



st. cecilia church lagunitas

August 14, 2022

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) +



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Table with columns for Mass, Reconciliation, Religious Education, Confirmation Prep, Day, Church, and Time.

Please see #912 in your Music Book for the readings TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - C

Christianity began in Vietnam since 1553. People heard the Good News; they accepted Christ; and they were baptized Catholics. The more people were converted to Catholic faith, the more persecution took place.

Jesus says this in today's Gospel: "Do you think that I have come to establish peace on the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division."

Jesus' teaching is something like that. It brings peace to those who seek truth; it brings war to those who seek opposition, lie, hostility, vengeance...

Jesus said that he has come to bring not peace, but the sword. This statement of Jesus seems contrary to the popular belief that Jesus is the Prince of Peace.

Indeed, Jesus himself is the Prince of Peace. But the kind of peace that Jesus gives us isn't like the peace that this world can give. To receive the peace God gives us through Jesus Christ is to make a challenging decision.

culture of death. The Gospel message is preached to everyone, but some accept it, others deny it. That is why there are martyrs - those who die for faith.

Another beautiful image Jesus mentions in today's Gospel is the fire of God's love as he says: "I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing." Pope Benedict XVI writes that this fire is Christ's own passion of love, "a fire that is given to us to be handed on."

We pray that God enkindle in us the fire of love, peace, charity, support, patience, humility, solidarity... We pray that God extinguishes in us the fire of hatred, war, selfish, egoism, hot-temper, arrogance, division...

God does not want us to be in disorder but in harmony and peace. Let the peace of God rule in our hearts. May the Lord of peace himself give us peace at all time and in every way!

MASS INTENTIONS: from Sunday, August 14 to Saturday, August 20

Table of Mass Intentions for Sunday through Saturday, listing times, churches, and names.

2022 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal:

Table for St. Cecilia Annual Appeal: Goal \$ 6,774.00, Received \$ 6,774.00, THANK YOU!

Table for St. Mary Annual Appeal: Goal \$ 3,906.00, Received \$ 2,698.00, Need \$ 1,208.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- 1. MANY THANKS to Randy & Nancy Lafranchi, and Margaret Farley & the Team for your generous help to make a wonderful BBQ party last Sunday.
2. Wednesday Home Visit & Rosary: Wednesdays at 5 p.m. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board, please sign up. Please note: there is NO ROSARY this Wednesday, since we are preparing for the funeral of Ryan Dallara to come.
3. Funeral Mass for Ryan Dallara: at 11 am, Friday, August 19, at St. Sebastian Church: 373 Bon Air Rd., Kentfield, CA 94904. May he rest in peace!
4. The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Solemnity) Mass & Holy Hour at St. Cecilia Church at 8 am, Monday, August 15.
5. St. Cecilia's annual rummage sale is returning this Fall, around the weekend of October 1st. There is an initial planning meeting today right after 9:30 a.m. Mass, in the parish hall. Your help is needed, to volunteer your time, to donate items, to spread the word, and of course, to shop. Thank you!

Last Week Collections:

Table for St. Cecilia Last Week Collections: Offertory \$ 619.00, Maintenance \$ 425.00, Total \$ 1,044.00

Table for St. Mary Last Week Collections: Offertory \$ 545.00, Preservation \$ 450.00, AAA \$ 00.00, Total \$ 995.00