Painting faith in living color

Our Knights of Columbus and their families completed a service project at St. Vincent de Paul

Back in May, our Knights of Columbus council got the news that St. Vincent de Paul in Pittsburg had acquired a donation of all the trim and wall paint needed to repaint their Dining Hall, but no paint supplies—or painters. The Knights stepped in and volunteered a crew of painters, and soon after SVdP also received a donation of the painting supplies, plus the skills of another group to clean and spackle the walls in preparation.

SVdP provides many programs and resources to the local community. In addition to the (now-repainted) Dining Hall which offers free nutritious meals every weekday, they also have a workforce development program with training and work experience, a medical clinic, a daytime shelter, and more.

They sent “many, many thanks” to our crew for their “hard work and skillful painting, resulting in a beautiful job! Great work!!”

Service work is a great way to put your faith in action—and doing a job as rewarding as this one for an organization that does so much good in our local community is awesome!

Want to help St. Vincent de Paul? Check out their website at www.svdp-cc.org/volunteer or make a donation at www.svdp-cc.org/donations
Catechists—get real life, useful help!

Are you a catechist who feels like you could use a little formation yourself? Are you someone feeling called to help with Faith Formation or Youth Ministry but “just don’t know enough” or “don’t have the experience” or [insert your excuse here]?

First of all, the Holy Spirit will help you!

Second of all, the Diocesan Catechetical Congress was designed with you in mind!

Join us August 10 for a day of catechist formation with practical tips, new ideas, and a chance to connect with others in your shoes!

Visit oakdiocese.org/congress for more info or to register.

Furniture needed!

Our parish has been generous in helping two refugee families settle into the Bay Area so far—let’s keep it up with the Amini Family from Afghanistan, who moved to Concord last month!

Please visit tinyurl.com/amini2019 to see what is still needed for their apartment.

RESTORE AND RENEW: PHASE 4

The framing of the Baptismal font is completed and is decorated with stickers that look like dominoes that help the marble cutters plan their cuts.

Now that we’ve received the finished carvings and have the framing up in the “real world,” a life-sized template can be drawn up for each panel of the font.

discuss the upcoming Sunday’s scripture. The first gathering of this new FSG will be Tuesday, July 23rd at 7:00 pm in the library of the school building. At this first gathering we will also discuss how often we would like to meet. We have several parishioners already interested—all are welcome!

Please contact Tony Millette if you would like to join us on the 23rd of July! 254-2426 x303 or t millette@sm parish.org

Are you interested in joining a Faith Sharing Group?

The current RCIA Class is planning to form a Faith Sharing Group to gather as a community to share faith and discuss the upcoming Sunday’s scripture. The first gathering of this new FSG will be Tuesday, July 23rd at 7:00 pm in the library of the school building. At this first gathering we will also discuss how often we would like to meet. We have several parishioners already interested—all are welcome!

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Weekly Food Collection

1st/2nd Weekends: St. Cornelius School
3rd/4th Weekends: St. Peter Martyr Church Pantry

Please put all donations in the bins in the Narthex.
We encourage you to register in the parish so that you can receive regular communication via both email and regular mail. Registration information is essential for responding to request to be sponsors/godparents and other ministries.

Please register at www.santamariaorinda.com/registration

For the Sick
Mary Beth Alban, Joan Artmann, Shoaib Aryan, Kristy Blackey-Taylor, Kathie Brady, Cara Bradbury, Mike Buzzell, Maria Carmen, Rosemary Catton, Delores Codde, Lorna Elliott, Nora Enriquez, Emidio Fonseca, Liam Foley, Patricia Fox, Bridget Gallagher, Noreen Gillham, Paul Guess, Carol Hardy, Doris Hale, Florentino Ibabao, Brian Kelly, Mason Kelly, Aileen Kelly, Jerry Kirk, Lawrence Knapp, Carol Koupus, Judy Lazarus, Rose Mary McPhee, Arsì Orihuella, Deacon Jim Pearce, Kathleen Pelz, Ann Powell, Mark Ricci, Patrick Sheehy,

Would you like to add yourself or someone else to the prayer list? Please contact Mirna in the Parish Office at 925-254-2426 or mirnawong@smparish.org.

June 30, 2019
Plate: $3,991.00
Faith Direct: $1,681.98
TOTAL: $5,672.98
GOAL: $10,350.00
Negative: -$4,677.02

July 7, 2019
Plate: $4,141.00
Faith Direct: $1,962.10
TOTAL: $6,103.10
GOAL: $10,350.00
Negative: $4,246.90

I=Intentions of ([N.]; D=Deceased To request a Mass Intention, please contact Mirna in the Parish Office.

Welcome, New Members!

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