

**June 2, 2024**



st. cecilia church  
lagunitas

Mision 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) ✦



st. mary church  
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<b>MASS</b>	Sunday	St. Cecilia	9:30 a.m.
		St. Mary	11:15 a.m.
	Monday	St. Cecilia	8 a.m. Holy Hour follows
	Wednesday	St. Cecilia	8 a.m.
	Thursday	St. Mary	8 a.m.
	Friday	St. Mary (1 <sup>st</sup> Friday)	8 a.m. Holy Hour follows
		St. Cecilia (other Fridays)	8 a.m.
	Saturday	St. Cecilia (last Saturday only)	10 a.m. Padre Pio Mass & Devotion
<b>Reconciliation</b>	Saturday	St. Cecilia	4 to 4:30 p.m.
		or by appointment call:	(415) 488-9799
<b>Confirmation Prep.</b>	Wednesday	St. Cecilia	6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

See #851 in Music Book for the readings

**CORPUS CHRISTI SUNDAY**  
**THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST**

*Ex 24:3-8; Ps 116; Heb 9:11-15; Mk 14:12...26*

If you loved somebody, what would you do for that person whom you really loved? To say "I love you" is not enough; but you have to do something concretely to show your love.

There was a time of famine in Vietnam after 1975 when I was a young boy. But I never forget the sacrifice my parents did for us, their children, just because they loved us. Every meal, my parents had to wait until their children finished the meal, and then they began to eat whatever was left. So often, there was not much food left for my parents after the children finished their meals. At the time, I was too young to realize what a sacrifice that my parents did for us. But now I know.

Love can do everything, even most difficult thing such as dying for the loved ones. For "God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son" to die for us and to save us from our sins. There is no greater love than this: that a person would lay down his life for the sake of his friends (Jn 15:13). Laying down our life for others means going out of our way to meet another's need. It means giving up a part of our lives, sacrificing our own resources and energy to meet the needs of another person whom we love. Jesus did not only say this, but he also did what he said. Jesus so loved us that he died for our sins, to save us.

Jesus so loved his disciples, and us, that at the Last Supper, before the meal, Jesus knelt down to wash his disciples' feet. What a humble service, just because of love. And at that Last Supper, Jesus instituted the Sacrament of the Eucharist, the very first Mass, from which Jesus consecrated the bread and wine, in order to convert them into his Body and Blood, to nourish the body and soul of all people. As we learn from the gospel, Jesus took the bread, saying to the disciples: "take it; this is my body." Then he took the cup, saying: "this is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many."

Today with the universal Church, we celebrate the solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Jesus Christ through this Eucharistic table. The Eucharist, the Most Holy Body and Precious Blood of Jesus, is his greatest gift to us – a sign of God's enduring love for us all.

The Eucharist, Pope Francis said, "communicates the Lord's love for us: a love so great that it nourishes us with himself; a freely given love, always available to every person who hungers... To live the experience of faith means to allow oneself to be nourished by the Lord and to build one's own existence not with material goods, but with the reality that does not perish: the gifts of God, his Word and his Body." These gifts from God strengthen us both bodily and spiritually.

God never lets us go hungry. Especially, the heavenly food of the Eucharist keeps us strong and faithful on this journey of life and faith. Our need to receive the Lord's Body and Blood reminds us of our dependence on God. We live not from our own resources, but from God's gift. Like God's people under Moses' time, the Church strongly encourages us to receive this heavenly food daily – the Holy Communion, the Body and Blood of Christ.

Our ordinary food helps building and maintaining our bodily strength. Heavenly food – the Body and Blood of Christ we receive at Mass – helps transforming our spiritual life. Through the Eucharist we become Christ for others, to continue the works of love and compassion which Jesus tried to accomplish during his earthly life. United with Christ in the Eucharist, we are united with one another, too.

Those who receive the Eucharist are united more closely to Christ Jesus, as he said: "I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats this bread will live in me forever." Through the Eucharist, Christ unites all the faithful in one body – the Church. We receive the Body and Blood of Christ, so that we may become what we have received – we become Christ for our brothers and sisters, in faith, hope, and love.

MASS INTENTIONS: from Sunday, June 2 to Saturday, June 8

Sunday	9:30 am	SC ...	Fr. Daniel Kendall, S.J. (repose)
	11:15 am	SM ...	Maria Ly & Anna Ly (repose)
Monday	8 am	SC ...	Fr. Benedict Chang (repose)
Tuesday	.....	no Mass	.....
Wednesday	8 am	SC ...	Fr. Anthony McGuire (priesthood anniversary)
Thursday	8 am	SM ...	Fr. Justin Minh Nguyen (priesthood anniversary)
Friday	8 am	SC ...	Maria Nhi & Joseph Man (repose)
Saturday	8 am	SC ...	Fr. Sean Corcoran, C.S.Sp. (repose)

2024 Annual Appeal

<u>St. Cecilia</u>	
Goal	\$ 8,036.00
Received	\$ 9,366.00
Exceeded	\$ 1,830.00

<u>St. Mary</u>	
Goal	\$ 5,533.00
Received	\$ 5,533.00

THANK YOU!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1. Wednesday Home Visit & Rosary:** this Wednesday, June 5, at Daphne & Ken Massucco's home: 51 Castle Rock Ave, Woodacre... at 5 pm.
- 2. Funeral Mass for George Kerbs:** at St. Cecilia Church, Lagunitas. Saturday, June 15, 2024 at 11 am. May he rest in peace!
- 3. BBQ at SGV Community Center:** Members of St. Cecilia & St. Mary Churches as well as residents of all the San Geronimo Valley and Nicasio Valley are invited to a COMMUNITY BBQ on WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5 at 5:30 PM at the SCV Community Center. BBQ fare will be provided. Everyone is asked to bring a salad, side dish or dessert to share. The Edie Robinson Community Service Awards will be presented to 2 Valley residents who have shown extraordinary volunteer service to our community for many years. Please RSVP to Cia Donahue or John Beckerley ASAP.

Last Week Collections

<u>St. Cecilia</u>	
Offertory	\$ 563.00
Maintenance	\$ 0.00
Total	<u>\$ 563.00</u>

<u>St. Mary</u>	
Offertory	\$ 331.00
AAA	\$ 100.00
Preservat'n	\$ 250.00
Total	<u>\$ 681.00</u>