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My Lazarus Our wonderful office staff feeds many homeless men and women who come to our door every day. One man is a sad fellow who comes almost every day for coffee and a sand-

wich. He has a tragic tumor on his face, his glasses are usually broken or smudged, and he never smiles. I know the names of our other regulars, such as Michael, the young man who talks a mile a minute, a born salesman who has deftly convinced me to contribute a few hundred dollars to his



graduated from our school years ago, but is now a happy drunk living from hand to mouth in his old neighborhood. Al too has a philosophic approach to his lot in this life, looking forward to heaven. He says with a grin that the streets of San Francisco are not all they are cracked up to be. at least for him and his buddies. But our poor sad man with the tumor-I can't remember his name for the life of me! On St. Joseph's Day I found him waiting patiently for his daily bread. "Good morning!" I chirped, to which he made some sort of sad response. "Someone smashed the statue of Our Lady last night," I noted, pointing to the empty spot where the

Blessed Mother used to stand beside her homeless. He shook his head sadly and said "I guess they got the flower pot too...." Not knowing what else to say, I commented on the amount of rain we've had this winter. "What do you do when it rains?" I asked. "I find a doorway," he said plaintively. At that moment Thelma appeared at the door with coffee and sandwiches. "Thank you," he mumbled and shoved off. I went into the office to begin the day's business.

At Thursday's Mass we heard Christ's parable of "Dives and Lazarus." Lazarus is the poor man languishing outside the door of an unnamed rich man nicknamed

> "Dives" (the word for *rich* in Latin). The poor man at my door has no name, at least not one anyone can remember, but God knows his poor man's name. His name is Lazarus, from the Hebrew Eleazar, meaning "God has

helped." In Christ's parable, it is the rich man who has no name. I can't help our own "Lazarus" much. He and I both must rely on God's help. But still, I can do something. I can learn my homeless man's name. He is my brother, and I can smile at him, and give him an extra spoonful of sugar in his coffee. God will have to do the rest.

Four Easter Baptisms This Sunday our four catechumens (Richard, Wilson, Amanda, and Joel) will undergo their first scrutiny at the 9:30 Mass. Pray for them! Fr. Joseph Illo www.frilloblog.com

Our Mission Statement: To evangelize God's people beginning with the gift of the Holy Eucharist.

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Office Hours: M-F 8:30am-4:00pm. Closed 12:00-1:00pm

**Daily Masses** Monday to Friday 7:30am (Latin) 12 Noon Saturday 8:30am

**Eucharistic Adoration** Mon. 8:00am till Saturday 4pm, after 6pm use passcode. Adults Tuesdays 7pm

Weekend Masses

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

Social Events Coffee & Donuts After Sunday Masses, Young

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 **3:15-4:15pm** or by appointment

**Devotions to Mary** Perpetual Help Wednesday after Noon Mass. Fatima First Saturday after 8:30am Mass



#### **40 DAYS FOR LIFE**

From March 6 through April 14, you're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life - 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion.

You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood (1650 Valencia St. San Francisco, CA 94110), and also to help spread the word about this important community outreach.

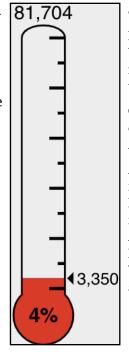
If you'd like more information — and especially if you'd like to join us to help, please contact: (408) 840-3297 sf40daysforlife@gmail.com

#### 2019 AAA is Here!

This week we kick off the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal, with our target of \$81,704. Please visit our website or that of the Archdiocese of San Francisco to view the video to see how your contribution helps our society!

The Archdiocesan Annual Appeal is a living manifestation of the Word of God to serve the least of our sisters and brothers. Its purpose is to secure the financial resources necessary to provide the programs and services to assist the poor and vulnerable, the marginalized and disenfranchised, those who find themselves in desperate situations, and others.

You can make your contribution on-line by going to starparish.com and click on the blue "2019 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal" button and help us to meet our goal!



# A Message from Principal Gallagher

Our faculty and curriculum committee have been hard at work researching classical curriculum to be ready for the next school year. The first of our efforts will be integrating the Humanities: Religion, Language Arts, and History. We believe that the integration of

content from one subject to another will give our students a wide comprehension of history and the achievements of mankind.

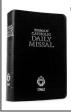
To develop a Humanities curriculum, a teacher will work to coordinate readings and assignments within a chronological framework, avoiding a compartmentalized approach and enabling students to participate in the "Great Conversation," or the way that authors have been referencing and interpreting the works of their predecessors through the ages.

In history, we have decided on the Catholic Textbook Project which produces high quality textbooks that teach from a Catholic perspective. They are similar to standard history texts in layout but some events are included that might be not be in a secular history book. The books we have selected are well balanced, inclusive, and comprehensive History textbooks.

In Religion, we have decided on Sophia Press's Spirit of Truth series. We felt the text was engaging and includes vivid sacred art reflections, stories of the saints, games, role-plays, and critical thinking questions.

Our Latin program will include offerings from Memoria Press and our next goal will be to research texts and materials for Language Arts.

All of us at Star of the Sea have been working very hard to ensure the future of this great school. One of our many efforts it to provide a high quality curriculum in a classical setting. These are difficult times for many of us, times when we need to turn to our faith. As Paul the Apostle said in a letter to the Corinthians: "Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all."



The Roman Catholic Daily Missals can be purchased at the office for \$50 (this same version retails for \$65.95). Typeset and not a photographic reproduction, this missal gives you clearly readable type. All liturgical texts and readings are in Latin & English.

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## The Sunday Scriptures

by Fr. Joseph Illo **Woman at the Well** (Exodus 17: 3-7; Romans 5: 1-2, 5-8; John 4: 5-42)

Our four catechumens will undergo the First Scrutiny at the 9:30 Mass this Sunday to prepare for their Easter baptism. Because of this, the Gospel is John 4, the Woman at the Well. Our Lord asks her for a cup of water, nothing more. She ends up giving Him her life, because He offers His life for her. He gives her the living water (baptism) that flows from His lacerated heart on the cross. He will die so she can live, but the Father will raise Him up again too.

	Time	Intention
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Sat 3/23	8:30am	+ Sou Bok Peter Lee + Leandro Nunez (40 days)
	4:30pm	+ Msgr. John Pernia + Pierre Ausquy
Sun 3/24	8am	Thanksgiving for Kathleen Kwok
	9:30am	+ Leandro Nunez + Enore and Christopher Beltrame
	11:30am	Int. for Priests in our Parish
	7:30pm	People of the Parish
Mon 3/25	7:30am	+ Eun Pak + Christopher and Joe Chin
	12Noon	+ Leandro Nunez + Severina Sagum
Tue 3/26	7:30am	+ Maura Naughton
	12Noon	+ Janet Cinco
Wed 3/27	7:30am	Int. for Irene Osborne's Godchildren
	12Noon	Int. of Joan Spaargaren Int. of Tad Lacy
Thu 3/28	7:30am	+ Linda Reyes
	12Noon	+ Leandro Nunez
Fri 3/29	7:30am	Int. of Eithva Grohkau and Family
	12Noon	Int. of Gloria Nunez (Birthday) Int. of Mary Preetha Conley (Birthday) Int. of Joseph Arnaldo (Birthday)
Sat 3/30	8:30am	Int. of Fr. John Fewel (Birthday)
	4:30pm	+ Lil Wong + Anatole Balmy

**Please pray for:** Spencer Christensen, Billy Kennedy, Edna Herrera, Tom Schatz, Dave Van Sciver, Rosa Lee, Maria Fernanda Marcal, Sally Tu, Maggie Tom, Louis N. Petropoulos, Chuck La Mere, Tom McDonough, Ed Tobin, Esmenia Batinga, Carmen Smith, Mary Gibbons.

Call the office to have your loved ones listed here.

**Adoration:** Monday 8:30am through Saturday 4:30pm, then Sunday starting at 9:00pm.

**Vespers**: Monday - Friday nights @ 5:45 to 6pm

**Sunday March 24, Holy Rosary Sodality** Pray the Rosary after the 8am Mass in the Church.

Tuesday March 26, 7pm Holy Hour & Benediction

**Tuesday March 26, Bible Study** at 3:30pm in the rectory. Contact Mary Ann Eiler (650) 660-4546

Wednesday March 27, Devotions to Our Lady of Perpetual Help after the Noon Mass.

**Thursday March 28, Pro-Life Group** at 7pm prays outside Planned Parenthood at 1650 Valencia Street.

Thursday March 28, Fasting and Prayer for Priests and the Church Join our young adults group each Thursday for a Holy Hour for Priests at 6pm to offer both vocal and silent prayer and the Rosary as a unified community.

**Saturday March 30 Legion of Mary** 9:30am in the Parish office

**Saturday March 30 Divine Mercy Devotion** at 3pm at the Church followed by Rosary/Novena.

**Saturday, April 20, Star Mothers' Group** meets in the Rectory after the 8:30 Mass.

Saturday, April 20, Star Outreach is cooking for the homeless; please consider volunteering each 3rd Saturday.

**Tuesday Confessions and Holy Hour** Every Tuesday we have a community Holy Hour in the church, with silence and then rosary led by the children. For Lent, the confessional light will be on every Tuesday from 6-8pm.

To have your Star of the Sea event listed in the weekly bulletin, please email **bulletin@starparish.com** 

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For further information about

### **Planned Giving**

please contact Mariella Zevallos at the parish office (415)751-0450 or mariella@starparish.com





Third Sunday of Lent

#### **PROCESSIONAL HYMN:**

Have Mercy, Lord, on Us - #559

Have mercy, Lord, on us, For thou art ever kind; Though we have sinned before thee, Lord, Thy mercy let us find.

Lord, wash away our guilt, And cleanse us from our sin; For we confess our wrongs and see How great our guilt hath been.

The joy thy grace can give Let us again obtain; And may thy Spirit's firm support Our spirits then sustain.

To God the Father, Son, And Spirit glory be, Who was and is and shall be so For all eternity.

#### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

My eyes are always on the Lord, for He rescues my feet from the snare. Turn to me and have mercy on me, for I am alone and poor.

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#### LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: Exodus 17: 3-7

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**: Ps:95:8



**SECOND READING:** Romans 5: 1-2, 5-8

#### **LENTEN GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



v. Lord, you are truly the Savior of the world; give me living water, that I may never thirst again.

#### **GOSPEL**

John 4: 5-42

#### LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

#### **OFFERTORY ANTIPHON**

The judgments of the Lord are right; they gladden the heart, and are sweeter than honey and the honeycomb. And so, your servant shall keep them.

#### **OFFERTORY ANTHEM (9:30)** - Sung by Choir

Hear the Voice and Prayer - Tallis

Hear the voice and prayer of Thy servants, that they make before Thee this day.
That Thine eyes may be open toward this house day and night, ever toward this place, of which Thou hast said:
"My Name shall be there."
And when Thou hearest have mercy on them.

#### **OFFERTORY HYMN:**

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say - #572, v. 1 & 2

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
"Come unto me and rest;
Lay down, thou weary one, lay down
Thy head upon my breast."
I came to Jesus as I was,
So weary, worn, and sad;
I found in him a resting place,
And he has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
"Behold, I freely give
The living water; thirsty one,
Stoop down, and drink, and live."
I came to Jesus and I drank
Of that life-giving stream;
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived,
And now I live in him.

#### **SANCTUS 127**

#### 128 MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION A

#### **AGNUS DEI 132**

#### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

For anyone who drinks it, says the Lord, the water I shall give will become in him a spring welling up to eternal life.

#### **COMMUNION SONG (9:30) - Sung by Choir**

The Song of the Tree of Life - R.V. Williams

Unto him that overcometh shall be given of the tree of Life which is in the midst of the Paradise of God. On either side of the river groweth the Tree of Life, the Leaves of the Tree are for thy healing.

In the midst of that fair City flows the river of Water of Life clear as crystal Who so will, let him take of the Water of Life freely. Who so drinketh of this water shall never thirst. Take thou the Leaves of the Tree of Life. So shalt thou enter in through the Gates of the City.

#### **COMMUNION HYMN:**

Let Thy Blood in Mercy Poured - #613

Let Thy blood in mercy poured, let Thy gracious Body broken, be to me, O gracious Lord, of Thy boundless love the token:

#### Refrain:

Thou didst give Thyself for me, now I give myself to Thee.

Thou didst die that I might live; blessed Lord, Thou cam'st to save me; all that love of God could give Jesus by his sorrows gave me. [Refrain]

By the thorns that crowned Thy brow, by the spear-wound and the nailing, by the pain and death, I now claim, O Christ, Thy love unfailing. [Refrain]

Wilt Thou own the gift I bring?
All my penitence I give Thee;
Thou art my exalted King,
of Thy matchless love forgive me. [Refrain]

#### **RECESSIONAL HYMN**

Forty Days and Forty Nights - #526

Forty days and forty nights You were fasting in the wild; Forty days and forty nights, Tempted, and yet undefiled.

Shall not we Thy sorrow share And from worldly joys abstain, Fasting with unceasing prayer, Glad with Thee to suffer pain?

Then, if Satan on us press,
Flesh or spirit to assail,
Victor in the wilderness,
Grant we may not faint nor fail!
Keep, O keep us, Savior dear,
Ever constant at Thy side,
That with Thee we may appear
At the eternal Eastertide.

## The Extraordinary Form of the Roman Rite Third Sunday of Lent

#### **Processional Hymn:**

Have Mercy, Lord, on Us - #559 (see pg. 4)

#### INTROIT Psalms 24: 15-16

Óculi mei semper ad Dóminum, quia ipse evéllet de láqueo pedes meos: réspice in me, et miserère mei. quóniam únicus et pauper sum ego. (Ps. 24: 1, 2) Ad te, Dómine, levávi ánimam meam: Deus meus, in te confído, non erubéscam. Glória Patri et Fílio et Spíritui Sancto, sicut erat in princípio, et nunc, et semper, et in sæcula sæculórum. Amen. Óculi mei semper ad Dóminum, quia ipse evéllet world without end. Amen. My eyes are de láqueo pedes meos: réspice in me, et miserére mei, quóniam únicus et pauper sum ego.

#### COLLECT

Quésumus, omnípotens Deus, vota humílium réspice: atque ad defensiónem nostram, déxteram tuæ majestátis exténde. Per Dóminum nostrum Jesum Christum, Fílium tuum, qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitáte Spíritus Sancti Deus, per ómnia sécula seculórum.

#### GRADUAL Psalms 9: 20, 4

Exsúrge, Dómine, non præváleat homo: judicéntur gentes in conspéctu tuo. In converténdo inimícum meum retrórsum, infirmabúntur, et períbunt a shall be turned back, they shall be fácie tua.

#### TRACT Psalms 122: 1-3

in cælis. Ecce, sicut óculi servórum in dwellest in heaven. Behold as the ita óculi nostri ad Dóminum, Deum nostrum, donec misereátur nostri. Miserére nobis, Dómine, miserére nobis.

#### **OFFERTORY Psalms 18: 9-12**

Justítiæ Dómini rectæ, lætificántes corda, et judícia ejus dulcióra super mel et favum: nam et servus tuus custódit ea.

#### SECRET

Hæc hóstia, Dómine, quæsumus, emúndet nostra delícta: et ad sacrifícium celebrándum, subditórum tibi córpora mentésque sanctíficet. Per and body for the celebration of this Dóminum nostrum Jesum Christum, Fílium tuum, qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitáte Spíritus Sancti, Deus, per ómnia sæcula sæculórum.

#### COMMUNION Psalms 83: 4-5

Passer invénit sibi domum, et turtur nidum, ubi repónat pullos suos: altária house, and the turtle a nest, where tua, Dómine virtútum, Rex meus, et Deus meus: beáti, qui hábitant in domo tua, in séculum séculi laudábunt te.

My eyes are ever towards the Lord: for He shall pluck my feet out of the snare: look Thou upon me, and have mercy on me: for I am alone and poor. (Ps. 24: 1, 2) To Thee, O Lord, have I lifted up my soul: in Thee, O my God, I put my trust, let me not be ashamed. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, ever towards the Lord: for He shall pluck my feet out of the snare: look Thou upon me, and have mercy on me: for I am alone and poor.

Humbling ourselves before Thee, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, favorably to regard the desires of our heart: and in our defense to stretch forth the right hand of Thy Majesty. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.

Arise, O Lord, let not man be strengthened: let the nations be judged in Thy sight. When my enemy weakened and perish before Thy face.

Ad te levávi óculos meos, qui hábitas To Thee have I lifted up my eyes. Who mánibus dominórum suórum. Et sicut eyes of servants are on the hands of óculi ancíllæ in mánibus dóminæ suæ; their masters. And as the eyes of the handmaid are on the hands of her mistress: so are our eyes unto the Lord our God, until He have mercy on us. Have mercy on us, O Lord, have mercy on us.

> The precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing hearts, and His judgments are sweeter than honey and the honey-comb; for Thy servant keepeth

May this victim, we beseech Thee, O Lord, cleanse away our sins, sanctifying Thy servants in both soul sacrifice. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.

The sparrow hath found herself a she may lay her young ones: Thy altars, O Lord of Hosts, my King, and My God: blessed are they that dwell in Thy house, they shall praise Thee for ever and ever.

#### **POSTCOMMUNION**

A cunctis nos, quésumus, Dómine, reátibus et perículis propitiátus absólve: quos tanti mystérii tríbuis esse partícipes. Per Dóminum nostrum Jesum Christum, Fílium tuum, qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitáte Spíritus Sancti, Deus, per ómnia sæcula sæculórum.

From all guilt and perils, we beseech Thee, Lord, mercifully release us, whom Thou dost grant to be partakers of such a mystery. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.

Recessional Chant: Ave Regina Caelorum - #443

Ave Regina caelorum, Ave Domina Angelorum: Salve radix, salve porta, Ex qua mundo lux est orta:

Gaude Virgo gloriosa, Super omnes speciosa: Vale, o valde decora, Et pro nobis Christum exora.

**Recessional Hymn:** Forty Days and Forty Nights - #526 (see pg. 5)



# OUR COMMUNITY



#### STAR FAMILIES SERVE THE HOMELESS

Thank you to Val Schmalz and her son, James and her brother, Michael Meehan and his sons, and to Bud and Lorna Feria and their children, the homeless enjoyed a hearty pasta meal last Saturday. Also, we are grateful to long time Star Parishioner, Marilou Ibaseta and our Adoration Committee Leader, Thai Tran, who helped prepare the meal!

Also Star parishioners, thank you for your offering of body wash.



## Recommended for the week



Last week's recomenation was Joseph of Nazareth, so this week we're recommending Mary of Nazareth. This film is an epic motion picture on the life of Mary from her childhood through the Resurrection of Jesus. Shot in HD, it was filmed in Europe with outstanding cinematography, a strong cast, and a majestic music score. After viewing this movie, Pope Benedict XVI said: "Mary of

THE CATHOLIC FAITH.

Nazareth is the woman of a full and total 'Here I am' to the Divine Will. In her 'yes' we find profound beatitude."

Watch for free at starparish.formed.org

#### Star Book Club

Upcoming titles and dates:

Wednesday, 4/17/19, The Screwtape Letters by C.S. Lewis

Our club meets each third Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. in the parish office. All are welcome!

#### PARISH EDUCATION AND PROGRAMS

**Baptisms & Marriages:** To learn about our Baptism program, our "Witness to Love" program, or to begin preparing for your wedding, please call the office at 415-751-0450.

**Becoming Catholic:** To know more about the Catholic faith and for information on our Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) classes, contact Vivian Dudro at 415-751-0450

**Parish School of Religion:** Star of the Sea aspires to help parents develop their children's love and knowledge of God. Contact Clarisse Siu at 415-751-0450.

**Sacred Music Program:** To participate in our choir, please contact: Music director, Lynn Kraehling at 415-812-2462, or lynn@starparish.com

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# STEWARDSHIP

# a way of life



Fr. Joseph next to the St Joseph table filled with fruit and delicious desserts. Our pastor blessed the food and mingled with all our guests.

#### Friday's Lent Soup Suppers Auditorium 6pm Stations of the Cross 7pm in the church.

**March 29**, Star Mothers Group, Star Girls Group, Parish School of Religion.

**April, 5,** Guadalupanas, Chinese American Association, Holy Name Society, Stewardship Committee.

**April 12,** Young Adults and Adoration Committee.

Our Star ministries will prepare and serve soup and bread. Please invite your relatives and friends to eat and pray with us! All are welcome!

#### **Parishioner Registration**

Please place this in the offertory basket

- O New Parishioner
- O New Information

Name

Address

Phone

**Email** 

- **O** Full parishioner
- O Associate parishioner

Register online: www.starparish.com or call the office: (415)751-0450



## SHARING OUR TIME, TALENT AND TREASURE

Last Tuesday, we celebrated the Feast of St. Joseph at our beautiful church with a special Missa Cantata, a homily preached by Deacon Dominick Peloso, and a dinner that was attended by more than 100 people. After the Mass, we gathered at the Auditorium to celebrate in community the Feast of St Joseph with our traditional St. Joseph Table (this is the third year that Star is providing an appetizing selection of food, including fruit and desserts donated by many generous parishioners and friends), and a special corned beef and cabbage dinner in celebration of the feast of St. Patrick.

Thanks to the spiritual direction of Fr. Joseph Illo and the many volunteers that do not hesitate to serve at our parish events, we all enjoyed a prayerful and joyful evening. We are blessed to have a vibrant and prayerful family at Star!

#### Star of the Sea Stewardship Prayer

Almighty and Eternal God, we thank You for everything we have and are. We believe that everything is a grace from Your fatherly providence. Most of all, we thank You for Jesus, your Son and our Redeemer, who shows the way to eternal life through His Passion, Death, and Resurrection. Our Lord was the perfect steward of your gifts, receiving only to give, and giving only to receive. Filled with the burning desire to be His disciples, we long to imitate the life of Your Christ. With grateful hearts, we offer our prayers, our talents, and our material resources in the same spirit of trustful surrender, by the grace of Jesus Christ, in the Unity of the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen.

## Stewardship Reflection

March 24, 2019

#### 3rd Sunday of Lent

"He said to the gardener, 'For three years now I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree but have found none." (Luke 13:7)

We can all be like the barren fig tree at times. Do you cling to what you have or do you generously share with others? How will you respond when God asks you what you have done with all the gifts He has given you? Remember, not only are we called to be generous, we are called to develop and nurture our gifts and return with increase.

#### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

"You must propagate veneration of the Most Blessed Sacrament with all your might, for the devotion to the Holy Eucharist is the queen of all devotions." Pope Benedict XVI

#### **Adorers Needed:**

**Monday:** Full coverage **Tuesday:** Full coverage

Wednesday: 12am (Tuesday Night)

Thursday: Full coverage Friday: Full coverage Saturday: Full coverage

www.adorationpro.org/star Contact: Thai Tran at 415-763-8569 thaitran9909@gmail.com

#### **STEWARD STATS**

**Time:** 12 people joined the rosary communal prayer after 8am Mass on Sunday.

Talent: 20+ parishioners baked, cooked and donated food for the St. Joseph and St Patrick festivities.



**Treasure:** \$5,843 was given in the Sunday Offertory.

**\$956.68** was given for Catholic Relief Services.

