

St. Felicitas Catholic Church

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**TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**

AUGUST 21, 2016

Mass Schedule

Sunday 7:30 am - 9:00 am - 10:30 am
12:30 pm (Spanish) 4:30 pm (Vietnamese)

Saturday 8:15 am - 4:30 pm (Vigil)

Daily (Monday to Friday) 7:00 am - 8:15 am

Holy Days 7:00 am 8:15 am 7:00 pm

1st Friday Exposition – St. Joseph's Chapel
12:30 to 4:45 pm

Sacraments

Reconciliation—Saturday, 3:15 p.m.- 4:00 p.m. or
by appointment.

Baptism—4th Sunday of every month at 2:30 p.m.
Contact Parish Office for information

Marriage—Arrangements to be made 6 months
prior to the wedding.

Mass of Anointing of the Sick—First Saturday of
the month at 10:30 a.m.

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Parish Office Hours

Monday - Tuesday 9:00 am to 4:00 pm
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Friday 9:00 am to 12:30 pm

EMERGENCY NUMBER (510) 309-8097

(During non-office hours)

Strive to enter through the narrow gate

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Father Tom's scattered thoughts . . .

To be faithful is to be “# One!” To be faithful means Endurance and Perseverance!

Endurance and Perseverance is Discipline!

Jesus could not and would not accept the “*all talk —no show*” followers.

If you put God first you will never be last!

Love demands a lot as well as giving a lot.

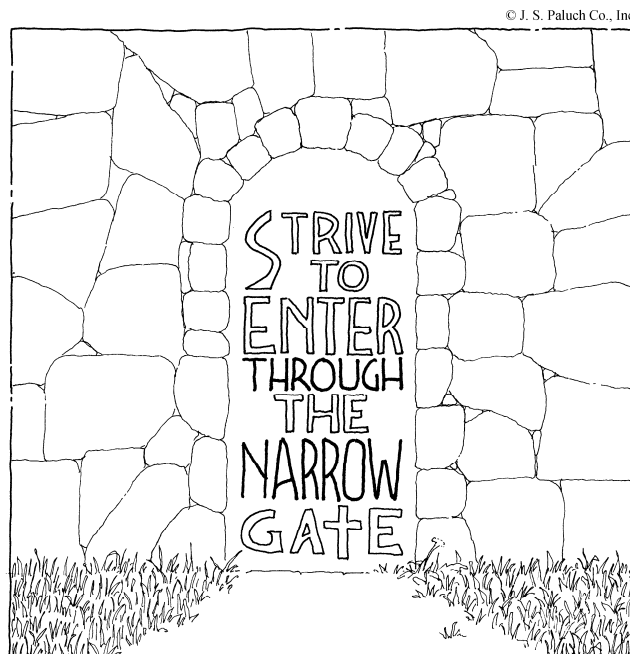
Love is the door to Eternal Life!

The condition for entering the Kingdom of God is not where you come from, whether you are first or last, whether you have the right clothes, or being on time at the right place at the right time, but *to hear God's word daily and live it faithfully!*

I hope you all have had a relaxing summer. We would like to welcome all the students back to our school and wish them a good academic year. Welcome back.

Remember you are always in my prayers,

Father Tom



TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 21, 2016

Second Collection

This Week: Diocesan Assessment

Next Week: The Catholic Voice

Events for the Week August 22, 2016

Mon. 8/22	6:30 pm	St. Vincent de Paul	AE Room
Thurs. 8/25	7:00 pm	Spanish Youth Group	Soc. Hall
Fri 8/26	7:00 pm	Spanish Children's Choir	Soc. Hall
	7:30 pm	Vietnamese Choir Practice	AE Room



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There is a **Mandatory Youth** Mass for All Confirmation candidates next Sunday, August 28th, 2016 at 10:30 a.m.

Mandatory Meeting for Parents and Candidates also on August 28th, 2016 at 5 to 7:30 p.m.



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SAVE THE DATE

When: Sunday, September 11

Where: ~~~ New Location ~~~

Bonaire Park

Interfaith Meeting of Prayer for Peace

Join Bishop Barber and fellow parishioners, together with international and local interfaith leaders, in a plea for ALL of us to do something positive for peace: PRAY!

Bishop Barber has invited people of all faiths to meet at the Cathedral of Christ the Light (the cathedral complex) on the Tuesday after Labor Day, September 6, at 5:45 p.m. in an historic appeal for peace in our community, in our country, in our world.

Details are on flyers in the church bulletin board, on the Diocese's website, or at:

www.InterfaithWestCoast.com

so that you can share this with others and register. Free parking. The prayer is followed by an international interfaith panel dialogue and Q&A before the formal Appeal for Peace.

April Showers, the program that provides assistance for the homeless in our community, has contacted the Parish. They are in need of Men's White Athletic Socks.

On Saturday and Sunday, August 27 & 28th, at all Masses there will be bins to deposit socks. Please only new packages of Men's White Athletic Socks.

Thank you in advance for supporting this program.

Parish Council

CYO Fall Sign-ups

St. Felicitas CYO Fall Sign-ups for Boys Basketball and Girls Volleyball will be August 15 thru September 30, 2016 and Cross Country until August 26, 2016 via internet at:

<http://stfelicitascatholicyouthorganization.siplay.com/site/>

NO LATE registrations will be accepted. All who live within the parish boundaries are welcome to sign up.

Thank you,

Rezena Aceret,

On behalf of the St. Felicitas CYO Board

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF August 22nd

Monday: 2 Thessalonians 1:1-5, 11-12; Psalm 96:1-5; Matthew 23:13-22

Tuesday: 2 Thessalonians 2:1-3a, 14-17; Psalm 96:10-13; Matthew 23:23-26

Wednesday: Revelation 21:9b-14; Psalm 145:10-13, 17-18; John 1:45-51

Thursday: 1 Corinthians 1:1-9; Psalm 145:2-7; Matthew 24:42-51

Friday: 1 Corinthians 1:17-25; Psalm 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11; Matthew 25:1-13

Saturday: 1 Corinthians 1:26-31; Psalm 33:12-13, 18-21; Matthew 25:14-30

Sunday: Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29; Psalm 68:4-7, 10-11; Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a; Luke 14:1, 7-14

Ivan Ayro	Melblena Latorre	Jorge Salloman
Lourdes Andrade	Irmina Torres Llamas	Patricia Salloman
Harold Barber	Barbara Maloon	Theresa Schexnayder
Dan Bautista	Clarisse Mascarenah	Martha Serrato
Daniel Beltran	Peggy Miller	Marian Spencer
Alice Camozzi	Peter Luom Nguyen	Maryjane Tanner
Fernandina Carter	Tim O'Connor	Anne Tran
Margie Cruz	Oliver Olimpiada	Mary Valladon
Noel DeSouza	Tommy Puppo	Maria Jesus Vargas
Jeanne Gordillo	Peter Purificacion	Zack Ziegler
Connie Guaraglia	Amelia Ramos	
Mae Heasley	Emilio Ramponi	
Vincent Jacques	Josie Ramponi	

Sun.	8/21	7:30 am	Manuel Posa †
		9:00 am	Parishioners
		10:30 am	Mark and Rosalyn Antonio (A)
		12:30 pm	Felipe Amezcua †
Mon.	8/22	7:00 am	Dee Darbo †
		8:15 am	Teresa Nhon Nguyen (B)
Tues.	8/23	7:00 am	
		8:15 am	Elina Ruiz †
Wed.	8/24	7:00 am	Jesse Telmo †
		8:15 am	Floro Cordero, Jr. †
Thurs	8/25	7:00 am	Felipe Amezcua †
		8:15 am	Luis Rodrigo †
Fri.	8/26	7:00 am	
		8:15 am	Roy Griffin †
Sat.	8/27	8:15 am	Conversion of Sinners Holy Souls in Purgatory
		4:30 pm	Brendan Nelson †
Sun.	8/28	7:30 am	Louis Carlos †
		9:00 am	Eric Castaneda †
		10:30 am	Parishioners
		12:30 pm	Maria Elsa Carbojal †

L-Living †-Deceased A-Anniversary B-Birthday T-Thanksgiving

A name posted in dark print was added to the prayer list this week!

Do you have a seriously ill family member or friend? If you have the person's permission, you may request that their name be printed in the bulletin for prayers. Names will be deleted after one month. Call the parish office at 351-5244 to leave the name of the family member who is in need of prayer.

WHO ENTERED INTO ETERNAL LIFE

Roy Griffin † — August 11, 2016

LET PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON HIM

Jubilee Year of Mercy

August 21, 2016



Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

This *Jubilee Year of Mercy* and Pope Francis' ministry have renewed our understanding that the Church's heart is open wide to all, and the heart of the gospel is God's mercy. Flooded with God's mercy, our hearts should overflow as channels bringing to wounded and weary hearts Jesus' healing mercy. For Jesus warns, our own salvation is not guaranteed by the Liturgy of the Word ("you taught in our streets") nor by the Eucharist ("we ate and drank in your company") (Luke 13:26). People far from that banquet, "from the east and the west and from the north and the south . . . will recline at table in the kingdom of God" (13:29). Rather, showing mercy is key to obtaining mercy ourselves (Matthew 5:7). So we should never dare ask what "someone" asked Jesus, "Lord, will only a few people be saved?" (Luke 13:23). The crucial question is "Will I be saved?" And Jesus' answer is another question: "Have you shown mercy to everyone, freely, gladly, no limits, no conditions, no exceptions?"

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TEMPTATION

The average number of times that people say "no" to temptation is about once, weakly.

—Anonymous

NEW! Faithful Citizenship Information

The California general elections are right around the corner and "as Catholics we are called to participate in public life in a manner consistent with the mission of our Lord, a mission that he has called us to share" (USCCB, *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*).

In preparation for the general election, the California Catholic Conference has prepared resources to help Catholics learn about the issues often discussed during the election but also form a conscience that will help them vote in a manner consistent with the mission of our Lord.

These resources, such as Frequently Asked Questions, can be found at:

[CACatholic.org/faithful-citizenship](http://www.catholic.org/faithful-citizenship):

<http://www.catholic.org/faithful-citizenship>

A link to these resources will also be available on our homepage until the general elections in November
our homepage: <http://www.oakdiocese.org/>



RCIA

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**Considering Becoming a Catholic?
Interested in what Catholics Believe?
Then consider RCIA.**

- ◆ Would you like to get a better idea of what it means to be Catholic and what is involved in becoming fully initiated into the Catholic Church?
- ◆ Are you unbaptized and feel the need for a spiritual dimension in your life?
- ◆ Are you baptized in a different Christian tradition and would like to explore Catholic beliefs and practices?
- ◆ Are you married to a Catholic and attend Mass, and would like to take the next step to to become Catholic yourself?
- ◆ Are you a baptized Catholic but have not received First Communion or Confirmation?

If you have answered “yes” to any of these questions then RCIA (The **R**ite of **C**hristian **I**nitiation for **A**dults) may be for you. A new RCIA session will begin in September and we will learn about Catholic beliefs, teachings, practices. If you are interested please call the parish office at 510-351-5244 for more information.

Chúa Nhật 22 Thường Niên Năm C (Lc 14,1.7-14)

“Vì phạm ai tôn mình lên sẽ bị hạ xuống; còn ai hạ mình xuống sẽ được tôn lên”.

✦ Suy Niệm

Nếu cuộc đời là một bữa tiệc, hẳn có nhiều thực khách đã chọn chỗ nhất mà ngồi. Tôi chọn ngồi chỗ nhất vì tôi thấy mình quan trọng, tôi xứng đáng được hưởng vinh dự đó... Tiếc thay, không có nhiều chỗ nhất trong bữa tiệc cuộc đời, nên người ta phải tranh giành nhau bằng mọi thủ đoạn để chiếm được và giữ được chỗ nhất cho mình. Những cuộc tranh giành như thế đâu phải là điều xa lạ. Chúng vẫn diễn ra nơi gia đình, trong cộng đoàn, trong nhóm, trong giáo xứ, giữa các quốc gia... Nơi nào có hai người ở với nhau là có thể có đụng chạm, vì chỉ có một chỗ nhất.

Qua Tin Mừng Đức Giêsu mời ta sống và thực hành khiêm tốn.

Khiêm tốn không phải là giả vờ tự hạ để được nâng lên.

Khiêm tốn không phải là coi thường mình hay sợ người khác.

Khiêm tốn không phải là rụt rè, không dám nhận trách nhiệm.

Khiêm tốn là biết mình đã nhận tất cả từ Chúa, và lớn lên mỗi ngày nhờ tha nhân.

Người khiêm tốn không sợ chức vụ cao hay ghé nhất. Chiếc ghé không phải là mục đích họ cần chiếm được, nhưng là phương tiện để phục vụ mọi người. Chức vụ cho họ cơ hội cúi xuống thật gần với nỗi đau của nhân loại đang chờ họ giúp đỡ.

Người khiêm tốn không tự tìm vinh quang cho mình, họ hồn nhiên vô tư để Thiên Chúa tự do định liệu.

Abraham là một mẫu gương khiêm nhường. Ông ý thức mình chỉ là tro bụi (Kn 18,27), nhưng ông đã dám mạnh dạn mặc cả với Đức Chúa về số người công chính, đủ để cứu thành Sôđôma. Giêrêmia đã từ chối làm ngôn sứ, lấy cớ mình còn trẻ người non dạ (Gr 1,6). Nhưng khi ông dám nhận trách nhiệm Chúa trao, thì ông trở thành khiêm tốn và can đảm.

"Xin cho con biết con, xin cho con biết Chúa." Càng biết, chúng ta càng khiêm nhường thăm sâu. Thánh Phanxicô Borgia viết: "Tôi thực tâm muốn đặt mình ở dưới Giuđa, vì tôi đã thấy Đức Giêsu ngồi dưới chân anh ấy." Nếu chúng ta chọn ngồi ở chỗ cuối, thì chỉ vì đó là chỗ ngồi quen thuộc của Đức Giêsu.

*Suy tư: Theo ý bạn, người khiêm nhường thực sự thì có những nét nào?
Làm sao để tập được đức khiêm nhường trước Thiên Chúa và tha nhân?*

✦ Cầu Nguyện

Giữa một thế giới đề cao quyền lực và lợi nhuận, xin dạy con biết phục vụ âm thầm.
Giữa một thế giới say mê thống trị và chiếm đoạt, xin dạy con biết yêu thương tự hiến.
Giữa một thế giới đầy phe phái chia rẽ, xin dạy con biết cộng tác và đồng trách nhiệm.
Giữa một thế giới đầy hàng rào kỳ thị, xin dạy con biết coi mọi người như anh em.

(Trích Suy Niệm Manna)



Reflexionemos sobre la Palabra de Dios

Isaías 66:18—21 / Salmo 116:1, 2 / Hebreos 12:5—7, 11-13 / Lucas 13:22—30

María colgó el teléfono muy despacio. “Bueno, Santiago, hay buenas noticias y malas noticias. La buena noticia es que tu mamá y tu papá por fin vienen a la boda de Catalina. La mala noticia es que tu hermano viene con ellos”. El hermano de Santiago era un misionero de una secta religiosa muy estricta. Cuando se enteró que Santiago y María se iban a hacer católicos estalló con toda clase de vituperios. Desde entonces no se habían hablado.

¿Alguna vez al preparar un evento esperaste que alguien en particular no viniera o programaste el evento en una fecha cuando sabías que esa persona no podía asistir? ¿Hay ciertas personas que si se sentaran a tu lado en la Misa dominical te harían sentir incómodo? Las Escrituras de hoy proclaman que esas personas tienen tanto derecho de “sentarse a la mesa en el reino de Dios” como nosotros, o tal vez hasta más derecho. Estas lecturas sugieren que si queremos que el Señor “nos abra la puerta” debemos estar dispuestos nosotros a abrirles la puerta o todos los demás.

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Vivamos la Palabra de Dios

Muchos de nosotros deseamos que ciertas personas estuvieran fuera del alcance del amor de Dios. Desechar esa ilusión puede ser “más un motivo de pena que de alegría; pero después produce frutos de paz y salvación a los que la han sufrido” (Hebreos 12:11). Tal vez debamos abandonar nuestra actitud farisaica tanto de palabra y de obra anunciemos la Buena Nueva del amor inclusivo de Dios.



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El Papa Francisco dijo:

No temas al tiempo, nadie es eterno . . .

No temas a las heridas, te hacen más fuerte . . .

No temas al llanto, te limpia el alma

No temas a los retos, te haces más ágil . . .

No temas equivocarte, te hace más sabio

No le temas a la soledad,

Dios contigo siempre esta.

Diocese of Oakland
Wedding Anniversary Celebration



Sunday, October 2
10 a.m. Mass
followed by reception

The Cathedral of Christ the Light
2121 Harrison Street
Oakland, CA 94612



Married couples celebrating 25+ years in 2016 and their guests are invited to attend

\$20 registration fee per couple

A reception for anniversary celebrants and their guests follows the Mass.

\$10 for each additional ADULT (16+ years) reception guest of the anniversary couple—must be registered and paid in advance.

Anniversary celebrants should plan to arrive by 8:30 a.m. to pick up registration packet and for orientation.



Celebrated by:

†Bishop Michael C. Barber, SJ

Anniversary couples will have the opportunity to take a photo with Bishop Barber.

Photos will be available online or a framed version may be purchased the day of the event.

PHOTOS

Send photos for the reception slide show and promotion of the event **LABELED** with the anniversary couple's name: **SCANNED** and sent by email to vcarrillo@oakdiocese.org OR **MAILED** no later than September 23 to : Diocese of Oakland, Attn: Valentin Carrillo, 2121 Harrison Street, Oakland, CA 94612

Pre-registration required by:
September 23, 2016

Online: www.oakdiocese.org/anniversary
or by Phone: 510.267.8395