

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
8:15 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

October 20, 2019 – Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time



PASTORAL STAFF:

Rev. Mark Mazza.....Pastor
Rev. Rufino Gepiga.....Parochial Vicar
Rev. Mr. Henry Jacquemet.....Permanent Deacon
Rev. Mr. Steven G. Hackett.....Permanent Deacon
Rev. Mr. Leon P. Kortenkamp.....Permanent Deacon
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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.

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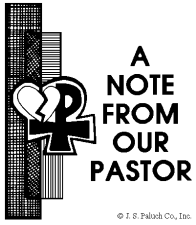
Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a process by which adults prepare to enter fully into the Catholic Church through Baptism, Confirmation or Eucharist. Please call the Parish Office for more information.

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!



Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time – October 20, 2019

Exodus 17:11 As long as Moses kept his hands raised up, Israel had the better of the fight, but when he let his hands rest, Amalek had the better of the fight.

1 Timothy 3:14 Beloved: Remain faithful to what you have learned and believed.

Luke 18:8 But when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

I remember hearing Saint John Paul II boldly proclaim: “*Semper Fidelis*; Always Faithful.” Some will recognize this as the motto of the Marine Corps, which is appropriate; whereas the pope used it in a wider sense to remind the Poles and the entire Catholic world of our heritage of a tenacious and lively Faith: The Faith of the martyrs, the Faith of Our Fathers. No ordinary Faith, this.

Yet little by little this precious Faith has been chiseled away at. Little by little there is the temptation to make false and phony compromises. Little by little there is the temptation to find and make excuses, to look for short cuts to heaven. Little by little instead of kneeling before Christ, we are tempted to kneel before the world and please the world. No wonder this type of faith is not capable of handing itself on to the next generation; it is built on sand, not rock.

The Scriptures today propose a Catholic Faith that is sure and certain. This Faith is reflected in the account of Moses, who could defeat his enemies only as long as his hands were raised up to God in prayer. His efforts were inadequate. His efforts fortified by the power of God brought victory in battle, the triumph of the people of God. There is an important lesson here for us. Alone we can do nothing; with God all things are possible.

In the letters of Timothy we are advised about the deceptions that can get us away from Christ. (Take some time to read the full texts of these letters this coming week). They existed then, they continue to exist in our world. These attacks on the life of the Spirit, the life of a believer, are often subtle and seductive. We must always be on guard, primarily living a life in Christ, obedient to all that He has revealed to us and faithful to the one, true Church He founded.

Finally, we should all be shaken out of our lethargy and complacency with the words of our Divine Lord and Savior Jesus Christ: “But when the Son of Man comes, will He find faith on earth?” Those of us who remember a more Christian world and a stronger community of Faith are alarmed by these words. There is the real danger of many falling into apostasy and even worse. In fact, this situation is already in our midst. There is the real danger that many may go in the direction opposed to the Lord. And what about our families? What do we do to keep them in Christ or win them back if they have fallen away from faithful practice and devotion?


Pope Francis says that the gospel today should be re-phrased as the need to leave the one who is within the flock and go after the ninety-nine who have gone astray. This is a good point, realistic, yet challenging. Perhaps being away from Christ, lapsed, indifferent, apathetic is considered by far too many, even Church people, as the new normal. The abnormal is considered normal, whereas the normal is thought abnormal. What we always thought as good is now thought to be evil and what we always thought as evil is now thought to be good. At least, we cannot say that the Lord has not warned us (Isaiah 5:20-21). He warns us because He loves us. Our God is good and does not sit idly by as we do ourselves in. He speaks out, heart to heart, and lovingly invites us to live a Christian life of fidelity: always faithful. When He returns may he find you and me ready for His eternal Kingdom.

Yours in the Immaculate Heart of Mary,
Fr. Mark G. Mazza, Pastor

“20 Woe to those who call evil good, and good evil, who change darkness to light, and light into darkness, who change bitter to sweet, and sweet into bitter! 21 Ah! Those who are wise in their own eyes, prudent in their own view!” -- Isaiah 5:20-21

PRAY FOR:

- Those who have died, 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, Julie Fletcher, Roy Fong, Dennis Frazier, Manny Galvez, Barbara Gartner, Aurora Genochio, Greta Gipson-Lewis, Queen Gipson, Silva Guerbidjian, Griselda Guevara-MacDonald, Gary Harder, Anna Herdtler, Henry Jacquemet, Leota Jones, Torin Jones, Patrick Lobo, Jacob Loeffler, Vicki Logan, Rosemarie Maffei, Kevin Mapes, Carol Mateus, John McEvoy, Phyllis McKenna, Ken McQueen, Jesse Montalvo, Donna Moynihan, John Nguyen, Pauline & Jerome Oppenheim, Arlene Penn, Elizabeth Pugh, James Pugh, Joshua Pugh, 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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Oct 19 Sat.- *Sts. John de Brebeuf, Isaac Jogues and Companions, Martyrs*
8:15am – Agnes Lobo
5:00pm – Wilfredo and Aida Perlas

Oct 20 Sun.- *29th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME*
7:30am – William Paalua
9:30am – People of the Parish
11:30am – Reggie Bradford

Oct 21 Mon.- *Weekday*
8:15am – Reggie Bradford

Oct 22 Tue.- *Saint John Paul II, Pope*
8:15am – Patti Orten

Oct 23 Wed.- *Saint John of Capistrano, Priest*
8:15am – Tom Smith

Oct 24 Thu.- *Weekday. St. Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop*
8:15am – Joanne Phillips

Oct 25 Fri.- *Weekday*
8:15am – Paul Manibusan

Oct 26 Sat.- *Weekday. Blessed Virgin Mary*
8:15am – Barbara Thielen
5:00pm – Walter Chu

Oct 27 Sun.- *30th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME*
7:30am – Luigi Benedetti
9:30am – People of the Parish
11:30am – Paolo Pizzorni
5:00 pm – Latin Mass

CELEBRANTS for Oct 26, 27, 2019

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

READINGS for Oct 26, 27, 2019

- First Reading: Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18
- Second Reading: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18
- Gospel: Luke 18:9-14

SUNDAY COLLECTION
Collection for weekend of 10-13-19: \$6,078
Second Collection for weekend of 10-13-19: \$1,407

**Today's Second Collection is for
World Mission Sunday.**

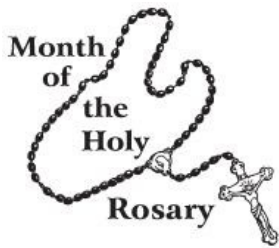
TODAY IS WORLD MISSION SUNDAY!
In this Extraordinary Missionary Month, we are called to a personal encounter with Jesus Christ alive in the Church, and to offer, through this Eucharistic celebration, our prayers and our generous financial support, through the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, to continue the Mission of Jesus. Today we are “sent” out to witness to Mission in the world through our prayers and personal sacrifices for our brothers and sisters around the world. As little as...
\$25 helps support a catechist for a month in remote Latin America.
\$75 provides for the work of religious Sisters caring for orphaned children in Africa.
\$100 assists poor children in boarding schools in Asia.

As always, your prayers are your most treasured gifts to the Missions. Your prayers and financial help offered today, World Mission Sunday, supports mission Priests, religious Sisters and Brothers, and lay catechists who are Christ's witnesses to a world so in need of His healing, love, and peace.



FOURTH SUNDAY LATIN MASS

On Sunday, October 27th in IHM Church at 5:00 pm. All are welcome to attend.



OCTOBER IS THE MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY.

It is good to form the habit of praying the Rosary every day. It takes time

and perseverance, but it is fully worth it. "The family that prays together, stays together." – Ven. Fr. Patrick Peyton

"If you say the Rosary faithfully unto death, I do assure you that, in spite of the gravity of your sins, 'you will receive a never-fading crown of glory' (1 St. Peter 5:4)." – Saint Louis de Montfort

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RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Interested in learning more about the Catholic faith? We are happy to help! The Catholic Church offers

adults at various stages of their faith journey the opportunity to explore the Church through the RCIA – the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. If you are

- Unbaptized and wish to learn more about the Catholic Church
- Baptized in another faith tradition and are interested in becoming Catholic
- Baptized Catholic with little or no formal religious instruction, and would like to prepare for First Communion and Confirmation
- Just interested in more information about our Catholic faith

For more information, please contact Mrs. Robyn Lang at rlang@ihmschoolbelmont.org or (650) 593-6157 x 22. Our team is looking forward to talking with you!

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DISCOVERY ROOM NEWS

Where do all those delicious goodies we enjoy after Mass each Sunday come from? YOU! They are donated one plate at a time by parishioners who

bake or buy them and bring them in on Sunday. Please help by volunteering to be one of the folks who is asked occasionally to bring a plate of treats. Sign up in the Discovery Room after Mass today and enjoy being a contributor to our vibrant parish community!

ARCHDIOCESE WIDE
HOLY HOUR

FOR VOCATIONS TO
HOLY ORDERS AND RELIGIOUS LIFE

Please join us in praying for an increase and strengthening of vocations to the **PRIESTHOOD**, the **DIACONATE**, and **CONSECRATED LIFE**

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2019
3:00 – 4:00 PM

+St. Sebastian, 373 Bon Air Rd, Greenbrae
+Star of the Sea, 4420 Geary Blvd, San Fran.
+St. Pius, 1100 Woodside Rd., Redwood City

IHM Parish Community Event
CELEBRATE IHM LIFE!

FAMILY AND FRIENDS
LA FESTA ITALIANA NIGHT

Join us for
an Italian Style Family Style Dinner

Saturday, November 9, 2019

6:00 to 10:00 pm. • St. Michael's Hall

Enjoy music, dancing and entertainment
throughout the evening
with family and friends

Reservation fee is \$30 per person.

Adults-only event includes
Antipasto, Salad, Polenta with Meat or
Vegetarian Sauce, Sausage, Chicken,
Dessert and Wine.
Singles are welcome.

Reservation deadline is Nov 1, 2019.

Reservations are available in the parish
office or online: ihmbelmont.org under
the community events page.