

Saint Frances Cabrini Parish

*There are no strangers here –
only friends we haven't met.*

Rev. Lieu Vu
Pastor

Rev. Eddie Obero
Parochial Vicar

Additional Clergy
Rev. Paul Soukup, S.J.
Rev. Paul Goda, S.J.



SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Infant Baptism

Parents must be registered in the parish a minimum of 3 months prior to taking the baptismal preparation class. Contact the Parish Office.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Please contact the Parish Office if you are baptized in the Catholic Church and seeking confirmation as an adult, or are considering or desiring to become Catholic and are baptized in another Christian church or are not baptized and are 7 years of age or older.

Marriage

Couples must contact the Priest they wish to witness the Sacrament at least 6 months prior to the proposed date of marriage. Contact the Parish Office.

Sacraments to the Sick and Homebound

To request Anointing of the Sick or Holy Communion at home, hospital, or convalescent facility, contact the Parish Office.

RECONCILIATION (Confession)

Saturday: 3:30 – 4:30 p.m. or by appointment.

Saint Frances Cabrini Parish
15333 Woodard Road San José, California 95124
408 879-1120 www.sfcabrini.org
Email: parish_office@sfcabrini.org



WELCOME

We welcome you to the Saint Frances Cabrini Parish Community. If you have not done so, you are invited to register by completing a registration form which can be found in the literature rack, on the back of this bulletin or you may come to the Parish Office. In order to be considered an active member of the Parish, you must be registered.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 8:30 a.m.

5:00 p.m. Vigil (Life Teen Mass)

6:45 p.m. Vietnamese Language

Sunday 8:00, 9:30, 11:30 a.m.

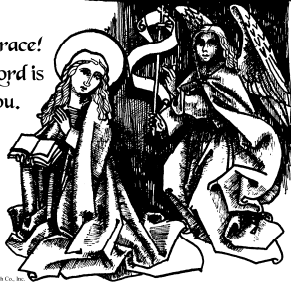
Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m.

Please consider

Catholic Cemeteries of the Diocese of San Jose
Call us to make pre-need or time-of-need arrangements
Gate of Heaven 650-428-3730
22555 Cristo Rey Dr Los Altos CA 94024
Calvary 408-258-2940
2655A Madden Ave San Jose CA 95116

Saint Frances Cabrini School
15325 Woodard Road San José, California 95124
408 377-6545 www.sfcschool.org

Hail,
full of grace!
The Lord is
with you.



© F.S. Parish Co., Inc.

Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 18, 2011

The child to be born will be called holy,
the Son of God.

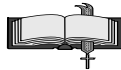
—Luke 1:35

Parish Office 879-1120 / Fax: 377-3587
Mon–Fri, 9–Noon, 1–4 p.m.
Sylvia Bennett - Secretary
Jean O'Connell - Receptionist / Facilities Coordinator
Stephanie Rivera - Bookkeeper (Mondays Only)
call 879-1129

School Office / School days, 7:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.
Ph: 377-6545 Fax: 377-8491
Gail Cirone - School Principal
Chris Siegfried - School Vice Principal
Connie Tomasello - Receptionist

Religious Ed / K-12: Rel. Ed. Classes have begun.
The Rel. Ed office is open on Wednesdays and or by
appointment. Please call 377-2111

Readings for This Week



Mon: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Lk 1:5-25
Tues: Is 7:10-14; Lk 1:26-38
Wed: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a; Lk 1:39-45
Thurs: 1 Sm 1:24-28; Lk 1:46-56
Fri: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24; Lk 1:57-66
Sat: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Lk 1:67-79
Sun: Vigil: Is 62:1-5; Ps 89; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 [18-25]
10PM Mass: Is 9:1-6; Ps 96; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14
Dawn: Is 62:11-12; Ps 97; Ti 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20
Day: Is 52:7-10; Ps 98; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 [1-5, 9-14]



Mass Intentions Dec. 17th, to Dec. 25th

SAT	8:30a.m. Teresa Antuzzi † 5:00p.m. Robert Loomis †
SUN	8:00a.m. Kathy Dziuba Martin † 9:30a.m. People of the Parish 11:30a.m. Roger Carroll †
MON	8:30a.m. Kathy Heinen †
TUES	8:30a.m. Antonio Da Costa †
WED	8:30a.m. Lucy Aguilar †
THUR	8:30a.m. Mary Giordano †
FRI	8:30a.m. Louise Kiefer †
SAT	8:30a.m. Priests' Intentions 5:00p.m. Priests' Intentions 10:00p.m. Priests' Intentions
SUN	8:00a.m. Priests' Intentions 9:30a.m. People of the Parish 11:30a.m. Priests' Intentions



Fourth Sunday of ADVENT

Christmas is around the corner. In a few days we are going to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ, the greatest gift from God to humanity. God's gift remains with us always at St. Frances Cabrini (SFC) Family, and you are invited to "**Come Home to SFC**" and join with us celebrating God's gift for all of us through different ministries in our community.

I am particularly grateful to the Parish and School Staffs, Parish Council, School Advisory Committee, Parent Teacher Group, and both School and Parish Finance Councils. They work so hard to create SFC as a community of loving and caring!

I also am grateful to the Liturgy Committee, Stewardship Committee, Men's Club, Ladies League, Mexican Catholic Organization, Italian Catholic Federation, Bingo Team, Fiesta Committee, Building Committee, St. Vincent de Paul Society, Altar Society, Liturgical Ministers, Social Ministers, Catechetical Ministers, Sacramental Preparation, Shawl Ministry, Legion of Mary, Franciscan Secular Order, Knights of Columbus, Sierra Club, Shared Scripture Group, Prayer Group, Pro-life Group, Life Teen, and Volunteers. They are the pillar of the community who bring out the life of the community.

Finally, I am so grateful for **YOU** and your continued support to St. Frances Cabrini Parish and your gift of faith. We continue to build up a caring and loving community here at St. Frances Cabrini Parish, so that we may welcome all of our sisters and brothers to come home with all of us at SFC---Why don't you invite a friend/co-worker/member of family to come home to SFC this Christmas?

May God bless you and your family for your continued support to St. Frances Cabrini Parish **WHERE CHRIST EMBRACES ALL!**

Fr. Lieu Vu

The Rosary is recited daily following the 8:30am Mass and on Tuesday evenings at 6:15p

MON	3:00p	Little Flowers PC/DR/LR
	7:00p	Boy Scouts - KH
TUE	9:00a	Perpetual Help Devotion - CH
	10:45a	Women's Bible Study - PC/DR
	3:00p	Brownies Troop - KH
	5:30p	Finance Council - PC/DR
	7:00p	RCIA - PC/LR
	7:00p	Parish Council - PC/DR
	7:30p	5:00pm Mass Music Min. Practice - CH
WED	5:00p	Rel. Ed. Grades K to 6
	6:15p	Rel. Ed. Grades 7 to 12th
	7:00p	Choir Practice - CH
THU	1:30p	Legion of Mary - PC/LR
	7:00p	Bible Study - PC/DR
FRI	5:00p	BINGO - PH
SAT	6:30p	LifeTeen Youth Ministry - PC
SUN		

Altar Society: Dec 23, 24

The Akiel Family 571-9655

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Advent

Wednesday: St. Peter Canisius

Friday: St. John of Kanty

Saturday: The Vigil of Christmas

NOT TOO MUCH

If you have too much to do, with God's help you will find time to do it all.

—St. Peter Canisius

Special Collection / Today

Retired religious need your support.

By 2019, it is projected that retired religious will outnumber wage-earning religious by nearly four to one. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious helps ensure that elderly Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests receive the care they so richly deserve, now and in the future. Please give generously to today's special collection.

COLLECTIONS REPORT 12/11/11

Fiscal Year 7/1/11— 6/30/12

	Last Week	Year-to-date
Collection	\$10,291	\$256,899

Thank you for your generosity and support.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

We are approaching the darkest, longest night of the year. For centuries, people in the Northern Hemisphere have kindled fires against the dying of the light, turning away the dark of the winter solstice, and leading the imagination to hope and new beginnings. It is thus easy to understand why these solstice celebrations of non-Christian Europe attracted the annual remembrance of the birth of Jesus Christ, the Light of the World.

In time the solstice migrated away from December 25, but the Christmas feast remained in place. From this day, a whole season of celebration developed, stretching from Advent through the days of Christmas, and even beyond to the February 2 blessing of the candles, and beyond that to March 25, the Annunciation, nine months before the next Christmas. Centuries ago, this was New Year's Day, and many reasoned that it was the date of Adam and Eve's fall, and the date of the Crucifixion. The message is clear: don't let your Christmas be over too soon. Keep the lights blazing into January, and savor the meaning of the feast!

—James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — I will fix a place for my people. I will plant them so that they may dwell in their place without further disturbance (2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16).

Psalms — For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord (Psalm 89).

Second Reading — To the only wise God, through Jesus Christ, be glory forever and ever.

(Romans 16:25-27).

Gospel — Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word (Luke 1:26-38).

Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co



© J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.



Let Us Pray for our parishioners who are homebound, sick, recovering, or are confined to rest homes, that Jesus be their strength and comfort. This week we especially pray for **Linda Bullard, Santa Moran, Emily Vierra**, Please keep them and their family in your prayers. To place a name on this list (for 4 weeks), contact the Parish Office at 879-1122. You may also write the names in the Book of the Sick, next to Mary's shrine.

Open House

St. Frances Cabrini Parish School will be hosting an Open House for prospective parents on Tuesday, January 10, 2012 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. in Essig Hall (gym). If you would like to request a private tour of the school or have questions, visit our website at www.sfcschool.org. or call 377-6545.

Fiesta

The SFC Fiesta Committee would like to express our sincere gratitude for the support and participation with our yearly Fiesta from our fellow parishioners. Last year, our 2010 Fiesta net profit was \$52,199 and this year, our 2011 Fiesta net profit was \$54,421. We thank you for your **Time, Talent and Treasure**, in making our annual Fiesta a great success!

David and Pam Citrigno
SFC Fiesta Chairpersons



Save the date! Our sixth annual Glamour & Glitz dinner dance/auction will be held on Sat. Feb. 11, 2012 at the Santa Clara Marriott. Please contact the school office for more information at 377-6545.



RCIA SPONSORS NEEDED

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is a program that allows interested individuals an opportunity to examine the Catholic faith in a friendly, relaxed atmosphere. The people on this faith journey need a fellow traveler to be a support and presence during the process. St. Augustine referred to the Church as a community of "Christians begetting Christians." In the early days, the Church was dependent on the witness of every member. Welcoming new Catholics was not only the responsibility of the clergy, but belonged with the entire community of the faithful. Today the RCIA gives each person in our parish the opportunity to share the gift of his/her faith with someone who is seeking to know God through our Church. Please consider sharing your time, talent and experience of God's love by becoming a sponsor. Please Call Nadine at 356-6429 for further information.

Religious Education &

During this Advent season we sometimes get so busy with the shopping, baking, and writing our Christmas cards that we tend to forget the importance of Christmas, the preparation of the Lord's coming. Please see the bulletin for the Christmas Eve and Day Masses, a reminder that Christmas is a Holy Day of Obligation. Come to Mass and feel Christ's presence in the Liturgy of the Word, in the Priest, in the congregation, and in the Eucharist.

There will be no classes on Wed. December 21st, Christmas vacation begins. We should enjoy and make time to unplug and unwind from the ever present tools of technology. Have a face to face conversation and share quality time with a family member or friend.

Confirmandi should take this opportunity to research their Patron Saint to write about their Saint's life for their Confirmation Report. Find a devotion of prayer, such as the rosary, or Adoration. Have fun and in the new year we will resume classes for K-12 on Wed. January 4, 2012 ending our vacation. During the holiday, take some time to go unwind, perhaps see a funny movie.



**Blessed are You
Among Women**

THE ETERNAL GOD

King David wished that the ark of God might have a more permanent home. David may have envisioned something like the cedar palace where he resided. God had in mind something more: a throne where David's descendants would rule for ever, a kingdom where Jews and Gentiles alike would be welcome.

Mary's prayerful nature led to an even more disturbing message. She would conceive and bear a Son though she was not yet married. "How can this come about?" Mary wondered. "The Holy Spirit will come upon you," she was told (Luke 1:35).

Mary's acceptance of this difficult challenge ushered in this, the final age of God's reign. What was once a secret known only by chosen people like King David and his descendants must now be made clear to all so that, as Saint Paul wrote to the Romans, we can be brought to the "obedience of faith" "according to the command of the eternal God" (Romans 16:26).

If you have had a change of address and or phone number, please call the parish office at 879-1122 so that we may update your information. Thank you!

Parish Ministries and Contacts

Liturgical Ministries

Altar Society	
Sally Konopacky	371-8540
Altar Servers	
Joan Schenck	377-6545 ext. 3051
Eucharistic Ministers & Liturgy Committee	
Bob Dodds	377-9725
Lectors	
Edith Gallant	371-9629
Ushers	
Dick Hawkins	879-1122
Home Ministries	
Grace Rivero	265-1380
11:30am Choir	
Maria Sarmiento	281-2407

Spiritual Enrichment

Adoration Chapel	
Barry & Charlotte LeMay	379-6510
Evening Bible Study	
Dave & Sue Keller	879-1122
Legion of Mary	
Sally Konopacky	371-8540
Library	
Fran Whitney	879-1122
RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)	
Nadine Mackey	356-6429
Director of Religious Education & Youth Ministry	
Joan Schenck	377-2111
Franciscan Order / Secular	
Joanne Dobrzynski	960-4142

Administration

Finance Council Chair	
Jennifer Nickolas	879-1122
Scheduling of Facilities	
Jean O'Connell	879-1122
Bookkeeper	
Stephanie Rivera (Mondays only)	879-1129
Parish Council	
Chair, John Dahl	879-9158

Parish Life

Bingo	
Joe Roulin	266-6982
ICF Bocce Ball	
Betty Antuzzi	559-4268 - Aldine Grisenti.....559-1242
Hospitality/coffee & donuts	
Kathleen Sundaram	391-6211
Italian Catholic Federation	
Emily Corral	723-2377
Knights of Columbus	
Carl Mack	267-7414
Men's Club	
President - Mike Campbell	813-6902
Secretary - Thomas Knapp	910-4951
Mexican Catholic Organization	
Alicia Gonzales	857-0523
Serra Club/Vocational Awareness	
Art Swain	269-2589
St. Vincent de Paul	
Parish Office	879-1122
Ladies League	
Jennifer Avila / Pres.	858-9362
Fiesta	
Dave Citrigno	667-1737
Stewardship Committee	
John Dahl	879-9158
Prayer Shawl Ministry	
Rebecca Valverde	723-1030

St. Frances Cabrini Parish School

Principal	
Gail Cirone	377-6545 ext. 3003
Vice Principal	
Chris Siegfried	377-6545, ext. 3005
School Office	
Connie Tomasello	377-6545, ext. 3001
Activities Director	
Helen Gengras	377-6545, ext. 3038
School Development Director	
Theresa Matson	377-6545, ext. 3046
School Advisory Council	
Ryan Mills, President	242-6085
Parent Teacher Group	
Debbie Casey	209-9297

Welcome to St. Frances Cabrini Church

15333 Woodard Road, San Jose, CA 95124 • Phone: 408-879-1120

We are pleased that you have chosen to worship with us. If you wish to register, please fill in the information below and drop this form into the collection basket. A registration form will be mailed to you.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone: _____

If you are coming to St. Frances Cabrini Church on a regular basis, we encourage you to register in the parish and become active in one of our ministries. Anyone over 18 years of age who wants to be considered a member of the Parish must register.