## St. Patrick Catholic Church

# San Francisco's Historic Landmark #4 Founded in 1851

756 Mission St. (between 3rd and 4th Streets)
San Francisco, CA 94103
Tel (415) 421-3730 www.stpatricksf.org

### Pastoral Staff

Rev. Andrew Spyrow - Pastor

Rev. Teodoro "Fr. Ted" P. Magpayo - Parochial Vicar

Rev. Patrick Okoye - Parochial Vicar

Deacon Ferdinand Mariano - OCIA Coordinator

### Parish Staff

Rachelle Morales and Nenette Murata -

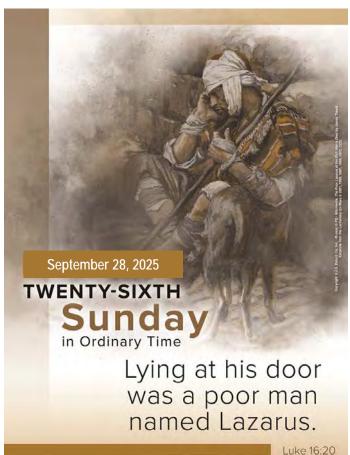
Religious Education Coordinators

Charles Corpus - Music Coordinator Virginia Dilim - Wedding Coordinator Nora Regaspi - Office Manager Camelle Sudario - Parish Receptionist Emy Pasion - Bookkeeper

### Mass Times

Monday - Friday: 7:30 a.m., 12:10 p.m., 5:15 p.m. Saturday: 7:30 a.m., 12:10 p.m 5:15 p.m. Vigil Mass Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 12:00 p.m., 5:15 p.m. Tagalog Mass: 1st Sunday at 2:00 p.m.

Family Mass: 2nd Sunday at 12:00 p.m.
Charismatic & Healing Mass: 3rd Sunday at 2:00 p.m.



Luke 10.20

### September 28, 2025 - Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

[K]eep the commandment without stain or reproach until the appearance of our Lord Jesus Christ. ~ 1 Timothy 6:14



# **September 28, 2025 ~ Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ Year C**Am 6:1a,4-7; Ps 146:7-10; 1 Tm 6:11-16; Lk 16:19-31

Amos condemns the complacency of the rich who seek only their own comfort (1). In his parable about the rich man and Lazarus, Jesus echoes Amos, exhorting those who have to share with those who have not. Self-sufficiency must never blind us to the needs of others (3,Ps). Only in this way do we keep God's commandments in integrity and in truth (2).

### Care for Each Other

Don't delude yourselves, Jesus says through the parable of the rich man and Lazarus. We really are supposed to care for others. It is not enough to go to Mass and occasionally serve at a parish or outreach function. We cannot remain complacent and consider ourselves followers of Jesus. No matter how much or how little material wealth we have, we always have something to give—our time and attention, care, and, when possible, our money. The way we treat and care for others, especially the poor and vulnerable, is the manner in which we show our love of God. As disciples, we must "pursue righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience, and gentleness." Jesus calls us to see and respond to the least among us, because, as God's children, we are all part of one another.

Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.

### Treasures From Our Tradition

Over the past century, a desire to recover a deep sense of unity among all believers in Christ has grown. The "ecumenical movement" (from the Greek word meaning the "the whole inhabited world") began among Protestant Christians, but was given great energy in 1920 with a letter from the Orthodox Patriarch of Constantinople, calling for closer dialogue and cooperation among Christians. In 1960, Pope John XXIII invited Protestant and Orthodox observers to the Second Vatican Council. In 1964, the Council's Decree on Ecumenism named these Christians "separated brethren," a huge leap forward from the time of labeling them as "outside the Church." A year later, a new pope, Paul VI, and the Orthodox Patriarch officially nullified the condemnations that walled off East from West for nine hundred years.

The pace and optimism of the 1960s has sadly waned, and the signs of progress toward unity are few; yet there are wider agreements on sharing Communion among various Christian denominations, and among Protestants agreements regarding sharing of ecclesiastical life and ministry. Among the success stories of the ecumenical movement are greater cooperation among Christian clergy, a similar Lectionary for Protestants and Catholics, and even experiments in the monastic life and common worship.

~ Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

### Novena to San Lorenzo Ruiz



Everyone is invited to join the novena to San Lorenzo Ruiz from Saturday, September 20 through Sunday, September 28, with the recitation of the rosary at 11:00 a.m. each day, culminating with the Feast Day celebration on Monday, September 29 at the 12:10 p.m. Mass. Please join us as we commemorate the life of the first Filipino Saint.

### Prayer of the Week

**Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time** 

O God, who manifest your almighty power above all by pardoning and showing mercy, bestow, we pray, your grace abundantly upon us and make those hastening to attain your promises heirs to the treasures of heaven.

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.

### Reflection question:

How has God shown mercy to me?

Collect text from the English translation of The Roman Missal, © 2010, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved.

Copyright © J. S. Paluch Company, Inc.

### Patrician Meeting

Join us this Sunday for the monthly Patrician Meeting, a Catholic discussion group sponsored by the Legion of Mary. This month's topic is...

Mary's Titles in the Litany of the Rosary Speaker ~ Ellen Ramoran Date ~ Sunday, September 28, 2025 at 1:30 p.m.

McKenna Hall

Join us for a lively discussion and share your thoughts and experiences with other Catholics just like you.

# AAA Update (as of 22 September 2025)

2025 AAA Goal	\$38,705.00	
Received	\$22,658.00	
Amount Remaining	\$16,047.00	
% of Goal	59%	

### Happy Birthday!!

Happy Birthday to our Parishioners celebrating a birthday this week.

Sean Bledsue	9/28	Karol Garcia	10/2
Gino Ventura	9/28	Rodolfo Pelaez	10/2
Memiela Consing	9/29	Jack Wilkinson	10/2
Carmelita Simbulan	9/29	Quang Nguyen	10/3
Santiago Guevara	10/1	Reynaldo Sacay	10/3
Emily Hebron	10/1		





### Please Pray for Pope Francis' Intention for September

<u>Pope's Intention</u>: For our relationship with all of creation. Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.

### Religious Education Classes

The staff and catechists of St. Patrick Church are dedicated to helping your children grow in faith and be closer to God. As parents, you are the primary educators of your children and are their best teachers. Your children learn the most from the example you set when you pray together and actively participate in Mass and the sacraments as a family.

Our Religious Education Program is designed to assist you in the faith formation of your children. Enroll your child after all Masses every Sunday in August. First-time students must provide a valid baptismal certificate. Classes begin on Saturday, September 6<sup>th</sup> and run through May. Class hours are from 9:45 - 11:00 a.m.

# Are You Someone or Do You Know Someone Who...

- ...has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- ...has a child over the age of seven who has not been baptized?
- ...was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

The Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA) is an opportunity for you to come together in a small group to learn more about the Catholic faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights, and your faith story in a warm accepting setting. For information please contact the parish office during normal business hours.

### St. Patrick Children's Choir

Children of all ages are welcome to join the St. Patrick Children's Choir. Members will have the opportunity to learn to read music, sing in harmony, practice vocal techniques, and develop cantoring skills. We encourage parents and guardians to participate, as they serve as important role models for children. Registration forms are available in the office and at the back of the church. For more information, please contact the Parish Office.

### Altar Servers Wanted



If you know of any children between the ages of 9 and 15 who would like to be altar servers here at St. Patrick, please contact the office for more information. Assisting the priest during the holy sacrifice of the Mass by serving at the Altar of the Lord is a wonderful way to learn responsibility, discipline and teamwork. It's also a great way to make new friends and to

learn about the Mass. Children must be Catholic and must have received First Communion in order to be considered. Training sessions will be provided.

### Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 28, 2025

[K]eep the commandment without stain or reproach

until the appearance of our Lord Jesus Christ.

~ 1 Timothy 6:14

### Saints & Special Observances

Tuesday: Memorial ~ St. Jerome, Priest, Doctor of the Church Wednesday: Memorial ~

St. There'se of the Child Jesus, Virgin, Doctor of the Church Thursday: Memorial ~ The Holy Guardian Angels

**SATURDAY: SOLEMNITY ~** 

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI, RELIGIOUS Principal Co-Patron of Archdiocese and City of San Francisco

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### Readings for the Week

Monday: Zec 8:1-8; Lk 9:46-50 Tuesday: Zec 8:20-23; Lk 9:51-56 Wednesday: Neh 2:1-8; Mt 18:1-5,10 Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a,5-6,7b-12; Lk 10:1-12

Friday: Bar 1:15-22; Lk 10:13-16 SATURDAY: Gal 6:14-18; Mt 11:25-30

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Hb 1:2-3;2:2-4; Ps 95:1-2,6-9; 2 Tm 1:6-8,13-14; Lk 17:5-10

### Today's Readings

**First Reading** — Woe to the complacent, stretched comfortably on their couches! (Amos 6:1a, 4-7).

**Psalm** — Praise the Lord, my soul! (Psalm 146)

**Second Reading** — Pursue righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience, and gentleness (1 Timothy 6:11-16).

**Gospel** — There was a rich man who dined sumptuously each day. Lying at his door was a poor man named Lazarus (Luke 16:19-31).

The English translation of the Psalm Responses from Lectionary for Mass © 1969, 1981, 1997, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved.

### October is Mother Mary's Month



The Rosary will be recited every day during the month of October. Everyone is encouraged to join. On Sunday, October 26<sup>th</sup>, everyone is also encouraged to join the Living Rosary at 3:00 p.m. in the church. Come and recite one of the *Hail Marys* or *Our Fathers* in the language of your choice. Let us pray, as a faith community, as Mary has asked us, so we can have peace in our lives.

Never will anyone who says his Rosary every day be led astray. This is a statement that I would gladly sign with my blood. ~ St. Louis de Montfort

The Holy Rosary is not just a conglomeration of our Fathers and Hail Marys, But on the contrary it is a Divine Summary of the Mysteries of the Life, Passion, Death, and Glory of Jesus and Mary. ~ St. Louis de Montfort

After the Divine Office and the Holy Mass, no homage is as agreeable to Jesus and His Divine Mother as the fervent prayer of the Holy Rosary, since the work of salvation began with the Angelic Salutation (Hail Mary) the Salvation of each one of us in particular is attached to this prayer. ~ St. Dominic

### Living Stewardship Now

Give blood, donate winter clothing, or give non-perishable food supplies to local charities.

Copyright © 2009, World Library Publications. All rights reserved.

### Mass Intentions for Sep 28 - Oct 04 Date Time Intention 7:30 a.m. SI Alicia 9:30 a.m. SI Ryan Sunday 12:00 p.m. **BD Kathy Sealock** 28 5:15 p.m. SI Marie SI Kenneth Kirby & Grandkids 7:30 a.m. Monday † Rolando V. Yanga 12:10 p.m. 29 5:15 p.m. BD Riza Esquerra † Clementina Rodriguez De Paredes 7:30 a.m. **Tuesday** 12:10 p.m. † Rolando V. Yanga 30 5:15 p.m. † Sofia Villanueva 7:30 a.m. SI Luna Wednesday TG Fe C. Macatangay 12:10 p.m. 01 5:15 p.m. **BD Charito Cruz** 7:30 a.m. † Marilyn Sumulong Thursday 12:10 p.m. **BD** Chiara Itchon 02 5:15 p.m. † Phillip Yan

### Parish Schedule

† Souls In Purgatory

SI Marilou Alegre

† Rochaalcantara

FH David Sun

SI Rev. Roberto Andrey

SI Ryan, Precious & Baby Raya Tizon

7:30 a.m.

12:10 p.m.

5:15 p.m.

7:30 a.m.

12:10 p.m.

5:15 p.m.

**Friday** 

03

Saturday

04

### **Parish Office Hours**

Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation (in the Rectory)**

(appointments are preferred) Monday through Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

### Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help

Every Tuesday after the 12:00 p.m. Mass

### Sto. Niño Devotion

Every Friday after the 12:00 p.m. Mass

### Sacred Heart

First Friday of the month at 11:00 a.m.

### Communion in the Home

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are available to bring Communion to those who are unable to attend Mass. Please call the office at 415-421-3730 for more information.

An expanded color version of our printed bulletin, with online-only content, is available on our website: www.stpatricksf.org

### St. Patrick Church Lifetime Donors

You can still make a donation by going to our parish website: www.stpatricksf.org. On our homepage scroll down and click Online Giving. Create an account if you don't have one. Once you have created an account, please choose the Lifetime Donor option. We are asking a Lifetime Donor to donate a minimum of \$20 a week or \$80 a month. Your privacy and financial information are safe with us. And we recommend that you use your credit card for an easier and faster transaction.

Thank you for your generosity and support. For more information. email us at information@stpatricksf.org or call us at 415-421-3730

### We have 93 Lifetime Donors as of 14 August 2025

In Memory of Nicomedes & Juanita Abello Kusina ni Tess Cristina Agbayani Judy Neri Labaria Marilou Alegre Tita Labaria Corazon M. Ambata Dan And Annie Lacap Roberto Andrey Eleanor Lawsin Perla Ardanas Felicitas Locsin Fernando Balbuena Merly Lorete Joy, Jen & Jackie Bandelaria Fe Macatangay Valente Banez Beltran C Marces Eufemia Barcelona Corazon Mariano Loren Masangcay Evelyn Bird

Dr. Beverly Lynn Bolinger † Dionisio Mendaros, SI Cora Cuison

Maria Bravo Evelvn Mendoza Mercedita Cadiz Rachelle Morales Mamerto (MC) Canlas Jeff & Nenette Murata John & Judith Casper Vilma Nangca Sandra Cea Glorina Ochangco Derrick Chang Florentina Palacio Felix Chang Jesus & Marilu Paningbatan

Max & Josephine Chin Jun & Emy Pasion

Dan & Katya Coming Joseph, Joshua, Jordan & Liam

In Memory of William Cotter, Jr. Estrellita Perez Thelma Dancel Naomi Quioco Evangeline Viray De Leon Lolita Ramos † Rosalinda Del Rosario Alma Raymundo Brian Dela Pena Hersie Rosales Jiasmin Delago Matthew Rothschild Rowena Cruz Diaz Rosalina San Diego Justin Edwards Concesa San Pedro Joycelyn Espanol Jaymie Lynn Santiago

Lydia Eusebio Mario, Nelly, & Tracy Sarmiento

Joseph & Maria Fang Estela Sullivan Riz A. Novicio Fernandez Jennifer Sunga Familia Galindo Moreno y Berziga Veronica Tayo Precious & Ryan Tizon † Jo Tjin Thoy Derek Tillotson Lilian Gomez

Josefa Gonzales Victoriano & Carmen Uchi & Family

Rodil, Ruby Gonzales & Children Laura Vanmunching Alvin Gonzalez Boying & Rosie Vasquez Therese Guintu Alden, Mercy Ventigan & Kids

Norma Gumawid Vida Ventura Ina Howard Josephine Villa † Ponciano & Marlene Icatar Rianty Winarta

Georgina Jose Edwin, Rosalie, Krista, Ezra & Juliana

Kaiser PermanenteSF, 4Center & Oncology Agnes Kumi

Cielito Littaua Yoma † Charlie A. Yparraguirre

### Relevant Radio

Tune your radio to 1260 AM or 101.7 FM for 24-hour broadcasts concerning Catholic teachings and prayers.

### LEGION OF MARY - ST. PATRICK CHURCH

JOIN THE LEGION OF MARY, OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL PRAESIDIUM

Meeting - Sunday at 1:30 p.m. in Bitanga Hall



The Legion Family Worldwide On all continents In over 170 countries 4 million active members 5 million auxiliary members



The Founder Frank Duff 1889 - 1980

### Legion of Mary's History

The Legion of Mary was founded in Dublin, Ireland on the 7<sup>th</sup> of September in 1921.

It is a lay Catholic organization giving service to the Church on a voluntary basis in

### almost every country. Legion of Mary's Aim

The object of the Legion of Mary is the glory of God through the holiness of its members

developed by prayer and active co-operation in Mary's and the Church's works.

### Legion of Mary's Unit

The unit of a Legion of Mary is called a praesidium, which holds a weekly meeting where prayer is intermingled with reports and discussions. Persons who wish to join the Legion must apply for membership in a praesidium.

### Legion of Mary's Active Works

The Legion sees as its priority the spiritual and social welfare of everyone. The members participate in the life of the parish through visitation of families, the sick, both in homes

and hospitals and through collaboration in every apostolate and missionary undertakings

sponsored by the parish. The works are more of spiritual works of mercy.

### Legion of Mary's Active Membership

This membership is open to all faithfully practicing Catholics. Members attend weekly meetings and engage in prayers and active works. Candidates under 18 years of age can be received in a Junior Praesidium.

# **Saint of the Week**Francis, † 3 Oct 1226; noted for his charismatic

Francis, † 3 Oct 1226; noted for his charismatic personality, deep compassion for all, and love for God's creation; renounced wealth to follow "Lady Poverty"; deacon; founded the Franciscan Family which is made up today of the Friars Minor (Capuchins [numbering about 11,130 religious], Conventuals [c. 4,520 religious], and those of the Leonine Union [c. 15,250 religious]), Poor Clares,

Third Order Religious, and the Secular Franciscan Order; wrote *Canticle of the Sun*; received the stigmata 14 Sept. 1224; canonized only two years after his death; patron of ecologists and of Italy; principal co-patron of the Archdiocese and City of San Francisco.

### Unrecognizable

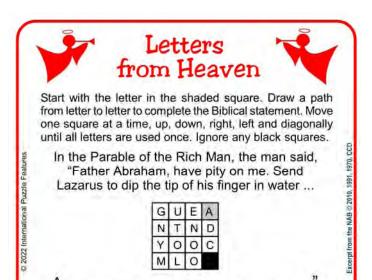
All God's angels come to us disguised.

~ James Russell Lowell

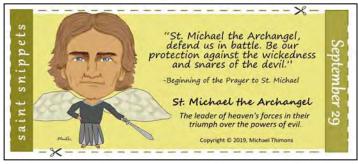
### Praying to the Angels

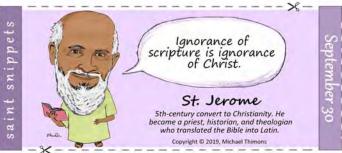
We pray to the angels, for they are given to us as guardians.

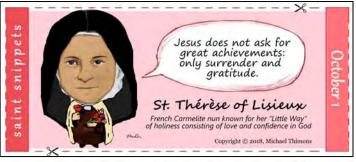
~ St. Ambrose

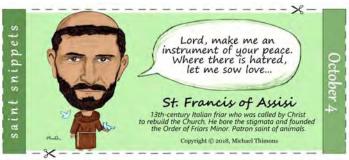


Answer: mbnog hu 2000 pur











"See that you do not despise one of these little ones, for I say to you that their angels in heaven always look upon the face of my heavenly Father." (Matthew 18:10)

On October 2 we celebrate the memorial of the Guardian Angels. An angel is a messenger from God. This passage from the Gospel of Matthew reminds us that each of us has an angel who is sent from God to protect and guide us. St. Paul, in his letter to the Hebrews, writes that these angels are spirits who serve the special task of helping us on the path toward God (see Hebrews 1:14).

God knows that we always try to do the right thing. Sometimes that is hard and we need some help. In times when we are afraid or sad or worried, it is good to know that we have a guardian angel who reminds us of God's presence.

> Angel of God, my guardian dear, to whom God's love commits me here, ever this day be at my side, To light and guard, to rule and guide. Amen.

Angel sent by God to guide me, Be my light and walk beside me; Be my guardian and protect me; On the paths of life direct me.

Try to form the habit of saying this prayer each night or morning. The first one is the traditional form of the prayer. The second is like it in simpler words. Cut out each angel and place both of them at the side of your bed.



### TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**September 28, 2025** 

"Father Abraham, have pity on me. Send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue." Luke 16:24



"O Lord, bless these wondrous animals, and quickly, please... before one of our pets starts saying grace."

### How God Intends Us to Live

Today's readings are again directed to believers, communities of faith. As in last week's reading, Amos confronts us with a condemnation of those whose lives are focused on pleasure and self-absorption. The psalm contrasts that focus with the Lord's—justice for the oppressed; food the hungry; freedom for captives; sight to the blind; raising of those who are bowed down; loving the just; protecting strangers, orphans, and the widow; and by doing so, thwarting the way of the wicked. Timothy urges the pursuit of righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience, and gentleness. Luke tells the familiar tale of the wealthy man and the poor beggar at his doorstep, who experience life very differently in this world and in the next. We are once again being given clear indications about how God intends for us to live our lives.

# Treasures From Our Tradition

Over the past century, a desire to recover a deep sense of unity among all believers in Christ has grown. The "ecumenical movement" (from the Greek word meaning the "the whole inhabited world") began among Protestant Christians, but was given great energy in 1920 with a letter from the Orthodox Patriarch of Constantinople, calling for closer dialogue and cooperation among Christians. In 1960, Pope John XXIII invited Protestant and Orthodox observers to the Second Vatican Council. In 1964, the Council's Decree on Ecumenism named these Christians "separated brethren," a huge leap forward from the time of labeling them as "outside the Church." A year later, a new pope, Paul VI, and the Orthodox Patriarch officially nullified the condemnations that walled off East from West for nine hundred years.

The pace and optimism of the 1960s has sadly waned, and the signs of progress toward unity are few; yet there are wider agreements on sharing Communion among various Christian denominations, and among Protestants agreements regarding sharing of ecclesiastical life and ministry. Among the success stories of the ecumenical movement are greater cooperation among Christian clergy, a similar Lectionary for Protestants and Catholics, and even experiments in the monastic life and common worship.

~ Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



© J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

### At the End

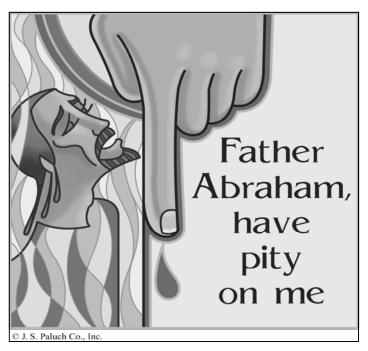
In the coming weeks, as we draw nearer to the end of the liturgical year, we will often hear references to the end of our lives and the end of time. This week's scriptures are no exception. The reading from Timothy warns us to live "without stain or reproach until the appearance of our Lord Jesus Christ" (1 Timothy 6:14), and the psalm says that God "secures justice for the oppressed . . . but the way of the wicked he thwarts" (Psalm 146:7, 9). In the reading from Amos we hear about the "woe" that is in store for the complacent rich, who think nothing of how their self-indulgence oppresses the poor. The Gospel parable about Lazarus and the nameless rich man exemplifies such complacency, as well as the justice that both the wicked and the oppressed will experience beyond the grave.

© Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.

### Rescue

It had been raining for days and days on end and a terrible flood had come over the land. The water rose so rapidly that a man was forced to climb onto the roof of his house. As the water level increased, two people in a rowboat came by and told him to get in. "No," replied the man on the roof. "I have faith in the Lord; the Lord will save me." So the people rowed away. The man prayed. The water was already above the second story windows and suddenly a speedboat came roaring by. "Climb in!" shouted the man in the boat. "No," replied the man on the roof. "I have faith in the Lord; the Lord will save me." So the man in the speedboat gunned his engine and left. As the waters lapped at the edge of the roof, the man held onto the chimney and prayed for God to save him. He heard the sound of an approaching helicopter. Over a loudspeaker, the pilot announced that he would lower a rope to the man on the roof. "No," replied the man on the roof. "I have faith in the Lord; the Lord will save me." So the helicopter whirled away as once again the man prayed desperately to God to save him. The floodwaters flowed up the roof until they were swirling about him as he clung to the chimney. The currents were so fierce that they washed him away and, alas, the poor man quickly drowned. When he arrived in heaven, the man marched straight over to God. "Heavenly Father," he said, "I had faith in you, I prayed to you to save me, and yet you did nothing. Why?" God gave him a puzzled look, and replied, "I sent you two boats and a helicopter. What more did you expect?"

Copyright © 2009, World Library Publications. All rights reserved



### Seek Virtue

In today's first reading, Amos condemns a self-absorbed people and their morally corrupt behavior and attitudes, which he warns will bring devastation. In the Gospel, the wealthy man is not given a name; he is simply the epitome of greed and irresponsibility. His lack of caring has created a gulf between him and the beggar Lazarus that not even Abraham can bridge.

In his letter to Timothy, a young bishop in the small Resurrection community of Ephesus, Paul exhorts this leader to seek virtues such as integrity, faith, and steadfastness with great gentleness. Paul also asks Timothy to keep in mind the future life with God who "dwells in unapproachable light." This is the blessedness of all those who, like Lazarus, were once poor but who are now rich.

© Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.

### Treasures From Our Tradition

Over the past century, a desire to recover a deep sense of unity among all believers in Christ has grown. The "ecumenical movement" (from the Greek word meaning the "the whole inhabited world") began among Protestant Christians, but was given great energy in 1920 with a letter from the Orthodox Patriarch of Constantinople, calling for closer dialogue and cooperation among Christians. In 1960, Pope John XXIII invited Protestant and Orthodox observers to the Second Vatican Council. In 1964, the Council's Decree on Ecumenism named these Christians "separated brethren," a huge leap forward from the time of labeling them as "outside the Church." A year later, a new pope, Paul VI, and the Orthodox Patriarch officially nullified the condemnations that walled off East from West for nine hundred years.

The pace and optimism of the 1960s has sadly waned, and the signs of progress toward unity are few; yet there are wider agreements on sharing Communion among various Christian denominations, and among Protestants agreements regarding sharing of ecclesiastical life and ministry. Among the success stories of the ecumenical movement are greater cooperation among Christian clergy, a similar Lectionary for Protestants and Catholics, and even experiments in the monastic life and common worship.

~ James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

### Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus (1873-1897) October 01

"The cornerstone's dated 1872, but the stained glass is much later," explained the pastor, astonished when his visitor accurately dated it to just before the Great Depression, explaining, "The window for the Little Flower"—Thérèse's nickname—"gives it away." From her canonization in 1925, her statues and windows adorn most churches where European immigrants worshiped. Entering Carmel at fifteen, victim of tuberculosis at twenty-four, Therese proposed her "Little Way" to sanctity: doing ordinary tasks with extraordinary love. Thus "ordinary Catholics," many of whom had lost loved ones to tuberculosis, embraced her. Though she never left her cloister, this Carmelite's spiritual communion and devoted correspondence with missionaries earned her the title Patroness of Missions. Her autobiography, Story of a Soul, continuously in print since her death, chronicles her prayerful perseverance through doubt and caused her to be the youngest person ever named a Doctor of the Church. Countless physical healings and spiritual conversions testify to her fulfillment of her deathbed promise: "After my death, I will let fall a shower of roses. I will spend my heaven doing good upon earth!"

~ Peter Scagnelli, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

### Reflecting on God's Word

If anyone is the prophet of the punch line, it is Amos. He travels up from the south to preach to the people of the northern kingdom of Israel and he pulls no punches. "Woe to the complacent," he begins, and then in a quick series of brush strokes lets them know how God sees them: lying upon their beds, stretched out on their couches, eating their tender lamb and calves, drinking fine wine while the music plays and they anoint themselves with the best oils. Then the punch line—they shall be the first to go into exile. The party is over!

In a similar vein Jesus paints a portrait of "Richman"—tradition has named him *Dives* (Latin for "rich man")—dressed in the best, eating the best, insulated in his own little world, while at his door Lazarus lies starving, with only dogs coming to lick his sores. It is a scene of total indifference to the plight of the poor. God's response is clear. The wheel will turn. And when it does, so shall Lazarus and Richman. What was a gap between them becomes a chasm.

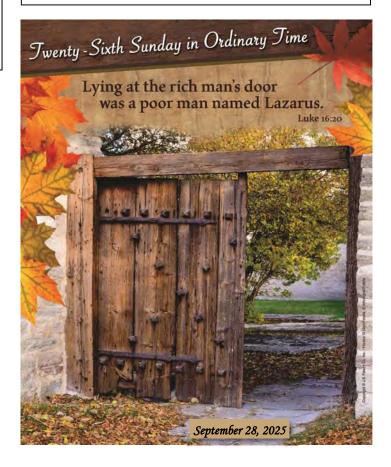
The Letter to Timothy today contains advice from a mentor to his beloved child in the faith. It offers of profile of how the baptized person is to live. It's a shame that the reading does not begin earlier (1 Timothy 6:9–10) and end later (6:17–19), because these verses directly warn about the dangers of money, offering advice for the wealthy so that they may "lay hold of eternal life" (6:12).

~ James A. Wallace, C.Ss.R. Copyright © 2012, World Library Publications. All rights reserved.

### Living God's Word

Jesus became poor so that we might be rich in the grace and wisdom of the Lord. We can pray and meditate on the responsorial psalm for this week: "Blessed is he who keeps faith forever, secures justice for the oppressed, gives food to the hungry. The LORD sets captives free" (Psalm 146:7).

Copyright © 2012, World Library Publications. All rights reserved.



### "Woe to the Complacent"

In the time of the prophet Amos a few people enjoyed a superabundance of material goods. But it wasn't the wealth itself that the prophet saw as problematic. Amos preached against the complacency that deafened the wealthy to the cries of the poor and prevented them from alleviating their suffering. Even worse, complacency blinded them to the ways in which their own habits of doing business, buying, and consuming goods contributed to the oppression of the needy on their doorsteps.

In our own time Americans consume several times their share of the world's natural resources, while millions of people cannot obtain basic necessities. On a global scale, as the rich get richer the poor get poorer. The high standard of living in one country, region, or social class almost always seems to come at the expense of extreme poverty in other countries, regions, or social classes.

### Listen and Repent

The scriptures for today urge us to change all that before it is too late. The letter to Timothy calls us to live in readiness for the "appearance of our Lord Jesus Christ" (1 Timothy 6:14), when all will be judged and rewarded according to their deeds. No clearer illustration could be drawn than the parable Jesus tells us in today's Gospel. Lazarus, the poorest of the poor, is rewarded with eternal comfort, while the complacent rich man finds himself in eternal torment.

Those of us who live in comfort can't afford to be complacent about the chasm between the rich and the poor. It was bad enough that the people of Amos' time were deaf to the cries of the oppressed. We Christians have the added benefit of hearing the message from someone who rose from the dead. Today's scriptures warn us to listen and repent. If we don't ease Lazarus' torment now, we must be prepared to suffer the consequences.

 $\sim Copyright © 2006, World Library Publications. All rights reserved.$ 

### Looking Beyond Ourselves

The message found in today's readings is an oft-told story. Citizen Kane, Daddy Warbucks, and King Midas are only a few of the familiar fictional characters who thought enormous wealth could buy happiness and fulfillment. Daddy Warbucks admitted stepping on a few people in his climb to the top. Kane tried to buy the printed word and stardom for his young wife, while King Midas conjured immense wealth and tragedy by his very touch.

We learn clearly in today's readings that none of this is really possible. True happiness comes from caring for someone other than ourselves. It comes from the pursuit of the virtues Paul described to Timothy: faith, love, gentleness, godliness, righteousness, and endurance. The Gospel reminds us that we dare not ignore the needs of others, acting as though we don't notice their suffering. God's call to us is much too clear to disregard for even one more day.

© Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.

### Talented and Energetic

Hell is full of the talented, but heaven of the energetic.

~ St. Jane Frances de Chantal

### Involvement

Our job is to get in the game, not keep score.

~ Anonymous

### Unrecognizable

All God's angels come to us disguised.

~ James Russell Lowell

### **Looking Beyond Ourselves**

The message found in today's readings is an oft-told story. Citizen Kane, Daddy Warbucks, and King Midas are only a few of the familiar fictional characters who thought enormous wealth could buy happiness and fulfillment. Daddy Warbucks admitted stepping on a few people in his climb to the top. Kane tried to buy the printed word and stardom for his young wife, while King Midas conjured immense wealth and tragedy by his very touch.

We learn clearly in today's readings that none of this is really possible. True happiness comes from caring for someone other than ourselves. It comes from the pursuit of the virtues Paul described to Timothy: faith, love, gentleness, godliness, righteousness, and endurance. The Gospel reminds us that we dare not ignore the needs of others, acting as though we don't notice their suffering. God's call to us is much too clear to disregard for even one more day.

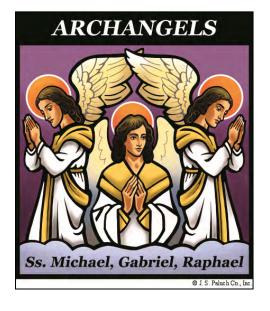
© Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.

### Treasures From Our Tradition

We've been thinking about names lately, and there is hardly any tradition older than changing one's name when accepting a new vocation in life. In the time of Jesus, people would normally wait until the eighth day after birth for the naming of a child, partly because of the fragility of infant life, when the eighth day would mark the end of a survival crisis, and also because the elders would look for some clues as to the child's identity. In Jewish life then as now, it was not the custom to name a child after a living parent; notice there are no "juniors" in the genealogy of Jesus. Remember also how the relatives complained to Zachary and Elizabeth that no one in their family was ever named John. Then there are the changed names, Abram became Abraham, Sarai became Sarah, Saul became Paul, Simon became Peter. This spills over into Western culture in many ways, such as British royalty taking new names at coronation. It's anybody's guess, for example, whether the Prince of Wales intends to be King Charles II, or become Henry, or Edward, or George if he wishes.

Members of religious orders have until recent years swapped baptismal names for new ones, and the latest pope made a switch as well. Secular life has many parallels, and movie stars like Cary Grant, Judy Garland, and John Wayne might not have shone so brightly as Archie Leach, Frances Gumm, and Marion Morrison. There are some compelling reasons in our tradition for taking a new name when undertaking a new mission, yet also a clear preference for choosing the right baptismal name from the start!

~ Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



# "Do everything for the glory of God."



### **YOUR GIFTS CHANGE LIVES**

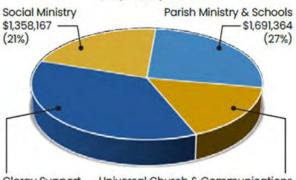
Your gift to the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal allows us to provide ministries, programs and services that benefit parishes and people throughout the Archdiocese of San Francisco. The Annual Appeal is an opportunity for all in the Archdiocese to come together as one community to support one another and everyone we serve.

"For almost a quarter of a millennium, the Church in San Francisco has been a beacon of hope, spreading the light of Christ to all in our community. I ask you to be generous with your prayers and with your material support for the mission of the Church here in our Archdiocese."



### ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL 2025 GOAL:

\$6,400,000



Universal Church & Communications Clergy Support \$2,331,813 (36%) \$1,018,656 (16%)

### CHANCERY BUDGET FOR 2025 SOURCES OF INCOME: \$17,200,000

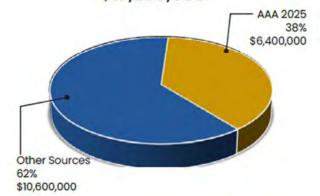










Photo by Dennis Callahan

Photo by Dennis Callahan

Photo by Christina Gray Photo by Dennis Callahan

PARISH MINISTRY & SCHOOLS

The Archdiocese provides additional funding for its parish schools, varied educational programs, and financial aid. Supported offices and ministries include: Department of Pastoral Ministry, Faith Formation, Youth & Young Adult, Office of Worship, Marriage and Family Life, Teacher Incentive Grants, Alliance for Mission District Schools and Child and Youth Protection.

22,950 Catholic School Students • 2,576 Teachers & Staff • 70 Teacher Incentive Grants • Premarital & Marriage Support . Office of Faith Formation . Office of Worship

### CLERGY SUPPORT

Clergy Support helps those who care for us. It supports priests, deacons and seminarians in their ministry. This ministry includes: Council of Priests, Vicar General, Vicar for Clergy, Clergy Education, Priests' Education Fund, Permanent Diaconate, Diaconate Formation, Office of Consecrated Life, Office of Vocations, Priests' Retirement Fund, Serra Clergy House and Priests' Elder Care.

Active Priests' Support • Retired Priests' Support • Seminarian Formation • Diaconate Formation

### SOCIAL MINISTRY

Through its variety of social ministries, the Archdiocese is able to thoughtfully engage with its diverse communities. Supported offices and ministries include: Hospital Chaplains, the Tribunal, Youth and Young Adult Ministries, Human Life & Dignity, Prison Ministry, Ethnic Ministry, Chinese Ministry, Ministry for the Spanish Speaking, Filipino Ministry, Ecumenical and Interreligious Programs.

Hospital & Prison Chaplains . Office of Youth & Young Adult Ministries · Respect Life · Restorative Justice · Ecumenical & Interreligious Programs . Ministry Support in 22 Languages

### UNIVERSAL CHURCH & COMMUNICATIONS

The Universal Church supports the larger work of the California Conference of Catholic Bishops, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and the Holy See. The Office of Communications provides internal constituent communications and external communications that fund media relations, public information and special projects.

The Holy See . Catholic San Francisco . San Francisco Católico • SFArchdiocese.org & Social Media . California Catholic Conference of Bishops . U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops

# IMMIGRANT KNOW YOUR RIGHTS



IN THIS COUNTRY, EVERY INDIVIDUAL HAS RIGHTS, REGARDLESS OF THEIR COUNTRY OF ORIGIN, RACE, LEGAL STATUS, NATIVE LANGUAGE, RELIGION, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, OR GENDER IDENTITY.

- 1. THE RIGHT TO NOT OPEN THE DOOR
  Ask for warrant under the door; verify details first.
- THE RIGHT TO REMAIN SILENT Give only your name; speak with an attorney present.
- THE RIGHT TO MAKE A PHONE CALL
   Call your attorney or family; keep a number ready.
- THE RIGHT TO A HEARING BEFORE A JUDGE You can ask for a judge to hear your case.
- THE RIGHT TO HAVE YOUR PHYSICAL INTEGRITY RESPECTED
   No one can abuse you physically or verbally.
- 6. THE RIGHT TO NOT SIGN ANY DOCUMENTS Only sign documents with attorney approval.
- THE RIGHT TO EVALUATE WHETHER YOU QUALIFY FOR ANY IMMIGRATION PROCESS Ask an attorney if you qualify for relief program.

### **ADDITIONAL RIGHTS**

There are additional laws and policies in place for Immigrant Tenants and Workers in CA. To learn more, please contact us!



SCAN THE QR CODE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT YOUR RIGHTS AND RESOURCE INFORMATION FOR SUPPORT.



Considering being a...

# Host Home for Refugee Youth

Refugee Foster Care is looking for kind-hearted individuals to open their homes and provide a room to youth (18yo+) in our program.

These young adults are ready to take on the challenge of independent living with just a bit of guidance.

Contact us to learn more!

Kimberly Lozano

408-325-5107

klozano@ccscc.org

www.CCSCC.org/Refugee-FosterCare





A-Cross America Relay for Pro-Life!



September 5th - October 25th

Course launches from New York City, San Francisco, Fargo, Austin... and for 51 days teammates will walk/run 5K legs to make a Cross over America. All In Christ!

Register at liferunners.org/across





THE BEGINNING OF THE END OF ABORTION

### PRAY WITH US IN SAN FRANCISCO

Pray with us. You can protect mothers and children by joining this worldwide mobilization to pray and fast for an end to abortion!

Through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils, and community outreach, 40 Days for Life has inspired 1,000,000 volunteers, 20,000 churches, 1000 cities, and 64 countries around the globe!

With God's help, here are the proven results in 12,358+ coordinated campaigns:

- 25,695+ lives saved from abortion since 2007
- · 181 abortion centers closed
- · 274 abortion workers quit

- 1. Sign up at:
  - 40daysforlife.com/sanfrancisco
    Choose to come two hours a week, or more.
- 2. No training required, just pray with us.
- 3. Learn more ... get involved ... and sign up for prayer times by visiting our campaign website. There is always someone with you. The world's largest grassroots movement to end abortion. Join us.

It's easy. Simply be there and pray with us. Invite friends! Have your parish take a day!

### SIGN-UP FOR TWO HOURS A WEEK!

Schedule:

Monday: 8am - 7pm
Tuesday: 8am - 7pm
Wednesday: 8am - 7pm
Thursday: 8am - 7pm
Friday: 8am - 7pm

Saturday: 8am - 7pm (8am-11am group time)

Sundays: no presence

Planned Parenthood 1522 Bush St. (at Van Ness Ave)

(415) 275-1776 8AM-7PM

September 24 - November 2, 2025

Sign-up: 40daysforlife.com/sanfrancisco Email: SF40daysforlife@gmail.com Call or e-mail us and we will sign-up for you.





# 2025 White Mass for Medical Professionals

Doctors, nurses and healthcare professionals are invited to the Archdiocesan White Mass for Medical Professionals.

A White Mass, so-named for the traditional color of physicians' coats, is a way to honor and pray with and for all those who serve in the medical professions.

All are welcome to participate.

Organized by Office of Human Life & Dignity

Sponsored by Catholic Medical Association San Francisco Guild, Order of Malta Northern California Clinic, and Bella Primary Care.

### 2025 White Mass for Medical Professionals

October 3, 2025 6:00pm

# St. Dunstan Church

1133 Broadway Millbrae, CA 94030

### Valerie Schmalz

lifeanddignity@sfarch.org 415-614-5571



# Bay Area Rosary Rally in honor of St. Francis of Assisi and the Jubilee Year of Hope

7:00 a.m. Gather for the Jubilee Pilgrimage Walk at St. Anthony of Padua (SF)

7:15 am. Procession begins to the Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption Cathedral

**9:15 a.m.** Talks on St. Francis and the Blessed Mother Fr. Bobby Barbato, OFM. Cap (English) Fr. Alberto Villafan, OFM (Spanish) \*Confessions available

10:00 a.m. Mass with Archbishop Salvatore J. Cordileone

**11:30 a.m.** Eucharistic Procession and recitation of the Rosary

12:00 p.m. Benediction

Due to safety concerns, no banners are permitted in the processions; however, religious images and statues are allowed

Bay Area Rosary Rally in honor of St. Francis of Assisi and the Jubilee Year of Hope

October 4, 2025 7:00am - 12:00pm Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption

1111 Gough St. San Francisco, CA 94109



# One Faith | One People | One Mission

Sunday | October 5, 2025 | 5:00 PM Patrons Hall, Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption 1111 Gough Street, San Francisco, CA 94109

Dinner Ticket: \$100 Raffle Ticket: \$20 1st Prize: \$3,000 | 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: \$2,000 | 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize: \$1,000

To purchase dinner & raffle tickets, contact: 415.595.9248 (Estelle) | 415.317.5481 (Willie) | 415.336.9193 (Estrelle); 415.521.6934 (Sherry)

www.filipinoministrysf.org | filipinoministrysfl@gmail.com

Mass of Healing & Hope

October 18, 2025 11 a.m. St. Pius Catholic Church 1100 Woodside Rd. Redwood City, CA 94061



Luncheon and guest speaker to follow after the Mass in the Parish Hall

Dear Friends,

The journey through separation or divorce can be filled with grief, change, and a longing for peace. No one should walk this road alone.

You are warmly invited to a **Mass of Healing** for all who have experienced separation or divorce—regardless of faith tradition. Together, we will seek comfort, strength, and renewal in the presence of God's love.

Whether you are rooted in the Catholic faith, another tradition, or simply searching for hope, you are welcome. Come as you are—bring your prayers, your struggles, your longing for healing, and allow God's grace to meet you in this moment.

Let us walk together toward peace and wholeness.

Please RSVP to Donna Nathanson

Donna Haas Nathanson Email: dhaasnathan97@gmail.com Text: 415.205.5998



# St. Thomas More Society of San Francisco, California

# ANNUAL RED MASS

Thursday, October 23, 2025 5:30 p.m.

Sts. Peter & Paul Church 666 Filbert Street, San Francisco



The Red Mass is a 700+ year tradition seeking the guidance of the Holy Spirit for the legal profession and all those who seek justice.

Dinner and reception to follow in honor of the 2019 St. Thomas More Award recipient,

James A. Lassart

See the Society's website for more information:

StThomasmore-sf.org



### BLD - Open in Spirit to God

Catholic Charismatic Covenant Community under the Archdiocese of San Francisco

# MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND



Discover a weekend of love, faith, and renewal grow closer to your spouse and enrich your marriage in a truly unforgettable way.

OCT 24-25 2025

Vallombrosa Retreat Center, Menlo Park with Fr. Peter Eugenio, Spiritual Director

> For questions, contact Deacon Ric & May Cepriano 650 826 0221

### SAN FRANCISCO STAR OF THE SEA PARISH **EUCHARISTIC ROSARY CONGRESS 2025** OCOTBER 28-NOVEMBER 4



### ARCHBISHOP SALVATORE J. CORDILEONE

On November 1, 2025, Archbishop Salvatore J. Cordileone WILL CELEBRATE 9:00 AM MASS AT ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL, THEN LEAD THE OUR LADY OF FATIMA EUCHARISTIC GRAND PROCESSION TO STAR OF THE SEA PARISH. UNITING THE FAITHFUL IN A POWERFUL WITNESS TO THE EUCHARIST.





### FATHER JAVIER OLIVERA RAVASI

ON OCTOBER 28, 2025, FATHER JAVIER OLIVERA RAVASI WILL CELEBRATE THE 6:00 PM LATIN MASS IN SPANISH AT STAR OF THE SEA PARISH, FOLLOWED BY A WORKSHOP ON THE HISTORY OF THE HOLY ROSARY.

DEEPER REVERENCE AND UNDERSTANDING OF THE LITURGY.



LEAD A ROSARY



**FULL PROGRAM** 



WWW.BROTHERSINPRAYER.COM



# 2025 Silent

# Ignatian Retreat

Oct 31, Nov 1 & 2 (Fri, Sat & Sun)



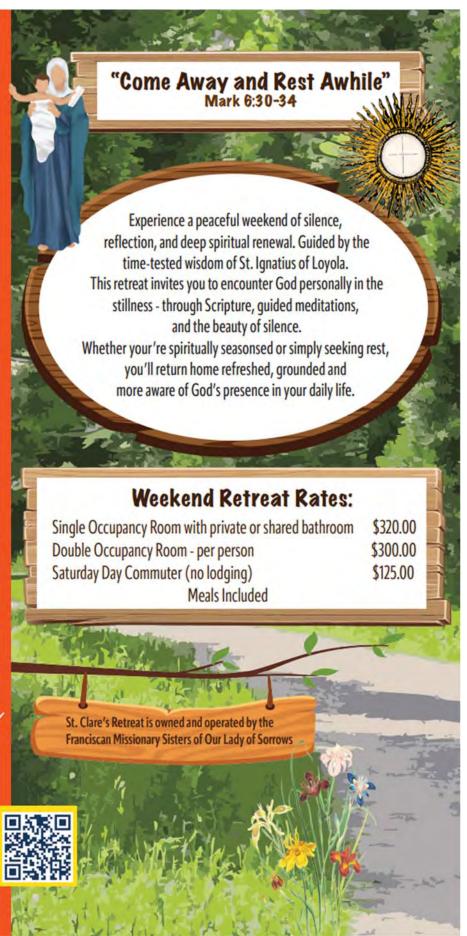
### Father Ed Broom, OMV,

Renowned retreat master and expert in Ignatian Spirituality, author of 5 books, and guest on EWTN, Fr. Broom looks forward to his "first time ever" retreat in CALIFORNIA'S CENTRAL COAST - in the majestic SANTA CRUZ MOUNTAINS! As a pre-eminent expert on all things IGNATIAN, Fr. Broom looks forward to imparting the spiritual gems of St. Ignatius at beautiful St. Clare's Retreat.

St. Clare's Retreat
2381 Laurel Glen Road, Soquel, CA 95073
(831) 423-8093

Space is Limited Reservations Are Required Secure Your Spot Today

www.stclaresretreat.org





### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2025, 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

The Restorative Justice Crime Survivors Retreat is a sa of healing, specially created for families who have lost a loved one to homicide. This retreat offers participants a chance to strengthen their faith, cultivate courage, and tap into their inner resilience. In addition to fostering spiritual growth, attendees will find moments of peace, gain renewed perspective, and embrace a sense of grace. Surrounded by others who share similar experiences, they will build connections, exchange wisdom, and support one another. By the retreat's end, participants will emerge feeling spiritually renewed, empowered, and equipped with newfound clarity to navigate life's challenges ahead.

### FREE RETREAT BREAKFAST AND LUNCH

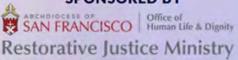
MERCY CENTER 2300 ADELINE AVENUE BURLINGAME, CA 94010

# INQUIRIES AND REGISTRATION INFORMATION

REGISTER AT: SFARCH.ORG/CRIMESURVIVORSRETREAT



### SPONSORED BY



INQUIRIES: EMAIL JULIO ESCOBAR AT ESCOBARJ@SFARCH.ORG OR CALL (415) 614-5572



<u>The Faith Formation Conference</u> Webpage and registration will begin in mid-August. Remember to have all catechists attend and continue on their catechist certification.

Beginning of Year Parish Catechetical Leaders gathering is September 5 or 6. Choose which date to attend. All parish directors/coordinators are asked to attend or send a representative.

<u>Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults</u> training for all parishes is October 3 & 4—Making Disciples Institute.

### Other fliers to know about

Catechetical Sunday

Radiant Love Training

Foundational Training

Youth on a Mission

ON Fire

**Adult Confirmation Classes** 

ARCHDIOCESE OF SAN FRANCISCO
FAITH FORMATION CONFERENCE

# HOPE Does Mol Disappoint LA ESPERANZA No Desilvasiona

November 7-8,2025 St. Matthew's Parish

philologi semedalism abayon 199



# 2026 RESPECT LIFE ESSAY CONTEST

Theme: Religious Freedom, an essential requirement of the dignity of every person



Essays due Friday, January 23, 2026

For all students in grades K-12 in public school,

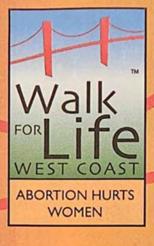
Catholic school, and home school in

the Archdiocese of San Francisco.

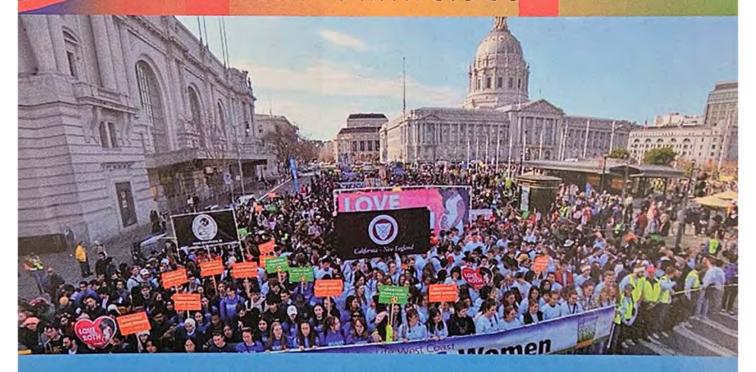
Cash Prizes! For Essay Instructions, visit sfarch.org/essay-contest







SAN FRANCISCO



Celebrating 250 years of the City of St. Francis and Mission Dolores! Join as as we bring the Life and Love of Christ to the streets and people of San Francisco!

¡Celebrando 250 años de la ciudad de San Francisco y la Misión Dolores! ¡Únete a llevar la vida y el amor de Cristo a las calles y la gente de San Francisco!



WalkforLifeWC.com



January 27 - February 11



Fr. Boie Espeleta Parochial Vicar St. Robert Church

Join us as we embark on a journey to strengthen our faith, reconnect to our rich religious and

cultural heritage, and

enjoy the Philippines!



Fr. Dominic Lee In-Residence, St. Mark Church Fr. Roy Remo Pastor, St. Charles Church

Land package with domestic airfare:

Based on Single Occupancy

US\$ 3,322 Based on Double/Twin Occupancy

International Airfare via Eva Air starts at US\$ 1,100 per person. Rates subject to change.

### RESERVE YOUR SPOT NOW!

SCAN QR CODE



Filipino Ministry www.filipinoministrysf.org, email: filipinoministrysfl@gmail.com

Tour Operator: Rajah Tour's Philippines

Manila Office: inquiry@rajahtours.com.ph San Francisco Office: 1.415.397.0303

estherbriones@hotmail.com







Vicar for Filipinos







### Land package with domestic airfare:

US\$ 4,276 Single Occupancy

US\$ 3,322 Double/Twin Occupancy US\$ 2,918

International Airfare via Eva Air starts at US\$ 1,100 per person. Rates subject to change.



Fr. Angel Quitalig Vicar for Filipinos

Come with us on a meaningful journey to deepen our faith, rediscover our vibrant religious and cultural heritage, and experience the beauty of the Philippines!

### PHILIPPINES PILGRIMAGE 2026

January 27 - February 11 16 DAYS 15 NIGHTS







### Tour Package Highlights:

- Two (2) nights accommodation at Seda Ayala Center,
- Two (2) nights accommodation at Best Western Ivy Wall,
- Panglao, Bohol Three (3) nights accommodation in Seda Centrio, Cagayan de Oro City
- Two (2) nights accommodation at The Oriental, Legaspi City
- One (1) night accommodation at Summit Hotel Naga One (1) night accommodation at Villa Escudero,
- One (1) night accommodation at Pico de Loro, Nasugbu, Batangas
- Two (2) nights accommodation at Seda Manila Bay, Paranaque City
  One (1) night accommodation at Quest Hotel Clark
- All tours stated on the itinerary
- All meals stated on the itinerary Travel insurance within the Philippines during the tour
- English speaking guides during the tours

\*Terms and Conditions apply. Visit www.rajahtours.com.ph for more information.

### **RESERVE YOUR SPOT NOW!**

Call or Text: 415.702.5694

Email: filipinoministrysfl@gmail.com Visit: www.filipinoministrysf.org



Follow filipinoministrysf on Facebook.



### **LUZON - VISAYAS - MINDANAO**

CEBU - BOHOL - CAGAYAN DE ORO - BICOL - QUEZON - MANILA BATANGAS - PANGASINAN - TARLAC - PAMPANGA

### 27 January | Arrival in Cebu

Welcome reception at the airport by the Department of Tourism and Rajah Tours Philippines. Transfer to hotel and check-in. Rest of the day free at leisure. Mass at the hotel before dinner. Welcome dinner at the hotel.

### 28 January | Simala Monastery and Minor Basillica de Sto. Niño

Breakfast at the hotel.

Depart for a whole day Cebu Tour. Visit Simala Monastery of the Holy Eucharist.
Lunch at a local restaurant. Head back to Cebu City. Stop at the Archbishop
Teofilio Camomot Shrine. Mass at Minor Basilica de Sto. Nino de Cebu and then
visit Magellan's Cross. Head to a local restaurant for dinner then transfer to hotel.

### 29 January | Travel from Cebu to Tagbilaran

Breakfast at the hotel.

Head to Cebu Port for the your morning ferry to Tagbilaran.

Arrive in Bohol and meet and greet at Tagbilaran Port. Commence Bohol Countryside

Tour. Proceed to Backayon Church for Mass. After the Mass proceed to

River Cruise Lunch at Loboc. After lunch continue tour and visit Chocolate Hills

and the Tarsier Sanctuary. Head to your hotel and check in.

30 January | Free day
Breaklast at the hotel.
Free day. Optional activities to be offered.
Ballcasag Island Tour

- Cadapdapan Rice Paddies and Can-Umantad Waterfalls

### 31 January | Bohol - Cebu - Cagayan de Oro

Breakfast at the hotel. Breakfast at the hatel.
Check out and proceed to the pier for ferry to the Cebu.
Arrive in Cebu and transfer to Mactan Airport for flight to Cagayan de Oro.
Arrive in Cagayan de Oro and procced to hotel and check in.
Free time. Mass before dinner.

Dinner at a local restaurant

Ol February | Bukidnon Day Trip
Breakfast at the hotel. Transfer to Dahilayan Adventure Park, Bukidnon.
During this visit, the guests will experience Panampulot, a ritual of Manobo Tribe.
Banag-Banag dance will welcome the arriving guests and they will experience 8
different stations of Manolo Fortich Culture. Various activities available such as
Tsokolate making, Bead making. Coffee Making, Binake wrapping & Tasting Corn
Grinding, Corn Grilling. Panampulot Ritual, Binakid Language Learning. Lunch at
Ricardo's restaurant. After lunch proceed to the Abbey of Transfiguration for
Mass. Head back to Cagayan de Oro in the afternoon.
Dinner at the hotel. Dinner at the hotel.

### 02 February | Cagayan de Oro City Tour

Breakfast at the hotel.

Depart for Cagayan de Oro City Tour.

Mass at St. Augustine Metropolitan Cathedral. After Mass, proceed to Cagayan De Oro City Museum, Museo de Oro and Plaza Divisorio.

Lunch at Panagatan Seaside Restaurant.

After Junch, proceed to Divine Mercy Shrine.

Head back to the hotel. Free time. Dinner at the hotel.

### 03 February | Cagayan de Oro - Legaspi (via Manila)

Packed breakfast at the hotel.

Check out and proceed to airport for your early flight to Legaspi.

Arrive in Legaspi and proceed to Albay Tour. Highlights are Cagsawa Ruins,

Sumlang Lake, Daraga Church, Casa Simeon for lunch, Tiwi Pottery,

Mt. Masaraga Volcano Camp Site for spectacular views of Mayon Volcano.

After the tour, proceed to your hotel for dinner and check in.

Mass before dinner.

Planer at the botal. Dinner at the hotel

# 04 February | Bicol tour options Breakfast at the hotel. Tour options are: • Dansol Eco Tour - Whale Shark Interaction

- Culinary Tour
   Ticao Island Hopping
  Head back to the hotel.

Mass at St. Gregory the Great Cathedral. Dinner at the hotel.

### 05 February | Legaspi - Naga

Breakfast at the hotel.

Check out and proceed to Naga City for Mass at the National Shrine of Our Lady of Pehalfrancia. Lunch at a local restaurant. Proceed to St John The Evangelist Metropolitan Cathedral, Museo del Seminario Conciliar de Nueva Caceres.

After the tour, proceed to the hotel and check in. Dinner at the hotel.

### 06 February | Naga - Quezon

Breakfast at the hotel. Check out and proceed to Quezon stopping at town churches along the way. Lunch at a local restaurant. Proceed to Kamay ni Hesus Healing Church. Mass at Kamay ni Hesus. Proceed to Villa Escudero and check in. Barrio Fiesta themed dinner at Villa Escudero.

### 07 February | Quezon - Batangas

Breaklast at Villa Escudero. Check out and proceed to Montemaria Shrine in Batangas City. Lunch at a local restaurant, Proceed to Taal Heritage Town. Mass at Minor Basilica of St. Martin of Tours. Proceed to Pico de Loro and check in. Dinner at the resort.

08 February | Pico de Loro - Manila via Tagaytay
Breakfast at the resort. Check out and proceed to Tagaytay for sightseeing.
Lunch at Farmer's Table. Head to Manila after lunch. Mass at Manila Cathedral.
Dinner at Illustrado restaurant, Intramuros.

### 09 February | Antipolo - Manila

Breakfast at the hotel. Proceed to Antipolo Cathedral for Mass. Lunch at Pinto Art Museum. Head to Manila after lunch. Proceed to Quiapo Church and Binondo Church then to Baclaran Church. Dinner at the hotel

### 10 February | Manaoag - Tarlac

Breakfast at the hotel
Check out and proceed to Manaoag for Mass at the Minor Basilica of Our Lady of
Manaoag, Lunch at a local restaurant. Proceed to Monasterio de Tarlac
for a visit. Visit Death March Monument. Depart for Clark and check in at hotel. Farewell Dinner at the hotel

## 11 February | Departure day Breakfast at the hotel. Check out and proceed to airport.

# Jubilee 2025 - Pilgrims of Hope



As the Universal Church looks toward the Jubilee Year 2025, the USCCB is thrilled to support the Holy Father in this "event of great spiritual, ecclesial, and social significance in the life of the Church."

Pope Francis stated in his February 2022 letter announcing the Jubilee 2025: "We must fan the flame of hope that has been given us, and help everyone to gain new strength and certainty by looking to the future with an open spirit, a trusting heart and far-sighted vision. The forthcoming Jubilee can contribute greatly to restoring a climate of hope and trust as a prelude to the renewal and rebirth that we so urgently desire..."

The Jubilee Year will offer the faithful opportunities to participate in various jubilee events at the Vatican and in their own dioceses. The great tradition of opening the Holy Door will begin when Pope Francis opens the Holy Door of St. Peter's Basilica on December 24, 2024. Other holy doors will be opened at the Rome basilicas of St. John Lateran, St. Mary Major and St. Paul Outside the Walls. For pilgrims who cannot travel to Rome, bishops around the world are expected to designate their cathedrals or a popular Catholic shrine as special places of prayer for Holy Year pilgrims, offering opportunities for reconciliation, indulgences and other events intended to strengthen and revive faith.





Pope Francis has asked that the year 2024 be dedicated to a "great symphony of prayer" as the Church prepares for the Jubilee of 2025. The Jubilee prayer can be found below.

Additional information about Jubilee events and materials can be found in the Calendar of Events below, or on the Vatican website <a href="here">here</a>. As information becomes available for specific initiatives of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, that information will be available on this web page.







# Information for Jubilee 2025 Preparation and Participation

Prepared by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops for use in local dioceses and eparchies across the United States.

In preparation for Jubilee 2025 in the local Church, the USCCB has prepared this document for your reference.

### JUBILEE WEBSITE

https://www.iubilaeum2025.va/en.html (English) https://www.iubilaeum2025.va/es.html

(Spanish)

### JUBILEE MOBILE APP

https://apps.apple.com/us/app/iubilaeum25/ id6467652982?platform=iphone (for iOS devices, i.e. Apple products)

https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=va.iubilaeum2025.app&pli=1 (for Android devices)

The digital app for mobile devices, which makes registration for Jubilee 2025 events easier, can be downloaded from the App Store for iOS and from the Play Store for Android. By using the mobile app, which is available in six languages, a person can access all the latest news on the Jubilee, register as a pilgrim for the Holy Year, and obtain the Pilgrim Card for free. Once registered on the portal, individuals will also be able to register for Jubilee events and pilgrimages to the Holy Door.

### THE JUBILEE LOGO

Individuals and organizations may download the Jubilee logo in high resolution and the main languages at this link. Since the logo is subject to copyright, its use is intended for pastoral and non-profit purposes only. Such use is to be linked to the following pastoral and ecclesial initiatives with no commercial purposes:

- Place the trademark on materials related to the Jubilee, such as: leaflets, pamphlets, postcards, brochures, posters, outlines, banners, websites and other media;
- Place branding on pastoral materials to be used for spiritual preparation for the Jubilee;
- Place trademark on promotional materials related to the Jubilee, particularly on posters, banners, T-shirts, hats, mugs, and other materials and media; not for commercial use.
  - The use of the logo to third parties will not be granted.
  - A manual for logo use can be found online here at this link.

### THE JUBILEE PRAYER

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen.

The official prayer can be found here in sixteen languages, other languages are being added.

### THE JUBILEE HYMN ("PILGRIMS OF HOPE")

- The official Jubilee hymn has been available for download.
- The necessary information (audio and sheet music) can be found at the following link.
- Currently, the hymn is available in Italian, English, Spanish, and French.
- The translations for other major languages are currently being worked on.

The Vatican invites all of us to use the hymn as widely as possible and in liturgical assemblies.

### THE JUBILEE CALENDAR

- The Opening of the Holy Door of St.
   Peter's Basilica will be December 24,2024.
- The Jubilee celebrations for various audiences will take place from January to December 2025.
- The overview calendar and tentative schedule for the Jubilee celebrations in Rome can be found in a separate information sheet, available at this link

# DIOCESAN AND EPARCHIAL PILGRIMAGES TO ROME

- Dioceses and eparchies are welcome to coordinate pilgrimages to Rome for the Jubilee celebrations.
- Dioceses and eparchies may come to Rome at any time throughout 2025 to celebrate the Jubilee, or they can choose to coordinate a visit in conjunction with one of the particular Jubilee events on the calendar.
- Dioceses and eparchies may consider working with a reputable local or national travel agency that specializes in overseas and/or pilgrimage travel. It may also be helpful to have 1 or 2 point person(s) at the diocesan/eparchial level who can coordinate activities for the group(s) and liaison with the travel agency.
- For official registration of diocesan or eparchial pilgrimages and large groups for the Jubilee, point persons should contact pilgrim@iubilae um2025.va and communicate the dates of the intended pilgrimage and an indicative estimate of the number of participants. Staff from the Vatican Dicastery for Evangelization will respond accordingly.



- As the Jubilee year approaches, as soon as practicably possible, it will be necessary for point persons to send the list of names of those from the local diocese or eparchy who will take part in Jubilee events.
- The Dicastery for Evangelization will register the participants among the official list of those enrolled.

### PLEASE NOTE:

The USCCB is <u>NOT</u> coordinating any national activities in Rome during the Jubilee Year, nor is the USCCB coordinating any official national delegation to Jubilee events.

### JUBILEE VOLUNTEERS

If people from dioceses/eparchies are interested in volunteering, here are the requirements and expectations.

## Who can serve as a volunteer for the 2025 Jubilee?

- Any adult member of the faithful who intends to offer their availability for a fixed period of one week, from Saturday to Saturday, or for specific events and/or jubilees.
- It will also be necessary to present a letter from the volunteer's parish priest at the time of application which attests to the volunteer's Catholic faith and active participation in parish life.
- Knowledge of the Italian language is preferable, but not mandatory.

### How can one apply to become a volunteer for Jubilee 2025?

- Via the official Jubilee platforms, www. iubilaeum202S.va or the iubilaeum25 app, applicants may submit their application and register the week of availability for service.
- Volunteers may also offer multiple weeks of service.

- The Secretariat will then contact the volunteer to confirm details depending on requirements.
- All travel expenses to and from Rome are the responsibility of the volunteers.
- The Dicastery for Evangelization will provide food and accommodation during the service period.

### What will be expected of a Volunteer for the Jubilee of 2025?

- Volunteers will welcome pilgrims at the different meeting points, providing them with information on all available services; accompanying them along the routes specially reserved to access the Papal Basilicas; and will provide assistance/ further services that may be necessary in various circumstances.
- He/she offers this service freely and without payment He/she is committed to carrying out the tasks assigned by the Jubilee Secretariat, based on the logistical-operational needs of the Jubilee program.

# COORDINATING "STATESIDE" CELEBRATIONS

- Recognizing that many cannot or choose to not travel to Rome for the Jubilee, it is highly recommended that dioceses and eparchies (and/or parishes and other organizations, apostolates, movements, and communities) develop "stateside" celebrations in conjunction with the Jubilee Year.
- The USCCB will be sharing ideas on how to develop these "stateside" local events, which will be posted on the bishops-only and public websites as they are created.



- Dioceses, eparchies, and local communities may wish to host their "stateside" activity in conjunction with the timing of the Jubilee celebrations of particular groups who will be gathered with the Holy Father in Rome throughout the year (i.e., catechists, families and children, young people, the elderly, the poor, etc.).
- The audience-specific "stateside" events can occur concurrently with events taking place in Rome; dioceses, eparchies, and local communities can also live-stream the Vatican celebrations with the Holy Father as part of their particular "stateside" celebration.
- Dioceses, eparchies and local communities may also wish to coordinate a domestic Jubilee pilgrimage to Catholic sites and destinations across the United States throughout the year or at a specific moment that corresponds to one of the audience-specific celebrations taking place in Rome.

### **FAQS ON THE JUBILEE**

# Should our diocese/eparchy coordinate a trip to Rome or plan a "stateside" event?

Both options can be done. However, to ensure engagement of the most Catholics with regard to the Jubilee, it is highly recommended that "stateside" activities and resourcing local communities be carried out in 2025.

# Will our diocese/eparchy be able to see the Holy Father?

Throughout the year, the agenda for most Jubilee celebrations involve programs at which the Pope is present, such as a Mass or particular audience. The exact details of those experiences are yet to be shared.

# What are the "Jubilee rites" that are listed on the agenda for the various Jubilee celebrations?

These are special moments of prayer that will take place at various basilicas and locations around Rome. The exact details of those experiences are yet to be shared.

# If we take a group to Rome, how do we get accommodation, meals, and transportation?

Should your diocese or eparchy or local group be working with a travel agency, those companies are able to book those elements of travel for or with you. If you are not going with an outside agency, diocesan/eparchial leaders may need to explore these options on their own as they would with any personal trip abroad.

# Will there be any U.S. activities happening in Rome during the Jubilee?

The USCCB is not coordinating any U.S. events during any of the Jubilee celebrations.

## What about the groups or ministries not included on the Jubilee calendar?

While the Holy See has designated a number of groups and ministries on their Jubilee calendar, not everything was included. However, in your local diocese or eparchy, or in collaboration with other dioceses, eparchies, or organizations, you can hold a special celebration for another population, ministry, or area of celebration in your local area. You can also celebrate the already-listed groups on alternative days, based on local circumstances.

# For any additional questions, you are welcome to contact the following individuals on staff at USCCB:

- Marilyn Santos, Secretariat of Evangelization and Catechesis, msantos@usccb.org
- Paul Jarzembowski, Secretariat of Laity, Marriage, Family Life and Youth, pjarzembowski@usccb.org



Sto. Niño
Devotion
(every Friday
after the
12:10 p.m. Mass)

Judy Labaria Alma Raymundo Cathy Bohol Sheila Montemayor Anonymous



# Black

Nazarene Feast Day January 9

Rosie Drapiza Lydia Cagampan Rene & Elsa Tuazon Celia & Paul Gravador



### Our Lady of Perpetual Help Devotion

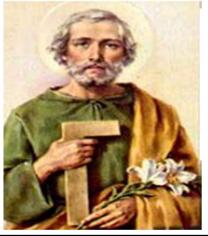
(every Tuesday after the 12:10 Mass)

Raya & Gamboa Families



San Lorenzo Ruiz First Filipino Saint (Sep 28)

Fe Macatangay Jeanette Chafe John & Gemma O'Donnell Evelyn Grande Mely Saavedra



# Saint Joseph

Feast Day March 19

Xenia Villamejor





# PRAYER TO OL. Hnne

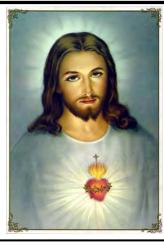
bestowed on St.
Annes such grace
that she was found
worthy to become
the mother of
MARY, who
brought forth
Your only
begotten SON.
Grant that we may
be helped by her
intercession.
Amen.

MANY DESIGNATION OF

### Sacred Heart

First Friday Schedule

4pm Holy Hour 5:15 Mass





### OUR LADY OF FATIMA

Pray the rosary

The Graceful Chapter

### Psalm 23

1 The LORD is my shepherd, I lack nothing.

2 He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters.

3 He refreshes my soul. He guides me along the right paths for his name's sake. 4 Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

5 You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

6 Surely your goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever. The Graceful Chapter

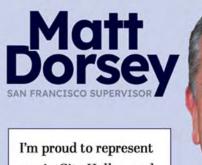
Yap Family



### St. Patrick Charismatic Prayer Group

Charismatic & Healing Mass: Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday at 2:00 p.m.





you in City Hall - and grateful for the faith community we share at St. Patrick's. For help with city matters, feel free to call my office at (415) 554-7970 or email Matt.Dorsey@sfgov.org.

Best,

Monson

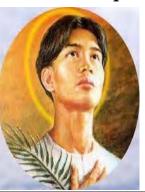


Our Lady of Guadalupe

Feast Day December 12



### St. Pedro Calungsod 2<sup>nd</sup> Filipino Saint (April 2)



Elena & Mark Ramoran Gayapa Family,

Romeo & Antonina Real Family, Dan & Annie Lacap Family,

Jesus, Jr. & Malou Paningbatan, Vida Ventura.

Nenette Murata. Cristin Salangsang