



PARISH BULLETIN

Our Lady of the Rosary Church

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**NOVEMBER 9, 2008 –
THE BASILICA OF ST.**

*The Basilica of
St. John Lateran*



**FEAST OF THE DEDICATION OF
JOHN LATERAN**

in Rome

Every civilization has its sacred sites. Each culture venerates certain places and sets these apart as holy. One of these sacred sites, the Basilica of St. John Lateran, is celebrated today.

The term "Lateran" refers to the group of buildings on the Monte Celio in Rome, i.e., the basilica, the baptistry, and the palace which was the residence of the popes during the Middle Ages. Originally known as the church of the Savior, the first basilica was probably a fourth century C. E. adaptation by Constantine of the palace of the Laterani, a noble Roman family. Through the centuries, the basilica suffered from fire, earthquake, war, and neglect. A series of reconstructions enabled the Lateran to survive and to serve as the seat of judgment and center of government of the Church until the Pontificate of Innocent III (1198-1216), who moved the papal records and location of authority to the Vatican. The site of several general, or ecumenical, councils, the Lateran remains the particular cathedral of the Bishop of Rome (Pope Benedict XVI). Being one of the papal basilicas, the Lateran church has a "holy door" which is opened every 25th year to mark the beginning of celebrations of a holy or jubilee year. The Feast of the

Dedication of the Lateran Basilica has been observed on this day since the 12th century C. E.

And because it is the "Mother and Head of all churches of Rome and the world," we celebrate this feast today!

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Weekend Masses:
Saturday: 5:00 p.m. English; 6:15 p.m. Cantonese
Sunday: 6:45 a.m. Spanish; 8:15 a.m. English; 9:45 a.m. Spanish; 11:30 a.m. English
Daily Mass (Bilingual):
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, 8:15 a.m.;
Saturday 9:00 a.m. (Communion Service on Mondays)
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Every Saturday, 3:30 p.m.
Sacraments of Baptism and Marriage
Call the Parish Office six months in advance, (510) 471-2609.

PARISH OFFICE

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INFORMATION FOR THE COMING WEEK

MASS INTENTIONS

For November 3, 2008 to November 9, 2008
Mon. 8:15 a.m. -- Communion Service
Tue. 8:15 a.m. -- For the Youth of Our City, and our Elected Officials
Wed. 8:15 a.m. -- Frank Faria (Dec.)
Thur. 8:15 a.m. -- For us, the Parishioners
Fri. 8:15 a.m. -- Leandro Munoz (Dec.); Jose Perez (Dec.)
Sat. 9:00 a.m. -- For the Faithful Departed (Dec.); Eva Alvarez (Dec.);
Fermin Cruz (Dec.)
5:00 p.m. -- Genny and Toni Baranouskas (Dec.)
Sun. 6:45 a.m. -- Rene Gerardo Collazo (Dec.)
8:15 a.m. -- Babu Masih (Dec.); Parkasho Masih (Dec.)
9:45 a.m. -- Eustorgia Ojeda (Dec.)
11:30 a.m.-- Mr & Mrs. Louis Tiffer (Dec.); James Fayette (Dec.);
Cheri Martin (Dec.)

WEEKDAY READINGS

For November 3, 2008 to November 8, 2008
Mon. Philippians 2:1-4 / Luke 14:12-14
Tues. Philippians 2:5-11 / Luke 14:15-24
Wed. Philippians 2:12-18 / Luke 14:25-33
Thu. Philippians 3:3-8a / Luke 15:1-10
Fri. Philippians 3:17-4:1 / Luke 16:1-8
Sat. Philippians 4:10-19 / Luke 16:9-15

SUNDAY READINGS

November 9, 2008 - The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome
1st Reading: Ezekiel 47:1-2,8-9,12 / 2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 3:9c-11,16-17 /
Gospel: John 2:13-22

COLLECTIONS

For October 26, 2008

First Collection	\$6,981.08
Our budgeted goal for the First Collection	9,566.00
Second Collection: Special Religious Education.....	2,411.00
Children's Envelopes	37.00

Thank you very much! We appreciate your support.

A "THANK YOU" FROM COR. COR would like to thank all of the members of Our Lady of the Rosary parish for their support and months of hard work in gaining passage of Measure UU last Tuesday, which will fund 4 million dollars over 8 years in youth violence prevention and intervention programs.

This is the first time in Union City history that a new systematic approach will be implemented to better support our youth and young adults, intervening in the cycle of violence and bringing them life changing options. It will also help fund public safety so that the current levels of police and fire protection can be maintained. We had support from over 125 volunteers, and there were countless hours of work involved, but our success makes it a sweet victory. Thank you for helping us and caring for our community.

TODAY CRAFT SALE AND GIFT MARKET

WITH GOODS FROM CONCERN AMERICA
SPONSORED BY THE CONFIRMATION GROUP
AFTER ALL MASSES.

DO SOME EARLY GIFT SHOPPING
AND HELP PEOPLE
IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES
AROUND THE WORLD.

NEW ARTICLES

TODAY IS THE DAY FOR THE CONCERN AMERICA CRAFT AND GIFT MARKET BASKET after all of the Masses. Come have a donut and look at the beautiful, handmade gifts from El Salvador, Guatemala, Mexico, Honduras, Ecuador and Bangladesh. By purchasing craft items you will be bringing hope and help to some of the world's many materially poor families. Thank you for your support. *Concern America is an international development and refugee aid organization.*

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED THIS TUESDAY. This coming Tuesday, November 11, is Veterans Day. Veterans Day is one of the few holidays that are not moved to Monday – it is always observed on November 11. As a result, our office will be closed on Monday, November 10 as it is on all Mondays, but it must also close on Tuesday, November 11. Should you have an emergency, you may phone us at 510.471.2609, and press option #2 when the menu indicates – you will then be connected to the answering service.

THANKSGIVING MASS ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27. Our Traditional Thanksgiving Mass will be celebrated on Thursday, November 27 at 10:00 a.m.

You may bring the bread or rolls, and the wine you will be serving at Thanksgiving dinner with you to this Mass, so that they can be blessed. **Keep the bread and wine with you in your pew.**

Non-Perishable or canned food for use in our Christmas Baskets for the needy in our parish will be collected. **You and your family should bring this food up to the Altar at the offertory,** once the usher has taken the collection up from your pew.

There will not be an 8:15 a.m. Mass that day.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CONTINUES TO COLLECT FOOD at all Masses for those in need. You may bring non-perishable food items with you to Mass and place them in the baskets in front of the Altar during the Offertory. In the coming weeks we will print a list of the specific items that would be most helpful for you to donate for preparing our Christmas “food baskets.”

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FYI – NO NEW YEAR’S EVE DINNER-DANCE – AT OLR AT LEAST. We have just confirmed the fact that there will not be a New Year’s Eve Dinner-Dance at OLR this year. The family that usually does it is not able to this year, and the Knights of Columbus, which did it last year, decided not to do it for a number of reasons. One of the main reasons why we will not have a dinner-dance at OLR is that it would conflict with two New Year’s Eve events that are being sponsored by the City of Union City which will “kick-off” the city’s 50th Anniversary in 2009. We urge you to look into these two events, for which you will find information three paragraphs below on this here page.

JUST SO YOU KNOW . . . CHRISTMAS IS COMING! It is always a busy time of the year at OLR, particularly for our St. Vincent de Paul Society. The coming of Christmas is helping us realize that we could use some more volunteers to help us serve those in need. This is of particular importance this year – with the current state of the economy, we have seen more people visit our pantry for food and more people – both individuals and families – come to eat at our Friday Night Dinners. So if you could help us either with the Friday Night Dinners or with the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry (either on a temporary basis during the Holidays or on a more long-term basis throughout the year) please call the Parish Office at 510.471.2609.

ADVANCE NOTICE: BLOOD DRIVE ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7. Just so you can mark it on your calendar, it has been three months since our last blood drive, so the Blood Centers of the Pacific will return on Sunday, December 7, to hold a blood drive after all of the Masses in the Parish Hall. The blood bank was particularly pleased with the great turn out of the last blood drive, and as this drive will be in the midst of the holiday season, this would be a good time to give as the need for blood once again increases at this time of the year. More information will appear in next weekend’s Bulletin, and sign-ups will be taken starting on November 23.

ARTICLES FROM OUTSIDE THE PARISH

TWO NEW-YEARS EVE EVENTS BEING HELD TO CELEBRATE UNION CITY’S 50TH ANNIVERSARY. The City of Union City is holding two New Years Eve events in celebration of the city’s 50th Anniversary, which is taking place in 2009. The events, which take place (of course) on Wednesday, December 31, are as follows:

NEW YEAR’S EVE MASQUERADE PARTY. It will take place from 6:30 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, 32083 Alvarado-Niles Road. Tickets are \$75.00 per person. The doors will open at 6:00. There will be dancing to a DJ and festive hors d’oeuvres from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. After, there will be live music from a San Francisco band, Savoir Faire, until 1:00 a.m. The contacts for tickets and more information are 510.675.5420 or www.unioncity50.com.

BLACK AND WHITE GALA. It will take place from 6:30 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. at the Union City Sports Center at 31224 Union City Blvd. Tickets are \$150.00 per

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person, and the attire is black and white formal wear. There will be music, cocktails and surprise entertainment. Dinner will be served at 8:00, followed by live music and dancing until 1:00 a.m. There will be a silent auction to support 2009 public events. The contacts for tickets and more information are 510.471.5313 or www.unioncity50.com.

ADVANCE HEALTH CARE DIRECTIVES WORKSHOP BY FR. JEFF THIS WEDNESDAY, November 12, sponsored by the Dominican Sisters and the Queen of the Holy Rosary College. It will also address end-of-life issues and the Catholic Church's teachings on these subjects. The presentation will be particularly helpful to those in grief or bereavement ministries or to those dealing with aging parents, relatives or friends who are dealing with aging or chronic illnesses. The event will be held from 7:15 to 8:15 p.m. in the Dining Room of the Dominican Sisters' Motherhouse, 43326 Mission Blvd., in Fremont (behind the Historic Mission) – enter from Mission Tierra. A free-will donation will be accepted. To make a reservation please call Sr. Katherine Jean at 510.657.2468 or 510.933.6322.

ALAMEDA COUNTY CHAPTER OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CELEBRATES 70TH ANNIVERSARY with a Guest Chef Event fundraising dinner featuring Chef Michael Stamm and the Kitchen of Champions Culinary Program graduates and students. It will take place at the St. Vincent de Paul Free Dining Room, 675 23rd St. in Oakland, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. This special four-course will include: wine. Tickets are \$70.00 per person, with all proceeds and granities being returned to the Kitchen of Champions Culinary Program. For more information and tickets call 510.636.4261.

MARRIED COUPLES: Your wedding was just one day in your life, but your marriage is forever. Learn how to live happily everafter – experience a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend being held in Pleasanton on November 21 through 23 and you will understand the phrase “A weekend of discovery; a lifetime of love!” For more information use one of these addresses: Terry / Angela Higgins at 510.303.9019; Ray / Roberta Montes at 916.806.4601; www.rekindleyourmarriage.org. Please register online by November 14.



***This Week
At O.L.R.***

Tuesday, November 11

Veterans' Day

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED, SCHOOL OPEN

Wednesday, November 12

Rosary Night, Spanish, 5:00 p.m.

Thursday, November 13

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Rosary Night, Spanish, 5:00 p.m.

Friday, November 14

Rosary Night, Spanish, 5:00 p.m.

Dinner for those in need, Eddie Dobrec Room, 6:00 p.m.

Spanish Choir Practice, Church, 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 15

Rosary Night, Spanish, 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, November 16

**Second Collection for the Campaign for Human
Development**

High School Youth Group, Parish Hall, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

Confirmation Group, Parish Hall, 7:30 – 9:00 p.m.