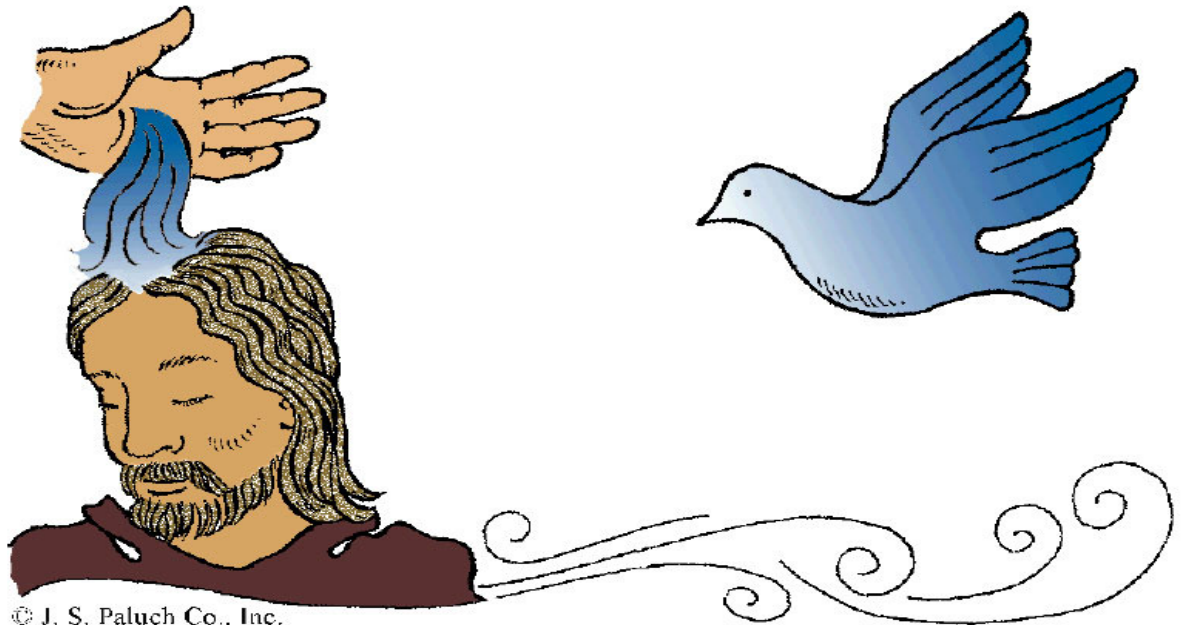




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Mass Schedule:

Sunday 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am
12:15(Spanish) 4:30pm(Vietnamese)

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

Daily (Mon-Fri) 7:00am, 8:15am

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

1st Friday Exposition 12:30 - 4:45pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday, 3:15 to 4:00pm or by appointment

Baptism

4th Sunday of every month 2:00pm
Contact Parish Office for information.

Marriage

Arrangements to be made 6 months prior to the wedding

Parish Office Hours

Mon-Thurs 9:00am-4:30 pm
Fri .8:30am - 12:30pm
Sun. 8:30am - 12:00 pm

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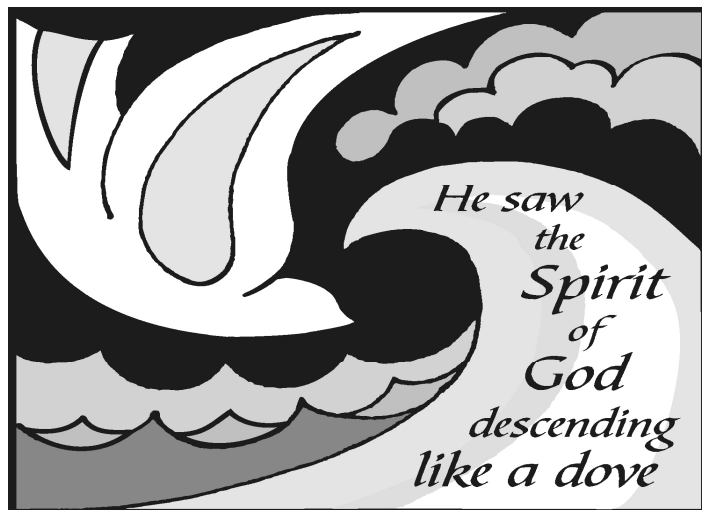
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THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

January 12, 2014

*A VOICE CAME FROM THE
HEAVENS SAYING,
“This is my beloved Son,
With whom I am well pleased.”*



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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Through the centuries, artists and craftspeople have depicted Jesus' baptism in the Jordan River by John. At first in mosaics and frescoes, and later in tapestries, stained glass, and paintings, the scene is familiar. Jesus is standing waist-high in flowing water. Above him, standing on dry land, John the Baptist pours water over Jesus.

The first artists to depict this were sketching from memory. This is exactly how most people were baptized in the early days: as adults, standing or kneeling in the water, with water poured over their heads.

This method of baptizing, called immersion, is the favored way today. An adult enters a font, or an infant is lowered a bit into the water supported by a parent's hand, and water is poured or splashed over them. The treasures of baptistry art attest that submersion, or plunging beneath the water's surface, is not really in our tradition, and that "infusion," the mere pouring of a few drops of water, yields too narrow an understanding of what it means to be plunged into Christ's life.

Jesus Christ has gone before us into the water, and waits for us there with abundant gifts. No wonder the tradition calls for abundant symbols!

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THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

January 12, 2014

Second Collection: The Catholic Voice

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Events of the Week Jan. 13 thru Jan. 18			
MON 1/13	10:00 am 6:30 pm	Book Club St. Vincent DePaul	SMC AE Rm
TUES 1/14	3:30 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	CCD Parent Faith Share RCIA Spanish Catechist Meeting CYO Board Meeting	SMC SMC AE Rm Hall
WED. 1/15	6:15 pm 7:00 pm	Faith Share Parents Mtg. Spanish Adult Choir	SMC AE Rm.
THURS 1/16	7:00 pm 7:30 pm	Spanish Youth Group Spanish Small Faith Communities	Hall AE Rm
FRI. 1/17	7:00 pm 7:30 pm	Spanish Children's Choir Vietnamese Choir	Hall AE Rm
SAT. 1/18	3:15 4:30 pm	Confessions Youth Mass	Church Church

Sunday Collections:

Jan. 5, 2014

Sunday Collection: \$11,119.00

Maintenance Collection: \$ 4,433.00

Christmas Collection: \$ 26,497.00

Thank you very much

STEWARDSHIP

Last Week's Stewardship went to:
Missionaries of Charity/Richmond

This Week's Stewardship will go to:
F.A.C.E. Family Aid ~ Catholic Education

Holy Hour:

On Monday January 6th, we started the "Holy Hour" focusing on Christian Family. It will be in the St. Joseph's Chapel, daily from Monday through Thursday. Holy Hour begins at 2:30pm and concludes at 3:30pm. All are welcome to join in the Holy Hour and pray for families.

CALLED TO SERVE

The status of God's beloved Son is not one he clings to. It is one he shares. All of us are called to be sons and daughters of God. In Jesus, we can all claim God's favor. The second reading makes this clear. Here we read of the baptism of Cornelius and his household. Peter's speech recalls the anointing of Jesus by the Holy Spirit and the great power that swept through Israel and onto the doorstep of the Gentile Cornelius.

As for his household, so for us. There is an end to our work on earth, to our baptismal vocation and the honorable work we do. But there is no end to the saving life given to us through baptism. There is no end to the life of the children of God; there is no end to God's compassion, which we know in Christ Jesus. There is no end to our status as chosen and beloved people of God. Because of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection, we are forever among those on whom God's favor rests.

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CRAB FEED

TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

Join us for the annual St. Felicitas
"Island Luau"

Crab Feed, Silent and Cake Auction
Saturday, February 8, 2014

Enjoy a delicious menu of salad, pasta, dessert and lots of fresh **PACIFIC CRAB!**

Tickets are \$40 per person—Seating limited ~ \$560 for table of 14.

This event sells out quickly, so be sure to get your tickets today at the school office, pick up form at Parish Office, or contact Justine Chan at Justinedchan@gmail.com

Mass Intentions Jan 12 thru Jan 19

Sun. 1/12	7:30 am	Vincent Nguyen †
	9:00 am	Parishioners
	10:30 am	David Leon †
	12:15 pm	Querida Primas †
Mon. 1/13	7:00 am	Lambertus&Wilhemina Post †
	8:15 am	Belinda Fahey †
Tues 1/14	7:00 pm	Paul Connelly †
	8:15 pm	Ramon Asuncion †
Wed 1/15	7:00 am	Ronald Luczkow †
	8:15 am	Dominic&Martha Le †
Thrs. 1/16	7:00 am	Corrazon Berroya †
	8:15 am	David Joseph †
Fri. 1/17	7:00 am	Francis Mai †
	8:15 am	Grant Melford †
Sat 1/18	8:15 am	Tony Lassalle †
	4:30 pm	All Souls †
Sun 1/19	7:30 am	Francisco&MariaNguyen†
	9:00 am	All Souls
	10:30 am	Parishioners
	1 2:15 pm	Spanish Community

Pray for

The Sick and Homebound

Anne Tran (Mother of Fr.Tom), Julie Chin, Michael & Lora Babik, Sheila Bickerton, Daniel & Raymond Bautista, Maria Garcia, Connie & Joyce Guaraglia, Remedios Mangila, Pearle Cezair, Maria Vargas, Leticia Delapena, Mary Helen, Andy Duarte, Ed Fletcher, Susan Pulido, Mia Vicedo, Joseph Tinh Tran, Diane Nielson, Alfred Caires, Gerry Toro, Joseph Hoang, Gary Cordano Jr., Christina Cayabyab, Lam Dinh, Trinh Nguyen, Joseph Dinh, Joe Carson, Lory Stark, Hazel Soares, Ronald Bennet, Sara Le Fargo, Ailene Basila, Teresa Tran, Juanita Estrellas, Maureen Nolan, Maria Silva, Louis Valenzuela, Alice Martinez, Fr. James Nguyen, Jim Lachemeyer, Maria Nguyen, Rachel Bonjiorno, Mimi Duarte, Mauro Salinas, Br. Joseph Seiler, Lucy Ferreira, Vincent Jacques, Elmira Rodrigues, Joe Zipp, Sr. Rosa Hoang, John Vargas, Dorothy Stout,

Pray for the departed: Art Dias, Ben Castro, Romuldo Valencia

BLESSING OF CANDLES

On Sunday, Feb. 2, (Presentation of the Lord) we will have the "*Blessing of Candles*" at the 10:30am Mass. The candles in the boxes at the front of the church near the baptismal font will be blessed on this day. You may make a donation of \$5.00 and take a candle from the box and place it into the basket. These candles will be burned throughout the year during Mass. On that day, you may also bring your own candles to be blessed for your use at home.

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BLESSING OF THROATS

We celebrate the feast day of St. Blaise on Monday, Feb 3, at the 7:00 am and 8:15 am Masses.

It has been said that St. Blaise had helped a mother with her small boy, who was choking on a fishbone stuck in his throat. St. Blaise prayed over the child and he was healed. Every year on St. Blaise's feast, two candles tied with ribbon in the shape of St Andrew's cross (X) are used to bless throats.

In the prayer, the church prays that those blessed may be delivered from diseases of the throat and from every other illness.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8; Ps 116:12-19;
Mk 1:14-20
Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd;
Mk 1:21-28
Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; Ps 40:2, 5,
7-10; Mk 1:29-39
Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11; Ps 44:10-11, 14-15,
24-25; Mk 1:40-45
Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Ps 89:16-19;
Mk 2:Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a;
Ps 89:16-19; Mk 2:1-12
Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a
Ps 21:2-7; Mk 2:13-17
Sunday: Is 49:3, 5-6; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10; 1
Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34

*The only true forgiveness is that
which is offered and extended even
before the offender has apologized
and sought it.*

**Dear Fr. Augustine, Fr. Tom, Fr. Dinh, Sisters,
Staff, and All Wonderful Parishioners,**

In the summer of 2004, after my First Profession as a religious sister, I was sent to St. Felicitas religious community & parish and to Cal State East Bay for finish my degree. I was sent with very little knowledge of ministry & parish life. I sense that you didn't focus much on what I knew or where I was in life, but you simply opened wide your arms, your hearts and your lives to warmly welcome, love & support me. From the very first day when I arrived, you made me feel right at home at St. Felicitas. For that, I am deeply grateful; I thank all of you very much.

One of my many joys at St. Felicitas Parish has been to greet you at Mass. Thank you for sharing your joy, your smiles, your hugs, & your stories with me. Having the chance to know you has enriched my life in many ways. I am very grateful for the love, dedication, & service that you offer to God & the Church through St. Felicitas Parish. Your commitment & your faithfulness to God & the Church have inspired & encouraged me to live up to my own calling as a religious sister. Looking back over the past 9 1/2 years, I can see how you have helped me so much to grow as a person, a religious sister, a minister, & a beloved child of God. For that, I thank God for His wondrous works in my life, & I am indebted to all of you for contributing to this great work of God in me.

I am indeed very blessed to have been part of St. Felicitas which I called HOME for these last 9 1/2 Years. Now that I am being transferred to my religious community & ministry at Santa Maria Parish in Orinda, I do feel sad that my ministry here at St. Felicitas has finally ended, but you & your loved ones will always be a part of me, in my heart & in my prayers. I will miss you & St. Felicitas dearly. Thank you for being part of my life & teaching me so much about commitment, service, & love for God & the Church through your dedication & prayerful presence at the Masses. Your examples have taught me and encouraged me about life's commitment & about my own religious vocation and faith in God. For that, I deep appreciate your support for me in my ministry, my life & my faith journey. Please continue to pray for me. Thank you!

Also, thank you for your prayers & blessings over me at 9:00am Mass on Sunday, Jan. 5th, to send me off to my new religious community & my new ministry. Thank you also for your hugs, tears, smiles, words, cards & gifts. I treasure them all.

From the bottom of my heart, thank you for your love & support. May God continue to watch over you & bless you with His love, joy & peace.

Happy New Year to you & your families!

Sr. Cecilia Phan, LHC

ST. FELICITAS SCHOOL

We are excited to look forward to the new challenges & many wonderful blessings that 2014 has in store for our school! We have so much to be grateful for as we look forward to the year ahead. Our school is blessed with amazingly dedicated staff members, faith-filled, hard working students & truly committed parents & families. Families have already begun applying for next year's Kindergarten class & we anticipate a very busy Open House on January 26th.

Some additionally exciting news is that we received our ITBS standardized test scores in December for St. Felicitas. This standardized test compares our students to students all over the Nation and ranks us according to our academic ability,. I am very proud to report that our school ranked in the 75th percentile nationwide for Language Arts! That is certainly quite a feat & speaks volumes to the hard work of our students & dedication of our staff.

We will be celebrating the wonderful gift of Catholic Education during Catholic School's Week beginning on Jan. 26th at the 9:00am Mass. Our first event will be our Open House and Science Fair from 10:00 am to 12:00 following the 9:00 am Mass. We would love any parishioners to come & see the outstanding work our students have been doing this year.

I pray that this year brings many gifts & graces from God to you & your family!

Abundant Blessings,
Meghan Jorgensen

*For the Lord your God has arrived to
live among you.*

He is a mighty savior.

*He will rejoice over you with great
gladness.*

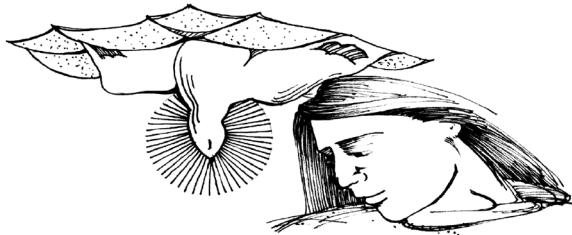
*With His love, He will calm all your
fears. He will exult over you by sing-
ing a happy song.*

HIJOS E HIJAS DE DIOS

Ser el Hijo amado de Dios no es una condición a la que está apegado. Es una que comparte con nosotros. Todos nosotros estamos llamados a ser hijos e hijas de Dios. En Jesús, todos podemos reclamar la predilección de Dios. La segunda lectura aclara esto. Aquí leemos sobre el bautizo de Cornelio y los miembros de su casa. El discurso de Pedro recuenta la unción de Jesús por el Espíritu Santo y el gran poder que se esparció por Israel hasta la puerta de uno de los gentiles, Cornelio.

Lo mismo que sucedió a su casa, nos sucede a nosotros. Nuestro trabajo en la tierra, nuestra vocación bautismal y la tarea honorable que realizamos tendrá su fin. Lo que no tiene fin es la vida de salvación que recibimos con el Bautismo. No hay fin a la vida de los hijos de Dios; no hay fin a la compasión de Dios que conocemos en Jesús. No hay fin a nuestra posición como pueblo elegido y amado por Dios. A causa de la vida, muerte y resurrección de Jesús, siempre estaremos entre los predilectos de Dios.

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Primera lectura — He aquí mi siervo a quien he dado mi espíritu. Él les enseñará mi justicia a las naciones (Isaías 42:1-4, 6-7).

Salmo — El Señor bendecirá a su pueblo con paz (Salmo 29 [28]).

Segunda lectura — Dios ha proclamado la paz por Jesucristo, el Señor de todos. Dios ha ungido a Jesús por el Espíritu Santo y el poder (Hechos 10:34-38).

Evangelio — Cuando Jesús fue bautizado por Juan, el Espíritu Santo descendió sobre él (Mateo 3:13-17).



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