlifewc.com.

Have You considered God's Calling in Your Life?

Attend a Discernment Retreat
January 15—17, 2010

St. Patrick's Seminary & University to better understand if a vocation to the ministry of God's priesthood is for you.

Contact the Discernment Retreat Office at mary.verducci@stpatricksseminary.org (650) 325-5621

Most Reverend William Justice

Cordially extends an invitation to all married couples of Northern California to a Solemn Eucharistic Celebration and renewal of vows.

*Saturday, February 27, 2010 at 12 Noon
St. Mary of the Assumption Cathedral
1111 Gough Street, San Francisco, CA 94109*

Registration forms are available by download at www.sffamilylife.com or call 707-552-3394 or email sfcath@gamil.com

Special honor will be shown to those who are celebrating their 25th, 50th or 50+ Wedding Anniversaries.

St. Veronica Men's Club Annual Crab Feed

RSVP by January 15, 2010

Saturday, January 23, 2010

6:00PM - Midnight

\$50 per person with hosted bar

Checks to: St. Veronica Men's Club

Surf & Turf Dinner Menu

Caesar salad, Marinated Crab, Tri-Tip with
veggies, pesto pasta, & dessert

Reservations can be sent to the school or Rectory
offices: Attention: "Crab Feed Reservations"

List Names

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Questions? Contact coughlin_family@comcast.net

NEW PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT

Thursday, January 14, 2010

Falcon Hall - 7:00 p.m.

St. Veronica Catholic School

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

If you answered yes, you are cordially invited to
an informational session to learn everything you
need to know about enrolling your child(ren) at St.
Veronica Catholic School. Application packets
will be available at this time or can be
downloaded from our website,
www.stveronicacatholicschool.org

Please note: If you are thinking of enrolling your
child for a grade other than kindergarten, avail-
ability will be determined after Easter. Please
come to information night for an update.

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ness to the love of Christ for all, admits students of any race,
color, and national and/or ethnic origin to all the rights, privi-
leges, 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, and
national and/or ethnic origin, age, sex or disability in admini-
stration of educational policies, admissions policies, scholar-
ship and load programs, athletic and other school-
administered programs.*