



National Unity I'm writing this *before* January 6, and by the time you read it you will know much more (than I did on January 5) about our country's future. But this I do know: we are all in the hands of God. No one and nothing

can gainsay the providence of God. If God so wills that we prosper, we will praise him. If he so wills that we suffer personal or national illness, or even that our nation comes apart at the seams, we will trust Him. Nothing and nobody has the power to separate us from the love of God. So stay strong, in God, keep praying throughout the day, and keep your peace.

Epiphany I know something else, even on January 5, and that is that January 6 is the Feast of the Epiphany, the 12th Day of Christmas. I will celebrate Epiphany this year with a low Mass for the Carmelites of Sacramento, in their chapel, since their own chaplain is away. We sing Psalm 72 at the Epiphany liturgy: "Every king shall pay homage to Him; every nation on earth will adore Him." Every king, and every president, and every congress, will serve Him, for He is Lord of Lords and King of Kings. Have no fear, and let nothing disturb you, my dear children. God is with us, and in the words of Job, "Yea, even though He slay me, yet will I trust Him." That kind of absolute trust in God's will is what makes saints, and we must all be saints. Be sure that we are becoming saints, but in ways we did not foresee and perhaps more quickly than we expected. Many years ago a friend got me a new computer and made "Rom 8:28" the password:

"All things work for the good for those who love God." Hold on tight to that truth in the coming storms, and you will not be blown off course on your way to heaven.

Psalms Bible Study To take your mind off politics, I recommend a bible study. My friend Fr. Bill Nicholas, currently stationed at the Cathedral, is teaching an online study of the Psalms every Thursday from Jan 21 to May 27. You can join in at www.frbillnicholas.com.

Walk for Life West Coast Covid will not allow our usual massive rally this year in front of City Hall, but we are permitted to walk down Market Street, following the indicated safety protocols. Even this low-key witness to human life is subject to last-minute cancellation, but I hope to walk for life at noon on January 23rd, from Civic Center. See details at the WFL



Last year's Walk for Life

website, www.walkforlifewc.com. You can also join an online forum with Archbishop Cordileone and four other prolife leaders across America on January 22, the day 48 years ago that the Supreme Court legalized abortion in our country. You can register at www.sfarch.org/legal-protection-unborn. Ending the life of her child never sits well with a mother, and if mama's not happy, nobody is happy. As Mother Teresa insisted, "the greatest threat to peace in the world today is abortion. Give me the child. Do not destroy the child." All of us have a role to play in protecting mother and child from the culture of death that has loomed over humanity since Cain killed Abel. God is with us in the struggle for life here and hereafter!

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Daily Mass, M-F, 7:30am *Latin*, 12noon, 6pm. Saturday 8:30am, 12noon *Latin*.
 Sunday Mass, Sat. Vigil 4:30pm; Sunday, 8am, 9:30am, 11:30am *Latin*, 7:30pm.
 Holy Day Mass, 7:30am *Latin*, 12noon, 6:00pm *Sung Latin Mass*.
 Confessions, 15minutes before Mass; Sat, 3:15-4:15pm; by appt. 415-751-0450.

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION 24/7

Holy Hour & Confession Tuesday 7:00pm-8:00pm

Devotions, Sacred Heart of Jesus, First Friday 12noon, 6pm *Latin*; Divine Mercy, Saturday 3pm; Lady of Perpetual Help, Wed. 12noon; Our Lady of Fatima, First Saturday, 8:30am.

The Sunday Scriptures

Mass Intentions

By Fr. Joseph Illo (Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Acts 10:34-38/Mk 1:7-11 or, in Year B, Is 55:1-11/1 Jn 5:1-9/Mk 1:7-11). **My Beloved Son** Three years ago I immersed 40 people in the brown waters of the Jordan River, as part of our Holy Land pilgrimage. The Jordan is small and muddy, and this is where the Creator of the Universe knelt for His own baptism. But all hear these words from heaven as he rises from the water: "This is my beloved Son." No matter how muddy our lives may get, if we know we are loved we will get through them on our way to heaven.



Jordan River (Holy Land pilgrimage)



"Rosca de Reyes"

"Rosca de Reyes" (the wreath of the kings that symbolizes a crown) is a large, oval-shaped cake filled with sweetened dried fruit. A small white figurine representing Baby Jesus is hidden inside the cake, commemorating the hiding of Jesus from Herod. Whoever gets the slice with the figurine on Epiphany ("Dia de los Reyes"), has to host a party on February 2nd "Día de la Candelaria" (Candlemass day). In Mexico, the family gets together on "Día de la Candelaria" for a tamale dinner, and the person who finds the baby Jesus figurine in the rosca has to buy the tamales!

	Time	Intention
Sat. 01/09	8:30am	Int. for Pro-life
	12noon	+ Caroline Worcester (anniv)
	4:30pm	+ John Andrew Flynn (anniv)
Sun 01/10	8:00am	People of the Parish
	9:30am	+ Anna So
	11:30am	Int. for Caisen Mirassou
	7:30pm	Int. for the Catholics at LinkedIn
Mon 01/11	7:30am	Int. for Anna Maria Mendieta for healing Int. for Marybeth Cody Int. for Anh Dinh + Msgr. John Pernia (anniv) + Jenny CHow
	12noon	+ Jose Chang + Lisa Cooper + Aidan Quigley + Monica Crawley + Thomas McHugh
	6:00pm	Int. for Alexandra Lavino for healing Int. for the Halog Family + Daniel G. Cappelletti + Riet Vanderburg
Tue 01/12	7:30am	Int. for Anh Dinh
	12noon	+ Mae Brien
	6:00pm	Int. for Carol Cappelletti
Wed 01/13	7:30am	Int. for The Tran Family
	12noon	+ Guillermo Cobar
	6:00pm	Int. for Dave O. Ceniza (bday)
Thu 01/14	7:30am	+ Efigenia Diaz-Magana
	12noon	+ Alfia Pellegrini
	6:00pm	Int. for Evicka Buzgova
Fri 01/15	7:30am	+ Holy Souls in Purgatory
	12noon	Int. for Maria Bruno Int. for Ruzenka Kovacic
	6:00pm	Int. for Jirka Svoboda
Sat 01/16	8:30am	Gabriel T. Nicolas
	12noon	Int. for Tyler and Tamara Knight
	4:30pm	+ Rene Ing

Please pray for the sick in the parish: Spencer Christensen, Edna Herrera, Dave Van Sciver, Rosa Lee, Sally Tu, Maggie Tom, Chuck La Mere, Esmenia Batinga, Margaret Stangl, Margaret Sellai, Rosie Santos, Valentine Nevis, Juliet Tan, Miriam Valle, Carmen Smith, Maria Bruno, Katrinka Perry, Margo Kingsbury, Vicki Kruschin, Tom Schatz, John Johnson, Delora Roanhorse, Howard Morita, Alexandra Lavino.

Programs & Ministries

Upcoming Events

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Filipino American Association (FAASTAR) Estrelle Chan: 415-575-0828	Star Men's Fellowship Chris Conley: Christopher.Conley@protonmail.com

Lauds (morning prayer) & Vespers (evening prayer): Monday to Friday 7am to 7:10am & 5:45pm to 6pm.

Rosary prayer, live streamed at 5:00pm Monday to Friday, both on Facebook and YouTube.

Sunday Masses, January 10, 8:00am, 9:30am (Solemn Mass in English), 11:30am (Latin), 7:30pm.

Sunday, January 10, 2:30pm, Rosary Walk at the Cathedral Plaza.

Tuesday, January 12, 3:00pm Bible study.

Tuesday, January 12, 7:00-8:00pm Holy Hour & Confessions.

January 22, 12 noon, St. Mary's Cathedral Mass with Archbishop Cordileone, and 1:30pm webinar with Archbishop Cordileone and national prolife leaders. Register: sfarch.org/legal-protection-unborn. For questions email prolife@sfarch.org.

Wednesday February 3, at 7pm "Into the Breach," a men's study and support group hosted by The Knights of Columbus. Open to men 18 yrs. and older. Contact Christopher Conley 916-223-4852, christopher.conley@protonmail.com

Star Pro-Life Prayer Group, Saturday 9-2pm at 1522 Bush Street. Contact: clarisse.siu@gmail.com

Apartment for rent in San Francisco

Available mid-January. One bedroom, one bath, living room and dining area, small kitchenette, fully furnished. All utilities included (including internet). \$2,000. Located on 15th Ave and Cabrillo. A 10 minute walk to Star of the Sea church and 5 minute walk to the Golden Gate Park! Please contact Marcus Quintanilla (949) 689-1081 or Mariana Quintanilla (415) 637-2308.

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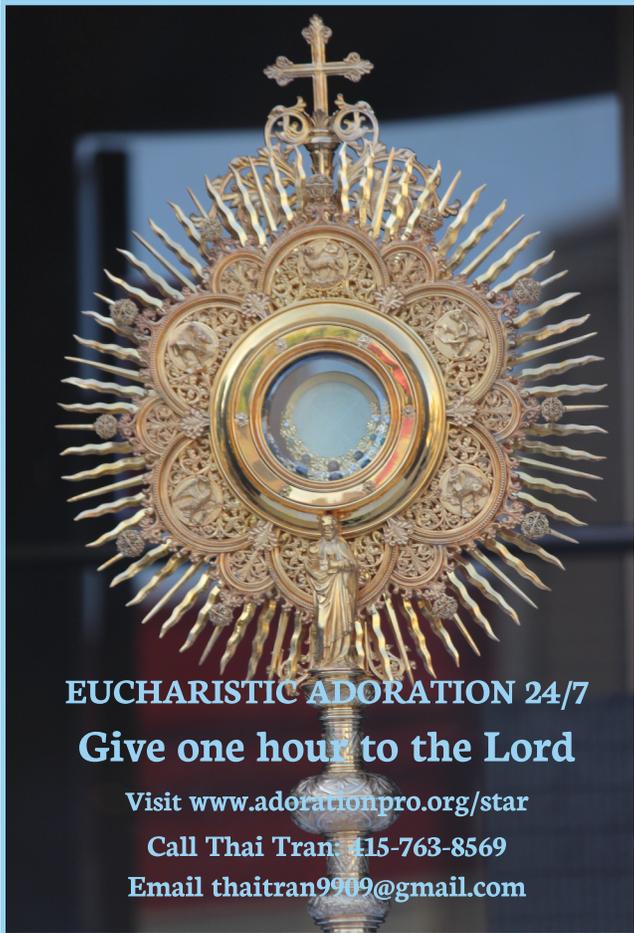
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Classical academy to open at Star of the Sea Parish

Gavin Colvert is head of school for Stella Maris Academy at Star of the Sea Parish. The new school offering an

integrated classical Catholic curriculum will open in fall 2021.

Dec. 21, 2020 Christina Gray
 Catholic San Francisco

Star of the Sea Parish has announced the reopening of the parish elementary school as Stella Maris Academy in fall 2021.

"We are currently in the process of marketing the school and recruiting prospective families," the academy's head of school, San Francisco native Gavin Colvert, told Catholic San Francisco.

The academy will start with early childhood education and the primary grades, Colvert said. It will be a parochial school of the Archdiocese of San Francisco's school system in partnership with the Catholic Institute for Liberal Education (read complete article: catholic-sf.org).

STEWARD STATS



Time: 41 people joined the St. Mary's Cathedral rosary walk.



Talent: 3 volunteers helped at the office last week.



Treasure: Sunday Offering \$ 7,418
 Solemnity of Mary \$ 4,934

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