



# STAR of the SEA

*a stewardship parish*

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**October 1st, 2017** Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (p599 in Red Missal)

Extraordinary Form: 17th Sunday after Pentecost (p774 in Black Missal)



Pope Francis has called us to be a Church of and for the Poor. I am happy to report that we are indeed a Church of the poor, if not always for the poor. I write from a French motorway, where we are driving from Our Lady of La Salette in the Alps to Our Lady of Lourdes in the Pyrenees. In between these two poor mountain villages are the rich beach communities of the "Cote d'Azure," the Orange County of France, the Riviera, where wealthy Parisians have gorgeous second homes above vistas of sparkling blue waters. It is interesting that, as our guide said, there are no notable Marian shrines in this wealthy coastal region. Has Our Lady never come here, or perhaps she has come, only to find that the wealthy have no time for her. It's not the well-off don't want the Blessed Mother (everybody wants their mother). It's just that the wealthy are so busy managing their wealth that they just don't have time for her. It is simply a sad fact the Church is dying in the wealthy countries (Europe, North America, Australia, etc). It is among poorer peoples (Southeast Asia, the Caribbean, and especially in Africa) that the Church is flourishing. We who are wealthy should take the Lord's words very seriously: *how hard it is for a rich man to enter the Kingdom of God.* It is not impossible for a self-sufficient man to surrender his will to God, but it is very difficult. Whereas the poor man must suffer daily humiliation of poverty, the rich man who would serve God must suffer the daily negation of his will. He must himself create his own spiritual poverty—it will not be given him as it will for the poor man.

That we are a Church of the poor was dramatically evident to me in Paris, where we stayed two days at the convent beside the great

#### Weekend Masses

Sat Vigil 4:30pm, Sun 8am,  
9:30am, 11:30am (Latin),  
5pm (Latin), 7:30pm

#### Adoration

Tues. 8:30am 'til Saturday  
4pm, Tuesday 7-8pm, Every  
2nd Sunday 3:15-4:15pm

#### Daily Masses

Monday to Friday  
7:30am (Latin) 12 Noon,  
Saturday 8:30am

#### Social Events

Parish BBQ: First  
Sundays Young Adults  
Tuesdays 7pm

#### Holy Day Masses

7:30am (Latin) 12 Noon,  
5:30pm, 6:30pm (Latin  
with choir)

#### Devotions to Jesus

Sacred Heart First Friday  
after Noon Mass, Divine  
Mercy Saturday at 3pm

Our mission statement:

*to evangelize God's people  
beginning with the gift of the  
Holy Eucharist.*

Fr. Joseph Illo  
Administrator

Fr. John Mary Chung  
Parochial Vicar

Fr. Vito Perone  
School Chaplain

Martin Ford  
Operations Manager

Ellen Torkelson  
Secretary /HR

Thelma Queri  
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Office: M-F 8:30am-4:00pm.  
Office closed 12:00-1:00pm  
for Mass.

basilica of Sacre Coeur. The Holy Eucharist has been exposed for adoration there continuously since 1885. It is the one place in Paris where the poor in spirit can find comfort at any time of the day or night. I went in by day and by night to do my prayers, and whom did I see inside this church? I saw lots of people with dark skin. I saw the city's serving class: the hotel workers, the street cleaners, the waiters and security guards and taxi drivers of the city, that whole population of forgotten and invisible immigrant class. Some white people came too, some with expensive hair and chic dress, some with briefcases



*My friend, Fr. Mark, offering Mass at the altar of St. Jean Vianney assisted by Joel & Josh.*

and high quality shoes. But we were a minority. We are a church of the poor, already. At least it is they who populate our parishes and shrines, they who still send their children to catechism classes and make their confessions to a priest.

Whether we are a Church for the poor is another question. Do we listen to their requests for simple devotions and access to the sacraments? Do we keep our church doors open to them, to whom so many other doors are closed? It is not the poor who are demanding the Church change her teachings on marriage and abortion and suicide. The wealthy want these compromises with Gospel Truth. The poor simply want Jesus and his Gospel. Is our Church listening to the poor, or is it being driven by the demands of the wealthy?

- Fr. Joseph Illo ([frilloblog.com](http://frilloblog.com))

#### Confessions

15 Minutes before every  
Mass, Saturday 3:15-4:15 or  
by appointment

#### Devotions to Mary

Perpetual Help Wednesday  
after Noon Mass. Fatima First  
Saturday after 8:30am Mass

# NEWS

## The Sunday Scriptures

by Fr. Joseph Illo "Two Sons"

(*Isaiah 55: 6-9, Philippians 1: 20c-24, 27a, Matthew 20:1-16*)

Jesus tells us a parable this Sunday: "A man had two sons." One son says Yes but does not do what his father asks, and the other son says No but ends up obeying him in the end. Every living one of us says No to God often, but may Our Lady help us to change our minds, to convert, and to turn to God's perfect will after all.

## Star of the Sea Oktoberfest

Pull out your lederhosen and loosen your belts a bit because the Knights of Columbus will sponsor an Oktober Fest .... on November 11th. More details to follow. We plan to have an outdoor beer garden, live music, dancing, German food and, of course, beer. Tickets will be available in the next couple weeks. We hope to see you there! Danke schön!

## Consecrating the Archdiocese

We would love for our whole parish and school communities to come to the Cathedral for the Consecration of our Archdiocese to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. This will be an historic day in our Archdiocese. Parking will be limited, so please take public transportation, Lyft, Uber, or carpool. Takes place at St. Mary's Cathedral on Geary at Gough. Bring your \$15 in cash, check, our credit card and buy a Star of the Sea t-shirt to show your Star of the Sea solidarity! We'll be in the Cathedral Plaza with a Star of the Sea blue feather flag (see the t-shirts modeled in the right column)

- 9:00 a.m. Rosary - Gathering and Rosary (Joyful Mysteries)
- 10:00 a.m. Mass - Celebrated by Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone
- 11:30 a.m. Procession and Consecration: Procession of the Blessed Sacrament and the Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of Fatima. The procession will be followed by Benediction and the Consecration of the Archdiocese to the Immaculate Heart of Mary by Archbishop Cordileone.

In the mean time, please pray the Prayer of Consecration found in the inside flap of this bulletin every day until the day of consecration.



Scarlet, Ellen, Thelma and Fr. Ala posing for our Star of the Sea t-shirts

## St. Lorenzo Feast

After the 4:30pm Vigil Mass on Saturday September 30th, FFASTAR will hold a great celebration in honor of San Lorenzo. Tickets are \$20. Children 5 and under are free. Don't miss this great party!

## Guadalupe Luncheon

On Sunday October 1st, The Gaudalupana group will sponsor a luncheon after the 11:30am Mass. Adults are \$20.00 and children under five are free. Save your ticket to enter a raffle!

## Blessing of the Animals

On Wednesday October 4th at 8am, bring your pets to Star of the Sea to get a special blessing on the Feast of St. Francis (patron saint of the City of San Francisco). Pets must be controlled and well behaved! We can't have dogs chasing cats in the school yard.

## Columbus Day Office Closed

In observance of Columbus Day, which takes place on Monday October 9th, our parish office will be closed. We'll see you again on Tuesday October 10th. The Mass Schedule will be unaffected so make sure you come to Mass!

# PRAYER

Day	Time	Intention
Sat 9/30	8:30am 4:30pm	+Hans Alam +Dominic Lemos
Sun 10/1	8am 9:30am 11:30am 5pm 7:30pm	+ Maglasang Family +Some D. Ching +Souls in Purgatory +Peter Vui Int. Dave Evans
Mon 10/2	7:30am 12Noon	+Arthur Hodgdon Int Bernadette Johnston (healing)
Tue 10/3	7:30am 12Noon	+Marge Hodgdon +Kenneth O'Rourke
Wed 10/4	7:30am 12Noon	+Enrico & Rita Palencia Int Jay Bok Benedict Lee (birthday)
Thu 10/5	7:30am 12Noon	+Ronald Hathorn Thanksgiving for favor received - Divine Mercy
Fri 10/6	7:30am 12Noon	+Enrico & Rita Palencia Int. Martha Sardelich (healing)
Sat 10/7	8:30am 4:30pm	+ Holy Rosary Sodality +Henry So

Please pray for ...

Fr. John  
McDermott, Ron  
Howes, Leoni  
Pryor, Billy  
Kennedy, Jenny &  
Francis Chow,  
Blanca Barahona,  
Valerie Chicas,  
Valerie Abejuro  
Miller, Raquel  
Pasco, Sis. Theresa  
Grant, Peter  
Haramis, Leslie  
Weber, Christina G.  
Piazo, John  
Driscoll, Edna  
Herrera, Miles  
Sellai, David  
Schiessl, David  
Talpas,,Matthew  
Nelson, Cecilia  
Conway, Sicily

Guzman, Nora Sarinas, Anastasia Olbash, Ben-Hur  
Palma, Michael Hughes, Mary Acdan, Charde Ford,  
James Houghton, Flora Atento, Tony Yoshida, Raymond  
Ellery, George Pulizzano, Maria Fernanda Marcal,  
Maryanne Thompson, Christian Ourtague, Pat Hegarty,  
Johnny Colins, Sam Lahey, Joshua Cavalier, Manuel  
Sequeira, Evelyn Gan, Tessie So, Bruce Pritchard, Mary  
Guy, Beradi Wang, Suzane Wang, Rosa Lee, Tina  
Sanchez, Janice Alden Tom Schatz, Luz King, Connie  
Abordo, Jean Brock

## Consecration Prayer

In honor of the Consecration of the Archdiocese on October 7th, we will be saying this prayer after Mass each day till the Consecration. "O Most Blessed Virgin Mary, when you appeared in Fatima one hundred years ago, you desired that the Church should take refuge in your Immaculate Heart as a means that leads to Jesus, who is the way to the Father. Heeding your call, we entrust ourselves, our families, and our Archdiocese to the care and protection of your Immaculate Heart. As we prepare ourselves, through humble expressions of devotion, for the Consecration of our Archdiocese to your Immaculate Heart, inspire in us the longing to know, love, and follow your beloved son Jesus Christ. We ask that you help us imitate your spirit of generosity in doing God's will and your example of serving others selflessly, so that, having found God's abundant grace here on earth, we may one day be led to the everlasting joys of Heaven. Amen"

# EVENTS

Saturday September 30th **San Lorenzo Feast** celebrated in the auditorium after the 4:30pm Vigil Mass. Sponsored by the fun-loving Filipinos at FAASTAR!

Sunday October 1st **Pro-Life Chain** at 2pm on Park Presidio Blvd, in between Geary and Clement. Signs are provided.

Sunday October 1st **Las Guadalupanas Luncheon** after 11:30 am Mass in the Auditorium

Sunday October 1st **Rosary Marking** after 9:30am Mass in the St. Francis room (located at 345 8th Ave.)

Sunday October 1st **Book Club meets** in the parish office.

Monday October 2nd **No RCIA Class** RCIA will resume on October 18th

Tuesday October 3rd **Bible Study** at 3:00pm at the Parish Office. Call (650) 660-4546 to RSVP

Tuesday October 3rd **Holy Hour** at 7pm in the Church to pray for the intentions of everyone at the parish and school

Tuesday October 3rd **Young Adults Fellowship** after 7pm Holy Hour in the West Entrance of the Church and then to a local pub to be determined.

Wednesday October 4th **Blessing of the Animals and Feast of St. Francis of Assisi** bring your furry friends to the school lot at 8am for a very special St. Francis Day blessing

Thursday October 5th **Pro-Life Group** at 7pm prays outside Planned Parenthood on Valencia St. 7pm

Friday October 6th **Communion and Liberation** at 7pm in the St. Francis Room

Saturday October 7th **Consecration of the Archdiocese** 9am at the Cathedral

Monday October 9th **Columbus Day** Parish office will be closed. Operations will resume on Tuesday October 10th.

Monday October 18th **RCIA Resumes** at 6:30pm on John Paul II and the Son of God.

Saturday November 11th **Oktoberfest** will take place after the 4:30pm Vigil Mass (sponsored by the Knights of Columbus)

# STEWARDSHIP

**Stewardship** is a way of life, a life of accountability and responsibility acknowledging God as Creator and Giver of all. **Stewardship** involves responsible management of our God-given resources of **Time** (that is, time spent in prayer before God), **Talent** (our God-given abilities), and **Treasure** (our God-given wealth). Stewards as disciples of Jesus Christ see themselves as caretakers of all God's gifts.

## Might God be calling you to be a Dominican?

Have you ever thought about a religious or priestly vocation? The Dominican Friars invite young men to a Come and See Discernment Weekend on October 20-22 or November 10-12 at St. Albert the Great Priory, our house of studies in Oakland. Don't miss this great opportunity to pray, learn about Dominican life, and meet our student brothers, novices, and their formators. Space is limited! To register, contact Fr. Stephen Maria Lopez, O.P., Director of Vocations, at [vocations@opwest.org](mailto:vocations@opwest.org) or 510-658-8722.

## Steward Stats



**Time:** 8 Masses offered so far by our pilgrim priests in Europe for various intentions



**Talent:** 5 people attended our first CL meeting!



**Treasure:** \$5,200 given in the Offertory.

Our parish is subscribed to FORMED.ORG. It's like a Catholic Netflix Secret code:  
**DGG4E2**



Street Evangelization Team bringing Christ to Clement St.

## Columbus Day Service

The Knights of Columbus will be painting the St. Francis Room in the Parish Center on October 9th. If you'd like to help out, bring your paint clothes and show up after the Noon Mass.

## Communion and Liberation -- New Time

Our new Communion and Liberation group (CL) will now meet on Fridays instead of Thursdays at 7pm in the St. Francis Room.

## Prolife Chain

Show your support for respecting human life from conception to natural end by supporting our Life Chain at 2pm on Park Presidio Blvd between Geary and Clement Sts on Sunday October 1st. Signs will be provided. Just bring your good and positive spirits!

Beautifying our sacred space	Thelma Queri (415) 751-0450
Chinese Club	Gertrude Lee (415) 752-3611
Filipino Club	Estrelle Chan (415) 575-0828
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## Parishioner Registration

Please place this in the offertory basket

- New Parishioner  
 New Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

FULL  ASSOCIATE

**Estate Planning:** Help our work live on. Please remember us in your will. For information on estate planning, please contact Martin Ford at the parish office.