

st. cecilia church lagunitas

THE HOLY FAMILY December 30, 2012

Mission Statement of St. Cecilia's & St. Mary's

To be Nurtured by Christ's Word, Supported by a Faith Loving Community, and to Serve the Needs of Others as Called to Minister.



+ St. Joseph Church, Magdalena, Colombia (sister parish) +

Mass	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 2: 41–52

The family that loves each other remains united.
The family that prays together stays together.
The family that works together is intergenerational.
The family that remembers each other forever lives.
Every happy family resembles the best in humanity, values, order and principles.

Family as branches on a tree grows in different directions yet their roots remain as one.

The family that plays together relishes living.

The family that cares for each other has tasted Heaven.

The family that stands together cannot be torn apart.

The family that eats together shares intimacy.



Mass Intentions: Week of December 30, 2012

Sun. 9:30 a.m. ... Patricia Lawson +

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Mon. 8 a.m. ...

Tue. 7:15 p.m. * ... **Holy Day of Obligation** Wed. 8 a.m. Helen Piscevish (Birthday)

Thur. 8 a.m. ...

** No Mass this Friday.

2012 - THE YEAR THAT WAS

- The goal of 2012 "Catechesis". Course work revised for both St. Cecilia's & St. Mary's. Last year's goal, "Evangelization" continued this year and onward, to invite and reach out to absentee Catholics:
- "Catholicism" by Fr. Robert Barron is the parish Book of the Year. Parish had two part discussion sessions, Lent & Advent, sharing thoughts and insights;
- Mary Ann Kolanoski was asked by Fr. O' "When will I be mature enough to drive your car?" Mary Ann replied, "When I see your insurance."
- When travelling, Art Garcia stated, "I don't get lost, I get confused."
- Alexandria, 4 years old, commenting of Lori the bartender at Rancho Nicasio, "She's big, I am small."
- At the Baptism of the Changeux Family, Litany of Saints went on in Latin for 12 minutes. When finished, altar boy Ryan standing by Fr. O' said, Whoa!
- At the silent auction of the Palm Sunday Brunch, Chris Mothersill looking at toy. Fr. said, "You should buy that." "How can I? No money." Fr. said, "There is a way around it. Put down your Mom's name and sum of money you'll pay for it." Immediately he did, and he won the toy.
- Mary Lafranchi at Schramberg's Vineyard Parish Tour, "I cannot be in the photo. I have no lipstick on."
- ★ After Confirmation by Bishop McElroy, teenager Enzo Jimenez asked, "Are all bishops that big?"
- + Art Garcia's philosophy to life, "You can't go through life without scars."

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- Phone call from Fr. O' to Carol Mori-Prange, "Can I invite myself to the World Series Baseball Game at your home? Carol replied, "I accept your invitation."
- → Parish Cruise to Panama set sailed on April 15th happens to be the 100th Anniversary of the sinking of Titanic.
- Little Sophia Narbut was asked by Dad if she would like to go to the big church (Sts. Peter & Paul, San Francisco) or the little church (St. Mary, Nicasio). Sophia said, "The little church."
- Nicasio, town and school, celebrated its 150th Anniversary this year. Wells Fargo sent in a horse-drawn stagecoach joining in the first parade of Nicasio. St. Mary Church took part in the event with historical photos in display and narration of historical characters by children of Nicasio.
- + Esmeralda donated her long hair for cancer patients;
- → St. Cecilia marked its 100th Anniversary of faith community in the San Geronimo Valley. Mass celebrated by Bishop Tom Daly of San Jose, with Fr. O', Fr. John Glogowski, Msgr. Joseph Milani, and Deacon Bruce Hall assisting. Event commemorated by a Bazaar: Oysters, hot dog & chili, chicken BBQ, history talk, photo display, bingo, spin-the-wheel, kids' activities, and white (pink) elephant. "We honor the past by celebrating the present."
- Among the many trips by Dr. George Gregory to countries in need, this winter Dr. went to Ecuador, cured a 74 year old patient and brought smile to the patient and his entire family;
- ★ This year is the 10th St. Cecilia's Golf Tournament. Special mention: Hole-in-One by Robert Gardner;
- → For the Golf Tournament's auction, George Kerbs carved a duck decoy from the old St. Cecilia's church wood. Winning bid, Pat Donahue, donated the duck back to the church which was present during the 100th Anniv. Mass;
- Parish trips this year: Vina Monastery, Panama Cruise, Youth Trip Santa Cruz, Tahoe, Sacramento Cathedral;
- 24-hour & 9-hour Adorations at St. Cecilia's during Lent and Advent. An exact replica of Our Lady of Guadalupe was on loan to St. Cecilia sponsored by the Knights of Columbus;

Last Week's Collections: Christmas

 St. Cecilia's, Lagunitas

 \$2,153.00

 St. Mary's, Nicasio

 \$1,294.25

 Total:

 \$3,447.25

- Michael Hendron, a master reed organist, repaired the organ at St. Mary's and performed at St. Mary's Christmas Concert this year. A treat to hear the details related to the instrument. Recordings check youtube;
- The delicious tomatoes prepared for the Columbus Day Dinner were from the gardens of the Kerbs and the Echos. This year harvested a total 900 pounds of tomatoes;
- Grace Farley's house is full of animals. A new addition is a little dog found a strayed on the roadside - very lucky to have Grace happened to be driving by;
- Dave O'Connor recovering from his injury, lying in bed for 2 months reading Thomas Merton;
- Congratulations to Ginny Kerbs, distinguished Service Award; and Ken Massucco, Italian-American Citizen of the Year, presented by the Cristoforo Colombo Club;
- → Spike is happy to be home. We wish him a speedy recovery and get well soon. Drinks are waiting for him to claim at Rancho Nicasio.
- Heavy rainstorms this winter brought power outage in Lagunitas and Nicasio;
- At the Priests Convocation, Archbishop Quinn stared at Fr. O' colorful socks for at least 10 seconds, finally said amusingly, "I have never seen anything like this!" In reply, Fr. O' said, "You should come down to Lagunitas."
- Congratulations to Fr. O'Sullivan for winning the Nobel Peace Prize this year – along with 500 million fellow EU citizens;
- St. Mary's Catechism class delivered 75 pairs of socks for the patrons of St. Vincent de Paul this week;
- This year, repair done at St. Cecilia's were tree trimming, fountain, landscaping, oven works. At St. Mary's were the rot-proof back door, repaving of walkway, surface wash, and repainted church sign;
- Sister parish in Magdalena Colombia sent in photos, and are currently in display at St. Cecilia;
- Parish fund-raising events throughout the year: Golf Tournament, Palm Sunday Brunch, Rummage Sale, Italian Dinner, Christmas Concert. They are a big part of our source of income to meet the operating cost. Thank you to all the organizers, volunteers, donors, and all who support the events;

St. Cecilia's Christmas village is extending each year. Stay tuned for next year's additions.





"The Son of God chose not to live his life of 33 years without family."