



Singing to the Glory of God As is typical in religion, where females outnumber males by at least 3 to 1, our choir is mostly female. I am hereby [again] calling the men of our parish to step forward, to provide bass and tenor lines to complement our soaring soprano and alto voices. Our liturgical music

is quite good but we sadly lack *polyphony*: soprano, alto, tenor, and bass harmonizing in one superb symphony to the glory of God. To do polyphony, we need more men. Now, almost every human being can sing, or learn to sing. People that physically cannot carry a tune are quite rare, so if you are reading this you can almost certainly sing or learn to sing. Our wonderful music department can teach you to rejoice in the gift of song. So what do you say, fathers and brothers and sons? Will you step forward to help our women out a little? Only you can provide that bass and tenor foundation for their lyric melodies. Will you provide just that much more glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit? With much gratitude and some wonder, I see so many of our men and boys glorifying God at the altar, and the Archbishop routinely calls upon our servers to serve cathedral Masses. Thank you, men of the parish, for that, and now let's fill out our choir with some more tenors, baritones, and basses.

The Golden Gate Bridge and her People When riding my bike over the crowded Golden Gate Bridge, I usually focus on the sidewalk in front of me, or the beauty of the Bridge itself. I don't look at the people on the Bridge, except when they get in my way. The other day a tourist got in my way, stopping to take a picture right in the middle of the narrow bikeway, so I had to look at him. For once, though, I looked at him in wonder rather than in irritation. Above him soared the massive south tower, holding up a mile of roadway with graceful steel cables. The Golden Gate Bridge is fascinating, but far more fascinating are the people who



built it. After all, one person is worth more than twenty Golden Gate Bridges. The least interesting person is vastly more fascinating than the most fascinating technology. Every human being is an image of God, a wondrous work of art and science, providing endless discovery and fascination for biologists, physicists, psychiatrists, poets, philosophers, and theologians. These days, it is fashionable to despise human beings as the source of all earth's problems. People are a problem, to be sure, ever since the disaster in Eden. Every one of us is selfish and dishonest and hypocritical. I'm writing this on a jetliner where the flight attendants talk about "recycling" our soda cans to save the planet while the throbbing engines beneath us burn through 26,000 pounds of carbon fuel every hour. People are hypocrites (like all of us who jet about the world while claiming we are worried about 'carbon footprints'), and people lie (like the airline employees who talk about 'saving the planet' while promoting its wasteful destruction through needless jet travel), and people steal (our California government is a travesty of political graft). People are the problem, yes, but people are the solution. God has given every one of us the capacity to do good and correct evil. God has given each of us his own image and likeness. I have to try to see God's image in every person, even those who claim to be gods themselves.

Today is **St. Maximilian Kolbe's** feast day: a man who disarmed the entire Third Reich by looking at very evil people with love. On July 30, 1941, Kolbe walked forward to take the place of a family man condemned to death. Auschwitz Commandant

Rudolf Hoess asked who he was, and Kolbe replied "a Catholic priest." The supreme commander of Auschwitz stepped back at those words, but accepted Kolbe's sacrifice. Over the next two weeks as he and nine others starved to death in cell #17, Kolbe would look at the guards with love. "Stop looking at us!" the Nazi guards shouted at him. Kolbe tried very hard, and he succeeded, at seeing Jesus even in the faces of his killers.

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LITURGY AND DEVOTIONS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass: M-F, 7am Latin, 12noon, 6pm. Saturday 8:30am, 12noon Latin. Sat. Vigil Mass 4:30pm. Sunday, 8am, 9:30am, 11:30am Latin, 7:30pm. Holy Day Mass, 7am Latin, 12noon, 6pm Sung Latin Mass. Confessions, 20 min. before Mass; Sat, 3:15-4:15pm.

Eucharistic Adoration 24/7. Lauds, Mon-Fri 6:45am. Vespers, Mon-Fri 5:45pm. Holy Hour & Confessions, Tuesday 7pm-8pm. Devotions: Sacred Heart First Friday 12noon, 6pm Latin. Divine Mercy, Saturday 3pm. Lady of Perpetual Help, Wed. 12noon. Lady of Fatima First Saturday, 8:30am. Communal Rosary prayer after all daily Masses.

The Sunday Scriptures

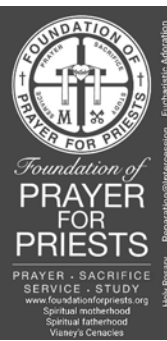
By Fr. Joseph Illo A Ghost (1 Kings 19: 9a, 11-13a; Rom 9: 1-5; Mt 14: 22-23) Jesus walks on the Sea of Galilee toward his disciples in the fourth watch of the night in today's gospel. They cry out in fear, "It is a ghost!" But Our Lord calls these men to courage: "Do not be afraid." In other words, vanquish your fear by looking straight into my face. Peter comes toward him, eyes fixed on Christ's. But then he looks to the left and loses his fortitude. He sinks. Friends, do not take your eyes off the eyes of Christ!



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

August 8th is the feast of St. Dominic, founder of the Dominican order. He speaks of nine ways to pray, emphasizing three physical positions: kneeling in penance; standing with humility; and lying prostrate pleading forgiveness. He is known for promoting the rosary. He is quoted, "I want to do everything, even the smallest things, for the greater glory of God."

One thing for the glory of God that you can do is sign up for weekly Holy Hour at www.adorationpro.org/star, or become a sub at www.adorationpro.org/star password: subpass



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For information contact
Carmen Duran: (619) 606-8730 or
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Book recommendation:
Praying for Priest - *An Urgent Call for the Salvation of Souls*, by Kathleen Beckman
L.H.S (For sale in our church kiosk, \$15)

JOIN RCIA RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Program for adults interested in becoming Catholic, learning about Catholicism, or who wish to receive the Sacraments of Eucharist and/or Confirmation.
Wednesdays 7pm to 8:30pm.

For information contact Greg Moeck
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PLANNED GIVING

ONE CHARITABLE GIFT, A LEGACY OF BENEFITS

Make a Will. Include your parish in your estate plans. Help preserve the mission and values of the church and its commitment to ministry.

A legacy gift may be the ultimate way to impact lives for generations.

For information contact: mariella@starparish.com

Mass Intentions

Sat. 08/12	8:30am	+ Carlito Vallejera
	12noon	Int. of Pro-Life
	4:30pm	Int. of Jordi Cortez and Noemi Iraheta
Sun 08/13	8:00am	+ Gabriel and Duval Nicolas
	9:30am	Int. of John Delano and Delano Nursery Staff
	11:30am	Int. of the Sebers Family
	7:30pm	People of the Parish
Mon 08/14	7:00am	Int. of Patrick Hughes Int. of Ron Konopaski Int. of Irene Osborne Int. of Rev. Michael Rocha + Louisa Siu
	12noon	Int. of Dana Nunez Int. of Joan Spaargaren + Rosa Lee + Catalino T. Nicolas + Jeronimo and Ana D'Costa
	6:00pm	Int. of Bob and Sherly Tobin Int. for Priests of Star of the Sea + Basyll Strazhnyk + Patrick McEnteggart + Estrella Pajarillo Parma
Tue 08/15	7:00am	+ Louisa Siu
	12noon	Int. of Felix, Lucy and The Tai Family
	6:00pm	Int. of The Iburguen-Carcache Family, living and deceased
Wed 08/16	7:00am	Int. of Fr. Kevin Kennedy
	12noon	+ John Peter Illo
	6:00pm	+ Jesus Guillermo-Jovel
Thu 08/17	7:00am	Int. of Stephanie Siu
	12noon	+ Amanda Torres (bday)
	6:00pm	+ Rene Ing
Fri 08/18	7:00am	+ John Peter Illo
	12noon	Int. of Suzie Moy
	6:00pm	+ Francis and Jenny Chow
Sat 08/19	8:30am	+ Maria Bruno
	12noon	+ Maria Guillermina-Jovel
	4:30pm	+ Simeon Eduardo So

Prayer for the Sick



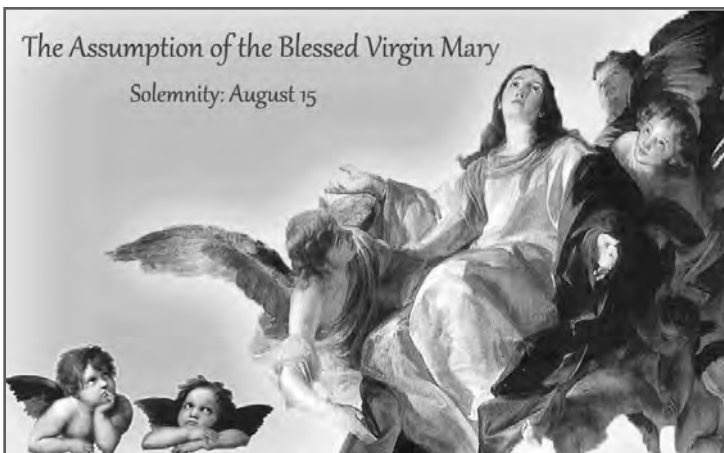
Esmenia Batinga, Margaret Stangl, Margaret Sellai, Miriam Valle, James Estrada, Vicki Kruschin, John Johnson, Delora Roanhorse, Yemame Ambaye, Carol Calabro, Fr. Allan Wilson, Diana Munoz, Carmen Smith, Rosemary Wood, Patrick Loughran, Antonio Oliva, Rebecca Patawaran, John Nittolo, Angelo Amadeo, Bill Flora, Dominic Colvert, Maria Teresa Avendano, Harper Killey, Marta and Stahly Brown, Mary Ann Eiler, Susan Yates, Lorna Fera, Leonard Lupinesky, Karen Alexander, Irma Martinez, Trina Flynn, Jeannine Donohue, Elena Tillman, John Kern, Bob Tobin, David Torkelson and Jeanne Bovigny.

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Calendar of Events

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Bible Study Thursday 3PM Parish rectory 4420 Geary Blvd Mary Ann Eiler, 650-660-4546 Bill McCarty 415-876-8551	Star Outreach to the Poor/Feed the homeless Rosa Mendoza, 510-978-2519

Saturdays, Divine Mercy devotion at 3pm in the church.
Sunday August 13, 2:30pm Rosary prayer at St. Mary's Cathedral. <https://star.flocknote.com/RosaryWalk>
Tuesday August 15, The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Holy Day of Obligation. Mass 7am (Latin), 12noon, 6pm (Latin).



FORMED RECOMMENDATIONS

(Formed.org Free to all Parishioners)

Look for the titles below at:
<http://watch.formed.org>

Mary: The Mother of God She was a humble girl from an ordinary Jewish family. Yet Mary said a simple "yes" and came to be exalted as the Daughter of Zion, the Mother of God, and the Queen of Heaven. With popular Catholic author Stephen Ray, this study allows us to follow the paths that took Mary to the heart of the salvation story. By discovering the Mary of the Bible, you'll know and love her Son even more. And you'll discover the truth behind Mary's Immaculate Conception, Assumption into Heaven, and role as intercessor.

The World's First Love: Mary, Mother of God (audio). Fulton J. Sheen presents a moving portrayal of the Blessed Virgin Mary, combining deep spirituality, history, philosophy, and theology. All the major aspects and events of Mary's life are lovingly depicted in this never-failing source of information, consolation, and inspiration.

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Our preschool teachers are getting ready for the new school year. On the top picture: Nadia, Jakie and Mary are joyfully setting up the classroom.

They said: "We are counting days to see the children and their families back to school!"

We thank Deacon Albert and Dennis for trimming the trees at the preschool entrance. The sunlight is adding warmth and a welcoming atmosphere into the preschool.

Bella Primary Care

COMMUNITY WELLNESS DAY

SUNDAY, AUGUST 20, 9AM - 1PM

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Free blood pressure checks! We are here to answer your medical questions and point you in the right direction for healthy living.



**Children's Catechism
Preparation for
First Holy Communion**
(7 years old/2nd grade or up)

September - May

Sundays after the 9:30am Mass.
For more information contact
Mariella at the parish office
(415) 751-0450.

Register: www.starparish.com



STEWARDS STATS

"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms." (1 Peter 4-10)

Time: 60+ people joined the First Friday devotion noon Mass this month.

Talent: 2 volunteers helped in the parish office last week.

Treasure: \$8,483

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Light a candle.
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