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The Noe Valley Parishes Rev. Mario P. Farana, Pastor

St. Paul's Catholic Church

Mass Schedule:

Saturdays: 4:30 p.m. Vigil Mass Sundays: 8:00 and 9:15 a.m. Holy Days: 8:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Weekdays: Summer Schedule, Monday, Wednesday and Friday 8:30 a.m. in the Chapel

Confession/Reconciliation:

Saturdays 3:30 - 4:15 p.m. or by appointment.

Sacramental Programs:

Religious Education: Grades K-8 Saturdays: 9:30-11:00 a.m. (Sept-May) Sr. Mary Margaret, LHC, 415 648 7540 srmm@stpaulsf.org

Confirmation Preparation: Grades 9-12, classes twice per month (October-June)

Baptism Preparation for Parents:

First **Tuesday** of the month, 7:00 PM at the Rectory

Marriage Preparation: contact rectory 6 months prior to wedding date

RCIA Program: *Rite of Christian Initiation:* Terri Brady and Deacon Bill McLoughlin (October-May)

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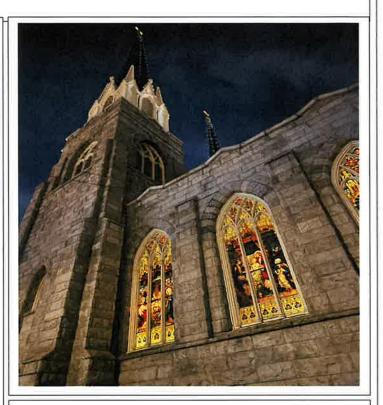
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August 24th Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Readings for the 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

- First Reading Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10: The princes accused Jeremiah of demoralizing the people and threw him into a muddy cistern. Ebedmelech convinced the king to rescue Jeremiah before he died of starvation.
- Responsorial Psalm Psalm 40: I waited for the LORD, and He saved me. He set my feet on a rock, gave me a new song, and is my help and deliverer.
- Second Reading Hebrews 12:1-4:
 We must cast off sin and run our race with endurance, focusing on Jesus who endured the cross and opposition, so we do not lose heart.
- Gospel <u>Luke 12:49-53</u>: Jesus tells
 His disciples that He came to bring
 fire and division, not peace. Families
 will be divided because of Him, with
 conflicts even among close relatives.

I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing!

Luke 12:49

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5, 8b-10 Psalm 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b Matthew 23:13-22

Tuesday 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8 Psalm 139:1-3, 4-6 Matthew 23:23-26 Wednesday 1 Thessalonians 2:9-13 Psalm 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab Matthew 23:27-32

Thursday 1 Thessalonians 3:7-13 Psalm 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14 and 17 Matthew 24:42-51

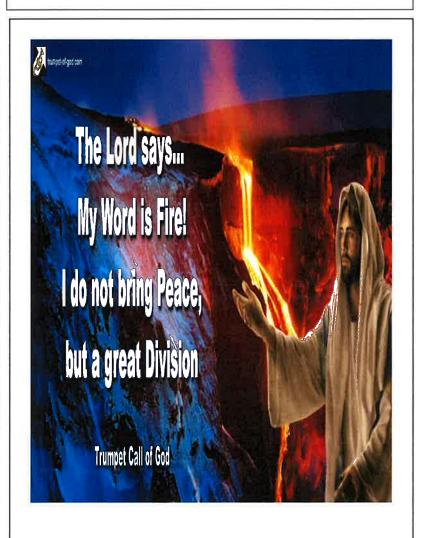
Friday 1 Thessalonians 4:1-8 Psalm 97:1 and 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12 Mark 6:17-29

Saturday 1 Thessalonians 4:9-11 Psalm 98:1, 7-8, 9 Matthew 25:14-30

Sunday Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29 Psalm 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11 Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a Luke 14:1, 7-14

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For the sick, suffering, and those near death: May they receive adequate care which embraces their physical, psychological, and spiritual needs as they journey toward eternal life; *let us pray to the Lord:*



CALENDAR OF THE WEEK

Monday	Aug. 25 th .
Tuesday	Aug. 26 th .
Wednesday	Aug. 27 th .
Thursday	Aug. 28 th .
Friday	Aug. 29 th .
Saturday	Aug. 30 th .

Sunday Aug.31st. Donuts and Coffee following 9:15am Mass

ST. PAUL'S THANKSGIVING RESPONSE TO GOD THIS PAST WEEK
Weekly Collection: Aug 17, 2025 \$ 1,995.24
E Collection July 2025 \$ 8,169.00
2025 Annual Appeal \$ 74,922.00
Collected as of July 28, 2025 \$ 28,924.00
Balance Still Remaining for the 2025 Appeal \$ 45,998.00

Important dates Upcoming Faith Formation Registration and Meetings

August 16th & 17th & August 23rd. & 24th. Registration after Masses at St. Paul's Parish Center

September 20th: Parents' Meeting 9:30am to 10:30am Parish Meeting room

September 27th: First Day of Faith Formation

September 21st.: Catechetical Sunday at the 9:15AM Mass

Second Collection

Next weekend, Aug 30th/31st there will be a second collection for our community outreach program. Please place your donation in the second collection taken up after communion. Thank you for your generosity, thoughts and prayers.

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The weekend of, September 6th & 7th there will be a second collection for Preservation Fund. Please place your donation in the second collection taken up after communion. Thank you for your generosity, thoughts and prayers.

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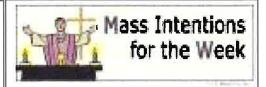
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Please pray for those in our book of the sick and especially for: The People of

St. Paul's

For those who have died: The People of St. Paul's



Saturday Mass 4:30pm

Mercedes Escobar Chow (D)

Sunday Mass 8am

Alfred & Carmela Raffo (D)

Amulio & Paolina Petrini (D)

Sunday Mass 9:15am

Alicia Arden Judd (D)

Matricia Meek (D)

Patti and John McDonald (D)

Monday 8:30am

Fr. Mario Farana (D)

Wednesday 8:30am

Fr. Mario Farana (D)

Friday 8:30am

Bill and Jan Spillane (D)

Saturday Mass 4:30pm

Rosa Maria Hinojose (D)

Sunday Mass 8am

Anna Marie Raffo (D)

Sunday Mass 9:15am

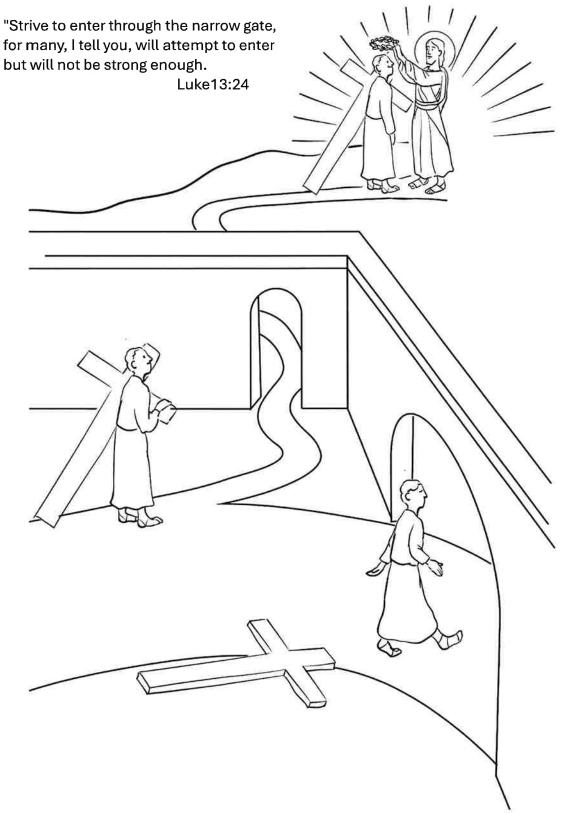
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SUNDAY GOSPEL ACTIVITIES



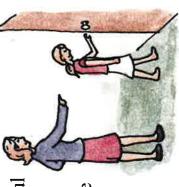


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Being Punished...

In today's second reading, Saint Paul young God wants our parents to make sure we behave well. When we don't behave He wants them to discipline us so that we will learn to be good. disciplined by God. When we are wrote to the Hebrews about being



Our parents don't punish us just because they are angry at learn to be better. Saint Paul says that the Lord disciplines us; they do it because they really love us and want us to the people that He loves.

of joint but rather be healed." He means that feet, so that what is lame may not be put out Being punished is a painful thing, but we lesson and become a better person. Saint Paul says, "make a straight path for your will be happy once we have learned our

thing so that you won't be hurt worse from the punishment, to help you become a better person. If you can, even thank disciplined or punished, remember that God is allowing it when you are punished, you should stop doing the wrong but will get better instead. So the next time you are God for giving you the chance

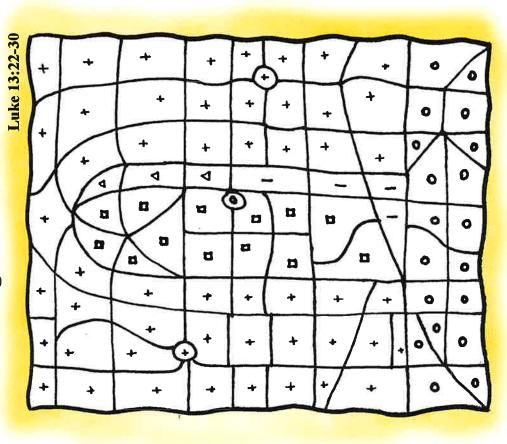
to make up for your sin and learn a good lesson!

BETTER NOT. MAYBE 1'D Inside: Some are last who will be first and some are first who will be last.

Picture on front: the narrow door

The Kids' Bulletin

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time August 24th, 2025



What was the way that Jesus told the people to enter the Kingdom of Heaven by?

Colour in the spaces using the code to find out.

- a Brown

Saint Junipero Serra August 28



JUNIPERO BEGAN HIS STUDIES FOR THE PRIEST-HOOD WHEN HE WAS 15.



HE STUDIED FOR MANY YEARS AND THEN BECAME A PROFESSOR.



IN MEXICO JUNIPERO LEARNED THE LOCAL LANGUAGE AND TAUGHT THE FAITH.

> HE TAUGHT FARMING AND WORKED WITH THE PEOPLE. LATER HE STARTED MANY MISSIONS IN CALIFORNIA.

BE A MISSIONARY



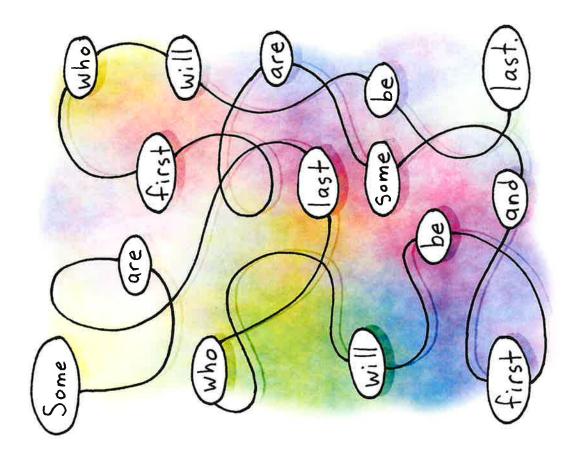


SAINT JUNIPERO KNEW THAT GOD CARES FOR ALL PEOPLE - FOR THEIR SOULS AND THEIR BODIES. THAT'S WHY HE TAUGHT THE NATIVES NOT ONLY THE FAITH BUT ALSO FARMING AND OTHER SKILLS THAT WOULD HELP THEM HAVE BETTER LIVES. HOW CAN YOU SHARE YOUR SKILLS TO HELP OTHERS?

All in the Right Order

What was one of the things Jesus said in today's Gospel reading about the people in the Kingdom of Heaven?

Follow the squiggly line to sort out the words. Start with "Some" in the top left corner.





EVENT SCHEDULE SSS



Aug. 31	Immigration event and upcoming events Visit sfarch.org/immigration/
Sept. 13	Sisters of Life talk, St. Gregory, 2715 Hacienda St., San Mateo. sfarch.org/event/let-love-heal-you/
Sept. 26	Reentry Conference, Cathedral Event Center. All day sfarch.org/rjministry/
Sept. 27	Respect Life Conference: Abortion pill & abortion pill reversal. Star of the Sea, 4420 Geary Blvd, San Francisco sfarch.org/event/sf-respect-life-conference/
Oct. 1	38th Respect Life Essay Contest Kick Off. Cash Prizes. Instructions here: sfarch.org/essay-contest
Oct. 3	Crime Survivors Retreat sfarch.org/event/crime-survivors-retreat-faith-healing-and-empowerment-retreat-saturday-november-1-2025/
Nov. 1	White Mass for Medical Professionals, St. Dunstan Church, 1133 Broadway, Millbrae. sfarch.org/event/2025-white-mass/
Nov. 8	Miscarriage Healing Mass, Mater Dolorosa 10:30 AM Sign up sfarch.org/event/miscarriage2025/
Dec 12-14	Healing After Abortion Women's Retreat, in English with Spanish. Confidential, free. Visit sfarch.org/rachel
Jan. 24	Walk for Life West Coast Info on all events: www.walkforlifewc.com
Feb. 6	Online Rosary to combat Human Trafficking RSVP here: sfarch.org/event/rosary-against-trafficking