

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 7, 2010

**"Do not be afraid;
from now on you will be catching men."** *(Luke 5:1-11)*



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Vice Principal: Janet Burke

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—Friday: Morning Prayer at 6:00AM

Eucharistic Adoration

Monday—Friday: 9:00AM—9:00PM
Sunday: 1:30 PM—9:00PM
Closed on Observed Holidays

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)

2011 Confirmation Classes: 588-1455

Mass Intentions

WEEK of February 7, 2010

Sun	02/07	6:45 †	Renaldo Devera, Jose Carilo & Salvacion Devera
		8:00 †	Vincenzo Catalani
		9:30 †	Thomas O'Rourke
		11:00 †	Purificacion Laguardor
		12:30	People of St. Veronica
Mon	02/08	6:30	Vincent Sicat (<i>healing</i>)
		8:30 †	Isabel Massucco
Tue	02/09	6:30	Connie Dayrit (<i>blessings</i>)
		8:30 †	Annie Bernardini
Wed	02/10	6:30 †	Mike Callero
		8:30 †	Lillian Campodonico
Thu	02/11	6:30 †	Gertrude Eberle
		8:30 †	René Calonge
Fri	02/12	6:30 †	Robert Phillip Moskal
		8:30 †	Lee Heise
Sat	02/13	8:30 †	Lee Heise
		5:00 †	Steven Dub

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

Welcome New Parishioners!

Please complete and return form to the parish rectory, or simply drop it in the collection basket. Kindly print all information

Name(s) _____

Name(s) _____

Address _____

City & Zip _____

Phone _____

E-mail: _____

___ Updating Current Parish Registration

___ Moving / Please remove from mailing list.

___ Please call me.

Thank You Speech of Father Charles Puthota at Confirmation at St. Veronica Parish January 29, 2010

Archbishop Niderauer,

Please allow me to quote from your book called "Precious as Silver: Imagining Your Life with God," which I'm re-reading on the occasion of your presence with us this evening. You say in the second chapter, and I quote: "The truth is this: We are God's silver. All of us. God 'sits refining and purifying' us all, his children, generation after generation, because he loves us. He knows that it is in our nature to become tarnished, to behave sinfully and ignore him, and that he must constantly call us back to himself and polish us with his attentive love and grace. God knows that we will go on getting more or less tarnished, and he will have to continue polishing. Even after Jesus Christ has "refined" us sacramentally through the power of his saving action, we will need that polishing all our lives long."

Archbishop, the men and women---62 of them---who have received Confirmation at your hands today have been refined in a special and awesome way through the power of the Holy Spirit. The fire of the Spirit has purified them. They are polished like silver. They are called to keep shining like silver, despite the pulls and pushes we experience in life that have the power to tarnish us. These men and women are empowered to bring into play "open minds and courageous hearts" in belonging to Christ and his values and vision. We are thrilled at the endless pos-

sibilities of what God can do in their lives to fulfill their dreams and destiny. We are filled with gladness and gratitude.

Archbishop Niderauer, this is your first visit to St. Veronica Parish. As a parish community, we deem it a great privilege to welcome you and cherish your visit. As our shepherd, you are in the place of Christ the Good Shepherd himself, and you represent the Holy Father Pope Benedict XVI. While we are deeply grateful to you for conferring the Sacrament of Confirmation today, we take this opportunity to pledge our love and loyalty to you. You carry heavy burdens of responsibility to guide the Archdiocese spiritually as well as in temporal administration. We, as a parish community, declare our support and appreciation for you and your pastoral ministry. Your visit encourages and inspires us to be proud of our Catholic faith and to grow in the love for the Church. Thank you, Archbishop, for your affection and guidance, and for being our wise and gentle spiritual leader.

On a personal note, Archbishop Niderauer, I am proud to say that, besides the call, ministry, and the church that you and I love deeply, we have at least three other things in common: You and I regularly listen to NPR, which is for me a steady source of news, especially in the mornings. Second, you and I love literature and have spent some years getting our degrees. Third, you and I love Mahatma Gandhi. I know that some years ago you received an award named for Gandhi in Salt Lake City. Gandhi's message of non-violence, truth, peace, and simplicity of life is a powerful testimony to what all religions are

Thank You for Your Generosity in Supporting the St. Vincent de Paul Ministry in the Second Collection

<u>Day</u>	<u>Mass Time</u>	<u>1st. Collection</u>	<u>2nd Collection</u>	<u>Totals:</u>
Saturday 01/30	5:00PM	1532.50	244.00	1776.50
Sunday 01/31	6:45AM	619.00	182.00	801.00
	8:00AM	881.75	200.00	1081.75
	9:30AM	2447.00	579.00	3026.00
	11:00AM	1315.00	300.00	1615.00
	12:30PM	1044.00	392.00	1436.00
TOTALS:		7839.25	1897.00	9736.25

yearning for. I thank you, Archbishop, for inspiring me personally and our whole parish community through your leadership and your homilies we read in the Catholic San Francisco.

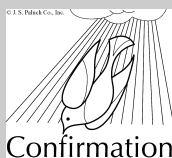
St. Veronica is a 2400 family dynamic parish community with a parish school with 323 students. The religious education program serves 304 students including those in Confirmation program and Special Needs. We at our parish are proud to host the Archdiocesan program of religious education for 27 Special Needs Students. Lately, we have been exploring ways of strengthening and providing necessary facilities for various ministries within our parish community. The old convent building will be turned into the Pastoral Center in summer. This will allow the parish to flourish even further. With God's help and your encouragement, we dare to imagine greater possibilities for our community.

Archbishop, as pastor of our parish, I am enormously proud of the Catechists of our Confirmation program. They are some of the best in the Archdiocese. They run a creative program called "home groups" where the sessions are hosted in the homes of the catechists. These catechists demonstrate great love and dedication in preparing the Confirmation candidates. I would like to acknowledge the important role of Michele Evans, our new Religious Ed coordinator. We are also ably assisted by Sandy Kearney, our new Parish Manager.

Archbishop, I thank you for your inspiration to these Confirmation men and women. I have also challenged them to think of Confirmation as the beginning of a new way of looking at God, the world, and their own lives. With the help of their families and sponsors, I am hoping to see them at weekend Masses and other activities of the parish life.

I thank you, again, Archbishop Niederauer, for your gracious presence and for conferring the Sacrament of Confirmation. St. Veronica Parish is deeply grateful to you.

Congratulations and God Bless
the 2010 Confirmation Class
of St. Veronica Parish
Who Received the Outpouring of the Holy Spirit
In the Sacrament of Confirmation on Friday,
January 29, 2010





**St. Veronica Luck of the Irish Raffle & Dinner
March 6, 2010**

**Ticket sales after all Sunday Masses on
February 21 and February 28**

1st Prize \$5,000

2nd Prize \$3,000

3rd Prize \$1,000

4th Prize \$500

5th—9th Prizes will be \$100

Checks payable to *St. Veronica Guild*

Raffle Ticket cost \$100.00

Only 250 tickets will be sold!!

*Thank
you*

St. Veronica Youth Group Ministry

Our Hats off to:

Kathy Ghorso, James Millineton

Monica Piccininni, Pam Silva,

Serena Soria & Sara Theisen for

helping out during last Sunday's Hospitality. We had an over whelming crowd and the extra help made a world of difference. Thank you for giving your time to the parish. You are valued and treasured.

**Interested in becoming a Lector
or Extraordinary Minister of
Holy Communion?**

**Learn more about this St. Veronica
Ministry by attending
an informational meeting for current
and prospective members on
Tuesday, February 9
6:30 PM St. Veronica Church.**

**Information on upcoming formal
training sessions will be available at
this meeting.**