



# Church of Santa Maria

*The 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
September 24, 2017*



## **Santa Maria Faith Formation Welcome Letter**

Welcome to another year of Faith Formation!

Welcome New Students and Parents to our Santa Maria Faith Formation Program!

We started the new year of Faith Formation with a kick-off BBQ on Sunday, August 20, which was a great chance for families to form a close community.

We are happy to have you all in our Program. We will work together as a community of faith to build up our faith and grow as Christians by sharing our Catholic faith with the people around us, especially with our children at Santa Maria Church. Of course, anything and everything we do in our faith journey is a gift from God. Therefore, we need to remind ourselves of that by asking the Church, the local Body of Christ, to bless the parents and students, as well as to commission the catechetical team.

Also, we are blessed to have a small and enthusiastic group of catechists and aides to serve our children. Thank you for allowing us the great honor of working with your children.

Please keep our Students and Catechists in your prayers. Be assured that you and your families are in our prayers as well.

*The Catechetical Team*

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### **Parish Office Hours**

Monday-Thursday 9:00am-5:00pm

Friday 9:00am-1:00pm

### **Mass and Liturgy Schedule**

Daily Mass

8:00am (Chapel)

Eucharistic Adoration

Noon-3:00pm Tues (Chapel)

(From Sept-May)

Reconciliation

4:00pm Sat (Church)

Sunday Masses

5:00pm Sat Vigil (Church)

8:30am; 10:30am; 5:00pm Sun

(Church)

Holy Days

8:00am and 7:30pm (Church)

Baptisms: Call the Parish Office

Marriage: Call the Parish Office

## PARISH LIFE

### Knights of Columbus First Annual Charity Golf Tournament

Join us for an afternoon of fun on Monday, September 25, 2017 at the Moraga Country Club, 1600 Andrews Drive, Moraga. The tournament will benefit the Bay Area Crisis Nursery ([www.bacn.org](http://www.bacn.org)). Tee-off time is 12:00 Noon; check in is at 10:30am. The fee is \$200 per player and we ask that you pre-register.

To register, you may contact Dean Akazawa at [dean.akazawa@gmail.com](mailto:dean.akazawa@gmail.com) or purchase your tickets after Mass in the front of the church.

### Wine Tasting at Santa Maria

Come join us!

The parish will again have a wine tasting of Bishop's Vineyard wines on Saturday, September 30, 6:15pm-8:00pm in the Santa Maria Plaza. If you haven't tasted their wines, you are in for a treat!

We ask for your support for the Santa Maria Music Ministry and Catholic Education.

Tickets are \$25 per person or \$30 at the door. You must be 21 years of age or older to purchase a ticket; IDs will be checked at the door.

Tickets will be on sale this weekend after all the Masses in the front of the church.

### Pastoral Care to the Sick

Our monthly Bible Reading at the Convalescent Hospital will take place on September 27th at 11:00am.

Our next Rosary & Communion Service at the Senior Village will be on October 9th at 9:30am.

All are welcome to attend and participate.

### Baptismal Process

If you have a child that you would like to be baptized over the next two months the required parent classes will be held in the month of September starting on Wednesday, September 20th at 7:00pm. The second class will be September 27th at 7:00pm. Please contact the parish office for more information about the baptismal process or if you would like to register.

### Youth Band

Our Youth Mass will begin again on October 1st at the Sunday 5:00pm Mass. Our Youth Band will accompany the music at this Mass.

If you play an instrument and are interested in joining them or have questions, please contact Tony Millette at [tmillette@smparish.org](mailto:tmillette@smparish.org).



### Children's Choir

We will begin Children's Choir rehearsals on October 2nd at 3:30pm in classroom 1. If your child is interested in participating, please contact Tony Millette at (925) 254-2426, ext 303 or email him at [tmillette@smparish.org](mailto:tmillette@smparish.org).

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Join us in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the chapel of the convent on Tuesday of each week between Noon and 3:00pm.

The Blessed sacrament will be exposed for personal adoration and prayer. **Benediction** is celebrated at 3pm—the *Chaplet of Divine Mercy* is prayed before Benediction. Spend a few moments with our Eucharistic Lord! Pray for your needs, for your family & for your parish.

### Rosary Prayer Service

On Wednesday evening October 4th there will be a Rosary Prayer Service at 7:30pm with a light social following in the parish hall. Our Middle School Youth Group will be attending this service. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend!



## MASS INTENTIONS

### Monday, September 25

8am: Int: Kathy Atkins

### Tuesday, September 26

8am: Sam & Connie Soleas (D)

### Wednesday, September 27

8am: Michael 'Duke' Murray (D)

### Thursday, September 28

8am: John E. Murray (D)

### Friday, September 29

8am: Holy Souls in Purgatory

### Saturday, September 30

5pm (Vigil): Parishioners of Santa Maria

### Sunday, October 1

8:30am: Virginia Ann Lee (D)

10:30am: Leonard Banda (D)

5pm: Int: Rols Schweigardt

*L = Living; D = Deceased*

To request a Mass Intention, please contact Linda in the Parish Office at x301 or at [lzunino@smparish.org](mailto:lzunino@smparish.org).

## Faith Formation

Dear Parents,

Welcome back all current families!  
Welcome new families!

As a family of faith in the Santa Maria Faith Formation Program 2017-2018, we will work together to grow as Christians by sharing our Catholic faith with each other.

**The First Day of Faith Formation is Monday, September 25.**

Please keep our Students and Catechists in your prayers. Be assured that you and your families are in my prayers as well.

Sister Theresa Do  
Faith Formation Coordinator

### Why do I need to do Safe Environment training?

If you're new to ministry at our parish, welcome and thank you! Before you get started, you'll need to participate in our Safe Environment program to help us create and maintain a community of caring adults aware of the reality of threats to our youngest parishioners' safety. To register, go to [www.virtusonline.org](http://www.virtusonline.org) and sign up as a First Time Registrant. From there, you can either sign up for the ONLINE version of the "Protecting God's Children for Adults" course, or an ON-SITE training of the same course. Each takes approximately 2-3 hours.

### Local Upcoming On-Site Trainings:

**NEW:** St. Leander Parish, San Leandro: Mon, Oct 9, 7:00pm  
St. Felicitas Parish, San Leandro: Thurs, Oct 19, 7:00pm  
**NEW:** St. Augustine Parish, Oakland: Sat, Oct 21, 10:00am  
Questions? Contact Megan Arteaga ([megan@smparish.org](mailto:megan@smparish.org)) for help!

## OUTREACH

### Weekly Food Collection

1st/2nd Weekends: St. Cornelius School (fruit cups, crackers, granola bars, juice, water, chips, Cup-O-Noodles, macaroni and cheese, sugar, rice, beans, cereal, and cooking oil)

3rd/4th Weekends: St. Peter Martyr Church Pantry (canned meats like Vienna sausage, chicken, and tuna, cereal, canned vegetables, and canned fruit)

All items can be put in the barrel in the Narthex.

### A Friendly Place

Please remember to bring items for *A Friendly Place*, a daytime shelter for homeless women in Oakland. Needed are: socks, antacids, cold remedies, bingo prizes, small bottles of shampoo, conditioner and deodorant. Place them in the outreach closet to the left as you enter the church.

## Are you new to Santa Maria?

### We're glad you're here!

The Church of Santa Maria is a vibrant community of faith who believes and professes the Gospel of Jesus Christ in the living tradition of the Roman Catholic Church. We provide the Sacraments and Sacramental preparation, pastoral care, opportunities for social outreach, and faith formation for all ages of the Catholic Community of Orinda, CA.

Our mission is that of our Diocese of Oakland: To know Christ better and to make Him better known.

Thank you for joining us this weekend for your worship! If you're not yet registered in the parish, please cut out and return the portion below to the collection basket or to the Parish Office, and we'll mail you a registration form!

See you next week!

## WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS!

**We encourage you to register in the parish so that you can receive regular communication via both email and regular mail. Please fill out this form and place it in the collection basket, and we will mail you a Parish Registration Form!**

Name

Address

Phone

Email

## PASTORAL TEAM

**Reverend George Mockel**  
Pastor  
[gmockel@smparish.org](mailto:gmockel@smparish.org)

**Reverend Joseph Duong Nguyen**  
Priest in Residence

**Reverend Vien Nguyen**  
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Faith Formation (Grades K-5)  
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## PRAYER INTENTIONS

### *For the Sick*

Mary Beth Alban, Joan Artmann,  
Shoaib Aryan, Jeffrey Baus, Hans  
Bedenbecker, Br. Dominic  
Berardelli, FSC, Harlon Berg, Maria  
Carmen, Delores Codde, Tom  
Crosby, Deacon Maurice Custodio,  
Lorna Elliott, Michael Elliott, Nora  
Enriquez, Emidio Fonseca, Liam  
Foley, Patricia Fox, Bridget  
Gallagher, Noreen Gillham, Brian  
Kelly, Mason Kelly, Aileen Kelly,  
Jerry Kirk, Lawrence Knapp, Carol  
Koupus, Jane Kramer, Yal Liu, Mary  
Lou Mackintosh, Rose Mary  
McPhee, Deacon Jim Pearce,  
Kathleen Pelz, Ann Powell, Mark  
Ricci, Fr. Tim Ryan, Pierre Schreyer,  
Bob Singer, John Wheeler, and  
Margaret Wiegand

### *For the Deceased*

## TREASURE

### September 17, 2017 Actual

Plate	\$7,206.00
EFT	\$1,108.10
Credit	\$1,596.48
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$9,910.58</b>
<b>Goal</b>	<b>\$10,350.00</b>
<b>Deficit</b>	<b>(\$439.42)</b>

Hurricane Relief Collection  
**\$3,215.00**

### Upcoming Collections:

10/01/17 Faith Formation  
10/10/17 Catholic Voice

### Donuts and Coffee this weekend are hosted by:

Barbara & Jim Sweetser after the  
8:30am Mass

Nicole Jacobs family after the  
10:30am Mass

## Week-At-A-Glance

### Monday, September 25

Parish Staff Meeting  
(10:30am, Conf Room, Office)

Faith Formation Classes  
(2:30pm, Church/Classroom)

Faith Formation Classes  
(4:00pm, Church/Classroom)

C1/C2 Parent Orientation  
(6:00pm, Parish Hall)

Buildings Meeting  
(7:00pm, Parish Office)

### Tuesday, September 26

C1/C2 Parent Orientation  
(6:00pm, Parish Hall)

**Wednesday, September 27**  
Middle School Youth Ministry  
(7:00pm, Youth Room)

Baptism Class 2 of 2  
(7:00pm, Conf Room)

### Thursday, September 28

Adult Choir Practice  
(7:30pm, Church)

### Saturday, September 30

Communion Service  
(8:00am, Chapel)  
Minister of the Word Practice  
(9:00am, Church)  
Sacrament of Reconciliation  
(4:00pm, Church)  
Wine Tasting Event  
(6:00pm, Church Plaza)

### Sunday, October 1

Blessing of Catechists  
(10:30am Mass)  
C2 Session  
(3:00pm, Youth Room)  
Blessing of Catechists  
(5:00pm Mass)  
C1 Session  
(5:00pm, Youth Room)

Confirmation Parent  
**Orientation**  
for C1 and C2 Parents



All parents  
must come to  
ONE Parent  
Orientation  
Session!

Mon Sept 25 2017  
OR  
Tues Sept 26 2017

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6pm to 7pm

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Bishop Cummins  
Conference Room  
(Next door to the Youth Room)

Email  
megan@  
smparish.org  
if you have  
questions

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