



st. cecilia church lagunitas



✠ EPIPHANY OF THE LORD January 5, 2014

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.



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+ 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.

Matthew 2 : 1 - 12

The character of Herod and the magi are well articulated here in Matthew's Gospel, both behaviors found in every generation since time began.

Herod is duplicitous, his mode of conduct is deceit and cunning. He has no heart, no fairness, no truths. He lusts for power and wealth as the only reason for life.

The magi search for something bigger than themselves. They seek eternal wisdoms. They are prepared to give time out of their lives in this quest for the hunger of their souls. Once finding it, they no longer search for idolatrous gods.



Mass Intentions: Week of January 5, 2014

Sunday	9:30 a.m.	...	Diane Valery
Sunday	11:15 a.m.	...	Kelly Slattery
Monday	8 a.m.	...	Fr. Cyril O'Sullivan
Friday	6 p.m.	...	Daly Family

*** No Mass this Wed. & Thur.

2013 – THE YEAR THAT WAS

- + Parish Goal, "Social Justice". Parish book of the year, "What Happened at Vatican II" by John W. O'Malley.
- + Bonnie & Peter's 60th Wedding Anniversary. How many in the family, Peter replied, "85, 86, oh I lost count ...". Bonnie smilingly said to the family, "Keep the little Pete's coming." Newest member: Joseph Peter Dallara, born June 17, 2013.
- + Fr. O' asked Carol Mori-Prange, "Could I use your house for the parish council dinner?" Carol replied, "Oh yes, that is what my home is for."
- + Tour of Sacramento Cathedral, Mike Stephens was "Fr. O'Sullivan" and he played his part convincingly.
- + At Town Hall Meeting, Ginny about Leadership, "If you are in charge, then take charge. Get with it. Stay on top. Be in charge."
- + Some commented the new sanctuary chair at Old St. Mary's is not comfortable to sit in. Grace said, "Good. Maybe Mass will end earlier now."
- + Homeless women dinner in San Rafael, St. Cecilia's in charge. On the way home, Cia to Pat, "You've earned a few points for heaven tonight, Pat, and you need it." Pat replied, "Well my dear, if you know God this well, triple those points."
- + St. Mary's annual parish meeting. Mike Duke at Nicasio bar, "I knew there was serious stuff happening at Grace's house. I looked out the window to see if black smoke was rising, then I know no decision made. I waited, looked for white smoke, now I knew a decision has been made."
- + A farewell Mass for Marie Dhority honoring her dedication for decades to the parish, especially her commitment and support to the youth.
- + Fr. played an April Fool jokes on Grace, Kathy, Carol, Ginny, Paul, and ...
- + Augustine turns 50. Fr. advised: "Welcome to aches & pain."

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- + In Downieville, Fr. chatted with a stranger in bar about local, man said "priest came say Mass 20 years ago named O'Sullivan." (That was Fr. when he stayed in the rectory of the mission church 20 years ago!)
- + Annabelle from the Chancery apologizing for late notice of meeting cancellation. Fr. said, "No worry. Back in my old country, we are in cow's time." Annabelle, perplexed, replied thank you very much.
- + Running to 49er game after Mass, Guido told Carol "I am abandoning you. You find your ride home."
- + Congratulations to Fr. O', elected Dean of Deanery 7 by his fellow priests in Marin.
- + At Applebee's, Fr. told Alejandra, 30 fries or 50 fries. So Alejandra said to the server, she would like to order 30 fries, only to meet with an incomprehensive look from the waitress.
- + Congrats! Dr. George Gregory receives the 2013 APGAR Award for his lifelong contributions to perinatal medicine.
- + Christina Gray from St. Mary's joins Catholic San Francisco newspaper as reporter, focusing on Marin County.
- + "I detected an accent." "Waterford." "You drink our whiskey and we use your glass."
- + Little Daniel Silva at his cousin's Baptism, "I know what's going to happen. They are going to drown you with water."
- + After prayed to St. Anthony's, Fife found her Easter Basket.
- + New term "Social Dynamic", by Fr. O'
- + Good Samaritans stories: Cia & Pat assisted a dehydrated cyclist and getting him home safely; John Beckerley rescued a distressed boater in Tahoe; a parishioner saved an elderly man with walker who fell flat on the sidewalk by the curb when pedestrians simply passed by.
- + Parish trip to Yosemite, Mike Stephens received call that his tenant & girlfriend were reported missing in Lagunitas. Only moment later Mike ran into his tenant. They were stranded while hiking. A Good Samaritan from Texas picked them up and paid for their lodging for the night.
- + "The Lafranchi's won't be happy if they don't have 5 jobs."
- + Fr. offered a bottle of Guinness to Spike and asked him if he would like a glass with it. Spike said, it's in a glass already.
- + On St. Cecilia's scone, a motor bike celebrating Spring & outdoor. Bonnie, "What's that symbol? Fast track to Heaven?"
- + Jane Mothersill swam from Tiburon to Angel Island in the morning, took a hot bath, then came in St. Mary's, joining Chris Sr. & Chris Jr. at Mass.
- + Bob Dougherty view on Purgatory, "I can't tell you that much, I've never been there."
- + Megan's rabbits won Best-In-Show. Nicole's came in second.
- + Simeon Hinton from Nicasio, attended World Youth Day in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.
- + Monica, SC violinist will be attending college in New Jersey.
- + Youth Raft Trip to Klamath River. Lenny's view, "Girls just take up space and eat a lot." (We'll ask him again when he gets older). Car journey home, Lenny & Ryan, 11 & 12, discussed politics and religion like grow-ups. Ryan, "I love my church". Lenny on Catholic School, "You have to be good".
- + Congratulations to Martha, winning the Garden Harvest Best-in-Show in County Fair
- + Fr. hosting a Marin Priests Dinner in the rectory. A family of deer curiously checking out the occasion outside the window.
- + Parish trip to Peru, Macchu Picchu. Guinea pigs are local delicacy. Fr. named his, "Chirpee". Mary Ellen calling Darryl from Peru, "Who are you?" "This is Mary Ellen. Your wife!" Going thru Custom in San Francisco, Officer asked Fr. "Lagunitas? Never heard of it. How to spell it?"
- + Fr. picked Team Oracle as the America's Cup winner when they were 8-1 down from New Zealand. He was right!
- + In plain sight, someone walked out with the rattan chair in the women bathroom during the Rummage Sale event!
- + At Druid's Meeting, friend to Spike, "Good to see you, Spike." "Good to be seen."
- + Elizabeth Wenger, Ch.5 Traffic Anchor, married at St. Mary's. Traffic problems on both the Rehearsal and Wedding day. Luckily the delay did not post any problem.
- + Devastating typhoon hit Philippines. St. Cecilia's & St. Mary's raised \$1,051 for the CRS relief effort.
- + Thank you, Friends: Six Mexicans at 6:30 a.m. in the morning cleaned up St. Cecilia's Garden, as Christmas gift to parish.
- + Christmas photoshow at the "In Memory of" slide, Ginny turned to Elizabeth said, "Glad my name is not on that list."
- + Kathy found a dirty \$100 at the gas station. Went to the bank for a crispy clean one & deposited it into the collection basket.
- + Dave O' was seen slumping over at Mass losing conscious. Luckily it was not a heart attack. He mistakenly took sleeping pills instead of his regular medication that morning.
- + 17°F in Lagunitas. Icicles hanging from the fountain. Raven flew down to the fountain watching Fr. breaking the ice.
- + Art Garcia moved to Prescott Arizona to spend his retirement years. We wish him many blessings ahead.
- + When arranging the Nativity Christmas Village, Fr. constantly commented, "Umm! Art did it that way. Art did it better..."
- + St. Cecilia's Christmas Nativity and Village is extending. This year, Bethlehem, Sea of Galilee, Jerusalem. Stay tuned for next year's additions.

CATHOLICISM 2013

- + Pope Francis 1st
- + 50th Anniversary of Vatican II
- + Carmelite Sisters remain cloister in San Rafael
