

CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

1040 ALAMEDA DE LAS PULGAS

BELMONT, CALIFORNIA 94002

MASS TIMES

Monday through Saturday:

7:40 AM Divine Mercy Chaplet
8:00 AM Mass
Rosary Following Mass

Sunday Obligation

5:00 PM (Sat. Vigil)
7:30 AM
9:30 AM
11:30 AM

First Friday Holy Hour

7:00-8:00 p.m.
Exposition, Meditation &
Benediction of the Blessed
Sacrament

Bulletin Deadline:

10:00 AM Tuesday

July 21, 2019 – Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



PASTORAL STAFF:

Rev. Mark Mazza.....Pastor
Rev. Mr. Henry Jacquemet.....Permanent Deacon
Rev. Mr. Steven G. Hackett.....Permanent Deacon
Rev. Mr. Leon P. KortenkampPermanent Deacon
Ms. Johanna McCormack.....School Principal
Mrs. Robyn Lang.....Director of Religious Education
Mrs. Elizabeth Zapien.....Pre-School Coordinator
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BAPTISMS:

Parents wishing to baptize children should call the Parish Office to schedule the baptism and to schedule participation in our Baptismal Preparation Program. Please call two months before you wish the Baptism. The preparation may be done before the birth of the child.

MARRIAGE:

Arrangements must be made six months before the tentative date of the marriage by calling the Parish Office.

ANOINTING THE SICK:

This sacrament is for those who are elderly, seriously ill, or scheduled for surgery. Contact the Parish Office to schedule the anointing in Church or at home. If in hospital, request the Catholic Chaplain or a priest from the Parish in which the hospital is located, through the nursing station.

COMMUNION FOR THE HOMEBOUND:

Contact the Parish Office if you or a family member cannot attend Sunday Mass and would like to receive the Eucharist at home during the week.

NEWCOMERS:

Welcome to our community. You are invited to register in the parish on each 2nd Sunday of the month in the vestibule after Mass, by coming to the Parish Office during regular business hours, or by completing a "Welcome Card" found in the pamphlet rack at the entrance of the Church and mailing it to the Parish Office.

R.C.I.A.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a process by which adults prepare to enter fully into the Catholic Church through Baptism, Confirmation or Eucharist. Please call the Parish Office for more information.

PENANCE:

Saturdays: 4:00-4:45 pm or at other times by appointment.

Right is right even if no one is doing it. Wrong is wrong even if everyone is doing it.

Let us love one another!

Sunday, July 21, 2019 – Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



“Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her (Luke 10:41-42).”

Sunday, July 21, 2019 – The Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

The words of Our Lord to Martha clearly help us to set our priorities. We must put the Lord first in our lives, and then we can go from there. Many times He taught us: “Seek first his kingdom and his righteousness (Mt. 6:33).” Did He not solemnly warn us: “For what doth it profit a man, if he gain the whole world, and suffer the loss of his own soul? (Mt. 16:26).” When Jesus confronted the devil after His time in the desert, didn’t He manifest that service to God and love of Him come first of all. “Man cannot live on bread alone (Mt. 4:4)” Jesus scolded Satan and all those in league with him.

Therefore, from the beginning of the Church (Acts 2:42) Christians have set their life of prayer high on the list as absolutely essential, particularly regular attendance at the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Even before it was legal to set up church buildings, Christians faithfully gathered for Mass. Nowhere else on earth is the Lord closer to us. The obligation to assist at Mass comes from the Lord Himself who solemnly proclaimed: “Do this in memory of me.” Early Christians did so even at the risk of their lives. This is still true in many parts of the world like communist China, where it is now forbidden for children to come to Mass. To celebrate the “breaking of the bread” is essential, not optional, in living the Catholic Faith. The unity of the People of God with the Body of Christ at the Holy Mass down through the centuries has always been a living sign of those who are steadfast in faith, steadfast in Jesus Christ and His Church. Vatican II would call the Eucharistic Sacrifice “the source and summit of the Christian life.”

Until the early 1970’s and even later large numbers of Catholics in the United States were known for their regular attendance at Mass on all Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation. Unfortunately, and very sadly, your priests know that this is no longer the case. Nevertheless, the Church has always taught and will always teach that this obligation is what moral theologians call “grave matter.” The moral and spiritual upheaval among some in the Church and in society has gradually eaten away at this solemn obligation. It’s a consequence of the loss of reverence for God, which is integrally linked to the loss of the sense of sin. In fact, the position of the Church has never changed on this matter and cannot change. The Sacred Scripture, Most Holy Tradition, the official Catechism of the Catholic Church, the revised code of canon law, the encyclical of St. John Paul II on the Lord’s Day, and the auctores probati (approved moral theologians) maintain as “grave matter” the obligation to assist at Holy Mass on the days of obligation. Those who say otherwise are in error.

How would the Lord respond to the present rather lax attitude of so many, who really should know better? He would probably speak just like He did to Martha. We know that Jesus would finally get through to Martha after the death of her brother Lazarus. Slowly through her personal encounter with Him she comes to faith. Yes, the Lord is very patient with souls and so should we be without putting aside the Truth. Yes, Truth in Charity. Let each of us be faithful, and then humbly encourage others to come to Mass; and, also, pray for those we know, who for some reason do not. Martha would become one of the first to understand the meaning of the death and resurrection of the Lord and then joyfully proclaim: “Yes, Lord; I have come to believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, He who is coming into the world (John 11:27).”

Yours in the Immaculate Heart of Mary,

Father Mark G. Mazza, Pastor

PRAY FOR:

- Those who have died, **Ines Zapata**, and especially those who have no one to pray for them. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.
- Those who are newly baptized: May God always be present to them and may they continue to grow in “age, wisdom and grace.”
- Peace in our world, for those who serve our country, at home and overseas; for all who suffer in any way due to war and civil disturbance, that God will assist all people toward reconciliation and peace.
- Those who are sick or who suffer in any way, that God will assist them in their need. Especially, Valerie Abbey, Bob Ahrens, Tom Anderson, Joe Andreano, Fernando Arguello, Ron Barri, James Carvalho, Jorge Castillo, Joselina Deladingco, Grace Delagnes, Judith Delahante, Reese Derryman, Julie Fletcher, Roy Fong, Dennis Frazier, Manny Galvez, Barbara Gartner, Greta Gipson-Lewis, Queen Gipson, Silva Guerbidjian, Griselda Guevara-MacDonald, Gary Harder, Anna Herdtler, Henry Jacquemet, Leota Jones, Torin Jones, Maria Latham, Patrick Lobo, Jacob Loeffler, Vicki Logan, Rosemarie Maffei, Kevin Mapes, Carol Mateus, John McEvoy, Ken McQueen, Jesse Montalvo, Donna Moynihan, John Nguyen, Pauline & Jerome Oppenheim, Arlene Penn, Elizabeth Pugh, James Pugh, Joshua Pugh, Chris Quigg, Victoria Renard, Joel Rivera, Ron Rosso, Adrian Sanchez, Joseph Sangervasi, Brooke Seim, Bill Selenger, Lisa Stasiak, Ofelia Vallejo, Paulette Volante, Marc Weiss, Justin & Jennifer Wells & Family, Ted Wolfe, and for those who suffer alone and have no one to pray for them.



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Jul 20 Sat.-	<i>Weekday. St. Apollinaris, Bp. & Martyr; BVM</i> 8:00am – 5:00pm – Bob, Agnes & Dominic Pasquesi
Jul 21 Sun.-	<i>16th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</i> 7:30am – Eva Boban 9:30am – People of the Parish 11:30am – Kendrick Castillo
Jul 22 Mon.-	<i>Saint Mary Magdalene</i> 8:00am – Diana Metas
Jul 23 Tue.-	<i>Weekday. Saint Bridget, Religious</i> 8:00am – Joy Joseph
Jul 24 Wed.-	<i>Saint Charbel Makhlūf, Priest</i> 8:00am – Redempta Cervero
Jul 25 Thu.-	<i>Saint James, Apostle</i> 8:00am – Beverly D’Emilio
Jul 26 Fri.-	<i>Sts. Joachim & Anne, Parents of the BVM</i> 8:00am – Don Krueger
Jul 27 Sat.-	<i>Weekday. Blessed Virgin Mary</i> 8:00am – 5:00pm – Lenny Sanfilippo
Jul 28 Sun.-	<i>17th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</i> 7:30am – 9:30am – People of the Parish 11:30am – David Levesque 5:00pm – Latin Mass

SUNDAY COLLECTION

Collection for weekend of 07-14-19: \$6,163
Second Collection for weekend of 07-14-19: \$2,955

Archdiocesan Annual Appeal (AAA) 2019
Our Goal for this year 2019 is \$83,531

As of this date, we have 124 donors, who contributed \$51,747 in cash and pledges toward this purpose. Amount Due: \$31,284.

You can donate online at

<https://sfarchdiocese.org/aaa#DonateForm>

For the remainder of the year, on every Sunday that does not have a special scheduled second collection, our second collection will be to assist IHM reach its goal for the Annual Archdiocesan Assessment. Please consider making a pledge and please support this collection.



FOURTH SUNDAY LATIN MASS

Sunday, July 28th is the fourth Sunday of the month. There will be a Latin Mass in IHM Church at 5:00 pm. All are welcome to attend.

CELEBRANTS for Jul 27, 28, 2019

Sat. 5:00 pm – Fr. Gepiga
Sun. 7:30 am – Fr. Mazza
9:30 am – Fr. Gepiga
11:30 am – Fr. MacDonald

READINGS for Jul 27, 28, 2019

First Reading: Genesis 18:20-32
Second Reading: Colossians 2:12-14
Gospel: Luke 11:1-13



DISCOVERY ROOM NEWS

Tired of searching for worthwhile reading this summer? We’ve got some pretty good choices in the Discovery Room! Expand your faith, learn about a new saint, or get hints on enhancing your prayer life. Borrow materials after Mass today or whenever the church is open.

“TAKE THE TIME TO PRAY. YOU WILL GROW IN HOLINESS.”

MEET FR. RUFINO JOSE O. GEPIGA (our new Parochial Vicar)

Rev. Rufino Jose O. Gepiga was born on July 28, 1970 in Quezon City, Philippines. He grew up in his home town of Camalig, Albay, Philippines and attended both his primary and secondary education at St. Agnes Academy, Legazpi City.

Father Ruffy, as his friends call him, attended Christ the King Mission Seminary (AB Philosophy) and St. Vincent School of Theology (MA Theology/Pastoral Ministry) both in Quezon City, Metro Manila Philippines. After finishing his seminary training in 1997 he subsequently attended Paul VI Institute of Liturgy, Malaybalay, Bukidnon. Fr Ruffy, was ordained a priest on September 14, 1999 by the Most Rev. Jesus Y. Varela at the Cathedral of Sts. Peter and Paul, Sorsogon City.

He came to the US in 2005 after serving his diocese to be with family. Fr Rufino has served in various capacities in his home diocese. He was parochial vicar and CEO/General Manager of the local Catholic Media Network. He came to the US and served in Florida, Hawaii and now in San Francisco. He was consequently given permission to be assigned in the Archdiocese of San Francisco in view of incardination.

In 2017, Fr. Rufino finished his course on Clinical Pastoral Education (Chaplain Professional Course) at the University of California, Parnassus. He was assigned as part-time Parochial Vicar at Star of the Sea, in the city while he took his course. Fr. Rufino's last assignment was at St. Bartholomew Catholic Church in San Mateo as Parochial Vicar and part time Catholic Chaplain at San Mateo County Hospital.

Fr. Ruff comes from a small family: father Nat Gepiga (deceased) and mother Elisa Ortega Gepiga (relocated in the Philippines) and younger sibling Rachel Marie Gepiga (Baltimore, MD).

SOLI DEO GLORIA!

**THERE WILL BE A MEET AND
GREET FOR FR. RUFINO AFTER
ALL THE WEEKEND MASSES ON
JULY 27-28.**

**IHM Parish Community Event
CELEBRATE IHM LIFE!**



**FAMILY AND FRIENDS
GAME & MOVIE NIGHT
FUN FOR ONE AND ALL!**

Saturday, September 14, 2019
7:00 to 9:00 pm. • St. Michael's Hall

Loads of games, pizza, popcorn,
snacks, drinks and movies.

Trivia for teens and adults – fun
games, arts and crafts for children of
all ages

Reservation fee is \$20 per adult and pre-
teens.

Children 10 years and younger are \$10
per child

Reservation flyers are on the vestibule table
Or reserve online: ihmbelmont.org/auction

Reservation deadline is September 7, 2019

IHM SCHOOL INFORMATION

Immaculate Heart of Mary School is now accepting applications for the 2019-2020 school year. You can download an application from our website at www.ihmschoolbelmont.org or call the school office for an application at 650-593-4265. School tours are available; call the school office to set up a tour. For more information on preschool call Liz Zapien, Preschool Director at 650-593-2344.



*My soul is at peace, for long ago I ceased to belong
to myself. – St. Thérèse of Lisieux*