



STAR of the SEA *a stewardship parish*

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November 12th, 2017 *Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time* (p663 in Red Missal)
Extraordinary Form: Twenty- third Sunday after Pentecost (p810 in Black Missal)



Time is Prayer Remember? We are on the third and final week of our annual Stewardship Renewal. Two weeks ago we planned the Time in prayer we commit to God this year. Last week we planned the Talent we will share with

the parish in one or more ways. This week we plan that portion of treasure we will make to God this year.

Treasure Everybody loves treasure. When I was a boy my brothers and I found an old wooden box with rusty metal clasps. We poured our saved-up pennies into the box and buried it in the ground. Then we called some of the littler kids from the neighborhood and went on a treasure hunt. We dug up the box, brushed away the dirt, and flung upon the lid. The little kids went wild as we poured hundreds of shiny copper pennies into their hands. We had discovered hidden treasure!

A principle of Christian stewardship is discovering that hidden treasure. God pours his blessings upon us day by day, but these treasures remain largely hidden to us. We rush from one distraction to another, missing the graces all around us. When we take the time to still our racing hearts even for a moment, we discover those treasures. The sun. The clouds. Good health. Ailments that bring wisdom and depth. The people we like. The people we don't like, whose rough edges refine us. I was visiting a young man who had tried to kill himself the other day. He is a gentle soul, a good-hearted man, but trauma-

tized by a dysfunctional family. We prayed the rosary for fifteen minutes in the psychiatric ward, and in that quiet moment both witnessed to the enduring providence of God. What a treasure!

Money What does this have to do with money? Well, once we recognize our blessings, we want to share them, even our money. At Mass today I'm going to tell my story. I began tithing 15 years ago when I realized that giving some of my money to God was simple justice. It's really not my money, and I know now that He will always provide. Tithing freed me from worry and given me peace. I want you all to have that peace too.

Fr. Joseph Illo www.frilloblog.com



One of life's greatest blessings: Kevin and Vera Phuon's first-born son, Nicholas

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
Secretary / Bookkeeper

Theresa Poon
School Principal

Jacqueline Paras
Director of Pre-school

Lynn Kraehling
Music Director

Claire Herrick
Director of Evangelization

Lorna Feria
Children Faith Formation

Mariella Zevallos
Stewardship Coordinator

Ed Tobin
Sacristan

Ryan Sebers
President Pastoral Council

John Sellai
President Finance Council

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

Weekend Masses

Sat Vigil 4:30pm, Sun 8am,
9:30am, 11:30 am (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

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 **Lamp Oil**

(Wisdom 6:12-16, 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18, Matthew 25:1-13)

Five virgins were wise; they brought enough oil to keep their lamps lit through the night. Their radiant joy—their oil—didn't run out. Five virgins were foolish—they let their prayer lives get so lazy that they ran out of oil. Do you know where we refill our oil lamps every week? In the *adoration chapel*. That is our clean, well-lit place where we receive light and love, enough to keep our lamps lit another week.

Come to the Table!

A note on the Communion Rail from our pastor

A year ago we priests began offering you the option of receiving Holy Communion at the altar rail as well as in the line. Our church has retained the beautiful Communion Rail from which our grandmothers and great uncles and many generations received Jesus before us. It's a comfort to many of us to kneel or stand at the edge of the sanctuary, stilling our hearts in anticipation of Jesus' coming to us. I think of the Communion Rail as a table, and all of us have taken our places together at this table to be fed by God. Coming all together to this "table" seems more communal than coming up in a line. Lines are for post offices and movie theaters and supermarkets! Tables are for families. In any case, to avoid confusion, I propose we all come to the altar rail for Holy Communion. You can stand or kneel (some of course cannot kneel), and you can receive on the tongue or the hand. But I think it's best that we all "come to the Table" rather than standing in line for Holy Communion. Of course, most of you are already coming to the rail for Holy Communion, but I'd like to begin having everyone come to the rail, either kneeling or standing, on the hand or on the tongue, in a month or so. Let me know what you think.

Star Outreach Food Drive

On Saturday, 11/18, help prepare the Thanksgiving meal for the homeless! We serve with the Missionaries of Charity, the day before Thanksgiving, 200-300 homeless with our dear French Sisters of Fraternite Notre Dame. Please email outreach@starparish.com. The Thanksgiving Drive for the Homeless is in honor of Thomas Hooker, please help us to fill up 3 blue barrels. Unperishable food donations are due by Thanksgiving.



PSR and Junior Legion of Mary walk across the GG bridge and celebrate 1st Saturday of Our Lady

November Masses

Fill out a Mass envelope found at the Church entrances. The box to put your intentions is found in front of the statue of Our Blessed Mother on the front left side. Intentions in the box will be offered at every Mass this month. That's 30 days of Masses for you!

Principal's Letter

by Theresa Poon

Star of the Sea School is continuing our work toward meeting this year's accreditation goal of updating the school's library by developing our collection of rigorous, quality works that support the sense of a cohesive moral order in the universe in the Judeo-Christian tradition. You are invited to explore our Eureka Virtual Book Fair next week in the school auditorium to purchase books for the children in your lives.

For more information about book fair hours and the website link, please contact Nancy Whitney at nancychinwhitney@gmail.com.

New Children's Choir

We are forming a new children's choir for students ages 5-18. Practices will be held on Mondays at 5:45pm and Sundays at 1:15pm. Please meet in the music room at 5:45pm at Star of the Sea School's music room. (located on the 3rd floor of the school.) Please enter via the North stairs from the parking lot. For more information, please email lorna@starparish.com.

PRAYER

| Day | Time | Intention |
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| Sat 11/11 | 8:30am 4:30pm | +All Souls Int. of Tony Belo & Family +Rene Ing |
| Sun 11/12 | 8am 9:30am 11:30am 5pm 7:30pm | Int. of Francis & Jenny Chow + Josephine Lo +All Souls +Roy Lippi Int. of Douglas J Whelan +Estrella A. Wolfe +Mariette Installe & Jose Convie |
| Mon 11/13 | 7:30am 12Noon | +All Souls +Eva Vita Dator +Sr. Angela & Desmond Walsh |
| Tue 11/14 | 7:30am 12Noon | +All Souls +Tadhg Sweeney +Mahesk Kaushik +Cecilia Cuadra |
| Wed 11/15 | 7:30am 12Noon | +All Souls +Michael & Nellie Togher +Moses & Mary Lee Int. of Monica W. Dornfeld |
| Thu 11/16 | 7:30am 12Noon | +All Souls +Monika Stachura +Pedro F. Ceniza |
| Fri 11/17 | 7:30am 12Noon | +All Souls +deceased members of Legion of Mary +Kathleen Quinlan |
| Sat 11/18 | 8:30am 4:30pm | +All Souls +Kathleen Quinlan +Rose R. Stanis +Suey Lan Tom Lee |

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. Piazio, 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 Accdan, 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, David Glennon, Jennifer Bolla, Dave Vanskiver

First Saturday Devotions

We will be devoting ourselves as a parish every 1st Saturday of the month. The devotion consists of these 4 points:

- Confession
- Holy Communion
- Rosary
- 15 minute Meditation

Come December 2nd to 8:30am Mass and stay for the rosary afterwards. Our Lady says, **“I promise to assist at the hour of death with the graces necessary for salvation.”** This means that our Blessed Mother will be present at the hour of death with the actual grace of **final perseverance**, (which after the gift/grace of Faith), *is the most important grace.*

EVENTS

Saturday November 11, **Legion of Mary** 9:30am in the Parish Office.

Saturday November 11, Sunday November 12
Commitment Weekend - Financial Gifts

Saturday November 11, **Oktoberfest** will take place after the 4:30pm Vigil Mass

Sunday November 12, **Book Club** postponed

Sunday November 12, **Speaker Series - Papal Ninja** in the Auditorium at 6:00pm

Tuesday November 14, **Bible Study** at 3:00pm at the Parish Office. Call (650) 660-4546 to RSVP

Tuesday November 14, **Holy Hour** at 7pm in the Church to pray for the intentions of everyone at the parish and school

Tuesday November 14, **Young Adults Fellowship** after 7pm Holy Hour in the West Entrance of the Church and then to a local pub to be determined.

Thursday November 16, **School Open House** 9am in the Auditorium

Thursday November 16, **Pro-Life Group** at 7pm prays outside Planned Parenthood on Valencia St.

Friday November 17, **Communion and Liberation** at 7pm in the St. Francis Room

Friday November 17- Sunday November 19, **Pan de Vida Retreat PSR**, departing Star at 6pm on Friday, contact Claire in the Office for more info, 415-751-0450

Saturday November 18, **Legion of Mary** 9:30am in the Parish Office.

Saturday November 18 **Parol Making** St. Monica's 9am - 3pm. \$7 a kit. Sponsored by the Filipino Ministry. For more information contact Estrella: 415-336-9193

Saturday November 18, **Mothers Group** at 8:30am Mass or after Mass at 9:15am in the Parish Office

Saturday November 18, **Young Adults Serve** the poor with the Missionaries of Charity 2-5pm at St. Anthony's Hall

Sunday November 19, **Thanksgiving Breakfast** after 8am Mass outside West side entrance

Thursday November 23 - Friday November 24,
Thanksgiving - Office Closed

Thursday November 23, **Mass at 10am** no Mass at 12pm

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.

Steward Stats



Time: roughly 36 youth were enrolled in the Brown Scapular and 50 attended 1st Saturday devotions.



Talent: 6 PSR 2nd graders learned how to make rosaries.



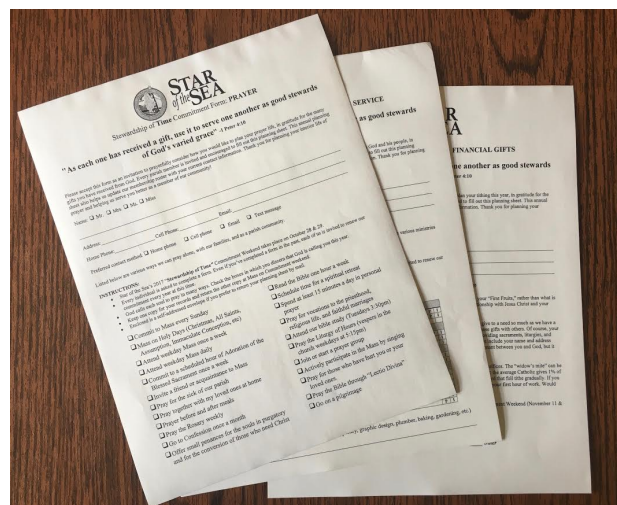
Treasure: \$6,697 given in the first Offertory. \$2,019 given in for St. Patrick Seminary.

WHY FILL OUT A COMMITMENT CARD?

By filling out a Commitment Card, you are committing to a certain course of action. You are saying, "God, I commit to myself to You and to a life lived for You. With your grace, may I do as You desire." The Commitment Card helps each of us to become better stewards, and when that happens, we become a faith-filled people, ready to live our lives in gratitude for all He has given us!

WAYS TO COMPLETE YOUR COMMITMENT CARD:

- █ Complete it at home and bring it to Mass on Commitment Weekend.
- █ Complete it at home and mail it back to the parish.
- █ Complete one at Mass on Commitment Weekend.
- █ Complete your form online at www.starparish.com



Forms:

Prayer

(Oct. 28-29)

Charitable Service

(Nov. 4 - 5)

Financial Gifts

(Nov. 11-12)

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| Beautifying our sacred space | Thelma Queri (415) 751-0450 |
| Chinese Club | Gertrude Lee (415) 752-3611 |
| Filipino Club | Estrella Chan (415) 575-0828 |
| Holy Name Society | Thelma Queri (415) 751-0450 |
| Street Evangelization | Eva Muntean eva@starparish.com |
| Serving the Poor | Jacqueline Paras outreach@starparish.com |
| Serving Single Moms | Jacqueline Paras outreach@starparish.com |
| Baptisms and Weddings | Claire Herrick claire@starparish.com |
| Saving Unborn Children | Clarisse Siu clarisse.siu@gmail.com |
| Studying Scripture | MaryAnn Eiler maryann@starparish.com |
| Becoming Catholic (RCIA) | Fr. Illo fr.illo@starparish.com |
| Eucharistic Adoration | Claire Herrick claire@starparish.com |
| Meeting Young Adults | Claire Herrick claire@starparish.com |
| Helping in the office | Martin Ford (415) 751-0450 |
| Knights of Columbus | Bud Feria budzilla885@yahoo.com |
| Singing in a choir | Lynn Kraehling lynn@starparish.com |
| Helping with Liturgy | Mariella Zevallos mariella@starparish.com |
| Holy Rosary Sodality | Catalina Rausa 415-221-2287 |

Parishioner Registration

Please place this in the offertory basket

- New Parishioner
- New Information

Name _____

Phone _____

Email _____

○ FULL ○ ASSOCIATE

Our parish is subscribed to **FORMED.ORG**. It's like a Catholic Netflix. Register and use this secret code: **DGG4E2** to get access.

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.