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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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Diane Costa, Pianist

Religious Education: Dorothy Vigna, Director

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Grades Kindergarten through 8th Grade

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

September - May

Confirmation Preparation for High School Teens

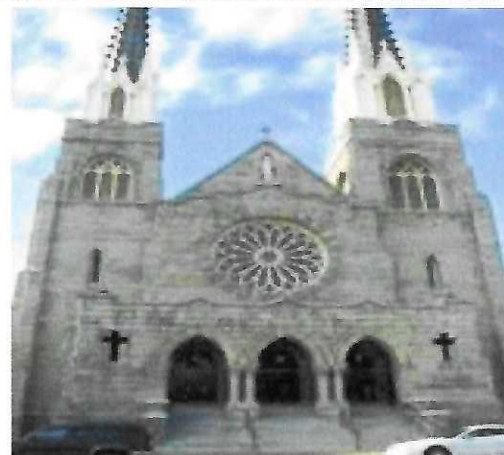
Tuesdays 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. in Chapel

Baptismal Catechesis Class - by appointment only

in 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



**Rev. Mario P. Farana,
Pastor**

Rev. James Liebner, SVD

Parochial Vicar

Deacon Bill McLoughlin

Rev. Joseph Bradley,

In Residence St. Paul's

Rev. Ulysses D'Aquila,

In Residence St. James

Rev. H. Brendan McBride,

In Residence St. Philip's

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+ Follow the Yellow Brick Road +

St. Paul's Elementary School

Kindergarten through Eighth-Grade

David Gallagher, Principal

415-648-2205 or dgallagher@stpaulsf.net

www.stpaulschool.org

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

March 27th Fourth Sunday of Lent

LOST AND FOUND

The parable of the father and his sons is one of the most familiar of all of Jesus' stories. The father in the parable is lavish in forgiveness and revels in the return of his young son, who was lost and now is found. The older son is also lost—lost in his refusal to forgive, lost in his failure to grasp his father's generous spirit. The Israelites spent many years lost in the desert, seeking the land of milk and honey, yet often failing to seek the God who delivered and fed them. We are sometimes lost as well. We lose sight of the Lord and the Lord's ways. God never loses sight of us, however. God waits, ready for us to come to our senses, ready to welcome us back with open arms.



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PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Fourth Sunday of Lent

O God, who through your Word
reconcile the human race to yourself in a wonderful way,
grant, we pray,
that with prompt devotion and eager faith
the Christian people may hasten
toward the solemn celebrations to come.
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.

March 27th Fourth Sunday of Lent

May all mothers facing difficult pregnancies
be lovingly accompanied as they prepare
to encounter Christ anew
through the gift of their children;
We pray to the Lord:

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13b; Jn 4:43-54
Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16
Wednesday: Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18;
Jn 5:17-30
Thursday: Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-23; Jn 5:31-47
Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-21, 23;
Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
Saturday: Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12; Jn 7:40-53
Sunday: Is 43:16-21; Ps 126:1-6; Phil 3:8-14;
Jn 8:1-11;
Alternate readings (Year A):
Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11;
Jn 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]

March 27, 2022

Fourth Sunday
of
Lent

Whoever is in Christ
is a new creation:
the old things have passed away;
behold, new things have come.
2 Corinthians 5:17

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Calendar of the Week

Monday	March 28th.	
Tuesday:	March 29th.	Lenten Studies Mtg. 9:30 in the Rectory
Wednesday	March 30th.	Stations of the Cross 6pm
Thursday:	March 31st.	
Friday:	April 1st.	
Saturday:	April 2nd.	CCD – 9:30am-11am
Sunday:	April 3rd.	Coffee & Donuts following 9:15am mass

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

Weekly Collection March 20, 2022	\$ 2,574.00
E-Contributions for February 2022	\$ 10,463.00
2022 Annual Appeal Goal	\$ 83,431.00
Collected as of March 20, 2022	\$ 3,392.00
Balance Still Remaining for the 2022 Appeal	\$ 80,039.00

Thank you to all the tremendous life-giving donors who shed their blood
so that others may live

Caroline Baele, Jana Barber, Zachary Bernholtz, Joe Bullard, Manuel Ceballos, Trevor Crane, Andre Fintamag, Steven Jivapongse, Heidi Kim, Ginette Lacues, Gorden Larson, Jacqueline Lytle, Elizabeth MacLeod, Mark Mamlok, Nilza Monroy, Jim Moon, Matthew Rosko, Dan Shea, Tim Shea, Ryan Smith, Gary Sulentic, Alexander Toombs, Phil Vahey, Bill Wehrmeister, Bissa Zamboldi-Moore

Annual Appeal 2022 It's Back!!

This week you should have received your letter regarding the Annual Appeal from Father Mario. There was also a pamphlet inserted which may have been sent in Spanish to you in error. If you would like an English version, please contact the Rectory or go you the Parish Website
www.stpaulsf.org

St. Paul's Catholic Elementary School

St. Paul's Elementary School is now accepting applications for the 2022-2023 school year for grades Kindergarten through 7th Grade. If you know of anyone looking for a new school, please send them our way. Application packets can be found on the school website at www.stpaulsf.org or call the school at 415-648-2055 for more information.

Why Send you child to a Catholic School?

They get a great education, (they teach history) and they have religion every day. Your children get into the high school they choose.

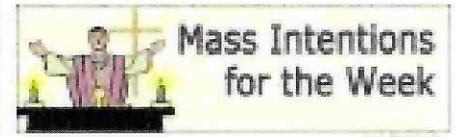
Please pray for those who are sick and those who have died in our Parish Family.

Sick: Stephanie Gordon-Rugg, Danny Manoos, Laura Crotty, Marang Virar, Leslie McLoughlin, Lilia Cardenas

We Pray for our loved ones who have died.

Deceased: Arnold Alferos, Rita Bernardi, Rosalba Pabon, Victor Matushenko

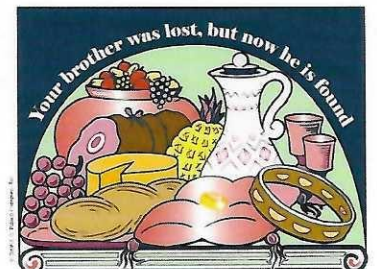
The breaking bread books are now back on the shelves in the vestibules. Please return your books at the end of mass to the book shelves. Thank you.



Saturday 4:30 pm
Alma Amador (D)
Sunday 8:00 am
Amulio & Paolina Petrini (D)
Ricardo Cortez (D)
Sunday 9:15 am
Katie O'Dowd (D)

Monday 8:30 am
People of St. Paul's (L&D)
Tuesday 8:30 am
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Thursday 8:30 am
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Friday 8:30 am
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Saturday 4:30 pm
Jack & Josephine Shea (D)
Sunday 8:00 am
Peter Paul Petrini (D)
Mary O'Rourke (D)
Alice Cooper (D)
William Strachan (D)
Sunday 9:15 am
Martin & Katherine King (D)



**ST. PAUL'S PARISH
LENTEN OUT-REACH PROGRAM**

SYMBOLS OF LENT

PRAYING

FASTING

ALMSIVING

**MARCH 6th -
BROWN BAG LUNCHES**

**MARCH 13th -
ADULT BLANKETS AND TOILETRIES**

**MARCH 20th
DIAPERS**

**MARCH 27th -
MEN'S SOCKS, (DARK) UNDERWEAR,
AND SWEATSHIRTS**

**APRIL 3rd
BROWN BAG LUNCHES**

**ITEMS HELPING OUT
MARTIN DE POUR, S.F. HOMELESS SHELTERS,
ST. ANTONYS FOOD PANTRY, AND
THE EPIPHANY CENTER**

PRAYING THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS WITH ST. PAUL'S COMMUNITY



Each Wednesday evening
at 6:00 p.m our
community walks the
Stations together with

Walk with Jesus...



*STATIONS WITH MATTHEW,
JOHN,
LUKE, AND
MARK,
ST. FRANCIS, OUR POPE,
SAINT JOHN PAUL II,
EVERYONE'S WAY OF THE CROSS,
AND
MARY'S WAY OF THE CROSS*

Come see how the Apostles, Mary, St. John Paul, Pope Francis and all of us feel as we walk the road along with Christ. Everyone is invited. Walk with Christ!

Join with us on Wednesdays,
March 9th, 16th, 23rd 30th, April 6th



Joey and Diane
want to get ready to
celebrate Easter. They are
planning on getting the
CHOIR
back together.

If you would like to join
the choir, please join them
and other parishioners on
Tuesday, March 29th

at

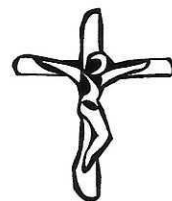
6:00 p.m.

in the Rectory.

You just need to love
music and want to praise
God. All are welcomed!



What We Do From Holy Thursday to Easter Sunday



Holy Thursday brings the end to Lent. That night we begin the Three Days that are the center of our year. Why are these Three Days so important? What do they mean for you? You are invited to make these Three Days different from all the days of the year.

Adults in the community are invited to plan ahead so that the whole time from Thursday night until the Easter Vigil is free of social engagements, free even of work, free of entertainment, free of meals except the simplest nourishment. We are asked to fast during Good Friday and to continue fasting, if possible, all through Holy Saturday as strictly as we can, so that we come hungry and full of excitement to the Easter Vigil. We make Good Friday and Holy Saturday free for prayer and reflection and preparation and silence. The church is getting ready.

Whether you are young or old, currently active in the parish or not, please put these days aside. All of us should know that our presence for the liturgies is not just by invitation. We are all needed here. All of us need this whole community together on its greatest days.

On these Three Days, we gather a number of times. Together we hear some of the church's most beautiful prayers and scriptures and we make some of our finest music. Please look closely at the parish schedule and make plans to take part in the various liturgies and other gatherings of Holy Thursday night, Good Friday and Holy Saturday. Above all, come on Saturday night for the Vigil.

WE BEGIN AS HOLY THURSDAY ENDS

Thursday evening we enter into this Triduum together. After listening to the scriptures, we do something strange: We wash feet. Fr. Mario will go on his knees with pitchers of water, basins and towels and wash the feet of twelve representatives from our parish. Jesus gave us this image of what the church is supposed to look like, feel like, act like. This is rehearsal for Christian life, as is the next thing we do, a collection for the poor. Also this night, everyone is invited to renew their commitment to service in Jesus' name, including the priests who will renew their commitment to the priesthood. Later we celebrate the eucharist. The evening liturgy has no ending: Whether we stay to pray awhile or leave, we are now in the quiet and peace and glory of the Triduum.

AND WE CONTINUE THROUGH GOOD FRIDAY AND HOLY SATURDAY

We gather quietly on Friday and listen to scripture. We pray at length for all the world's needs. Then there is another once-a-year event: The holy cross is held up in our midst and we come forward one by one to do reverence with a kiss or bow or a genuflection.

We continue in fasting and prayer and vigil, in rest and quiet through Saturday. This Saturday for us is like God's rest at the end of creation. It is Christ's repose in the tomb.

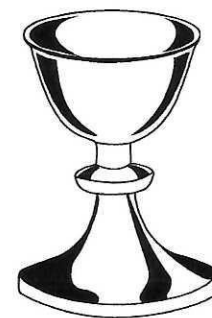
UNTIL THE NIGHT BETWEEN SATURDAY AND SUNDAY



Hungry now and excited, the church gathers in the darkness and lights a new fire and a great candle that will make this night bright for us. We listen to some of the most powerful scriptures in the Bible, then we pray to all our saints to stand with us as we go to the font and bless the waters. There the catechumens are baptized and anointed. There are the moments when death and life meet, when we reject evil and give our promises to God. Together we go to the table and celebrate the Easter eucharist. Easter Sunday begins and we are ready for Fifty Days of rejoicing.



**FR. MARIO
CORDIALLY
INVITES ALL MEMBERS
OF**



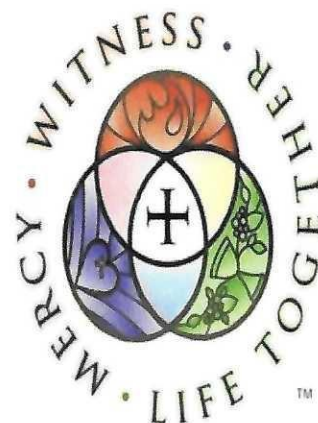
**ALL PARISH ORGANIZATIONS,
LECTORS, EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS,
ALTAR SERVERS, ALTAR SOCIETY, CHOIR,
THE STAFFS OF:**

**ST. PAUL'S LITTLEST ANGEL PRESCHOOL,
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM, CONFIRMATION,
ST. PAUL'S ELEMENTARY SCHOOL,**



**RCIA PROGRAM,
CHILDRENS' LITURGY, AND
BAPTISMAL CATECHESIS,
TO COME AND RENEW**

**THEIR
COMMITMENT OF SERVICE
TO THE PARISH OF ST. PAUL'S,
ALONG WITH**



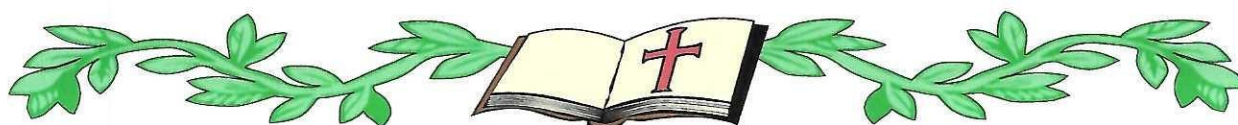
MAUNDY
Thursday

**FR. MARIO AND FR. JOE
RENEWING THEIR VOWS TAKEN AT ORDINATION
AND AS OUR CELEBRANT.**

**THIS CELEBRATION WILL BE IN ENGLISH
AND**

**WILL TAKE PLACE ON
HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 14th, 2022
MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

**AT
6:30 P.M.**





**Please mark your
calendars to help get
St. Paul's Church ready
for Easter!**

**We need help cleaning
and decorating the
Church to celebrate the
Resurrection and
welcome our new
catechumens!**

April 16th at 9:30 a.m.

Lunch will be provided!

A decorative border surrounds the text, featuring various colorful butterflies (pink, blue, green, yellow) and small flowers (orange, pink, blue) interspersed along the edges.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH EASTER SCHEDULE

**FOR PALM SUNDAY,
APRIL 9TH – 10TH**

4:30 P.M.

8:00 A.M.

9:30 A.M.

**EASTER VIGIL,
APRIL 16TH**

7:00 P.M.

**EASTER MORNING
APRIL 17TH**

8:00 A.M.

9:30 A.M.

ST. PAUL'S: YESTERDAY, TODAY, AND TOMORROW

The windows project which began early in 2019 is progressing well. Only 10 windows are left to be restored. Thanks to your generosity to the Windows Project and the Preservation Fund, we have money available to complete the project by the end of 2023.

The following windows are available for full or partial sponsorship (some are in the process of, or have been restored)

Presentation of Jesus in the Temple	-	\$29,070.00
The Flight into Egypt	-	\$29,070.00
Jesus is Found in the Temple	-	\$29,070.00
Holy Family in Nazareth	-	\$29,070.00
Jesus Raises the daughter of Jairus	-	\$29,070.00
The Sermon on the Mount	-	\$29,070.00
Agony in the Garden at Gethsemane	-	\$29,070.00
Decorative Window work sacristy	-	\$ 4,275.00
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If you are interested about sponsorship, please let Fr. Mario know.

St Paul's CARNIVAL

Saturday, May 14, 2022

Cocktails & Silent Auction • 5 pm

Dinner & Live Auction • 7 pm

Entertainment & Dancing

BROTHERHOOD MASONIC CENTER

855 Brotherhood Way, San Francisco

Benefiting

St Paul's Parish & St Paul's School

RSVP online at stpaulsf.org/CARNAVAL2022



Our Gala Dinner-Dance & Auction adapts the multicultural springtime theme of San Francisco CARNAVAL!

It's the premier fun- and fund-raising event for St. Paul's Parish and School.

Here are three great ways that you can participate and build another successful Gala.

Attend	Contribute / Donate	Volunteer
<p>Printed invitations will be mailed soon – but you can RSVP and signup online NOW.</p> <p>stpaulsf.org/CARNAVAL2022</p> 	<p>Contribute online to help meet our “Fund-a-Dream” goals, or buy raffle tickets.</p> <p>Donate items for our silent and live auctions. People love:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sports and theatre tickets• Gift cards• Restaurant certificates• Vacation getaway cabins <p>You can enter donations as well through the event website. Got an idea? Send it to auction@stpaulsf.net</p>	<p>Share your time and talent to help organize or carry out event tasks.</p> <p>Perhaps you can:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Help with decorations, from securing thematic items now to building balloon arches onsite• Run the computers at event check-in/out• Sell raffle tickets on May 14 <p>Ready to help? Send your contact details to auction@stpaulsf.net</p>

Gala co-chairs: Joseph Heinen (parish), Michelle Gaggero-Chamorro (school)