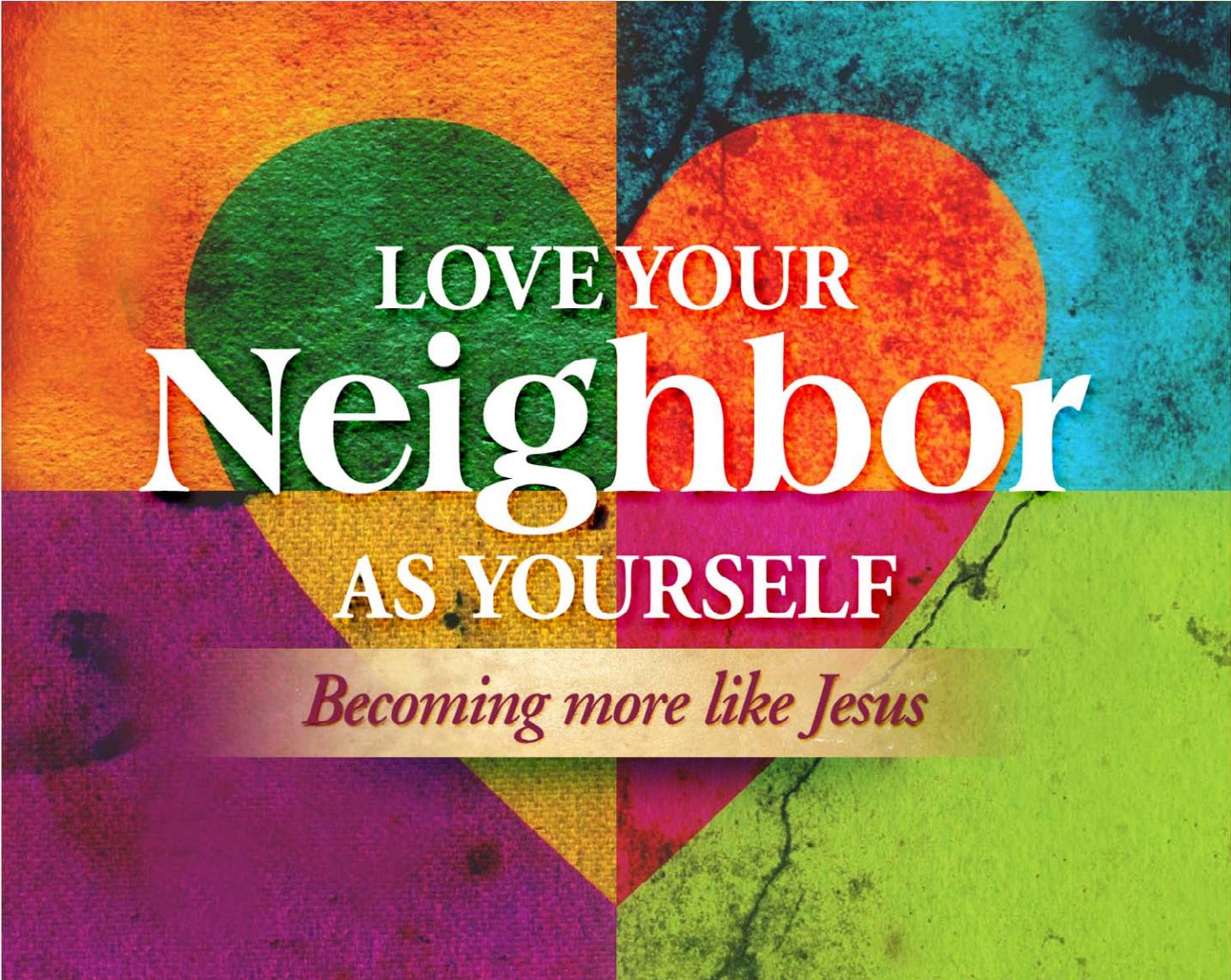


# TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 4, 2011

*"You shall love your neighbor as yourself.."*

*Ezekiel 33:7-9*



LOVE YOUR  
**Neighbor**  
AS YOURSELF

*Becoming more like Jesus*

## St. Veronica Church

*Established 1951*

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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.

Phone: 650-588-1455 Fax: 650-588-1481

## Parish Staff

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

**Fr. Linh Nguyen,** *Parochial Vicar*

**Fr. Joe Walsh,** *In Residence*

<http://rico50.blogspot.com>

**Deacon Roger Beaudry**

**Deacon Joseph LeBlanc**

**Sandy Kearney,** *Parish Manager*

**Patricia Spiteri,** *Parish Secretary*

**Karen Guglielmoni,** *Faith Formation & Wedding Coordinator*

**Christopher Lindstrom,** *Music Director*  
650-588-1455 Ext. 308

## 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 2nd through Pentecost.  
Call the Parish Office to register 588-1455

**Faith Formation:** 650-588-1455 Ext. 305  
Catechetical instructions (1st to 8th grades)

**Confirmation Classes:** 588-1455

## Mass Intentions

WEEK of September 4, 2011

Sun	09/04	6:45	† Paco Suarez
		8:00	† Woody & Maryann Collier
		9:30	† Joseph & Josephine Muglia
		11:00	† Rene Calonge
		12:30	People of St. Veronica
Mon	09/05	8:30	Evelyn Broas
Tue	09/06	6:30	† Janet Hall
		8:30	† Patrocinio Nazareno
Wed	09/07	6:30	† Marie Kennealy
		8:30	† Joshua Field
Thu	09/08	6:30	† Rosalina Tomas Duque
		8:30	† Tony Bartolo
Fri	09/09	6:30	† Pat Kerrigan
		8:30	† Marian Coccellato
Sat	09/10	8:30	Miriam La Rosa
		5:00	† Michael Leddy
Sun	09/11	6:45	† Elsie Trollman
		8:00	Jim & Auri Piguing
		9:30	† Steven Dub
		11:00	† Pat Bruns
		12:30	People of St. Veronica

## Reflection

We can respond in different ways when someone wrongs us: we can ignore the offense, cut off the offender, announce our anger or hurt, or be equally offensive. Perhaps you have tried each of these. Jesus sets out another way for his disciples. First, go to the person and point out the failure, if that doesn't work, take another with you; if that doesn't work, "refer it to the church." And if that doesn't work, "treat the person as you would a Gentile or a tax collector."

This last remark could sound like even Jesus put limits on what you had to do to bring a person around, especially since tax collectors were generally held in contempt and Gentiles kept at a distance. But this wasn't so for Jesus; these were the very ones he reached out to. So, his last remark indicates that you never stop trying to win over another.

These words are part of Jesus' fourth speech in Matthew's Gospel, focused on life within the community of his followers. They are to be a community of reconciliation. This call to engage in fraternal correction has got to be one of the more difficult aspects of living out the way of Jesus, by loving others enough to tell them when they are committing a wrong. It's frequently much easier to let it slide.

**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.*

### SAVE THE DATES

- September 5, 2011 - Labor Day Holiday, Parish Office Closed
- September 8, 2011 - 3:15PM - SV Angel Choir Practice in the Church
- September 8, 2011 - 7:00PM - Adult Choir Practice in the Church
- September 11, 2011 - 9:30AM SV Sports Mass
- September 13, 2011 - 7:30PM - Baptism Prep Class in the Church
- September 18, 2011 - Catechetical Sunday
- September 24, 2011 - SV Festival Car Show
- September 23, 24, & 25, 2011 - St. Veronica Parish All-Star Festival
- October 2, 2011 - RCIA Classes 9AM, Pastoral Center
- October 29, 2011 - 19th Annual Santini Golf Tournament and Dinner

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

*Mary Helseth—Died August 27, 2011*

“Eternal Rest Grant Unto to Her, O Lord...”

### Welcome Newly Registered Parishioners!

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

*Ernie, Marissa, Erica, Celina & Caroline Narciso*

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.

<u>Day</u>	<u>Mass Time</u>	<u>1st. Collection</u>	<u>Parish Maintenance</u>	<u>Totals:</u>
<b>Saturday 08/27</b>	5:00PM	1155.25	217.50	1372.75
<b>Sunday 08/28</b>	6:45AM	897.00	190.00	1087.00
	8:00AM	755.50	99.00	854.50
	9:30AM	1224.00	257.00	1481.00
	11:00AM	1009.00	248.00	1257.00
	12:30PM	1208.00	263.00	1471.00
<b>TOTALS:</b>		<b>6248.75</b>	<b>1274.50</b>	<b>7523.75</b>

# *From the Pastor's Desk*

## St. Veronica Book Club

Dear Parishioners,

**Interested in Reading Books?** In the thick of our hectic lives, it's often difficult for us to find time to read. However, if there are others in the parish who are committed to reading the same book at the same time, it would provide that extra energy and inspiration necessary to make the effort. Do you want to read a few wonderful spiritual books? To serve this need, I'd like to propose a book club for our parish/school/faith formation families. Anyone and everyone are welcome to join!

**About the books:** I have deliberately chosen a list of short books. They have a great nourishing quality to them. These books will spiritually and intellectually enrich and enlighten us. They will provide food for the mind, heart, and soul. These are simple, easy-to-read books. They will give us insights into life as we search for meaning and faith. Do you want to know what it is to love truly and live deeply, to share much and cherish well, to have peace of mind and harmony in relationships? These books have the potential to provide vital answers to these questions.

**Simple Rules for the Book Club:** Everyone will read the same book for a whole month. Once a month, we'll come together in the evening at the Pastoral Center for an informal, friendly meeting to talk about the book. At the meeting, there will be no arguments or ideologies. Simply, we'll share our thoughts on that particular book. Simplicity, honesty, and a low-profile approach would be much appreciated. We'll listen to each other respectfully. The monthly meeting will actually help us get committed to completing the book.

**Need Help:** I'll need the help of a couple of people who are familiar with ordering books online. This would help reduce the price of these books and make them easily available for people to buy. These books, I can assure you, will not break your bank account. Here's the list:

1. *The Gift of Peace* by Cardinal Joseph Bernardin
2. *Awareness: Perils and Opportunities of Reality* by Anthony de Mello, S.J.
3. *Life of the Beloved* by Henri J.M. Nouwen
4. *Something Beautiful for God* by Malcolm Muggeridge (on Mother Theresa)
5. *Sleeping With Bread* by Dennis Linn, Sheila Fabricant Linn, & Matthew Linn.
6. *Jesus Before Christianity* by Albert Nolan
7. *I Call You Friends* by Timothy Radcliffe, O.P.
8. *Way to Love: Last Meditations of Anthony de Mello* by Anthony de Mello, S.J.
9. *Who Moved My Cheese?* by Spencer Johnson
10. *Experiencing Jesus* by John Wijngaards, NHM
11. *My Life with the Saints* by James Martin, S.J.
12. *Why Be Catholic? Understanding Our Experience and Tradition* by Richard Rohr & Joseph Martos

**Call the Parish Office:** If you are interested in joining the St. Veronica Book Club, please call the parish office and register your name. Once we have a fair number of people, I'll announce the date and time of our first meeting.

Your Friend and Pastor,

*Father Charles Puthota*

## Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

### ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO...

- ◆ Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?  
OR
- ◆ Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

We offer an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season.

**We will have our first session on October 2, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. at the Pastoral Center. Please call the Parish office at 650-588-1455 for more detailed information.**

### What exceptional event comes to mind about a retired priest..?

How has one of our retired priests been a special person for you or your family? Did he help you through a tough time or maybe celebrate a milestone in your family's sacramental life?

There are almost ninety priests in our Archdiocese who are retired. Almost all of these retired priests stay active to the degree they can. Our retired priests are even now regularly asked to celebrate Mass, perform baptisms, witness marriages, hold funeral services, mentor younger priests, and hear confessions. Many of them celebrate important dates during their retirement years, reaching a 60th anniversary of ordination and beyond. Many of these men take care of their personal needs themselves, and depend on the Priests' Retirement Fund for assistance.

On Friday, October 21st, we are holding the First Annual St John Vianney luncheon at St. Mary's Cathedral. This gathering will honor the retired priests of the Archdiocese and help raise funds for the Priests' Retirement Fund. It will be a wonderful opportunity to show your appreciation to the retired priests for the many ways you have been blessed by them.

Come join us in honoring them. For reservation and tickets, you may call the Parish office or contact the Office of Development at (415) 614-5580 or email at [sfdevelopment@sfarchdiocese.org](mailto:sfdevelopment@sfarchdiocese.org)



Invite your friends for  
**Wednesday night Bingo**  
Location: St. Veronica Falcon Hall  
Games begin at 7:00 p.m.  
*Proceeds to benefit*  
**St. Veronica Catholic School**

### Labor Day Prayer

God our Creator,  
we are the work of your hands.  
Guide us in our work,  
that we may do it, not for self alone,  
but for the common good.  
Make us alert to injustice,  
ready to stand in solidarity,  
that there may be dignity for all  
in labor and in labor's reward.  
Amen.

Lift up Your Hearts!



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

## THE MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

A 1972 document from the U.S. bishops once stated, "People in love make signs of love, not only to express their love but also to deepen it" (*Music in Catholic Worship, n.4*). A similar thing could be said for people with faith -- they act and speak (make signs) of faith. This is at the heart of the Eucharistic Prayer's memorial acclamation. At this point in the great prayer, the priest has spoken the institution narrative (This is my body.../ This is the cup of my blood...) He then invites the assembly to join him in acclaiming the "mystery of faith."



**REMEMBERING  
the WORD of  
GOD**

**"For as often as you  
eat this bread and  
drink the cup, you  
proclaim the death of  
the Lord until he  
comes.**

*1 Corinthians 11:26*

Essentially, the mystery of faith expresses what is known as the paschal mystery. It is the mystery of Christ's "pasch" (Greek) or Passover -- the

mystery of his definitive passage to eternal life through his passion, death, resurrection, and ascension. When we acclaim, "*Dying you destroyed our death,...*" or "*When we eat this bread and drink this cup,...*" or, "*Lord, by your cross and resurrection, you have set us free. You are the Savior of the world*", we make a sign of faith -- a "Yes!" to the mystery at the center of our faith and a "Yes!" to the presence of the living Christ in the Eucharist. Christ's mystery is now ours. His dying, rising and return in glory are what redeem our lives.

### Reminder

There is **no** 6:30 a.m. Mass on Monday, September 5, 2011. Also, the Parish offices will be closed.

Wishing you all a safe and happy Labor Day Weekend!

### Seek Comfort in Prayer Together

Mass and Healing Liturgy in memory of our Little ones

**Saturday, September 17, 2011—11:00 a.m.**

Bishop Robert Mc Elroy, principal celebrant  
Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery  
1500 Mission Road, Colma, CA  
Rachel Shrine

## Family Connection

Conflict and disagreements are a natural part of family life. Yet, within our family, we have an important opportunity to learn how to resolve disagreements fairly by treating people with love and respect.

As you gather as a family this week, discuss the procedures for resolving disputes in your family. What kinds of things produce disagreements in your family? Do children frequently request the assistance of the adults when a disagreement arises? How do the adults respond? Jesus teaches his disciples the way in which they are to handle conflict within the Christian community of the Church. Invite family members to summarize the steps that Jesus proposes for resolving conflict.

How might today's Gospel inform your family's handling of disagreements? If you have time, your family might choose to role play how Jesus' teaching about conflict resolution might be applied to a disagreement that sometimes occurs in your household.



## St. Veronica Angel Choir 2011-2012

The Children's Choir is open to grades 2-8 of the St. Veronica Parish.

If your Child/ren is interested in joining the Children's Choir, please complete the bottom of his flier and return it.

First Practice Thursday, September 8, 2011  
3:15-4:15 in Church

Practice September 8, 15, 29 **No practice September 22**  
We will sing Sunday October 2 at the 9:30 Mass

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To Christopher Lindstrom At St. Veronica Pastoral Center

I give permission for my child/ren (grades 2-8) to participate in the 2011-2012 Children's Choir.

Student Name (Please Print) \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

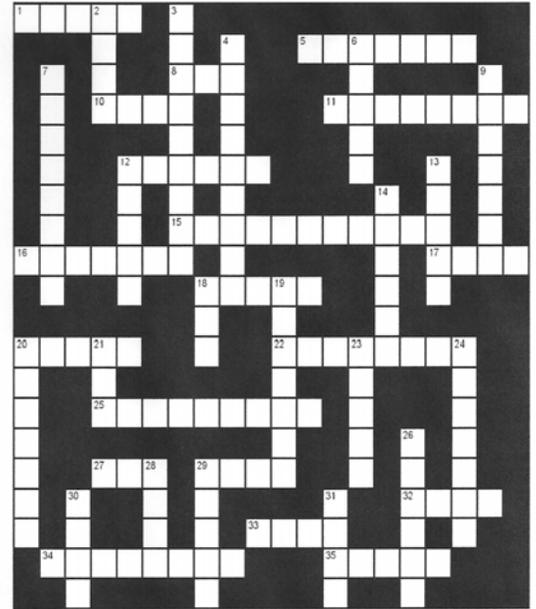
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### A41 If Two Agree in Prayer, Matthew 18:15-20, Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

God answers the prayers of people who ask the same thing in prayer. It is good to join others in prayer. Pray for peace. Pray for transportation that does not pollute the air. Pray that you and your friends use less violence to solve your arguments. Anytime you and others are praying together, Jesus is there with you, asking his Father to answer your prayers.

#### Across

1. planet
5. gave
8. a pair
10. level
11. with someone
12. hear
15. set up
16. says no
17. wrongs
18. snack
20. tied tight
22. no special item
25. statement sworn to be true
27. finished in first place
29. true statement
32. explain
33. finished
34. belonging to God
35. have the same opinion



#### Down

2. remove
3. sees
4. person who gathers
6. by oneself
7. brought together
9. in the middle
12. not tied up
13. in the middle of
14. group of people who have the same beliefs
18. fee on sales
19. not for
20. opposite of sister
21. no, nor, non, \_\_\_
23. two plus one
24. Christian rather than a Jew
26. male parent
28. a person, place or thing
29. blame
30. prayer ending
31. talk with God

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## 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 for grades 1 - 8 begin on Sept 17th & 21st.

### 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).

St. Veronica



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**WEEKEND**

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*Parish Festival, South San Francisco*

September 23, 24, & 25, 2011

**Donations** for the Various Booths  
are now being accepted at the Parish Office.

**Booth**

**Some Suggested Donations**

Classic Car Show Material

Model cars, car care materials

Pets, Pets and more Pets

Pet Accessories, beds, cages, books, all pet foods, etc.

Liquor & Libations

Beer, wine, spirits, mixers, glassware/barware, etc

Sports Fan Booth

Memorabilia, hats, bats, balls, cards, team goods, etc.

Sweet Tooth Cravings

Bags of candy, baked goods, cookies, anything chocolate!

Holiday Lane

Ornaments, decorations, festive ware for Christmas, Thanksgiving, Halloween, Valentine's Day, etc.

Bottle mania

2-liter Soda Bottles (Coke, Sprite, orange, punch, etc.)

Face Painting

Supplies for face painting, aprons, make up sponges

Toy Booth

Games, balls, dolls, puzzles, stuffed animals, etc.