

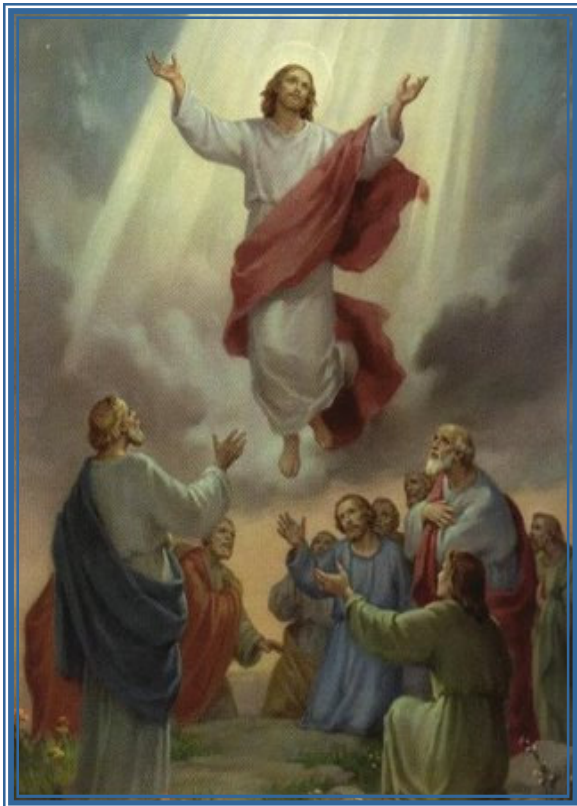
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Monday—Friday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.



The Ascension of the Lord

◆ PASTORAL STAFF ◆

Reverend Brian Costello, Pastor
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Mrs. Frances Lidwell, Parish Manager
Mrs. Rachael Smit, Director of Religious Education
Mr. Francis Cianciolo, Sacristan
Mrs. Angelita Pasamba, Choir Director

◆ MASS SCHEDULE ◆

Saturday Evening: 5:00 p.m.
Sundays: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m.,
& 12:00 Noon
Daily: 8:00 a.m.
Holy Days: 8:00 a.m., 12:00 Noon,
7:30 p.m.
First Fridays: All day Adoration:
8:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Holy Hour and
Benediction: 7:30 p.m.
Reconciliation: Saturday 4:15—4:45 p.m.

◆ BAPTISM ◆

Sundays at 1:00 p.m.

Parents are expected to be registered and practicing Catholics witnessing to their faith by regular attendance at Mass. Parents should contact the rectory at least three months prior to the desired date of Baptism, in order to allow sufficient time for the sacramental preparation.

◆ FIRST EUCHARIST/RECONCILIATION ◆

Children must be enrolled in the Faith Formation Class *one year prior* to the year of preparation for the Sacrament. In most cases, this sacrament is celebrated in Second Grade.

◆ CONFIRMATION ◆

Children must be enrolled in the Faith Formation Class *one year prior* to the year of preparation for the Sacrament. In most cases, this sacrament is celebrated in Eighth Grade.

◆ MARRIAGE ◆

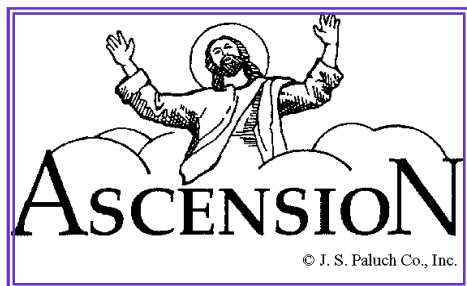
Engaged couples are to contact the rectory at least six months before the desired date in order to prepare properly for the celebration of the sacrament.

WELCOME: We hope you get to know us and we get to know you. Please fill out the bottom portion and place it in the collection basket, or mail it to: 307 Willow Ave., SSF, CA 94080-1446. To complete the registration, we will mail you a registration form to fill out and return. Thank you.

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

- New Parishioner
 New Address
 New Phone Number
 Moving/Remove Name



THE ASCENSION of the LORD
*God mounts his throne to shouts of joy:
 A blare of trumpets for the Lord.
 Psalm 47*

THE THEME OF THE LITURGY:

First Reading: Acts 1:1-11

This Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven will return in the same way as you have seen him going into heaven.

Second Reading: Ephesians 1:17-23

God seated Jesus at his right hand in the heavens.

Gospel: Mark 16:15-20

The Lord Jesus was taken up into heaven and took his seat at the right hand of God.



COLLECTION TOTALS May 17, 2009

First Collection Total \$ 5,449.00
 Catholic Communications \$ 1,396.00

Our Second Collection this Sunday is for our Helping Hands Fund. Our Second Collection next Sunday is for St. Vincent de Paul.

***Thank you for supporting your parish
 and your Catholic Church!***

Please keep all those who are sick in our parish family in your prayers, especially Cliff Chase, Pat Dunleavy, and Olga Montoya.

Our prayers are with them, and all those who care for them.



DAY	TIME	MASS INTENTIONS For the coming week: May 24—May 30	PRIEST
SUN	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	Clifford Chase (L) Connie Karlegan (D) Daniel Tan (D)	BC MP BC
MON	8:00 a.m.	Francis Kidd (D)	BC
TUES	8:00 a.m.	Violetta Rapues (L)	MP
WED	8:00 a.m.	Elmer Madriaga (D)	BC
THUR	8:00 a.m.	Cecilia Gaffud Castolo (D)	BC
FRI	8:00 a.m.	Marlon Evangelista (L)	BC
SAT	8:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	Increased Vocations (D) Ricardita Rodriguez (D)	BC BC

Today we celebrate Christ's ascension into heaven and his commissioning of the disciples to carry on his mission in the world. First we hear Luke's description of those events in the opening verses of the Acts of the Apostles. Next, we hear words of encouragement and guidance from the Letter to the Ephesians. Finally, we hear Mark's account of the Ascension, foretelling the mighty words and acts the Christian community would do in Jesus' name.

Together these scriptures give us a vision of the mission of the Church of Jesus Christ—a mission statement of sorts. Like mission statements in our parishes and corporations, this mission statement can help us set priorities and focus our activities. It can guide and support us as we strive to continue Christ's messianic mission on earth.

Our Rectory Office will be closed on Monday, May 25th for Memorial Day.

**VATICAN ACCEPTS RESIGNATION of
SAN FRANCISCO AUXILIARY BISHOP IGNATIUS WANG**

Pope Benedict XVI has accepted the resignation letter of San Francisco Auxiliary Bishop Ignatius C. Wang, which was submitted to the Vatican by Bishop Wang on his 75th birthday in February.

Bishop Wang, who has served in the Archdiocese of San Francisco for 35 years, was appointed auxiliary bishop in December 2002 by Pope John Paul II. At that time, he became the first priest of Chinese heritage to be named a U.S. bishop.

San Francisco Archbishop George H. Niederauer said, "On behalf of the entire archdiocese, I thank Bishop Wang for his decades of service to the local Church as a priest and bishop. His dedication and service have been a blessing to the priests and people of the archdiocese and our many ethnic communities, particularly the Chinese Catholic community. Truly, Bishop Wang has been a hardworking and generous servant of the Church."

The news that Bishop Wang's resignation letter had been accepted was announced May 16th at a Mass at St. Mary's Cathedral celebrating Bishop Wang's golden jubilee as a priest and his Episcopal retirement. In retirement, Bishop Wang will continue to live in San Francisco.

*OUR CONGRATULATIONS go to THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE who
RECEIVED the SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION IN MAY of 2009:*

Jose Albornoz Angeles

Briana Cortez

Gabriela Estrada

James Dominic Henkle

Jaycee Henkle

Patricia Javier

Alex Karlegan

Jennifer Lopez

Cerena Kyanna Miravalles

Gian Andrew Montes

Dana Pacheco

Michelle Reber

Ralph Ridon

Ryan Ridon

Andrea Rodriguez

Carolyn Rodriguez

Cheryl Christine Rodriguez

Jim Rodriguez

Nicole Taniguchi

Joseph Warren

May the precious gift of the Holy Spirit always be with them.



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SUMMER BIBLE CAMP at

Mater Dolorosa Church

June 22-26, 2009

GREAT BIBLE REEF:

Dive Deep into God's Word

Summer Bible Camp is open to all children who are completing Kindergarten through Grade 6 this year. Registration forms are available in the Faith Formation Office or the Rectory Office. Please contact Rachael Smit at 650-588-8175 if you have any questions about the program.

MEMORIAL DAY MASS

You are all invited to spend time this Memorial Day at your Catholic Cemeteries and join in remembrance and prayer for all who are buried in these sacred grounds. The Catholic Cemeteries of the Archdiocese of San Francisco invites you to share Memorial Day Mass on Monday, May 25th, at 11:00 a.m. Mass will be celebrated at Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery in Colma by Archbishop George Niederauer in Holy Cross Mausoleum. A shuttle will be available from the front gate from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. For more information you may call Christine Stinson at 650-756-2060.



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