



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2020 | SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Blessed
are they
who follow
the Lord!

PSALM 119

WELCOME

With joy we welcome all who have gathered here with us to worship God.

“How good to sing praise to our God; how pleasant to give fitting praise.” (Psalm 147:1)

Let us lift up our minds, hearts, and spirits to our loving and merciful God, from whom all good things come.

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MASS

SCHEDULE

Weekend

Saturday: 7:00 & 8:15 am
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 7:15 am | 9:00 am
10:45 am | 12:30 pm
5:00 pm

Weekday

Mon. - Fri.: 7:00 & 8:15 am
Wednesday: 6:30 pm
1st Friday: 7:30 pm

BE SPIRIT FILLED AND MAKE DISCIPLES!



WORSHIP

OUR VISION

Be a flourishing community of intentional disciples shining as beacons of Christ.

Confession

Saturday: 3:30 pm
Thursday before 1st Friday: 3:30 pm
Weekdays: Call for an appointment.

Eucharistic Adoration

Perpetual Adoration is ongoing in the Adoration Chapel, located in Governo House.
Hours: 6:00 am to 9:00 pm

Anointing of the Sick

First Saturday (except January and May) at 12:00 pm. All seniors and those seriously ill or anticipating surgery are invited to attend.
Next Mass: March 7

Sacraments

For Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation, Adult Sacraments, Marriage, Anointing of the Sick or Funeral, contact us at 510.797.1660 or holyspiritfremont.org.

First Friday Mass

Next Mass: March 6

New to Holy Spirit?

Welcome! To register, please visit the Parish Office or go online at holyspiritfremont.org/join-our-community

Interested in Catholicism?

To learn about the Catholic faith, please call 510.456.4975

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Sir 15:15-20/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34 [1b]/1 Cor 2:6-10/Mt 5:17-37 or 5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37

- 5:00 pm (Vigil Mass) Thomas Cunningham Jr. †, Anjelo Gonzales †, Victoria Quinata †
- 7:15 am George & Lillian Legier †, Fr. Mathew Vellankal †, Thi Hanh Nguyen †
- 9:00 am Lori Bruno, Eduardo & Encarnation Nava †, Luis Amaral †
- 10:45 am For the People of Holy Spirit Parish
- 12:30 pm Jose & Simeona Albano †, Ruben Vasquez Aguilar †, Danilo Torres †
- 5:00 pm Jeanette Cox †, Carissa Benton, Byron Benton †

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17 | MONDAY OF THE SIXTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Jas 1:1-11/Ps 119:67, 68, 71, 72, 75, 76 [77a]/Mk 8:11-13

- 7:00 am Teichert, Jonathan & Julie, Fr. Mathew Vellankal †
- 8:15 am Ruben Vasquez Aguilar †, Gary King †

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18 | TUESDAY OF THE SIXTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Jas 1:12-18/Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 18-19 [12a]/Mk 8:14-21

- 7:00 am Fr. Mathew Vellankal †, Oscar Ignacio Cervantes †
- 8:15 am Elodia Torres †, Sofio Sr. & Natividad Orias †

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19 | WEDNESDAY OF THE SIXTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Jas 1:19-27/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5 [1b]/Mk 8:22-26

- 7:00 am Fr. Mathew Vellankal †, Souls of Purgatory †
- 8:15 am Julian Saenz †, Ruben Vasquez Aguilar †
- 6:30 pm Kesh Pillay †, Analiese S. Macasero

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20 | THURSDAY OF THE SIXTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Jas 2:1-9/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [7a]/Mk 8:27-33

- 7:00 am Fr. Mathew Vellankal †, Jason Wang
- 8:15 am Christine Vu †, Tam Q. Vu †

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21 | FRIDAY OF THE SIXTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Jas 2:14-24, 26/Ps 112:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. 1b]/Mk 8:34—9:1

- 7:00 am Fr. Mathew Vellankal †, Flavio Martinez Ruiz †
- 8:15 am Grace Sonia E. Melanio, Byron Benton †

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22 | FEAST OF THE CHAIR OF SAINT PETER, APOSTLE

1 Pt 5:1-4/Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6 [1]/Mt 16:13-19

- 7:00 am Fr. Mathew Vellankal †, Cora Duffy †
- 8:15 am Debbie Longarini, Eugenia Valdez

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the earth.



FROM THE DESK OF DCN. CHUCK...

How confusing today's world is! Turn on the TV and watch MSNBC's Rachel Maddow and then switch to Sean Hannity on Fox. They cover the same

subject, but you will hear two different stories on what it all means.

With that as a background, we can imagine how confused the Disciples might have been when trying to understand Jesus' teachings. In today's Gospel, Jesus covers a lot of subjects. If we're not careful, we can often interpret his words in different ways, depending on where our minds are at the time.

With Jesus (just as we ought to do with the Rachel and Sean), to get the real story, we need to look beyond just the words and consider the background of both the speaker and the subjects.

Jesus is translating centuries-old laws into new meanings, new meanings that man is better able to understand and put into practice. No longer expected to obey the letter of the law

blindly, people are called to put into practice the spirit of the law.

And so it is today. Let us be vigilant and find out the true meaning of today's world and then work to find ways to improve upon it – to improve the conditions that we all live under, so that our children and our children's children may have the same or better opportunities that we have had.

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FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK

OUR STORY: A BASIC INTRODUCTION TO THE BIBLE FOR CATHOLICS

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In a series of 5-minute video segments, get the Bible's big picture, along with a uniquely Catholic approach to the Scriptures. There is a Leader's Guide containing everything needed to use Our Story in a parish group setting, as well as a User's Guide for those individuals using Our Story at home.

MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE

An excerpt from the U.S. Bishops' Pastoral Letter entitled **Marriage: Love and Life in the Divine Plan (Abridged Version)**

What is Marriage? Marriage is not merely a private institution. It is the foundation of the family, where children learn values and virtues that make them good Christians as well as good citizens. Marriage is important for the upbringing of the next generation, and therefore it is important for society. Men and women are equal as persons. As male and female, they are two different ways of being human. These differences relate them to each other in a total and complementary way. They make possible a unique communion of persons in which spouses give themselves and receive each other in love. This communion of persons has the potential to bring forth human life and thus to produce the family. No other relationship symbolizes life and love as marriage does.



To read the document go to <http://www.usccb.org/loveandlife/>



SERVE

Ministry Lead Meeting

February 18, 2020

Please join us for our next Ministry Lead Meeting scheduled at 6:30 pm in the de Sousa Theater. The meeting should last approximately 45 minutes.

If the ministry lead member is unable to attend, kindly select a representative to take your place.

Training for Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers

If you are currently serving as a Lector or Eucharistic Minister, your attendance is mandatory.

New volunteers are welcome! Join our Liturgical Ministry. Become a Lector or Eucharistic Minister.

Lector Training:

March 3 or March 17

7:00 pm | Church

Please attend either training day.

Eucharistic Minister Training:

March 10 or March 24

7:00 pm | Church

Please attend either training day.



From our Youngest Stewards

I helped someone, I prayed,
I studied my lessons:

Abbey, Ellie

St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry

Heading to the store this week?

Consider picking up a few items

for our SVdP food pantry. Here's this week's grocery wish list:

- ⇒ Canned Spaghetti Sauce
- ⇒ Spaghetti Noodles—not wheat
- ⇒ Vienna Sausages

Please drop off non-perishable food donations at the Parish Office. *Please note:* All food donations must be in factory sealed packages and/or containers. Thank you for your support!



Sister Parish Dispatch

During his visit to our parish in November 2019, Fr. Samwel Mvati enjoyed excursions to several places, including: Niles District; Mission San Jose; Cathedral of Christ the Light;



San Francisco; and Lake Tahoe.

Here's Fr. Sam enjoying his first In-N-Out burger!

Mission Doctors Association

March 27-29, 2020

Mission Doctors Association will offer the **2020 Spring Retreat/Seminar** at Loyola Marymount University in L.A. for Catholic Physicians, Dentists, Nurse Practitioners, Physician Assistants, and their spouses who are interested in short-term mission service in Africa and Latin America. For more info: 213.368.1872 or www.MissionDoctors.org

Giving

Sunday, February 9

\$28,253

Special Collection coming up:

Holy Spirit School | March 15

Our pledged weekly amount (excluding special collections):
\$31,963

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PRAY



Blessing of the New Baptismal Font

February 16, 2020

Join us at the 12:30 pm Mass! Most Reverend Michael C. Barber, SJ will be the main celebrant and will bless our new font.

Taizé - Prayer Around the Cross

February 21, 2020

Dominican Sisters of Mission San Jose

Please join us from 8:00 to 9:00 pm on the third Friday of the month (October to May) in the MSJ Motherhouse Chapel. Taizé Prayer is an ecumenical service, open to all faiths and all ages. For more information, please contact Sister Marcia Krause, OP at 510.502.5797.

Early Morning Lenten Retreat

February 24 to April 9, 2020

De Sousa House

Join us Mondays to Fridays, 6:00 to 6:45 am, during Lent. Fr. Ken Sales will lead us in reflection on "Consoling the Heart of Jesus" by Fr. Michael Gaitley, MIC. Book price: \$20. All are welcome!

Coffee will be provided. Please bring donuts, cookies, etc.

Ash Wednesday

February 26, 2020

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent and is a day of fasting, abstinence, and prayer. Mass times are: **7:00 am, 8:15 am, 11:00 am, 12:30 pm, 4:00 pm, 6:00 pm, and 8:00 pm.**

24-Hour Adoration

February 28-29, 2020

At the request of Bishop Michael C. Barber, SJ, our parish is hosting 24-Hour Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. **Adoration will begin on Friday, February 28, 9:00 am, and conclude on Saturday, February 29, 1:30 pm.** Confessions will be available on Friday, 2:00-4:00 pm and Saturday, 9:00-11:00 am.

Sacrament of Confirmation

Please pray for our Confirmandi who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Friday, February 28 at 7:00 pm. We are honored to have the Most Reverend Fidelis Layog, DD confer the Sacrament on our youth.



Please note: Our prayer list is refreshed every week. Feel free to call the office to include your loved one for the week: 510.797.1660

Pray for Our Sick

Kathy Sinfield, Filomena Azila, Salome Joseph, Airaj Sooda, Juliana Domingo, Sally M. Ramirez, Judy Daily, Andrew P. Javier, Carina Javier

Pray for Our Recently Departed

Pauline Hammill, Jesus Cueto, Suzanne Doran

Wedding Anniversary Blessings

Walter & Genevieve Fasolis (70 yrs.)

Birthday Blessings

Aurora Rabuy, Rebecca de Tagle, Candice Javier Letona



"Prayer is the place of refuge for every worry, a foundation of cheerfulness, a source of constant happiness, a protection against sadness."

- Saint John Chrysostom



INVITE

Girl Scout Cookie Sale

February 15-16, 2020

Our Girl Scout Troop #31674 is selling their famous cookies after all the Masses in St. Francis Plaza. Thank you for your support!

“Jesus Heals”

February 20, 2020

5:30 to 8:30 pm | San Jose

Five Wounds Portuguese National Parish

All are invited to experience our Lord’s healing touch. Rev. Dr. Roy Varghese, CMI will be the presenter. A gifted preacher and writer, Fr. Roy is the spiritual director of Shalom Media Ministries.

Retrouvaille

February 21-23, 2020

Do you feel lost, frustrated, hurt, or angry with your spouse? Retrouvaille is a Marriage program that helps couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. Couples of all faiths or no faith background are welcome. For information or registration, go to HelpOurMarriage.com or contact Gus and Edda Rivera at 510.709.6063. Our Weekends transform marriages!

Grief Support

The death of a loved one is unlike any other loss. Join us on your healing journey at St.

Elizabeth Seton, 4001 Stoneridge Drive, Pleasanton, 7:30 pm on Thursdays: February 27; and March 12 and 26. All are welcome regardless of religious affiliation. For more information, please contact Eleanor at 925.846.8708

“Women of the New Testament” Tea

The Women's Ministry is hosting afternoon tea on Saturday, February 29, 1:30-4:00 pm in the de Sousa House. Learn about the women of the New Testament as we share company with each other. Cost is \$35.00. Seats are limited. Funds raised will benefit Faith Formation. For more information, please contact Nancy at beautifulhsw@gmail.com

Couples in Cana

Pan de Vida Retreat

March 13-15, 2020

Couples in Cana Retreat is a Eucharist-centered retreat for couples to grow deeper in their relationship to each other and to Christ. The weekend will include: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Confession, and workshops to improve communication and deepen your understanding of Sacramental love. \$150/ couple, includes lunch and dinner on Saturday. To register or for more information, go to: www.pandavidaretreat.com/marriage-retreat



Maci, Emily, Michael

Movie “Knights” ~ Fridays @ 7:00 pm

In partnership with the Knights of Columbus, the Faith Formation Department is hosting movie screenings. Join us in the de Sousa Theater!

- May 8 - “We Were Soldiers”
- May 15 - “Liberating a Continent”
- May 22 - “For Greater Glory”
- May 29 - “Shane”



AROUND THE PARISH



Kidzone

10:45 am & 12:30 pm Masses

We offer free care for your preschooler every Sunday. We are located downstairs beneath the church. Please stop by and visit us! More info call Fran at 510.456.4974

Presidents' Day

February 17, 2020

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, February 17 in observance of Presidents' Day. The office will resume regular business hours on February 18. Have a safe holiday!

Old Palms

Please drop off your old blessed palms by February 24 and place them in baskets located at the entrances of our church. They will be burned and used on Ash Wednesday.

Mardi Gras

Tuesday, February 25, 2020

6:30 to 8:30 pm

Join us for Mardi Gras or "Fat Tuesday" in the de Sousa House. Let us prepare for Lent together. We will also be burning the old blessed palms. Bring food to share!

Confirmation Gifts

Do you know a young person who'll be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation on February 28? Stop by the Parish Gift Shop and find the perfect gift for your Confirmandi!

We're Open!

Parish Office
Mon.-Sun. | 9:00 am-5:00 pm

Faith Formation &
Youth Ministry
Tues.-Fri. | 8:30 am-4:30 pm
Gift Shop

Sat. | 6:00-7:00 pm
Sun. | 8:30 am-2:30 pm

Parish Library
Sun. | 9:00 am-12:30 pm

Clergy

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HERE'S THE SITCH...

My dear parishioners,

- We are working with a company to try to recover any damages (loss) from environmental contamination on the Renton property through the insurance policies we had in effect at the time the property was acquired.
- We still have stained-glass windows available for sponsorship:
 - Modesty, Gentleness, Self-Control, Chastity – \$10,000 each. Sponsor(s) will receive a dedication on the glass.
 - South side windows next to the side entrance door (below the large "Holy Spirit" window) – \$12,000 for narrow window and \$15,000 for wide window.
 - Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit stained-glass windows flanking the St. John's side entrance doors – the tall window and two shorter windows are each \$20,000 and \$12,000 respectively.Please see Jeff Van der Sluis in the Parish Office to discuss sponsorships.

Blessings,
Fr. Ken

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