



King of Kings Every year I go to Handel's *Messiah* and rise to my feet with a packed symphony hall to the sound of "King of Kings, Hallelujah!" Even though we have all unconsciously adopted an anti-authoritarian, "question authority" mindset since the 1960s,

we still yearn to live under the rule of a *good king*. Some of you watched the deeply-moving coronation of King Charles III last May. The Archbishop of Canterbury lifts the crown toward God and prays: "King of Kings and Lord of Lords, bless, we beseech thee, this crown, and so sanctify thy servant Charles, upon whose head this day thou dost place it...." The Archbishop then gently places the bejeweled crown upon the frail old man's head to shouts of "God save the King!" It is clear throughout this ceremony, one of the last and most impressive vestiges of Christendom, who the King is. It is Christ, and Charles is his viceroy. God is the Sovereign, and Charles is his emissary. Today (or four Sundays ago in the older calendar) we end the great Liturgical Year of 2023 to shouts of *Viva Cristo Rey* (if I were doing Mass in Spanish) in the Mass entitled in *Festo Domini Nostri Jesu Christi Regis*, "In the Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King." Of course "Christ" means "King" or "Anointed One" in Greek, a translation of the Hebrew "Messiah," so each time we say the word "Christ" we acclaim His Kingship. Christ is the King whom we can trust absolutely, a Sovereign whose benevolence knows no limits, a mighty Ruler who dies for his subjects.

A Good President In 1976 a

smiling peanut farmer from Georgia was running for President of the United States, and I was a freshman in high school. My imagination was fired by his words and I believed in this man! I appointed myself Jimmy Carter's campaign manager for Big Spring High School and posted his gladsome image in every hallway. He won, and he wasn't that bad as modern presidents go (it's awfully hard to be a U.S. President these days), but he didn't live up to my exalted expectations. Two years into his presidency I won an essay contest and joined high school students from around the country in Washington, where the President of the United States spoke to us in the Rose Garden. Seeing this exalted man in the flesh, I was



surprised to find him so frail, and so unsure of himself. I remember him nervously licking his lips every few seconds, and this was only in front of a group of pimply high schoolers! I realized that the President of the United States is only a man of flesh, and that he must appeal to a Higher Authority as much as, and even more than, the rest of us. Today, we frail men and women acclaim that Higher Power, and we rejoice to be subjects of a Great King who can do no wrong. *¡Viva Cristo Rey!*



A Pilgrimage to Normandy This June we go to France for the 80th anniversary of Operation Overlord, the storming of Normandy's beaches by allied troops that began the end of the Second World War. From June 3-13 we will spend time in Paris, Lisieux, Mont Saint Michel, Rouen, Bayeux, and three days at the landing sites. To apply for one of the 30 remaining seats, call the parish office. *Fr. Joseph Illo*



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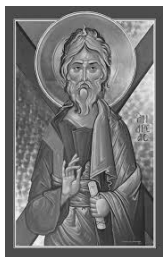
LITURGY AND DEVOTIONS SCHEDULE

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 (Ezeck 34: 11-12, 15-17, 1 Cor 15: 20-26, 28, Mt 25: 31-46) The Gospel on Five Fingers Today's gospel was one of Mother Teresa's favorites, and the mission statement of her whole life. She would take your hand and open your fingers with these words: "You-Did-It-To-Me." Whatever you have done for the least of my brethren, Jesus tells us today, you did for me. Our hearts go out to the poorest of the poor more than for anyone else, because that's how Jesus' Heart loves them.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

The Feast of St Andrew, Apostle of Christ, Martyr on the Cross for Christ, and older brother of St. Peter, is on November 30th. The St. Andrew Christmas Novena is prayed by reciting the prayer below 15 times daily from November 30-December 24 for your special intention:

Hail and blessed be the hour and moment in which the Son of God was born of the most pure Virgin Mary, at midnight, in Bethlehem, in the piercing cold. In that hour vouchsafe, I beseech Thee, O my God, to hear my prayer and grant my desires through the merits of Our Savior Jesus Christ, and of His blessed Mother. Amen.

And! Please consider signing up for a weekly Holy Hour at www.adorationpro.org/star

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Mass Intentions

Sat 11/25	8:30am	+ Edgard Bond, Jr. Int. of Carmel Richard (bday)
	12noon	
	4:30pm	Int. of the Siers-Marinsik Family (living+deceased)
Sun 11/26	8:00am	In Thanksgiving of Thelma Queri and Family
	9:30am	+ Francis and Jenny Chow
	11:30am	People of the Parish
	7:30pm	Int. of Christen Aguirre
Mon 11/27	7:00am	Int. of William McDaniel Hays Int. of Ruila Puskas and Family Int. of Joshua Nascimento for healing + Michael Buckley + Fred Longsdon III
	12noon	+ Patricia Julian + Enrique Tejada + Gloria Tinagan + Teodorico Javier + Purificacion Gonzaga
	6:00pm	Int. of Vita Moskal Int. of Jeanne Moskal Int. of Patrick Cantwell for healing + Karen and Harry Webb + Earl and Winifred Voltmer
Tue 11/28	7:00am	+ Anna Mandala
	12noon	+ Delfin B. Go (bday) + Renato Beltrame
	6:00pm	Int. of Ernesto & Fannie Lardizabal (anniv)
Wed 11/29	7:00am	+ Francisco Matturano-Gomez
	12noon	+ Gabriel and Duval Nicolas + Jesse Barracoso
	6:00pm	Int. of Epifania Lardizabal and Family
Thu 11/30	7:00am	In Thanksgiving of Star of the Sea Parishioners
	12noon	In Thanksgiving of the Socorro Macalalad Family
	6:00pm	+ Parker H. Moriwaki
Fri 12/01	7:00am	+ Francisco Lam (bday)
	12noon	Int. of Sean Sebers (bday)
	6:00pm	+ For the souls of those who have jumped to their deaths from the Golden Gate Bridge
Sat 12/02	8:30am	Int. of Leslie Low and Family
	12noon	+ Anil and Frank Dias
	4:30pm	+ Deceased members of the Tabobo Family

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, Mary Ann Eiler, Susan Yates, Lorna Feria, Leonard Lupinesky, Karen Alexander, Trina Flynn, John Kern, Bob Tobin, Jeanne Bovigny, Anne Kavanagh, Maria Jessue, Il'eana Rozario, Susan Lewitt and all sick parishioners.

Programs & Ministries

Calendar of Events

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

Thursdays, 3-4:30pm Bible Study in the rectory office.
Saturdays, Divine Mercy devotion at 3pm in the church.
Sundays, Rosary Walk, 2:30pm at St. Mary's Cathedral. For updates: [https://star.flocknote.com/Rosary Walk](https://star.flocknote.com/Rosary%20Walk)
Sundays, Latin Rosary: You are invited to pray the rosary at 11am. Pamphlets with the Latin words will be provided.



FORMED RECOMMENDATIONS (Formed.org Free to all Parishioners)

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

The Eucharist for Little Children

"Jesus said, Let the children come to me."—Mark 10:14

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Our Lady, Mother of Mercy

Speaker: Sister Donata Farbaniec,
of the "Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy"
the religious order to which St. Faustina Kowalska belonged.

Dec 9, Saturday, 8:30-4pm
Day of recollection

Dec 9-10, 7 min. reflections
on the message of the
Divine Mercy at all Sunday
Masses

Dec 10, 3pm talk and
chaplet of Divine Mercy

Dec 11, Visit with Stella
Maris schoolchildren and
7pm Final talk "Sometimes
in Life." Eucharistic
Adoration and confessions



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Free event. Refreshments. Free Parking.

ADVENT MARIAN PRAYER SERVICE
WITH ARCHBISHOP CORDILEONE
December 10, 4PM at Star of the Sea Church

**Music by the Benedict XVI Institute for Sacred Music &
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World premiere of two new Christmas hymns: Mark Nowakowski's Chesterton
Carol and Mina Pariseau's Our Lady Expectant: An Advent Carol.

Reception after concert provided by Stella Maris Academy

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE FEAST
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12

**7AM Mass (English), followed by Mexican
breakfast in the school Auditorium.**

Novena to Our Lady starting December 4-12



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Visit our 16 Marian
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Through work, we serve, minister, and become God's
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Time: 30+ people joined the Divine Mercy chaplet last
Saturday.

Talent: 11 lectors served at our Masses last week.

Treasure: Sunday Offering \$7,967.
Human Development \$1,144

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