

# TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 14, 2011

*..Great is your faith!"*

*Matthew 15*



*Christ and the Canaanite Woman, Jean-Germain Drouais 1783*

## St. Veronica Church

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# St. Veronica Parish

## Parish Office Hours

Monday to Friday

8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Lunch Noon - 1:00 p.m.

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## Parish Staff

**Fr. Charles Puthota, Ph.D.,** *Pastor*

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**Deacon Joseph LeBlanc**

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## St. Veronica Catholic School

Phone: 650-589-3909

**Kathryn Lucchesi**  
*Principal*

**Pam Cavagnaro**  
*Vice Principal*

## 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 from October through Pentecost.  
Call the Parish Office to register 588-1455

**Faith Formation:** 650-588-1455  
Catechetical instructions (1st to 8th grades)

**Confirmation Classes:** 588-1455

## Mass Intentions

WEEK of August 14, 2011

Sun	08/14	6:45	Pedro & Norma Zarate
		8:00	† Jose Pachikkara
		9:30	Faina P. Aoay & Family
		11:00	† Mr. Doroliat
		12:30	People of St. Veronica
Mon	08/15	6:30	† Inocencio Riel, Sr.
		8:30	† Rogelio Ipac
Tue	08/16	6:30	† Elena Gilbuena
		8:30	Natividad Gilbuena
Wed	08/17	6:30	† Pat Kerrigan
		8:30	† Michael & Kevin Folan
Thu	08/18	6:30	† Jose S. Dominguez
		8:30	† John Martinez
Fri	08/19	6:30	† James Lemons
		8:30	Angela Bucho
Sat	08/20	8:30	† Angelina Duri
		5:00	† Mike & Kevin Folan
Sun	08/21	6:45	† Diomedes & Rosa Millan
		8:00	† Joe S. Aquino
		9:30	† Lucille Silva
		11:00	† Jose Tanjutco
		12:30	People of St. Veronica

**Monday August 15---Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary---is NOT a holy day of obligation.**

There will be no vigil Mass on Sunday evening and on Monday Masses will be at 6:30 a.m. and 8:30 a.m.

### Reflection

Jesus initially declares that his mission is only to "the house of Israel." Subsequent dialogue between Jesus and this persistent woman leads Jesus to extol her great faith and heal her daughter. The encounter between Jesus and the woman reveals the unrestricted mercy of Jesus, the power of great faith, and the universality of salvation for those who believe. We too are to have strong faith and be persistent in prayer and courageous in asking for salvation.

Loving God, you call all peoples to salvation. Widen our hearts that we, too, may embrace all peoples, near or far, seen or unseen, known or unknown. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

**Parish Office email: [churchoffice@stveronicassf.com](mailto:churchoffice@stveronicassf.com)**

## Mass Schedule

Saturdays: 8:30AM & 5:00PM  
 Sundays: 6:45, 8:00, 9:30, 11:00AM, and 12:30PM  
 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

## Parish Registration

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.

This is a new registration

Please call me.

*Please remember the sick and the care-givers  
 in our community. Pray that they may find comfort  
 and healing in Christ.*

*Please contact the Parish office if Homebound  
 Eucharistic services are needed.*

Please remember in your prayers a recent loss in our  
 Parish Family.

*Inge Amodeo - Died August 1, 2001  
 Donald Armanasco—Died August 5, 2011*

"Eternal Rest Grant Unto to Them, O Lord..."

### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (often abbreviated RCIA) is the process through which interested adults are gradually introduced to the Roman Catholic faith and way of life.

Do you or know someone who longs to have a closer relationship with our Heavenly Father? Did you know that many who have considered becoming Catholic say that no one ever asked them to become a member of our church. Ask about the RCIA sessions for those who are not baptized, are of other faiths, or are curious about exploring the Catholic faith.

Call the Parish office at **650-588-1455** for more detailed information.

### Parish Office Relocation Reminder

Keep in mind the Parish Office has been relocated to the  
 Pastoral Center (old convent building).

We survived the first week without any major consequence. Know your requests will continue to be handled with the great care and attention.

The staff is here to serve YOU.

Parish office phone and fax numbers remain unchanged.

**Thank You for your continued support to St. Veronica Parish.**

<u>Day</u>	<u>Mass Time</u>	<u>1st. Collection</u>	<u>Parish Maintenance</u>	<u>Totals:</u>
<b>Saturday 08/06</b>	5:00PM	1255.25	222.50	1477.75
<b>Sunday 08/07</b>	6:45AM	1174.00	152.00	1326.00
	8:00AM	746.50	148.00	894.50
	9:30AM	1606.00	296.00	1902.00
	11:00AM	1132.00	266.00	1398.00
	12:30PM	1250.00	270.00	1520.00
<b>TOTALS:</b>		<b>7163.75</b>	<b>1354.50</b>	<b>8518.25</b>

## *From the Pastor's Desk*

### **The Way of Nature, the Way of Grace**

I was at our Cathedral last Monday with our principal Mrs. Kathy Lucchesi and vice-principal Mrs. Pam Cavagnaro for a Mass and dinner for principals and pastors of the Archdiocese. At the Mass, Auxiliary Bishop Robert McElroy preached an inspiring homily, citing the recent movie "The Tree of Life." In the movie, the father of the boy stands for nature and the mother for grace. The movie begins with the line: "There are two ways through life: the way of nature and the way of grace. You have to choose which one you will follow." The father says to the boy: "It takes fierce will to get ahead in this world. I always want you to be strong, be your own man." The mother, however, tells the boy: "Unless you love, your life will flash by." The mother thinks that unless there is love and grace, our spiritual investment and gentleness, we cannot find happiness, peace, and fulfillment.

The way of nature requires that we have to struggle to survive and succeed. Nature may seem arrayed against us, but we have to do everything to work with certain forces and work against certain forces to find our way and our place in the universe. This might require "rugged individualism." The way of grace, on the other hand, will be other-oriented, leading us to build up our families and communities and a world that is filled with blessings for all.

Bishop McElroy said eloquently that as we educate our children in our Catholic Schools, we need to show them the way of nature and the way of grace. That, in a sense, would be the summary of Catholic education.

Isn't it true that, not just for our children, but for all of us, we have to follow the way of nature (the material, visible, at times, harsh world) and the way of grace (the spiritual, invisible, tender world). We need to humanize the natural world, but we also need to spiritualize it. I think this is a good insight for us to think about. Are we able to combine the order of nature and the order of grace? As we search for the material blessings, are we able to seek also the spiritual blessings without which the material blessings will make us only hollow men and women? We belong to this world, it's true; but we also belong to something bigger and more beautiful.

Mary our Mother whose Assumption we celebrate on August 15<sup>th</sup> was eminently capable of finding the way of grace and the way of nature. The handmaid of the Lord came to be full of grace. The Canaanite woman in the gospel this weekend is crushed by the forces of the natural world, but the way of grace opens up for her, thanks to the intervention of Jesus. The Pastoral Center, a new gift to our parish, is in the order of nature, but through our ministries, our parish will find in it the Spirit of Christ, the way of grace. This would hopefully extend to our parish, the nation and the world.

Are we capable of finding the way of nature and the way of grace?

Your Friend and Pastor,

Father Charles Puthota

## Announcements

### ST. VERONICA SCHOOL NEWS

“Children are the world’s most valuable resource and its best hope for the future.”

*JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY*

**NEEDED  
HOT LUNCH COORDINATOR  
FOR ST. VERONICA STUDENTS**

A wonderful opportunity to provide stewardship to the community. Please contact the school office if interested and for more information. 650-589-3909



### KEEP THOSE DONATIONS COMING!

**St. Veronica Parish Festival  
"All Star Weekend"  
September 23 - 25, 2011**

Donated items are a big way our entire community can get involved. Take advantage of “**summer clearance**” items and think about picking up an item or two for the festival:

Here are some suggestions:

- Candy & Sweets
- Holiday Items
- Liquor & Libations
- Sport Items
- Toys for all ages
- Stuffed Animals
- Gift Certificates
- Face Paint Supplies
- 2-Liter Soda Bottles
- Pet Items
- Baking Decoration
- Vacation Rentals
- Food (for food booths)
- Small Prize Items

**Items can be dropped off at the Parish Office**  
*2011 Festival Chair - Lori Cadigan*

### St. Veronica Adult Choir News

Have you been contemplating joining the adult choir but still can't make up your mind? Now is the time to join! There are so many wonderful new hymns we will be introducing in connection with the translation of the New Roman Missal. Perhaps you might consider joining seasonally for Advent or Easter Seasons. Call 650-588-1455 for more info.

*Lift up Your Hearts!*



**Year of Renewal in Worship and Prayer**  
*Preparing for the New Missal Translation*

### PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

The *First Letter of Peter* calls the People of God "a royal priesthood" (1 Pet 2:9). This is not some pie-in-the-sky designation meant to puff up the faithful. In the Church's Tradition, being baptized into Christ means being baptized into his priesthood, which involves both his access to God and his sacrifice. Within the priesthood of the faithful are rights and duties before God.



### **REMEMBERING the WORD of GOD**

*Interceding through Christ,  
the High Priest*

**“So let us confidently approach the throne of grace to receive mercy and to find grace for timely help.”**

*Hebrews 4:16*

In the Prayer of the Faithful, the baptized assemble for worship

to exercise their priestly role. That is, they stand before God the Father incorporated into Christ the High Priest, who intercedes on behalf of the world. We pray this way with the heart of Christ. We pray this way for people who may not have the wherewithal to pray for their own needs. In the Prayer of the Faithful, the vision of the Church is Christ's vision -- truly universal with an eye toward needs that God alone can meet.

The spirit of the Liturgy of the Word is one of attentiveness. Just as we listen attentively to the readings and homily, just as we give our attention to each of the parts of the Creed, so we are called to internalize each of the intentions in the Prayer of the Faithful and give our full spiritual attention to them.

### Catholic Charities CYO Adult Day Offers Caregiver Classes

**Catholic Charities CYO Adult Day Services in San Mateo County is offering Caregiver Classes in September at Sequoia Hospital, San Carlos Library and the Twin Pines Senior Center.**

**For more information call: 650-592-9325 or  
[www.cccyo.org](http://www.cccyo.org)**

## Family Connection

Even when spurned by Jesus, the faith of the Canaanite woman makes her bold enough to argue and ask again for what she needs. Her persistence and great confidence that Jesus could heal her daughter reminds us of the confidence with which our children bring to us their own needs. In their faith and trust we can find modern examples of how we might approach God in prayer.

As a family recall some times when a request for something was presented by one family member to another with confidence and persistence. If the request was denied, talk about why that was so. If the request was eventually granted, talk about what led to the change of heart. Then read together today's Gospel, Matthew 15:21-28. Was anyone surprised by Jesus' response to the Canaanite woman? Why or why not? What makes Jesus change his mind and heal the woman's daughter? When we pray, God wants us to be as confident in his mercy. Invite family members to identify the things that they most need from God. Pray these prayers of petition together as a family, confident that God will hear and answer your prayers.

A38 Lord Help Me, Matthew 15:21-28, Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
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How many times have you said, "Lord, help me?" One thousand times, more or less. Each time you asked I know the Lord has helped you. Perhaps he didn't give you exactly what you wanted, but he gave you what was best for you. When you are about to give up, be sure to talk with God and say, "Lord, help me." If you don't think he heard you, it's okay to keep asking him over and over again. Then he knows that you truly believe that he will help you. He will answer your prayers. Be filled with faith in God's love and mercy. You are forgiven. He will give you the help you need. He is the leader of the lost sheep.

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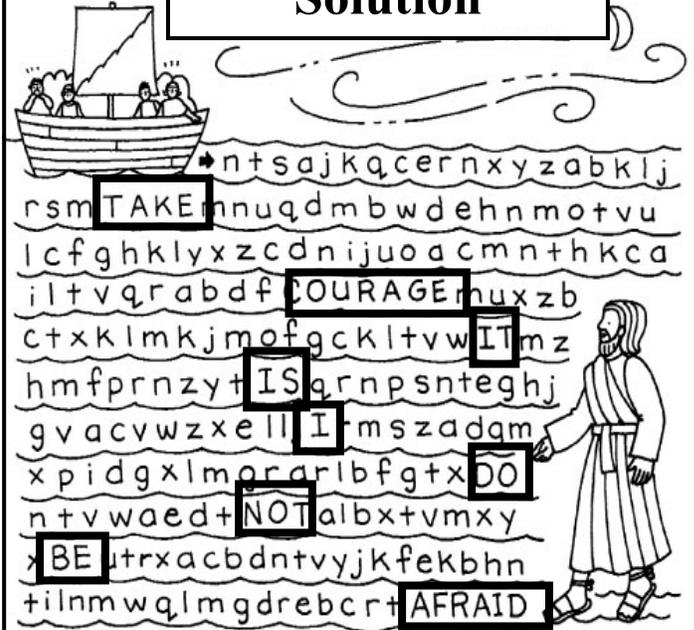
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## Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

When the disciples saw Jesus walking toward their boat they were afraid!  
Use a light-colored crayon to highlight only the uppercase letters in the waves.  
They will spell out what Jesus said to them.  
Start at the boat and end at Jesus.

You can read the story in your Bible at Matthew 14:22-33.

### Solution



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We look forward to  
welcoming our  
students  
and faculty back to  
School on  
August 24, 2011



### Welcome Newly Registered Parishioner!

Our Parish continues to be blessed and enriched by the presence of new parishioners:

**Jerry, Amanda, Danny & Thomas Heathcote**

**Chong, Lei Kim Sawyer and  
Raphael Sawyer-Chavez**

May St. Veronica Church offer you a place where you can bring your sorrow and joys, your pain and triumphs and peace for your soul.

### A GOOD PRAYER

A good prayer, though often used, is still fresh and fair in the eyes and ears of heaven.

*Thomas Fuller*



## *The Saint Veronica Eucharistic Adoration Team*

Cordially Invites You Its...

### **Annual Appreciation Dinner**

Without your commitment to our Adoration Program, it would have been impossible to have gone through another successful year of prayer, worship and adoration of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. Thanks to all of you for keeping your weekly Holy Hour. We can never thank you enough nor repay you for all that you've done. But rest assured that graces are already coming your way. However, in our most humble and simple way, we would like to show you our appreciation by having you as our special guest in our Annual Appreciation Dinner.

**Where:** Saint Veronica Falcon Hall  
**When:** August 20, 2011 (Saturday)  
**Time:** 6:00 p.m. (immediately  
after the 5:00 p.m. Mass)

For information, please contact:  
Clemence Maguire at (415) 420-5383

Please RSVP by August 15, 2011.  
Your presence will be greatly appreciated.

### **Faith Formation 2011-2012 Registration Open**

**It's time to register for Faith Formation.** Forms can be found on the parish web site under the Faith Formation link. Our program provides religious instruction and spiritual formation for children in grades 1-8 and Confirmation.

#### **Classes are offered on:**

- **Wednesday afternoons** from 3:30 - 4:45 p.m. for grades 1-6
- **Wednesday evenings** from 7:00 - 8:15 p.m. for grades 7 & 8
- **Saturday mornings** from 9:00 - 10:15 a.m. for grades 1-6

Just a reminder that the sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation are two-year programs.

**Contact Karen at 650-588-1455 or via e-mail at [reled@stveronicassf.com](mailto:reled@stveronicassf.com) with any questions.**

If you have not yet registered with St. Veronica parish, please complete a **Parish Registration Form** found in this bulletin or download a full form from our website at [www.stveronicassf.com](http://www.stveronicassf.com).

### **Great Things Unending**

What are some of the "great things" God has done for you? The gift of life? The gift of family and friends? The gift of freedom and faith? The gift of a unique talent or weakness? The gift of love? The gift of redemption and sanctification?

Mary, the mother of Jesus and of the Church, sang her great canticle in response to Elizabeth's Spirit-filled proclamation that Mary was truly blessed - for her being the mother of Jesus and for her believing in God's word.

The "great things" that God did in Mary's life were her gifts of motherhood and faith. Mary could not stop from singing. Even here Mary realized her lowliness, that she was a creature like the rest of humanity. That God would choose her was a grace that caught her by surprise.



And at the end of her life, another "great thing" occurred: Mary was assumed into heaven, body and soul. In praying the Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary, we start with Jesus' resurrection and ascension, and we end with Mary's assumption and coronation as queen of heaven. But God's doing great things did not stop there. Through the intercession of Mary, God continues to call all creation to participate in divine glory. Mary's destiny is to be our own if we but follow her in the way of obedience and self-giving. On this feast of the Assumption, (August 15, 2011), we do well to realize that Mary unceasingly intercedes for our well-being and the well-being of our world. God's doing "great things" never stops.

*Bishop Robert F. Morneau*



It is with great joy we welcome into our church and community the following children who received the Sacrament of Baptism at our Church

Saturday, August 6, 2011

*Gianna Lucia Aldaz  
Robert Barajas  
Maya Lileian Hazelton Jangar  
Landon Jeremy Khoo  
Jayden Armando Reynoso*

### **A Restorative Justice Annual Fundraising Event To support re-entry programs for youth and young adults**

Saturday, August 27, 2011  
Mission Dolores Church hall  
3321 16th Street, San Francisco, CA  
Event starts at 5:00 p.m.—11:30 p.m.