



STAR of the SEA

a stewardship parish

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November 19th, 2017 **Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time** (p674 in Red Missal)
Extraordinary Form: Sixth Sunday after Epiphany (p260 in Black Missal)



Happy Thanksgiving

I wish you all a blessed Thanksgiving, and express gratitude to all who have kindly invited Fr. John and me to your homes. We will visit as many Thanksgiving dinners as a good pilgrim can fit into one day! I

hope to see many of you at our 10am Mass on Thursday, and invite you to bring some food items for blessing. In my 27 years in the priesthood I've always delighted to see how many people come to Mass on Thanksgiving morning. Truly we know to whom we are rendering thanks. To offer the Lord God a sacrifice of praise at the Holy Mass is the essence of our national holiday. How sad to be an atheist on Thanksgiving! Wikipedia tells us that our nation's first Thanksgiving was at Plymouth Rock in 1621. Certainly the image of Native Americans and newly-arrived Pilgrims sitting down together warms our hearts. But an earlier thanksgiving meal between Europeans and Native Americans took place 56 years before that. 800 Spanish colonists had landed on August 28, 1565, at a beach in what is now Florida. They named their settlement "St. Augustine" after the saint of that day. This town of 14,000 is the oldest European settlement in our country. On September 8 these colonists offered the first Mass on our continent, and after this supreme act of thanksgiving to God, sat down for a meal with members of the Timucuan tribe. We offer the same Holy Mass on Thanksgiving Day this week at



10am, thanking God for his manifold blessings and praying for peace in our nation. On Thursday I will read President Lincoln's inspiring Thanksgiving proclamation of 1863, as I do every year.

Stewardship. Speaking of Thanksgiving, I want to thank all who made commitments to God of your time, talent, or treasure this year, or all three! Christian Stewardship is essentially an act of Thanksgiving to God. If you have not yet written down your commitment, more copies are available at the office. Don't miss the joy of sharing your blessings!

Fr. Joseph Illo www.frilloblog.com



Grandmother Dorothy and Martin

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, 11:30am (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

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 Talents

(Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31, 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6, Matthew 25:14-30)

A "talent" in Jesus' time was a measure of weight, about 85 pounds. A talent of gold therefore was worth a lot more than a talent of silver. God gives each of us certain amounts of talent, some of silver, some of gold, some of copper. What are you going to do with all your talents?

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, starting Advent, Sunday December 3rd. Let me know what you think.

Star Outreach Food Drive

Thanksgiving is a great time to give back to others. We usually serve 200-300 people meals the day before Thanksgiving. If you would like to help on Nov. 23rd please email outreach@starparish.com.

There is also a Thanksgiving Drive for the Homeless in honor of Thomas Hooker, please help us fill the 3 blue barrels by the West Entrance of the Church with food donations. Non-perishable food donations are due by Thanksgiving.



Dancing the night away at the Knights of Columbus' 1st Annual Oktoberfest

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!

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.



Sean Bryan, the Papal Ninja, as our Star Speaker

PRAYER

Day	Time	Intention
Sat 11/18	8:30am 4:30pm	+All Souls +Kathleen Quinlan +Rose R. Stanis +Suey Lan Tom Lee
Sun 11/19	8am 9:30am 11:30am 5pm 7:30pm	+Forgotten Souls +Deceased Legionaries +Consuelo Francisco +All Souls Int. of Victoriano Chung +Manuel S. Hernaez +Freddy Williams
Mon 11/20	7:30am 12Noon	+All Souls Int. of Officer Moore +Deceased members of Dator Family
Tue 11/21	7:30am 12Noon	+All Souls +Amah Ongkauko +Anita Francia +Jenny Tong
Wed 11/22	7:30am 12Noon	+All Souls +Deceased members of Serra High School Class of 1955 +Marie E. Glennon
Thu 11/23	7:30am 12Noon	+All Souls Int. of Jackie Paras Int. of Francis & Jenny Chow Int. of Sheila McNeil
Fri 11/24	7:30am 12Noon	+All Souls +Policarpo & Maria Manas +Suey Lan Tom Yee
Sat 11/25	8:30am 4:30pm	+All Souls Int. of Victoriano Chung +Carole & Charles Berry

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
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, Lola Luz Tabobo

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 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

Monday November 20, **Knights of Columbus** meeting at 7:00pm in the St. Francis Room.

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

Tuesday November 21, **Bible Study** at 3:00pm at the Parish Office. Call (650) 660-4546 to RSVP

Tuesday November 21, **Holy Hour** at 7pm in the Church to pray for the intentions of everyone at the parish and school

Tuesday November 21, **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 23 - Friday November 24,
Thanksgiving - Office Closed

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

Thursday November 23, **Serving the Homeless** 11:30-1pm

Sunday November 26, **Organ Blessing** at the 9:30am Mass

Saturday December 2, **First Saturday Devotions** at the 8:30am Mass

Saturday December 2, **Legion of Mary** 9:30am in the Parish Office.

Sunday December 3, **Advent Begins**

Sunday December 3, **PSR Advent Preparation** after 9:30am Mass

Monday December 4, **Fr. Joseph Illo's Birthday**

Friday December 8, **Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception** Mass at 6:30pm

Tuesday December 12, **Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe** Mass 6:30pm followed by procession and feast

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.

Eucharistic Adorer

People ask me: 'What will convert America and save the world?' My answer is prayer. What we need is for every parish to come before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament in holy hours of prayer. - St. Teresa of Calcutta

Eucharistic Adoration is open from 8am on Tuesdays - 4pm on Saturdays. Please visit our Adoration information table outside the Chapel in the West Entrance of the Church. Also, starting Tuesday November 28th Adoration will be in the Church during the day from 7am - 5pm and during the night in the side Adoration Chapel. There will be no Eucharistic Adoration on Thanksgiving, Thursday November 23rd from 10am - 7am on Friday November 24th.

Steward Stats



Time: 116 commitment forms were filled for Prayer



Talent: 85 commitment forms were filled for Service.



Treasure: \$7,954 given in Offertory. 60 commitment forms were filled for finances.

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.



Fr. John Chung and Altar Servers filling out Prayer Commitment Forms

Grace In Action

For the past three weeks we have been reflecting and planning how to best offer our gifts to God and our parish community. Thanks to all who have filled out a Commitment form for Prayer, Service and Financial Gifts! "We are on our way to enter more deeply into the spirituality of Christian Stewardship" - Fr. Joseph Illo's letter in the 2017 Ministry Catalog. Please consider filling out your commitment forms if you have not had a chance. Embrace Stewardship as a way of life! For more information please contact mariella@starparish.com

Organ Blessing

Come to Mass November 26th at 9:30am for the blessing of our new organ!

Thanksgiving Mass

No 12 noon Mass on Thanksgiving! Mass will be celebrated at 10 am instead and as usual at 7:30 am.

Mary's Feast Days

Get ready for December Feast days! The Immaculate Conception and Our Lady of Guadalupe. See the calendar for dates!

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

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	Wayne Racek (916) 409-5312
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Eucharistic Adoration	Claire Herrick claire@starparish.com
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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
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Parishioner Registration

Please place this in the offertory basket

- ☐ New Parishioner
- ☐ New Information

Name _____

Phone _____

Email _____

☐ FULL ☐ ASSOCIATE