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Rev. Mario P. Farana, Pastor

Noe Valley Parishes

St. Paul's Catholic Church

Liturgy Schedule

Saturday: 4:30 p.m. Vigil Mass

Sunday: 8:00 and 9:15 a.m.

Coffee & Donuts following 9:15 Mass

Holy Days: 8:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Daily Mass and Devotions

Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. in the Chapel

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30 – 4:15 p.m. or by appointment

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Grades Kindergarten through 8th Grade

Saturdays: 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

September - May

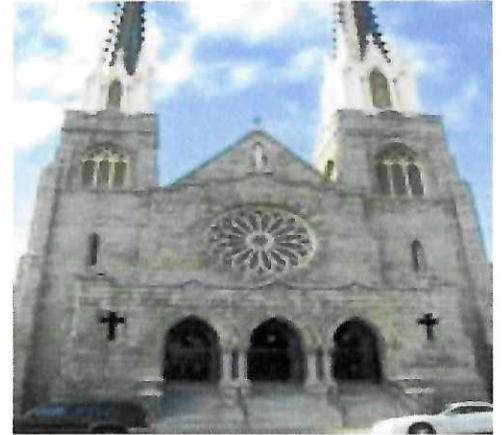
Confirmation Preparation for High School Teens

Tuesdays 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. in Chapel

Baptismal Catechesis Class - by appointment only
English on the first Wednesday of the month

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, program runs September through May

Marriage Preparation, contact Fr. Mario Farana at least six (6) months in advance



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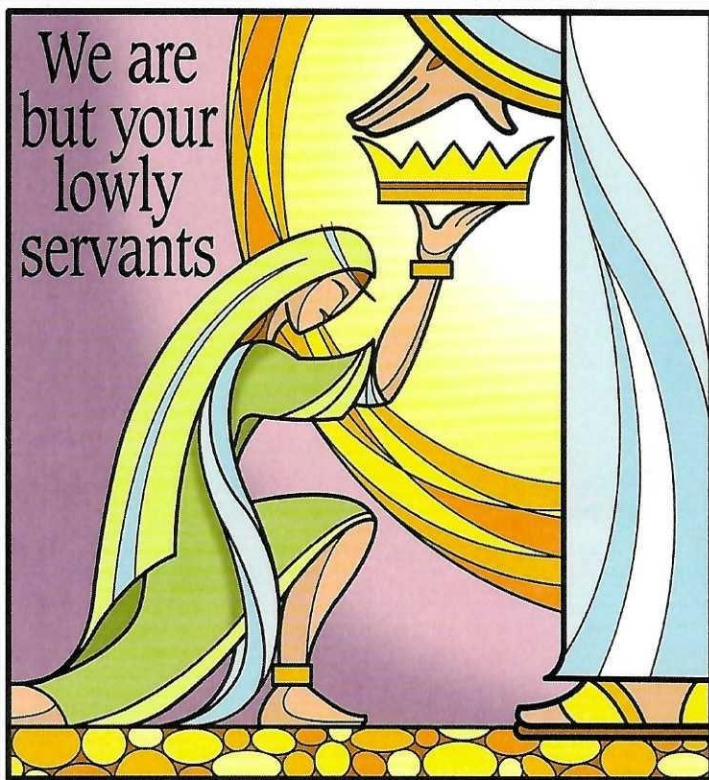
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St. Paul's: Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow + serving Noe Valley over 140 years

October 2nd Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

THE GIFT OF FAITH

Faith is a gift. When the disciples asked Jesus to increase their faith, they were going to the source of that faith with their request. God is the giver of all good gifts, including faith. When we put our faith in Christ, we believe that God is with us, even though we cannot physically see God. Or can we? If we are attentive, we see the evidence of God's presence in the love of family and friends, care poured out in service of our neighbors, the living beauty of creation. This is not blind faith, but rather is the result of seeing with the eyes of faith. Followers of Jesus look beyond what is apparent to see what is possible with the power and presence of the Holy Spirit within and among us.



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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gal 1:6-12; Ps 111:1b-2, 7-9, 10c;
Lk 10:25-37
Tuesday: Gal 1:13-24; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-15;
Lk 10:38-42
Wednesday: Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Lk 11:1-4
Thursday: Gal 3:1-5; Lk 1:69-75; Lk 11:5-13
Friday: Gal 3:7-14; Ps 111:1b-6; Lk 11:15-26
Saturday: Gal 3:22-29; Ps 105:2-7; Lk 11:27-28
Sunday: 2 Kgs 5:14-17; Ps 98:1-4; 2 Tm 2:8-13;
Lk 17:11-19

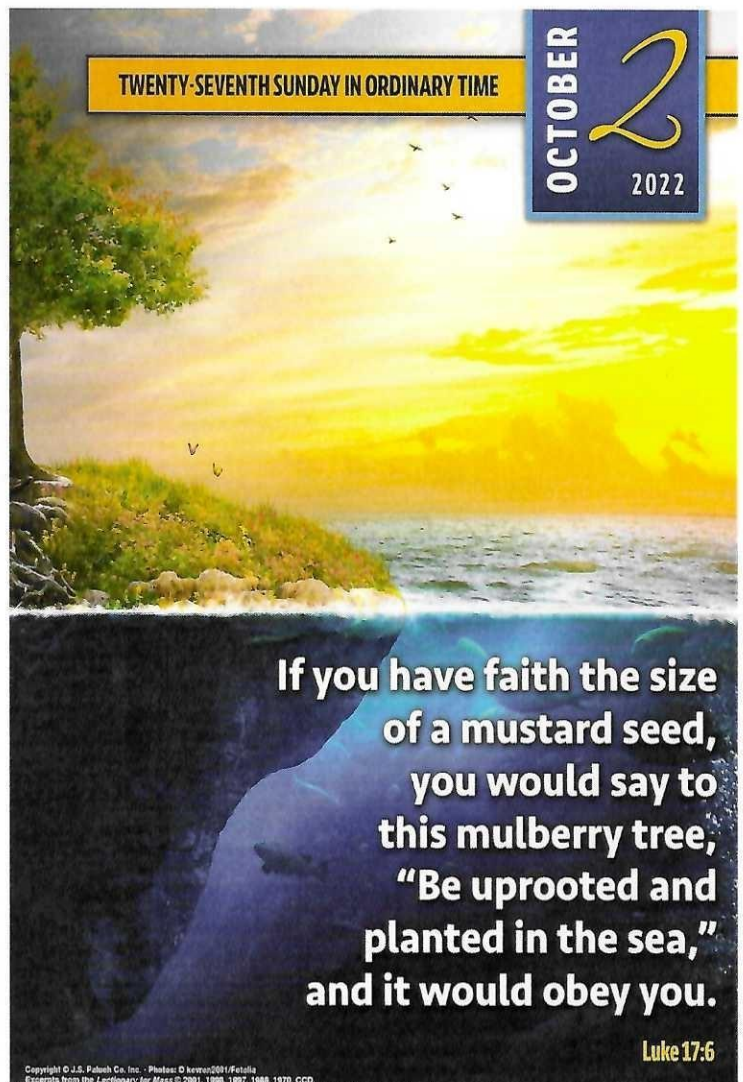
PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Almighty ever-living God,
who in the abundance of your kindness
surpass the merits and the desires of those who entreat you,
pour out your mercy upon us to pardon what conscience
dreads and to give what prayer does not dare to ask.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and
reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

October 2nd Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (Also observed in the U.S. as *Respect Life Sunday*)

For all Catholics: On this Respect Life Sunday,
may we resolve anew
to protect the gift of every human life
and consider how we can serve moms in need;
We pray to the Lord:



**If you have faith the size
of a mustard seed,
you would say to
this mulberry tree,
“Be uprooted and
planted in the sea,”
and it would obey you.**

Luke 17:6

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Calendar of the Week

Monday	Oct. 3 rd .	
Tuesday:	Oct. 4 th .	Spiritual Journey 9:30am in the Rectory
Wednesday	Oct. 5 th .	Altar Society Meeting 9:30am
		Baptism Class – 7pm
		School Open House (2023/24 school year)
Thursday:	Oct 6 th .	
Friday:	Oct 7 th .	
Saturday:	Oct. 8 th .	CCD – 9:30am to 11am
Sunday:	Oct 9 th .	Coffee & Donuts following 9:15am Mass

ST. PAUL'S THANKSGIVING RESPONSE TO GOD THIS PAST WEEK

Weekly Collection September 25, 2022	\$ 2,549.00
Second Collection – Priest Retirement	745.00
E-Contributions for August 2022	\$ 10,052.00
2022 Annual Appeal Goal	\$ 83,431.00
Collected as of Aug 30, 2022	\$ 45,423.00
Balance Still Remaining for the 2022 Appeal	\$ 38,008.00

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on First Fridays every month at St. Paul's Church, for the month of October this will be Friday the 7th. Father Mario invites you to stop by and visit with the Sacramental Jesus from 9am to 6pm on that day.. We are grateful to the Missionaries of Charity who will prepare the altar and have assured us of their presence in the church.

RCIA – ALL ARE WELCOME!!

Are you thinking about becoming a Catholic Christian, or do you know someone interested in becoming a Catholic Christian? COME AND JOIN US AND DISCOVER THE CATHOLIC DIFFERENCE with our Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) program. An introduction to the stories, rituals and Symbols of the Catholic community, leading to Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation at ST. PAUL'S CHURCH. For more information, contact Bill McLoughlin or Terri Brady at St Paul's Rectory, 415-648-7538. Classes begin in September.

Blood Drive 2022

AS a reminder, this year's last drive will be 11/6 from 9-2:00

You can sign up ahead of time for our Blood Drive by going on line to www.bloodheroes.com and clicking on St. Paul's.

Or call Jill Alcantar at (415)586-8911 to schedule an appointment.

The 2023 Blood Drive Dates are:

February 26th, June 25th, and November 12th, 2023



Blood Drive!

Confirmation Preparation Program

St. Paul's Confirmation Preparation Program is starting up. IF you are a high school student who is in grades 9-12, who wishes to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation you are invited to a meeting for Parents and Candidates on Tuesday, October 11·2022 at 7pm in the meeting room under the Church. For more information, please contact Dorothy Vigna at the Rectory

Please pray for those in our book of the sick and especially for the following:
Stephanie Gordan Rugg, Leslie McLoughlin, Regina Cannon, Noel Clark, Lorie Watts, Grey Cooper, Sandy Clifford, Maria Arnott, Mandy Maness, Hilda Solis, Jason Minjares, John Scioscia, Nasareta Tumanuvao
For those who have died: Katy O'Shea, Dolores Soto and Elena Chaves



Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday Mass 4:30pm

Jack & Josephine Shea (D)

David Osborne (D)

Shirley Fausone (D) 1st. Anniv.

Sunday Mass 8:00 am

Frank Venurini Jr. (D)

Suzy Swanson (D)

Sunday Mass 9:15 am

Martin King (D)

Altar Society (L&D)

Irene Real (D)

Monday 8:30 am

Ernest & Dolores delligatti (D)

Mary Prentice

Michael Masullo (D)

Tuesday 8:30 am

Namari Eder (L)

Mima Bonilla (D)

Bennie Gutierrez (D)

Wednesday 8:30 am

Alma Ruth Vargas (L)

Thursday 8:30am

Joan Derry (D)

Friday 8:30am

Alma Ruth Vargas (L)

Saturday Mass 4:30pm

Edward Hupke (D)

Sunday Mass 8:00 am

Eleanor Sullivan (D)

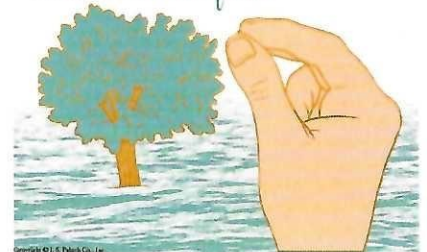
Suzy Swanson (D)

Sunday Mass 9:15 am

Juana Flores (D)

Erica Flores (D)

Increase our faith



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Angel Preschool
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29

30
1
Religious
Education
Classes
9:30 - 11:00
a.m. in the
School

2
27th Sunday in
Ordinary Time
Mass Times:
Saturday 4:30
p.m.
Sunday 8:00 &
9:15 a.m.

3
Men of St.
Paul's Dinner
Meeting
6:00 p.m. in
Parish Center



5
Baptism Class
for Parents
7:00 p.m. in
Rectorry
School Open
House
6:00 p.m.



7
Adoration of
the Blessed
Sacrament
9:00 a.m. -
7:00 p.m.
Mass at 6:00
p.m.

8
Religious
Education
Classes
9:30 - 11:00
a.m. in the
School

9
28th
Sunday in
Ordinary
Time



11
Confirmation
Parent-
Candidate
Meeting 7:00
p.m. under
the Church



13
PTG
Meeting
6:00 p.m. in
the Parish
Center



15
Religious
Education
Classes
9:30 - 11:00
a.m. in the
School

16
Men of
St. Paul's
Pancake
Breakfast after
the Masses
8:00 - 9:15
a.m.

17



19

20
School
Board
Meeting
6:00 p.m. in
the Rectorry



22
Religious
Education
Classes
9:30 - 11:00
a.m. in the
School

23
30th
Sunday in
Ordinary
Time

24

25
Confirmation
Class
7:00 p.m.
Under the
Church

26



28

29
Religious
Education
Classes
9:30 - 11:00
a.m. in the
School



31
School
Halloween
Parade
11:00 a.m. in
the yard



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September

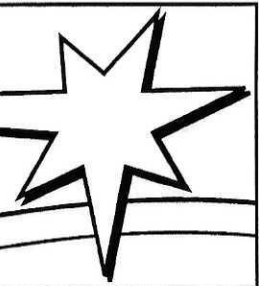
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November

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October 2022

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St. Paul's Church

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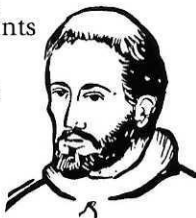
Thoughtful Moments

Don't be too busy

At the end of your life, you are not going to think, "Boy, I wish I had worked more." You are going to long for more time with your spouse, your child, or your family. A child needs the undivided attention of his or her parent for some time each day. Don't be so busy that you miss even one special moment with yours.

St. Francis

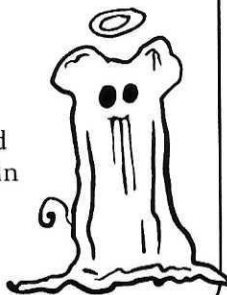
One of the most cherished of all saints is St. Francis of Assisi, the founder of the Friars Minor. On his feast day, October 4,



many parishes offer a blessing of the animals during which you can bring your pet for a special blessing in his honor. St. Francis rejoiced in all of God's creation.

Parent love

When we give love to our children, they learn to give love to others. When we give them unconditional love, we give them the courage to overcome their natural self-absorption and become sacrificial in their love – just as Jesus intends.



A good friend attracts good friends

A child's friends can make the difference between reinforcing the good habits we teach in the home or introducing bad habits we have to fight. Rather than policing our youngsters' group of friends, parents will do better to equip children to choose healthy, wholesome friendships. Encourage children to look for:

Common

interests: Youngsters bond over shared interests. Help yours develop healthy pursuits: music, sports, art, dance, etc. Working together to develop their God-given talents gives them a common focus and identity.

Common values: "He who [honors] God behaves accordingly, and his friend will be like himself" (Sirach 6:17). We tend to become like the company we

keep. Involve children in church youth group or community outreach where they will meet others who share the values you taught them.

Considerate:

Authentic love is willing the good of the other (John 15:13). Encourage children to look for others who are kind, considerate, and dependable.

Virtuous: The best friendships bring out the best in us.

St. Gregory

Nazianzen credited his sanctity to his friendship with St. Basil

the Great: "[We] spurred each other on to virtue." Good friends make it easier to do the right thing.

Mutually returned: Part of having good friends is being a good friend. If someone is consistently good and kind, they'll attract the same kind of people.



Why Do Catholics Do That?

Why do Catholics believe we have Guardian Angels?

There's a tradition that each person is assigned an angel to protect him or her and guide them to everlasting life, even if they aren't Christian (Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC), 336).



"See that you do not despise one of these little ones; for I tell you that in heaven their angels always behold the face of my Father who is in heaven" (Matthew 18:10). The protection of the angels is one way that God exercises care for us.

Being “fair” in an unfair world

Children have an innate sense of fairness and may struggle to understand why the world isn't always fair. Try these ideas for explaining justice in an unjust world.

Fairness according to “me.” Jonah, the prophet, accused God of being unfair (Jonah 4:1-2). He thought God should punish the Ninevites for their sins yet God rewarded them for their conversion. Teach youngsters that God's way is different than the world's. His motivation is love.

The big picture. In the story of the prodigal son,



the father tried to persuade the older son to set aside his resentment to celebrate his brother's return (Luke 15:32). Sometimes what seems grossly unfair loses its power in the context of the larger picture. Model patience and be quick to forgive.

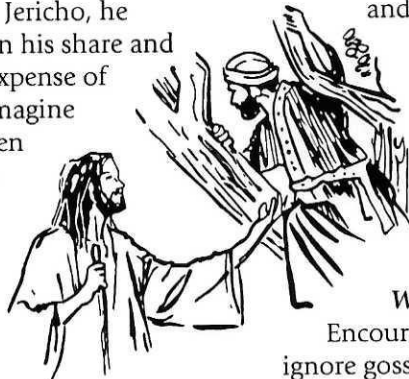
Accept God's care. As Catholics, we trust God to care for us in His way (Isaiah 55:8). That is often different than the way of the world. Each morning, bless children and entrust them to God's care. They will be safe in His hands.

Scripture LESSON

Luke 19:1-10, Don't judge by stereotypes

Zacchaeus was not a popular man. As the chief tax collector in Jericho, he probably took more than his share and became wealthy at the expense of other people's misery. Imagine the crowd's reaction when Jesus spotted Zacchaeus in a tree, called him down, and invited Himself to dinner at Zacchaeus' home. It was scandalous for a rabbi to dine with someone widely considered to be a public sinner.

People were stunned that Jesus would choose to associate with a tax collector, but then Jesus often befriended the most unlikely people. For his part,



Zacchaeus shot down from the tree and fell all over himself to make Jesus welcome. He was so eager for Jesus' friendship that he changed his life as a result and pledged generous amends for past sins.

What can a parent do?

Encourage your children to ignore gossip and nasty comments made about peers. If they have questions about the suitability of a friend, tell them to come to you instead. Friend or not, they should treat everyone with respect and be quick to forgive, as Jesus did.

Feasts & Celebrations

Oct. 7 – Our Lady of the Rosary (1571). Pope Gregory XIII named this feast because it was believed that Christians won a critical victory at the Battle of Lepanto after praying the Rosary.

Oct. 13 – St. Edward the Confessor (1066). Son of King Ethelred II, St. Edward was born at Islip, England, but lived under Danish rule until he was crowned in 1042. Though politically weak, he was loved by the people and known for his holiness.

Oct. 24 – St. Anthony Mary Claret (1870). St. Anthony was born in Spain in

1807. After his ordination, he founded the Claretian order in 1849, and became the archbishop of Cuba. He established the Religious Publishing House, producing over 200 works.

Oct. 28 – St. Simon and Jude, Apostles (1st century). St. Simon was a Zealot – Jews who believed that the Messiah would free them from political oppression. St. Jude was a fisherman. After the Council of Jerusalem, they traveled to Persia where they preached and were eventually martyred.



Parent TALK

When Tessa turned twelve, she stopped talking much about school, expressing her feelings or engaging in any real communication unless I bugged her.



Frustrated, one Saturday I told her we had a special project. I decided she was old enough to learn the family recipe for

homemade pasta. We broke out bags of flour, cracked eggs and dusted off the pasta machine. Soon we were up to our elbows in dough.

We both laughed more that day than we had in months. And we talked for hours as we slowly cranked out tables full of spaghetti. Without even asking, I heard all about school, her friends, and her life. Now we make pasta once every six weeks or so and we both look forward to that special time.

My grandmother always said that pasta has a way of bringing people together. Now I realize the true wisdom in her words.

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Women's Retreat for

Healing after Abortion

Upcoming Dates:

October 15, 2022 - Spanish

October 22, 2022 - English

December 16-18, 2022 - Bilingual

Each retreat will include Mass, the Sacrament of Reconciliation and counseling. It will be held at a confidential location.

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