



st. cecilia church  
lagunitas

# FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 20, 2009

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|---------------|----------|------------------|-------------------------|
| Mass Schedule | Sundays  | at St. Cecilia's | 9:30 a.m.               |
|               |          | at St. Mary's    | 11:15 a.m.              |
|               | Weekdays | at St. Cecilia's | 8 a.m. (Mon. Wed. Fri.) |
|               |          | at St. Mary's    | 8 a.m. (Thur.)          |
| Confessions   | Sundays  | at St. Cecilia's | 9 to 9:25 a.m.          |

Gospel: Luke 1:39-45

Mary constantly does the right thing. Right is right, wrong is wrong. Mary does what is right. She helps Elizabeth her cousin during her pregnancy. She loves her son as only mothers do. She protects her son moving to Egypt. She is in touch with her son right to Calvary. No where in scripture do we find Mary choosing wrong.



St. Mary's Christmas Concert, 12-13-2009



Singalong at Druid's Hall

Mass Intentions: Week of December 20, 2009

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|-----------|------------|-----|-------------------------|
| Sunday    | 9:30 a.m.  | ... | Cosmo Sylvestri         |
| Sunday    | 11:15 a.m. | ... | Remembrance of Percy    |
| Monday    | 8 a.m.     | ... | Jerry Drohan            |
| Wednesday | 8 a.m.     | ... | John Lawson             |
| Thursday  | 8 a.m.     | ... | Parishioners Intentions |
| Friday    | 8 a.m.     | ... | Parishioners Intentions |

## From the Pew



## Christmas Mass Schedule :

- ★ Christmas Eve, 5:30 p.m. at St. Mary's.
- ★ Christmas Day, 9:30 a.m. at St. Cecilia's. Parishioners are asked to bring finger foods, etc. to add to the table after Mass.

St. Mary's Christmas Concert last Sunday was a success. Special thanks to Kathy & Spike Drady, Liz Bourne, Pat McNeil, Lloyd Taylor, John Bowman, Woodland Market, Peri's Deli, Antonia Van Becker, Greg Lee, all the musicians who donated their time, and to all of our parishioners and friends who supported the event.

St. Cecilia's and St. Mary's collected \$1,600 for the Valley's Toys and Joys program this year. This annual fund drive of the Valley serves the needy families during the Christmas Season. Toys and Joys thanks you for your donations.

Christmas Letter to the parishioners were mailed out last week. If you did not receive a letter or any corrections, please send us an email to update the parish record.

Parish Cruise to Alaska, May 10<sup>th</sup> -21<sup>st</sup>, 2010. A deposit of \$450 will be required by the end of December. Contact Kathy Beckerley, 488-0558.

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## Universal Church:

How can one tell if a parish is healthy or indeed a ministry is healthy? Most church advisers view vitality and that people want to participate as clear signs of something is right.

36% of all priests serving in the United States are foreign born, majority today coming from Asia. Language can be a problem, so accent modification courses are now available for priests who want to communicate more effectively. (Notes from Fr. O': It's too late for me. I am keeping myself as I am.)

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## Last Week's Collection:

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|--------------------------|------|------------------|
| St. Cecilia's, Lagunitas | .... | \$ 398.00        |
| St. Mary's, Nicasio      | .... | \$ 360.00        |
| Total:                   | .... | <u>\$ 698.00</u> |



"Love is, willing what is truly good for oneself and for others."  
... Thomas Aquinas

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