First Sunday of Advent
December 2, 2018
Advent Retreat Week!
“to you, o LORD, I lift my soul”
Psalm 25

Mass Schedule:
Saturday Vigil Mass at 5:00pm
Sunday Mass at 7:30am, 9:00am,
11:00am and 5:00pm
Daily Mass Monday through Friday
at 8:30am
Saturday Morning Mass
at 9:00am
Holy Days of Obligation at 7:00am,
8:30am, and 7:00pm

Sacrament of Penance:
Fridays at 9:00am
Saturdays from 4:00 to 4:30pm
or by appointment with a Priest

Rev. William Brown — Pastor
Rev. Andrew Ginter — Parochial Vicar

“This is the cause of our life:
that we have Christ dwelling within our carnal selves
through the flesh, and we shall live through Him
in the same manner as He lives through the Father.”
Saint Hilary of Poitiers († 360 A.D.)
**Second Collection**

**Dec. 9-10**

**Retirement Fund for Religious**

Next weekend the annual collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious will be taken. Your gift will help defray some of the costs needed to care for our elderly religious and relieve the genuine financial crisis in many religious congregations. Whatever you give will be greatly appreciated. Please be generous. Most importantly, please remember in your prayers the more than 500 women and men religious living and serving in the Archdiocese of San Francisco.

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**Book Club: Monday, December 17, 2018 7:00-8:30 P.M.**

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By: George Orwell

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By: Ray Bradbury

*In a lovely & Cozy Tarantino Hall*
*All are Welcome!*

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**Baptism**

Each child should be baptized as soon as possible after birth. Parents are required to attend an instruction session before the baptism of their baby. Please contact Diana Rittenhouse at (415) 937-5524.

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**Join us on Thanksgiving Day as our Season of Helping Begins!**

Thursday, November 22, 10:00 a.m. Mass
This year our Christmas Food Drive will be just like last year. Such a great success! **Namely, we invite you to purchase a $50.00 Safeway Gift Card,** write a nice Christmas Card (or have your children compose a lovely Christmas letter), and then drop it into the collection basket or into the Poor Box in the church.

Please be sure to only spend $50.00 on each card and please write the amount so we are sure it is $50.00.

Each envelope will be taken to the centers in Marin City and The Hilarita, thus allowing the recipients to receive not only Christmas wishes from you, But also a Safeway $50.00 gift card so they can purchase what they need to a special Christmas Dinner!

Thank you all in advance for your generosity!

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First Sunday of Advent

Sunday, December 2, 2018

Dear friends,

How blessed we are to start the Advent Season with a Parish Retreat, led by two fine Dominicans who devote their lives to helping good Catholic people grow in their faith and in their communion with one another. The theme of our retreat, “Seeking Light in a Time of Darkness,” is fitting both because of the winter season we are approaching, and also because there is so much in our world that seems scary, sad, and hopeless.

Father Jude Siciliano, OP, and Sister Patricia Bruno, OP, will be with us through Wednesday night, and I look forward to this retreat time very much. Canon Law (i.e., Church law) requires that priests take a week each year away on retreat, but I wish every Catholic person could afford to do the same: setting aside time for reflection, prayer, and not merely “business as usual.” Many people cannot do this, because of their many family obligations and their work schedules, so we have invited Sister Patricia and Father Jude to come to us, hoping that you will be able to enjoy at least some of the retreat events and come away refreshed.

Today’s Second Reading encourages us to take stock of how Christian we truly are:

Brothers and sisters:
May the Lord make you increase and abound in love
for one another and for all,
just as we have for you,
so as to strengthen your hearts,
to be blameless in holiness before our God and Father
at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his holy ones. Amen.

Finally, brothers and sisters,
we earnestly ask and exhort you in the Lord Jesus that,
as you received from us
how you should conduct yourselves to please God
and as you are conducting yourselves
you do so even more.
For you know what instructions we gave you through the Lord Jesus.
(1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2)

In preparing for Christmas, in making our hearts ready to greet Jesus in the dead of winter, we have the chance to find sources of light and warmth, to make adjustments where needed, and to set aside some precious time this week to join our neighbors in an Advent Retreat experience that can be a lovely breath of fresh air for our souls and hearts and minds.

There are lots of projects, parties, outreach programs, and charity events filling our calendars right now, so it’s good to know that spirituality is also possible, whether we are young and busy, raising kids, retired, very involved in Church life, active in work and charitable works, single or married.

“May the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all,” as Saint Paul writes, both in caring for others — and in taking care of your own heart, soul, and mind.

Father Brown
Advent Retreat: Dec. 3-5

“Seeking Light in a Time of Darkness”

Advent is more than a time to check our Christmas gift list. It is a time to slow down and focus on God’s active presence in our lives — the One who is Light in times of darkness and Peace in a world disrupted by violence.

We don’t have to go away to a retreat house to get more focus at this hectic pre-Christmas time. Come to Saint Hilary for the parish’s Advent Retreat. Here’s a chance to catch your breath in this hectic season.

Sister Patricia Bruno, O.P., and Fr. Jude Siciliano, O.P., two Dominican preachers, are returning to our parish and will lead our retreat.

From Monday through Wednesday (Dec. 3-5) we will gather three times each day for prayer:

- 8:30 a.m. morning Eucharist in the Church.
- 9:15 a.m. followed by an informal scriptural reflection in Tarantino Hall.
- 7:00 p.m. each evening we will meet for an hour’s prayer, preaching and ritual in Church.

Our days together will focus on the Scriptures. We will rediscover how they address the contemporary issues of our lives and the needs of our world. As a Church, we turn to the Scriptures each time we gather at Eucharist, weddings, baptisms and funeral services because they express the deep emotions of the human heart and tell us how God is reaching out to be with and help us.

Retreat time is an opportunity to slow down and focus on what is important. These retreat days of community prayer will not only help us deepen our faith, but also will affirm and support the gifts we have to share with one another.

All are most welcome — children, teens, adults. Families, single people. Those who can take part in one event, or those who are able to attend all of the retreat events.

TIBURON THRIFT SHOP

“The Little Shop by the Bay”
96 Main Street, Tiburon, CA 94920
Lower Ark Row – use Main Street parking lot.
(415) 435-7605
Volunteer at the Tiburon Thrift Shop and help your parish! (Your parish gets a monthly check from the shop thanks to our volunteers.)

We are looking for more volunteers on Tuesdays:
10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
and from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
To learn more, please contact:
Janice Russell at 889-5329

Prayers for the Sick

Please remember in your prayers those members of our parish family who are seriously ill:

- Mr. R. Michael Dicks
- Mrs. Pamela McConnell-Douglass
- Mrs. Rose Marie Grayson
- Mr. Darryl Hoffman
- Mrs. Laurie Ann Kenney
- Mr. Victor Madrigal
- Mrs. Danielle O’Doherty
- Mr. Charles Ortman
- Mrs. Gail Scott
- Mr. Vincent Stadlin

The Parish Bake Sale is December 1st and 2nd!

The Parish Bake Sale and Raffle is this weekend! Please stop by and pick up some tasty treats and enter to win the Christmas Raffle.
Pasta Night

6:00 p.m. — Sat., Dec. 15, in Tarantino Hall (various pastas, salad, garlic bread, desserts, soft drinks, vino)

All are welcome!

St. Hilary Christmas Schedule

Confessions before Christmas:
Communal Penance Services with Individual Confession and Absolution (several priests hearing confessions):
Mon., Dec. 17, 7:00 PM in Sausalito at Saint Mary Star of the Sea
Tue., Dec. 18, 7:00 PM in Mill Valley at Our Lady of Mount Carmel
Wed., Dec. 19, 7:00 PM in Tiburon at Saint Hilary of Poitiers

Confessions at Saint Hilary:
Friday, Dec. 21, at 9:00 AM
Saturday, Dec. 22, at 4:00 PM
Monday, Dec. 24, at 9:00 AM

Christmas Eve Masses:
3:00 PM Children’s Pageant Mass: Fr. Brown
5:00 PM Family Mass with Children’s Choir:
Fr. Ginter
7:00 PM Sing-Alone Christmas Carols with our Schola Cantorum
7:30 PM Candlelight Mass with Adult Choir:
Fr. Brown

Christmas Day Masses:
7:30 AM Quiet Mass at Dawn (with no music): Fr. Ginter
9:00 AM Family Mass: Fr. Brown
11:00 AM Mass with Adult Choir: Fr. Ginter

No Evening Mass on Christmas Day

Thank you for your generosity at Christmas, which helps your parish stay in the black.

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Two Holy Days of Obligation:
December 8 and 9

December 8, the Solemnity of The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, is always a holy day of obligation — except in years when December 8 falls on a Sunday.

Therefore, Saturday, December 8, 2018, is a Holy Day of Obligation. As is, of course, Sunday, December 9 (and every Sunday of the year).
The St. Hilary Tiger says:

“No one can make you feel inferior without your consent.”

Think about it…

This Week at St. Hilary Parish

- **Monday, December 3**
  Parish Advent Retreat:
  8:30am Mass and Faith Sharing
  7:00pm Ritual and preaching

- **Tuesday, December 4**
  Parish Advent Retreat:
  8:30am Mass and Faith Sharing
  7:00pm Ritual and preaching

- **Wednesday, December 5**
  Parish Advent Retreat:
  8:30am Mass and Faith Sharing
  7:00pm Ritual and preaching

- **Friday, December 7**

- **Saturday, December 8**: Holy Day of Obligation (Immaculate Conception).

**Masses at St. Hilary’s — December 3 to 9**

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**Rest In Peace**

Mr. Stephen Hillenburg
Mrs. Marilyn Kessler
Mrs. Laura Pino
Sister Marie Sagués, OP
Dr. Lewis Taich
Mr. George Williams (*Father George Williams’ dad*)

**ARE YOU REGISTERED IN THE PARISH?** If not, please return this form and we will be happy to send you an official registration form.

Name_____________________________________________________________________________________________________

Address___________________________________________________________________________________________________

City____________________________________________________       Phone_________________________________________

Email_________________________________________________________     Year you moved into the parish?_____________ 

Have you changed your address, phone number or e-mail address? Please return this form to help us keep in touch with you.