

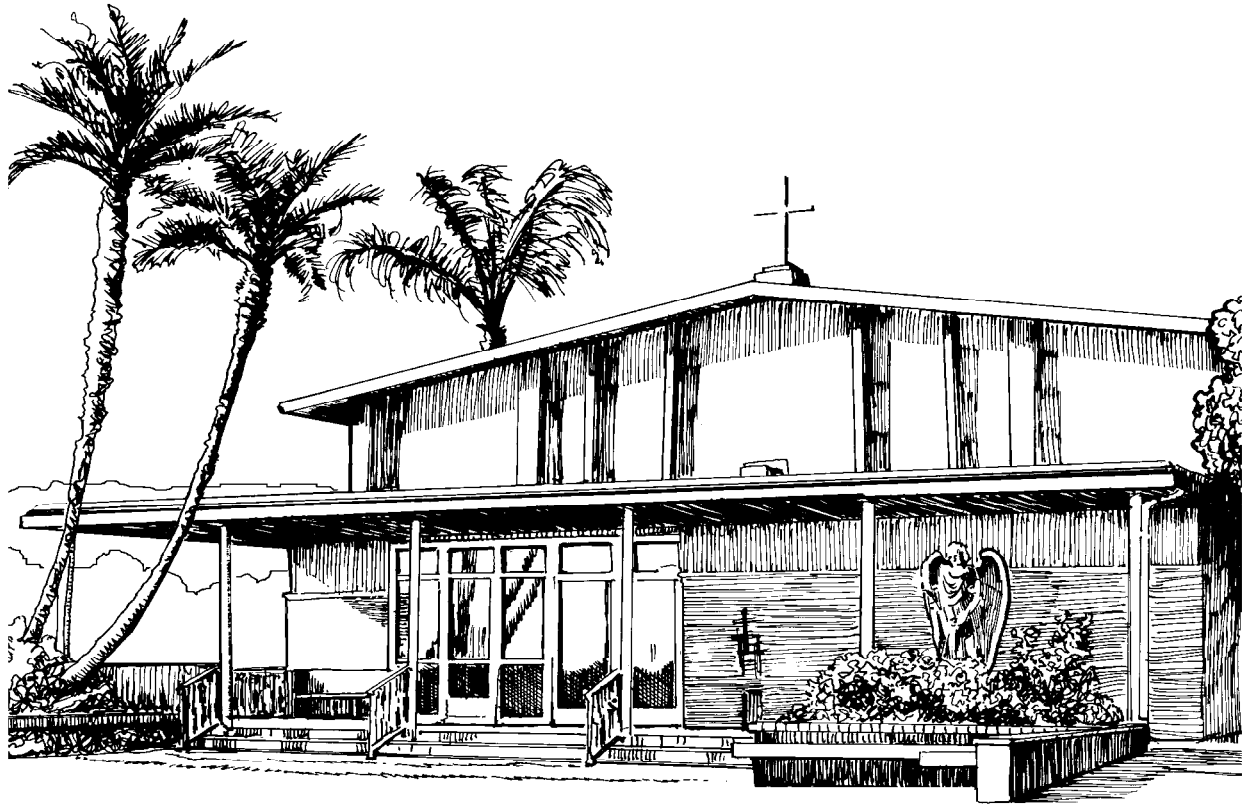
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Masses/Misas

Monday to Thursday/Lunes a Jueves:	8:00 am
Wednesday and Friday/Miércoles y Viernes:	12:05 pm
Saturdays/Sábados:	5:30 pm Vigil
Sundays/Domingos:	7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:00 am, 12:30 pm Español; 5:30 pm Life Teen Mass

Holy Days/Fiestas de Guardar

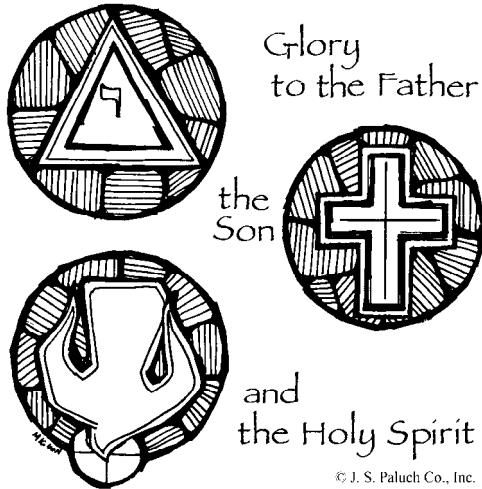
Schedule of Holy Days varies

Confessions/Confesiones

Saturdays/Sábados: 4:00-5:00 pm

Exposition/La Exposición

First Friday of every month, 24 Hours
Primer viernes del mes, 24 horas



Together in Mission

Our goal for the 2008 appeal is \$85,367.03. To date, \$74,274.03 has been pledged and only \$55,552.03 has been paid. *Together in Mission* provides substantial financial support to 35 parishes and 48 schools in our Archdiocese. These parishes and schools provide education, ministry and a Catholic presence for tens of thousands of people. Thank you for your prayerful consideration and continued generous response.

Special Collection Next Weekend

Next weekend, **May 24-25**, we will have a collection to help support the Retirement Fund for Archdiocesan Priests. Currently, the fund provides for 149 priests who are retired. Over the next ten years, the number of priests who will reach retirement age will number 358. All of these men have committed their lives to serve the spiritual needs of our parish communities. We, in turn owe it to them to assure that they do not have to worry about their retirement years.

Since the year 2000, a total of \$9,957,090 has been added to the Priests' Pension Plan through this annual collection. Please prayerfully determine the amount that you can give in support of them, not out of a sense of obligation but, out of true gratitude for their dedication and service for so many years to the People of God in our Archdiocese.

Newly Baptized! Welcome Into the Family of God:

Gabriele Alessandro Scussat
Kevin Luis Moseby
Eva Danielle Mendez

The Inexpressible Mystery

The God of the universe is mysterious. Science has not been able to solve the mystery of how the universe came into being or explain exactly what continues to give it creative energy and masterful design. No religion asserts that it has found words to name fully the ineffable mystery of God, for no matter what name we use, God always transcends our limited ability to understand. God is a mystery to be believed, not known. And yet, we Christians believe that our name for God best expresses that inexpressible mystery: God is the Most Holy Trinity of three persons united in a communion of love, pouring forth that creative, saving, sanctifying love into the world. Today's scriptures celebrate the mystery of the Trinity and give us clues for living that mystery in our lives.

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Today's Readings

First Reading — The LORD, merciful and gracious, rich in kindness and faithfulness (*Exodus 34:4b-6, 8-9*).

Psalms — Glory and praise for ever! (*Daniel 3*).

Second Reading — Brothers and sisters, rejoice. Live with one another in peace, and the God of peace will be with you (*2 Corinthians 13:11-13*).

Gospel — God did not send the Son to condemn the world, but to give it abundant life (*John 3:16-18*).

Readings for the Week

Monday: Jas 3:13-18; Mk 9:14-29
Tuesday: Jas 4:1-10; Mk 9:30-37
Wednesday: Jas 4:13-17; Mk 9:38-40
Thursday: Jas 5:1-16; Mk 9:41-50
Friday: Jas 5:9-12; Mk 10:1-12
Saturday: Jas 5:13-20; Mk 10:13-16
Sunday: Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a; Ps 147;
 1 Cor 10:16-17; Jn 6:51-58

Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: The Most Holy Trinity
 Monday: Seventh Week in Ordinary Time
 Tuesday: St. Bernardine of Siena
 Wednesday: St. Christopher Magallanes and his companions
 Thursday: St. Rita of Cascia
 Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

Parish Community News

It's Time to Raise the Roof!

After almost twenty years of service, the school roof needs to be replaced. The state of the roof is compromising the health and safety of everyone who uses the school buildings. In addition to the elementary school, these buildings house many parish ministries and the classrooms are used almost every day by one or more of the following groups:

- ◆ Religious Education
- ◆ Youth Ministry
- ◆ Boy Scouts & Girl Scouts
- ◆ Confirmation Program
- ◆ Early Childhood Education

In order to address this need, the parish is establishing a Building Fund and will be asking for donations, 100% of which will be directed to the following:

- ◆ New roof for the school (\$180,000)
- ◆ School Building Fumigation (\$15,000)
- ◆ New fencing along the property line (\$60,000)
- ◆ Parking lot repairs (\$35,000)

Representatives from the school and other ministries will speak at all Masses **today** and will be available to answer questions. We are happy to report the St. Raphael School Development Board has already raised a large sum of funds to initiate this drive; however we still need the support of the entire parish community to reach our goal. Final bids are still coming in, but the expenses currently total almost \$300,000.

Farewell

After 20 years serving St. Raphael Parish, **Virginia Rodriquez** has resigned. She has accepted a position as Director of Religious Education at Our Lady of Sorrows Parish in Santa Barbara. Virginia served as Coordinator of the Bilingual Religious Education Program, RICA (Preparing Adults for the Sacraments of Initiation) and the Adult Confirmation Program in Spanish. Upon announcing her resignation, Virginia said, "It was a privilege for me and for my husband, Deacon Jorge A. Rodriguez to have served the St. Raphael community...thank you for your support. I will miss you!"

This Week at St. Raphael Church

Sunday, May 18

Life Teen Mass, Church, 5:30 pm, PC afterwards

Monday, May 19

St. Vincent de Paul Meeting, Conf. Rm., 2:00 pm

Divine Mercy Group, Church, 7:00 pm

Tuesday, May 20

Spanish Bible Study, PC, Multipurp. Rm., 7:00 pm

Bilingual Rosary, Church, 7:00 pm

Wednesday, May 21

No 12:05 pm Mass

St. Joseph's Men's Prayer Group, Church, 6:30 pm

Praise & Worship Meeting, Conf. Rm., 7:00 pm

Thursday, May 22

Rosary Group, 8:30 am

Church History Class, PC, 1:00 pm

Lay Apostle Prayer Group, Church, 6:30 pm

Religious Education Teacher Appreciation Dinner,

Parish Hall, 6:00 pm

Friday, May 23

Grupo de Oración, PC, Rm. A, 7:00 pm

Saturday, May 24

Open

Sunday, May 25

Life Teen Mass, Church, 5:30 pm, PC afterwards

PC=Parish Center

"Summer Saints and Some are Not" — Join us in the Parish Center on Thursday, **May 22**, 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm for the start of this weekly summer class on Catholic Church history. The topic will be, "The Medieval Years: 500-1500 AD". Presented in a format that encourages learning and remembering, topics will include major events, places and dates, with an emphasis on important persons and writings of the period. For info or to register for the class, call Gerry Nordsieck, **967-9739**, or email gmnordsieck@gmail.com.

Attention Eucharistic Ministers to the Sick —

Renewal applications and communion visit forms are to be turned in to Sister Mina by **Tuesday, May 20**. Please be prompt. Thank you.

Pastoral Associate's Corner

Open Door — Since we have a new Associate Pastor assigned to us, I'd like to begin "Open Door" again in September. I invite anyone who is interested to stop by the Conference Room on Mondays after the 8:00 am Mass to ask questions of any kind...a sort of "Ask the PA" opportunity. I'll be there from 8:30 am to 9:00 am. If I don't have an answer, I'll do my best to find it for you!

Spiritual Direction — If anyone is interested in one-on-one spiritual direction, I'm always available to make time for you.

Annulments — I'm happy to assist anyone who is interested in starting or needs help with annulment paperwork. This process is not what it was in "your Mother and Dad's day." The Church in her wisdom has taken steps to help people come back to all the sacraments. The 1983 revision of Canon Law has made the annulment process far more understandable and accessible.

Pastoral Visits to the Homebound — Do you have a Catholic relative, friend, or neighbor who is unable to come to church but would like a pastoral visit? Our Parish Sister, Sr. Mina Riggs, and I are available to go out to private homes, board and care homes, convalescent homes, or assisted living facilities. Visits are on Fridays, usually in the morning. Other days/times upon request.

Bereavement Ministry — St. Raphael Parish has been *very* fortunate to have a wonderful team of caring and supportive people who have conducted bereavement sessions and meetings for many years, usually during November. We most especially thank Marie Mlodzik and Deacon Wayne Rascati who have been taking the lead on this ministry in the recent past. After some reflection, and in light of an ongoing need for this vital ministry, we have decided to start a Bereavement Ministry that will have a group that meets year-round on a monthly basis. For all those who have been on the team in the past, we VALUE your experience and knowledge and would like you to be part of this year-round team. We are glad to have you at any or all of our planning meetings and later, the group meetings as well. We're looking to start this re-energized Bereavement Ministry in September. Please call, email, or flag me down if you're interested in helping on the team or would like to attend as a participant!

**Contact Noël Fuentes at 683-9090 x7
or email: raphstgo@yahoo.com**

Need help? Call St. Vincent de Paul: **683-8535**.

Mass Intentions

May 17, 2008 — May 24, 2008

May 17 Sat Vigil 5:30 pm Our Parish Community
 May 18 Sun 7:30 am TheWilliford & Gil Families
 9:30 am Clarence Owen (D)
 11:00 am Sonia Garces (D)
 12:30 pm Maria Rojas (D)
 5:30 pm All Mothers
 May 19 Mon 8:00 am Jose Paz (D)
 May 20 Tues 8:00 am Anne Wheatly (D)
 May 21 Wed 8:00 am Sr. Sudine Suter, OSB (D)
 May 22 Thu 8:00 am Mary Perrier (D)
 May 23 Fri 12:05 pm Maria A. Martinez (D)

~ Devotions ~

Circle of St. Therese Women's Apostolate — Monthly fellowship and prayer. Contact Lisa at **967-2152**.

Divine Mercy Group — Meets monthly at 7:00 pm in the church. Next meeting will be Monday, **May 19**. Contact Martha at **964-4945**.

Grupo de Oración — Fridays in the Parish Center, Rm. B, 7:00 pm.

"Intercessors of the Lamb" Prayer Group — Tuesdays at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center Lounge.

Lay Apostle Prayer Group — Monthly "Hour of Holiness" (silence and rosary). Contact Cindy at **967-4511**.

Praise & Worship — Wednesdays in the Conference Room, 7:30 pm.

Rosary Group — Thursdays in the Crying Room, after 8:00 am Mass.

St. Joseph Men's Prayer Group — Wednesdays, in the church, 6:30 pm.

Bilingual Rosary — You are invited to join us in the Church **every Tuesday** at 7:00 pm during the month of May for a Bilingual Rosary in honor of Our Lady.

~ Eucharistic Adoration ~

You are invited to join us on **Friday, June 6** (and **every First Friday** of the month) for Eucharistic Adoration. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed at 8:00 am on First Friday until Solemn Benediction at 8:00 am on Saturday. We will pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy together at 3:00 pm on Friday.

If you have signed up for a Holy Hour, it is important that you come at your committed time. We must have at least two people at Adoration every hour so that our dear Lord is not left alone during Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Call Margaret Priest, **967-7391**. Thank you!

St. Raphael School
“From The Principal’s Desk”

A May Tradition — Lauren Ashley Herrera memorial tradition of families taking home the statue of Mary to pray the rosary.

Wednesday, May 21 — We will be having the “Crowning of Mary” at 10:00 am in the church. Our entire student body will be present. The student council members and our First Communion Class will be part of the procession. Parishioners are invited to this beautiful tribute to Mary.



Every Day in May — Our Religion Commissioner, Sami Soto, leads the student body in reciting a decade of the rosary for World Peace.

2008 World Youth Day
Sydney, Australia
Youth Pilgrimage

As the date of our departure on July 7 draws near, it's not too late to make a tax deductible donation for the trip to help us cover the cost of tour guide and bus driver tips. Please call Noël if you have questions.

We also ask the parish community for prayers for our final preparations and for our safe travels. Please pray for our families that will remain here at home as well!



Mandatory Pilgrim's Final Meeting
June 10 (27 days prior to departure)

7:00 pm in the Parish Hall
Topic: Packing & Travel
 (bring your bag for the trip)!

Also please join us at the 5:30 pm Mass on Sunday,
July 6 for a **Rite of Sending**

Call Noël Fuentes at **683-9090 x7** if you have any questions. Check out our website:

www.straphaelsyouth.com/WYD



Sociable Seniors

There will be no Sociable Seniors meeting in May. Our next regular meeting will be on Wednesday, **June 18**. Please check upcoming bulletins for details. Questions? Call Bea at **964-2431**.

~ The Senior Travelers ~

Fall Foliage “Rails and Sails”: **October 10-20** — Round-trip from Santa Barbara to Boston. A new and exciting way to view the beauty of New England Fall foliage. Price dependent on air costs. Book early and save. Limited to 25 people. Call Joan at **967-5444**. Leave a message with your name and phone number.

Two waivers per person are required for all participants on trips. This is an Archdiocesan requirement. **These waivers must be submitted at the time of payment.** No checks or reservations will be accepted unless the two signed waivers are included.

It is the Sociable Seniors policy to offer these trips to active members. Additional space, when available, can be offered to family members and friends.

If you have suggestions for trips, need info, or to request a newsletter, please call Joan Magenheimer, **967-5444**. Leave your name and phone number; please speak slowly and clearly! Thank you.

Sister Mina's Adult Bible Study Class

The Adult Bible Class meets every Wednesday **except** the third Wednesday of the month. The next class will be **May 28**, 10:00 am to 11:30 am in Room A/B of the Parish Center. We are studying the Gospel According to Matthew.

~ Protecting our Children ~

Don't Overestimate Children's “Street Smarts”

Pedestrian injury remains the second leading cause of unintentional injury-related death among children ages 5 to 14. Children have difficulty judging speed, spatial relations, and distance. Auditory and visual acuity, depth perception, and proper scanning ability develop gradually and do not fully mature until at least age 10. For child pedestrian safety tips, click on “Pedestrian Safety” at

www.usa.safekids.org

For particular help, you may call Assistance Ministry at **(213) 637-7650**.

Parish Office and Catholic Community News

Parish Staff and Office Hours — The Parish Staff is available to serve you during the following hours: Monday-Thursday: 8:30-11:30 am/12:30-7:30 pm, Friday: 8:30-11:30 am/12:30-5:00 pm, Saturday: 9:00 am-2:00 pm; Sunday: 8:30 am - 2:00 pm. After hours **emergency** pager: 897-6371.

Room Scheduling Procedure — Requests for room space at St. Raphael are accepted **in writing** on the forms available in the Parish Office. Requests are processed one day a week (on Mondays).

Holy Communion to Homebound — Do you have a Catholic relative, friend, or neighbor who is unable to come to Mass? Would they like Holy Communion brought to them where they are living? Whether it's a private home, board and care home, convalescent home, assisted-living facility, or hospital, we have Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion trained, ready, and waiting. Please contact Sr. Mina Riggs at **683-9090 x5**.

Please Remember Your Parish or School in Your Will or Trust

For information, please contact the Parish Office or H. Richard Closson, Director, Trust and Estate Programs, **(213) 637-7472**. Email: HRClosson@la-archdiocese.org, or visit the website: www.estateplanning.com/trustsacc.

The correct legal title is: The Roman Catholic Archbishop of Los Angeles, A Corporation Sole for the benefit of: Saint Raphael Church, Santa Barbara, CA

Voice of the Faithful — Continuing discussion of Paul Lakeland's book, *Catholicism at the Crossroads: How the Laity Can Save the Church*, **May 19**, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, Regional Pastoral Center, 4032 La Colina Rd. Info: call **687-0357** or visit www.votfsba.org.

Ignation Volunteer Corps — An informational meeting will be held at Padre Serra Parish in Camarillo on **May 21**, 12:30 pm. Ignation volunteers use their talents to improve the lives of people in need by tutoring, companionship, counseling, and more. **(805) 484-9594**. www.ivcusa.org.

Life Network — Do you know of someone who is in an unplanned pregnancy? Please suggest they call Life Network. Pregnancy options, counseling, post-abortion support groups, parenting and adoption support. All info is free and confidential. Call **967-9096**.

Bishop Garcia Diego High School/Santa Barbara Catholic High ~ "All Alumni" Weekend — Cardinal vs. Warrior Alumni Football game: Saturday, **May 24**, 4:00 pm at SBCC. A dinner/dance party for adults (21 & older) follows the game. Tickets for the dinner/dance must be purchased in advance. On Sunday, **May 25**, Father Alonso will celebrate Mass at 11:00 am. At 1:00 pm join Fr. Sal and Fr. Alonso for our "All Alumni" BBQ (reservations for the BBQ were required by Friday, May 16). Call Stacey Carr at **(805) 967-1266 x105**. More info can be found at www.bishopdiego.org.

Memorial Day Liturgy — The annual Memorial Day Liturgy will be held Monday, **May 26**, 10:00 am at Calvary Cemetery, 199 North Hope Avenue, Santa Barbara.

Vocational Retreat For Women — The Sisters of the Divine Heart of Jesus in La Mesa, California are hosting a free "Live-in Experience" Vocation Retreat **May 30-June 1**. There is no cost, but space is limited. If you take a bus or plane to the nearest major city, the Sisters will pick you up. Call **1-800-221-1807** for more dates and information.

Monastery Vocational Retreats for Men — Holy Trinity Trappist Monastery in Huntsville, Utah. **June 11-15** and **August 6-10**. Work and pray with the monks on their 2,000 acre farm. There is no cost, but space is limited. If you take a bus or plane to Salt Lake City, they will pick you up at no charge. Call **1-800-221-1807** for more info.

Marriage Encounter — **July 18-20** and October 3-5. For info, email info@wwme-la-north.org, call **(805) 648-4244**, or visit the website www.wwme-la-north.org.

Pilgrimage to Czech Republic, Poland & Hungary — **September 12-22, 2008**. Travel to Eastern Europe under the spiritual direction of Most Reverend Joseph Satoris, Bishop Emeritus. For info and a detailed itinerary, call Sister Mary Jean Meler, RSM, **(213) 637-7520**.

Pilgrimage to Italy — **September 19 to October 1, 2008**. Father Vaughn Winters will lead this pilgrimage to Rome, Assisi and other sights. For info and a brochure, call Mary Beth Legg, **(818) 846-8962** or Fr. Vaughn, **(805) 922-7099**.

Poland-Rome Study Pilgrimage — **October 21 to November 4, 2008**. A fourteen day pilgrimage with Fr. Stan Fortuna, CFR. Departures from LAX & JFK. \$3,300. For info, contact Sylvia Munoz **(310) 291-4465**. You can also email: SylMunoz@roadrunner.com or visit the website: www.francescoproductions.com

Archdiocese of Los Angeles, Office for Vocations — www.archdiocese.la/ministry/vocations/programs/index.html. **(213) 637-7248**.

Saint Raphael Youth Ministry

St. Raphael's "Teen" Confirmation Program — This program takes two years to complete. Both years, the candidates meet in small groups taught by adult and peer leaders. This approach teaches the candidates more about their faith while letting them explore their own spirituality. Classes meet monthly from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Candidates are also required to attend "Large Group Gathering" nights with their sponsor. These are held four times a year, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Call John, **964-3466 x1**, or email: srym12@yahoo.com.

The Edge — 7th and 8th Grade Youth Ministry — Junior High students are perched on the edge of many changes in their lives. We want every Junior High student to have the opportunity to be "plugged-in" to a solid Catholic Church program that supports and fosters their spiritual, social and emotional growth. The Edge usually meets on the first and third Thursdays of the month from 7:00 pm to 8:45 pm and is open to all 7th and 8th graders. Call **964-3466 x1**.

XLT — We are all searching for truth. We are all searching for love. We are all searching for Jesus! **XLT** is a powerful "praise experience" attended by high school teens and adults from parishes all around Santa Barbara. Encounter the living Christ through praise, fellowship, inspiring talks, and His True Presence in Eucharistic Adoration. Parish Center, Rm. A/B, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm, after 5:30 pm LIFE TEEN® Mass. Dates announced in advance.

Steubenville-San Diego

Our High School LIFE TEEN® program will be taking teens to the annual Steubenville-San Diego Conference on **July 25-27**. More than 5,000 Catholic teens attend this wonderful spiritual experience. The cost of the weekend is \$195 per student plus \$2,000 for the bus. If you would like to sponsor a teen who is unable to pay the cost of this weekend or donate to help pay for the bus, you may do so by making your check payable to St. Raphael Youth Ministry, noting *Steubenville SD* on the bottom left of your check. Thank you in advance for supporting our teens, and may God Bless you!



Leading Teens Closer to Christ

LIFE TEEN® Mass — All High School teens are invited to celebrate the Eucharist in this special Liturgy geared toward young people. The goal is to bring teens closer to Christ through Jesus in the Eucharist. People of all ages are invited to join us at 5:15 pm for Praise and Worship. LIFE TEEN® Mass is every Sunday evening, 5:30 pm. High School Life Night immediately follows.

Life Nights for High School Teens grades 9-12 — This group meets every Sunday evening, 7:15 pm to 9:00 pm after the LIFE TEEN® Mass. It gives teens an environment in which to explore their faith and nurture their relationship with God. A typical session includes ice-breaker games, activities, discussions centered on the night's topic, and prayer. For info, call John at the Youth Ministry Office, **964-3466 x1**, or email srym12@yahoo.com.

Catholic Club — Teens from St. Raphael's LIFE TEEN® have started a LIFE TEEN® Catholic Club at Dos Pueblos High School. Meetings are in room H3, Wednesdays, during lunch. Please contact John or Claudia at **964-3466 x1** for more information.

LIFE TEEN® Camp — **June 16-20**. Five days and four nights at beautiful Zaca Lake. Space is limited! Sign up at the Youth Ministry Office.

Please Pass the Mustard — The Sunday Night High School Life Night needs people to provide food for about 75 people. Please consider signing up for once a month or however often you can help! Food is eaten after the 5:30 pm LIFE TEEN® Mass, and meals can be very simple. Call John at **964-3466 x1** for more information. Thank you!



Young Adult Ministry (ages 18-26)

For info about the Young Adults Group, contact Jenny Ohlmacher at jeohlm@aol.com, or Phyllis at **692-1546**.

**¡Bienvenidos a la Familia de Dios
Por El Bautismo!**

Gabriele Alessandro Scussat
Kevin Luis Moseby
Eva Danielle Mendez

Colecta Especial El Próximo Domingo

El próximo domingo se lleva a cabo una colecta especial para el Fondo de Retiro de los Sacerdotes de la Arquidiócesis. Actualmente hay 149 sacerdotes que se han acogido a retiro y reciben un estipendio mensual del Plan de Pensiones para los Sacerdotes. En los próximos 10 años, el número de sacerdotes que estarán en edad de retirarse llegará a los 358. Ellos cuentan con su ayuda para satisfacer sus necesidades mínimas. Por favor ayude a apoyar a aquellos que han dado tanto por tantos años. Favor de usar los sobres especiales que se encuentran en las bancas y les suplicamos ser generosos en su donación para esta causa tan especial. ¡Gracias!

Vocaciones — Dos veces al año, se ofrece un Retiro de Discernimiento Sacerdotal para varones con grado universitario, que estén considerando el sacerdocio diocesano. Los interesados pueden llegar el día anterior y asistir a las clases y ver cómo se desarrolla un día normal en el Seminario. Para más información, póngase en contacto con Padre James Forsen, vía correo electrónico: frjrforsen@la-archdiocese.org o telefónicamente al **(213) 637-7515**. Adicionalmente, se ha establecido una red de 13 grupos de discernimiento a través de la Arquidiócesis, para darles apoyo y orientación vocacional. Para saber dónde exactamente, en su área, estos grupos se reunirán, por favor visite: www.archdiocese.la/ministry/vocations/discernment/groups.html o llame a la Oficina para Vocaciones: **(213) 637-7248**.

~ Protegiendo a los Niños ~

No Sobreestime la Inteligencia de los Niños

Lesiones peatonales siguen siendo la segunda causa principal de muertes lesión-relacionadas involuntarias en niños entre las edades 5 a 14 años. Los niños tienen dificultad e inexperience de juzgar distancia y velocidad. La agudeza auditiva y visual, la percepción y habilidad para madurar completamente no sucede hasta por lo menos a la edad de 10 años. Para sugerencias sobre la seguridad peatonal de los niños, visite la página de Internet

www.usa.safekids.org

Para obtener ayuda, llame a la Oficina del Ministerio de Ayuda al **(213) 637-7650**.

Misterio Inexpresable

El Dios del universo es misterioso. La ciencia no ha podido resolver el misterio de cómo el universo surgió ni explicar exactamente qué es lo que continúa dándole energía creadora y diseño magistral. Ninguna religión afirma que ha encontrado las palabras para nombrar plenamente el misterio inefable de Dios, ya que no importa qué nombre usemos, Dios siempre trasciende nuestra limitada capacidad de comprensión. Dios es un misterio en el que se cree y que no se conoce. Y sin embargo, nosotros los cristianos creemos que el nombre que usamos para Dios es el que mejor expresa ese misterio inexpresable: Dios es la Santísima Trinidad de tres personas unidas en una comunión de amor, que se vierte en amor creador, salvador y santificador sobre el mundo. Las lecturas de hoy celebran el misterio de la Trinidad y nos dan las claves para vivir ese misterio en nuestras vidas.

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Lecturas De Hoy

Primera lectura — Moisés subió al Monte Sinaí y luego el Señor pasó delante de él (*Éxodo 34:4b-6, 8-9*).

Salmo — ¡Gloria y alabanza por siempre! (*Daniel 3*)

Segunda lectura — Trabajen para ser perfectos, anímense, tengan un mismo sentir y vivan en paz. Y el Dios del amor y de la paz estará con ustedes. (*2 Corintios 13:11-13*).

Evangelio — Dios mandó a su Hijo único al mundo para salvar el mundo por él. (*Juan 3:16-18*).

Lecturas De La Semana

lunes: Stgo 3:13-18; Mc 9:14-29
martes: Stgo 4:1-10; Mc 9:30-37
miércoles: Stgo 4:13-17; Mc 9:38-40
jueves: Stgo 5:1-16; Mc 9:41-50
viernes: Stgo 5:9-12; Mc 10:1-12
sábado: Stgo 5:13-20; Mc 10:13-16
domingo: Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a; Sal 147(146-147);
1 Cor 10:16-17; Jn 6:51-58

Santos y Días Especiales de Observancia

domingo: La Santísima Trinidad
lunes: Séptima semana del tiempo ordinario
martes: San Bernardino de Siena
miércoles: San Cristóbal Magallanes y compañeros
jueves: Santa Rita de Cascia
sábado: Santa María Virgen

Noticias de la Parroquia

¡Es Tiempo de Levantar el Techo!

Después de casi veinte años de servicio, el techo de nuestra Escuela necesita ser reemplazado. El estado actual del techo, amenaza la salud y la seguridad de cada una de las personas que usan los edificios de la Escuela. En adición a la Escuela Elemental, estos edificios dan acogida a varios ministerios de la Parroquia y las salas de clases son usadas casi diariamente por uno o más de los siguientes grupos:

- ◆ Educación Religiosa
- ◆ Ministerio de la Juventud
- ◆ Boy Scouts y Girl Scouts
- ◆ Programa de Confirmación
- ◆ Educación para niños y niñas de Temprana Edad

A fin de satisfacer esta necesidad, la Parroquia ha creado un Fondo de Construcción y comenzará a solicitar sus donaciones. El 100% de estas donaciones será utilizado en la forma siguiente:

- ◆ Techo Nuevo para el edificio de la Escuela (\$180,000)
- ◆ Fumigación del Edificio de la Escuela (\$15,000)
- ◆ Nueva Cerca a lo largo de la línea de la propiedad (\$60,000)
- ◆ Reparaciones del Estacionamiento (\$35,000)

Hoy, representantes de la Escuela y de los ministerios de la Parroquia, se dirigirán a los asistentes de todas las Misas para informarles del proyecto y además estarán disponibles para responder a sus preguntas e inquietudes. Nos es muy grato anunciar que el Consejo de Desarrollo de la Escuela de San Rafael ha reunido actualmente una gran suma de fondos para iniciar esta campaña; sin embargo, aún necesitamos del apoyo de toda la comunidad de la Parroquia, para alcanzar nuestra meta. Estamos aún recibiendo las propuestas finales, pero los gastos actualmente llegan a un total de casi \$300,000.

¿Necesita Ayuda?

Recuerde llamar al **683-8535**, San Vicente de Paul.

Adoración de la Eucaristía — Únase a nosotros para la Adoración de la Eucaristía el **6 de junio** (y **cada Primer Viernes** de cada mes). Por favor venga a cualquiera hora durante este tiempo. Nuestro Señor le otorgara gracias y bendiciones que emergen de Su infinito Océano de Misericordia. El Santísimo Sacramento estará expuesto desde las 8:00 am el Primer Viernes de mes hasta la Solemne Bendición a las 8:00 am del sábado. Rezaremos la Coronilla de la Divina Misericordia juntos en comunidad a las 3:00 pm.



Para aquellos que hayan firmado para una Hora Santa, es importante que lleguen a la hora a que se hayan comprometido. Debemos tener como mínimo dos personas Adorando cada hora a su hora. Los necesitamos a la hora que se han comprometido para que nuestro Adorado Señor no se quede solo durante la Exposición del Santísimo Sacramento. Para cualquier pregunta por favor llame a Eva Valenzuela al **967-6377**. Gracias anticipada por su lealtad.

Rosario Bilingual — Todos están cordialmente invitados al todos los martes durante el mes de mayo a las 7:00 pm en la Iglesia en honor a la Virgen Maria.

Grupo de Oración — Se juntan todo los viernes en el Centro Parroquial, Salón B, a las 7:00 de la noche. Todos están bienvenidos.

Anuncio — Grupo de estudio de Biblia. Se reúne todos los martes de 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm en el salón de usos múltiples. Todos son bienvenidos.

Despedida

Después de 20 años de dedicado servicio en la Parroquia de San Rafael, **Virginia Rodríguez** ha presentado su renuncia. Virginia ha aceptado la posición de Directora de Educación Religiosa de la Parroquia de Nuestra Señora de Los Dolores, en Santa Bárbara. Virginia sirvió en San Rafael, como Coordinadora del Programa de Educación Religiosa Bilingüe, en RICA (Preparación de Adultos en los Sacramentos de Iniciación) y en el Programa de Confirmación de Adultos, en español. Inmediatamente después de anunciar su renuncia, Virginia se dirigió a los presentes diciendo: "Fue un privilegio para mí y mi esposo, Diácono Jorge A. Rodríguez, haber servido para la comunidad de San Rafael... ¡Gracias por su apoyo, los extrañaré!

Parish Directory

Directorio de la Parroquia

Adult Education (English):

Bible Study, Adult: Sr. Mina Riggs, 683-9090x5
Confirmation: Noël Fuentes, 683-9090x7

Adult Education (Spanish):

Bible Study: Marina Rodriguez, 967-7432
Confirmación/RICA: open

Altar Servers: Deacon Wayne Rascati, 967-5641

Baptism: Register at the Parish Office.

Bautismos en Español: Regístrate en la oficina Parroquial.

Bereavement Committee: Noël Fuentes, 683-9090x7

Catecismo Bilingüe: open

Catholic Charities: Counseling 965-7045x102

Children's Liturgy of the Word: Nancy Panizzon, 964-5462

Comite de Liderazgo Hispano: Jesus Lopez, 685-9427

Confirmation, Youth: John Vasellina, 964-3466x1

Early Childhood Education: Cecilia Marks, 968-6008

Eucharistic Exposition/Adoration: First Friday of every month, 24 hours. Margaret Priest, 967-7391

Eucharistic Ministers:

Mass: Maureen Espinoza, 968-0915; email: 10s4menu@cox.net
To the Sick/Homebound: Sister Mina Riggs, 683-9090x5

Eucharistic Ministry (Spanish):

Mass: Carlos Sanchez, 685-6613 or Estela Santos, 683-6542
To the Sick/Homebound: Carlos Sanchez, 685-6613 or Anna Lopez 689-5087

Evangelización: Maria Pacheco, 692-9220

Finance Council: Ron Cortez, Gordon Durenburger, Marie Mlodzik, Ralph Modugno, Glenn Scheel, Terry Strickler, Tony Vallejo

Grupo de Oracion: Jesus Lopez, 685-9427

Guadalupanos: Gustavo Gutierrez, 964-9545

Jail Ministry (Restorative Justice): Marciano Avila, 898-7008

JustFaith: Melissa Colborn, 964-4570

Knights of Columbus:

Grand Knight: Francisco Cabrera
4th Degree: Cherif Khoury

Lectors: Charles Kriech, 967-8886

Liturgia Dominical Para Ninos: Arcelia Hinojosa, 696-6525

Liturgy Ministry Committee: Melissa Colborn, Maureen Espinoza, Arcelia Hinojosa, Charles Kriech, Nancy Kunze, Bernardo Lule, Jesus Lopez, Marie Lundfelt, Nancy Panizzon, John Vasellina, Ray Zaida

Liturgy Planning: Fr. Bruce Correio, Melissa Colborn, Noël Fuentes, Marie Lundfelt, Dorothy Turner

Monaguillos: Jesús Lopez, 685-9427 y Diácono Wayne Rascati, 967-5641

Parish Council: Sam Alfano, Maureen Dougherty, Peter Devoy, Mell Hueston, Brian Klinge, Joe Kovach, Robert Marks, Peter McGoey, Manny Rey, Lars Schmidt, Terry Strickler, Carlos Valenzuela, Mark Vampola, Tad Varesio

Parish Office/Oficina de la Parroquia: 967-5641. M-Th 8:30-11:30 am/12:30-7:30 pm, Fri 8:30-11:30 am / 12:30-5 pm, Sat 9:00 am-2:00 pm, Sun 8:30 am-2:00 pm

Pastoral Care: Call the Parish Office, 967-5641

Praise & Worship: Ray Lyra, 684-5373

Presentación de Niños a los Tres Anos de Edad: Los segundos domingo después de la Misa de 12:30 pm

Preschool: Jo Bittner, 967-4435

Quinceañeras: Lupe Luna Martinez, 637-9280 (cell phone)

Religious Education (CCD):

English Coordinator: Sylvia Manriquez, 967-1641x3
Bilingual Coordinator: open

Respect for Life: Rita Duley, 964-0121

RCIA: Parish Office, 967-5641

Rosary Makers: Janet Fanucchi, 964-7288

Military Rosary Makers: Janet Fanucchi 964-7288

Safeguard the Children: Lupe Luna Martinez, 637-9280

School: Principal, Ellen Manning, 967-2115, school email: sraph@sbceo.org.

School of Religion (CCD): See *Religious Education*

St. Raphael Bowling League: Eleanor Paulazzo, 968-5240

St. Vincent de Paul Society: 683-8535

Scouting:

Boy Scouts: Glenn Schiferl, 964-6013, www.goleta105.com

Girl Scouts/Brownies: Rebecca Aasted, 683-1064

Brownie Troop 204: Liz Ruelman, 740-1578

Cub Scouts: Mark Vampola, 968-9815

Venture Crew: Joe Bauer, 967-2211

Sociable Seniors: Bea Scheel, 964-2431

Spanish Liturgy Coordinator: Dr. Roberto Pacheco, 687-1106

Ujieres/Hospitalidad: Bernardo Lule, 964-9194

Ushers/Hospitality: Ray Zaida, 968-4895

Women's Auxiliary: Parish Office, 967-5641

Word and Life: Alice MacDonald, 967-4013, www.wordandlife.us

Youth Ministry: John Vasellina, 964-3466x1, email: srym12@yahoo.com

Changes? Incorrect? Add a number? Contact the Parish Office: **967-5641**

Parish Registration

Name (Mr., Mr. & Mrs., Mrs., Miss): _____ Spouse: _____

Address: _____ City/Zip: _____ Phone: (____) _____

Names and birth dates of children residing at home: _____

Would you like church envelopes? _____

