



# St. Mary Star of the Sea Catholic Church

180 Harrison Avenue, Sausalito, CA 94965

## Sunday, January 11, 2026

The Baptism of the Lord

Saturday, January 10: For the parishioners of Star of the Sea

Sunday, January 11: RIP - Mr. Francis T. Wasielewski

Monday, January 12: INT - Mr. & Mrs. Devlin Moran

Wednesday, January 14: INT - Sean & Megan Moran

Saturday, January 17: RIP: Deb Fotsch

Sunday, January 18: For the parishioners of Star of the Sea

### Mass Times

Saturday Vigil: 5:00PM

Sunday: 9:00AM

Monday & Wednesday: 5:30PM

Thursday, Thanksgiving Day: 10:00AM

Rosary: Wednesday at 5:10pm

Confession: **Saturday: 3 -4PM at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Mill Valley**

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### Office Hours

Monday by phone and email: 1:00PM - 5:00PM

Tuesday by phone and email: 10:00AM - 2:00PM

Wednesday in-person: 1:00 - 5:00PM

Thursday by phone and email: 10:00AM - 2:00PM

Friday: closed

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### Sacraments/FaithFormation/Parish Communications

Marriage: Contact us at least six months before the desired date of the wedding

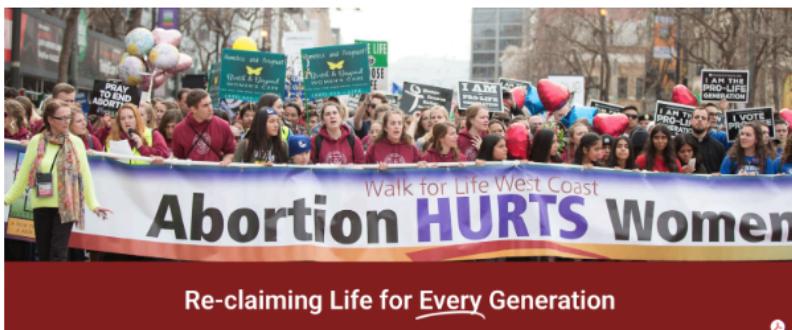
Sacramental Preparation: Contact Fr. Pat - pilgrym.ptm@gmail.com

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### Walk for Life West Coast 2026

Join fellow Catholics and Pro-Lifers from all over California and beyond as we stand up for the littlest among us at the 22nd Annual Walk for Life West Coast in San Francisco on January 24, 2026. There will be Mass at 9:30 am celebrated by Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone at St. Mary's Cathedral. The rally begins at 12:30 pm in San Francisco's Civic Center Plaza, and the Walk, down the city's Market Street, begins at 1:30 pm.

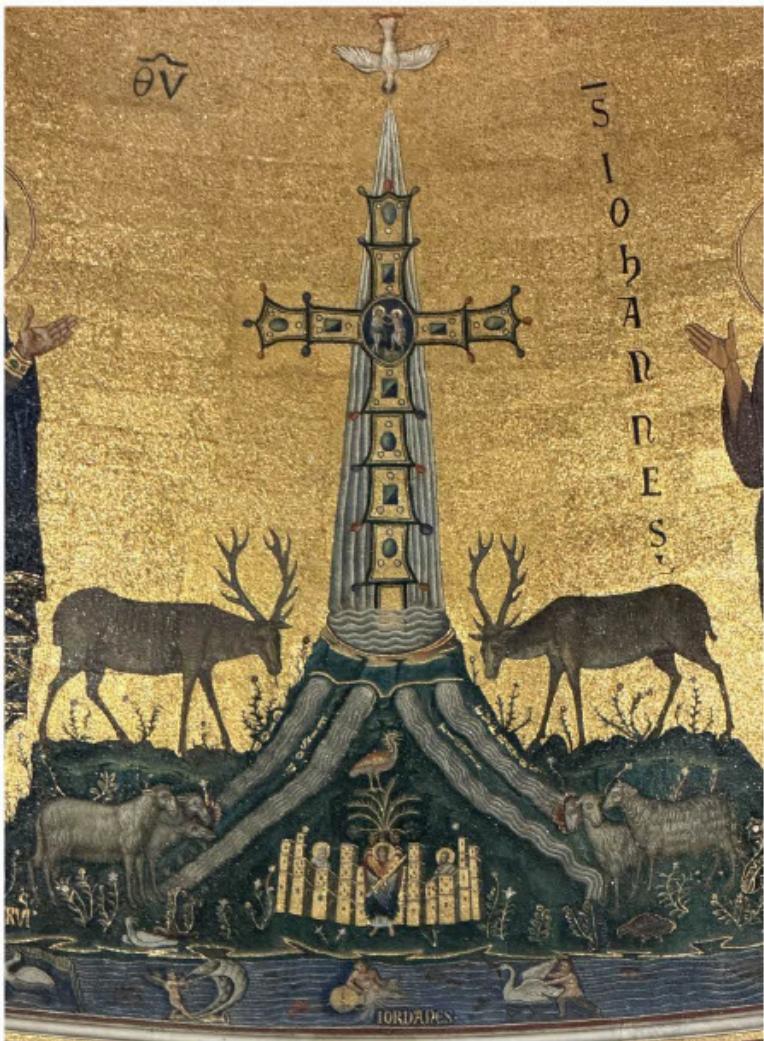
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**St. Mary Star of the Sea, Pray for Us**

**Please pray for the sick of our parish**

- Tina Cunningham
- Gracie Lopez
- Karen Poligono
- Amein Szemansk
- Salud Macalma
- Walter Macalma
- Susan York
- Ceil Turner
- Emma Gomez
- Ann Murphy
- Julia Todd
- Francesca Valdez
- Zizana Siljdedic
- Chuck Leonard
- Ron Eason
- Christian Macalma
- Shejla Martinovic
- Geri Poloni
- Peggie Eason
- Andrea Martinez
- Dr. Richard Mani



**Apse Mosaic (detail) 13<sup>th</sup> Century, S. Giovanni in Laterano, Rome.**

The Baptism of Jesus is a feast that marks the end of the Christmas Season and the beginning of Ordinary Time. It therefore informs both what we celebrate at Christmas (the incarnation of Jesus) and what we begin in Ordinary Time (living life as the Body of Christ in the world), a transition that connects the two.

On the Feast of the Dedication of this church on November 4<sup>th</sup>, I presented the whole apse mosaic. Now I would like to focus on this detail, because not only does it include an image of the Baptism of Jesus, it places it in the context of his life and its ultimate purpose of opening up salvation for all. Rather directing our gaze at the heavens for salvation, this one grounds us in our lives, in our world.

Life is God's activity among us. Sacraments are our participation in and affirmation of that life as members of his Body. The Holy Spirit hovering above sending down rays of light that become water for Baptism, speaks of God's activity in Baptism itself and in

our life in him through the Church. If you look at the center of the jeweled cross, you will see a cameo of St. John the Baptist baptizing Jesus. Through his baptism into our life (affirming that he is one with us in our humanity) Baptism then becomes our participation in his life (our participation in his divine life in us). The four rivers of Genesis 2:10-14 then come to represent the four Gospels through which we give witness and proclaim God to all. Our goal is to provide access to all people to God's love for us, and therefore, to the salvation Christ's life, death and resurrection brings us.

God did not take a passive approach to our salvation. He did not just snap his fingers, make salvation available, and then put it aside to work on its own. He has entered our lives through Jesus' incarnation, and he seeks to remain active in our lives each and every day. Baptism, then, was not meant to be taken passively, as though the action itself is enough, but it needs to be lived each and everyday, celebrating God's loving presence within us. Our participation in the Church (Baptism, Eucharist, Confirmation, Reconciliation, Sacrament of the Sick, Marriage, and Holy Orders) is how we support each other in that life, and proclaim the Gospel, so that the love expressed in suffering, death, and resurrection of Jesus may reach out to all of the world.