



16 Shrines of Our Lady at STAR of the SEA

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

March 2, 2025 8th Sunday in Ordinary time (red missal pg 404) Quinquagesima Sunday (1962 Latin missal pg 274)



Pope Francis Thanks to all who came to our Mass, rosary and vigil for our Holy Father, Pope Francis, on Tuesday night. As I write this column on Wednesday, he seems to be doing better. We pray for our dear popes at every Mass and in every rosary, and we pray for them in a special way when they are nearing the end of their lives. I attended Pope John Paul's funeral in 2005 and remember how desolate it felt to see his window above St. Peter's Square dark. Usually his light was on late into the night, and without that light there was a sad darkening of the whole world. Christ has appointed his apostles, and especially the Apostle of Rome, to be fathers to all the world. Let us continue to pray for our Holy Father!

Lent Has Arrived! We are just three days from Lent, and it's time to write down your Lenten program if you have not already done so. Get out a little piece of paper and write down at least one holy practice in these three areas: Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving. Our Lenten Mission will be April 1 & 2 with Fr. Edward Looney from the Shrine of Our Lady of Champion in Wisconsin. Stations of the Cross will be every Friday at 6:30pm. Lent is a good time to come to one of our three daily Masses, and to sign up for an hour of Eucharistic adoration. Lent is a good time to begin reading a chapter of the Bible every day, or to read a biography of your favorite saint. Of course, every Catholic over age 14 must give up meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, and every Catholic between the ages of 18 and 60 must fast (one meal!) on those two days, but all are encouraged to fast every Friday and even more frequently. Let's all lose a little weight this Lent, and lose a little sin, and put on a little more virtue.

Burning Palms A wicker basket for last year's palms has been placed at the right side of the

altar rail, under St. Joseph's statue. You can deposit your dried palms from last Palm Sunday for the annual ceremonial burning at school assembly this coming Tuesday (8:15am in the schoolyard).



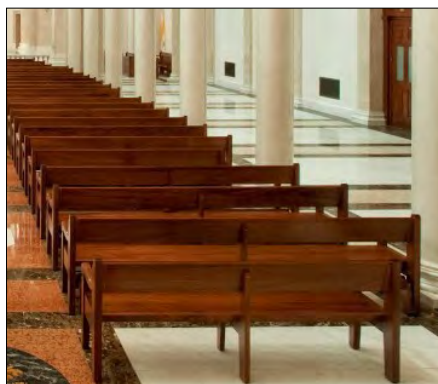
Our New Principal

Stella Maris Academy is pleased to announce that John Monaco has accepted the position of permanent head of school. I am grateful for Mr. Brinton Smith who is serving as interim head of school and who has guided us through

this year of transition. His academic credentials include a Ph.D. from Duquesne University (he will defend his dissertation next month), two Masters degrees from Boston College and a BA from Albertus Magnus College. Mr. Monaco also studied theology and philosophy at McGill University after spending three years as a seminarian at Saint John's (Boston) and Saint Charles Borromeo (Philadelphia) Seminaries. He has written many articles on theology, philosophy, history, culture, and spirituality. Mr. Monaco will move his wife and three young children to our neighborhood to begin his tenure as our Head of School on May 1st.

Archbishop's Appeal Each Lent the Archbishop asks our support to fund the seminary and other Archdiocesan works. This year's goal is \$114,000, and I think we can knock that out. We usually go over our goal; funds received over the goal this

year will go towards new pews for the adoration chapel. These custom-made mahogany pews, made by the same company that made the pews in the Thomas Aquinas College chapel, will be exactly like those (see picture to the left). They will increase the seating by 20%, and will have a lighter profile than the old pews currently in the chapel. *Fr. Joseph*



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M-TH 8:30am-5pm
Friday 8:30am-12pm,
1pm-5pm

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LITURGY AND DEVOTIONS

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: 15 min. before Mass, (7am after 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

Sir 27: 4-7; 1 Cor 15: 54-58; Lk 6: 39-45) Removing Splinters

Today Our Lord commands us to correct our brethren: We have a Christian duty to remove the "splinter" from our neighbor's eye (what decent person would not help someone whose eye has a splinter in it?). But we can only dare to do that delicate operation *after* we have removed the "2X4" from our own eye. We must assume that other's sins and annoyances are far smaller than our own sins and annoyances to others.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



We celebrate St Thomas Aquinas, Doctor of the Church on March 7th (Traditional Calendar). He is famous for his writing on the Church's Eucharistic teachings and hymns that we still use today.

Pray as he did before the Blessed Sacrament: "...behold I come to the Sacrament of Your only-begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. As one

sick, I come to the Physician of life; unclean, to the Fountain of mercy; blind, to the Light of eternal splendor; poor and needy, to the Lord of heaven and earth. Therefore, I beg of You,... heal my weakness...Amen."
Sign up for a weekly Holy Hour at www.adorationpro.org/star

FORMED RECOMMENDATIONS: <http://watch.formed.org>

Free for all parishioners. Register! Formed.org

St. Thomas Aquinas | Catholic Saints

St. Thomas Aquinas was given one of the greatest minds in history. He devoted his life to studying God and used his great intellect to write extensively on almost all theological topics. Not only did St. Thomas cover almost all of theology, but he also did it while maintaining theological accuracy. Sit down with Dr. Christopher Mooney and Taylor Kemp for an episode of Catholic Saints, where they dive into the life and witness of St. Thomas Aquinas.

17TH ANNUAL SPIRITUAL WARFARE CONFERENCE

The Eucharist is Jesus True God & True Man

Speakers: Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone,
Fr. Gary Thomas, Deirdre "Dede" Byrne and
Rev. Dennis McManus

Saturday, March 8, 2025 | 8am - 4pm

Nativity School, Oak Grove Ave & Laurel Street, Menlo Park, CA
Registration and Payments at: www.heartsoflove.shop

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Pray with us in San Francisco for the end of abortion!
March 5 - April 13 2025
SIGN UP FOR TWO HOURS A WEEK!
www.40daysforlife.com/sanfrancisco
Email: SF40daysforlife@gmail.com / (415) 275 1776
Call or e-mail us and we will sign-up for you.

Mass Intentions

Sat 03/01	8:30am	† Arnold Low
	12noon	Int. of Joshua Nascimiento
	4:30pm	† Richard Donohue
Sun 03/02	8:00am	† Mary Kavanagh
	9:30am	† Celia Ma (anniv)
	11:30am	Int. of Felix, Lucy and Tai Family
	7:30pm	People of the Parish
Mon 03/03	7:00am	Int. of Sarah and Guillermo Madrigal
	12noon	Int. of Daria Graham Int. Thanksgiving of Engracio Guinto, Jr. † Paul Melvin † Stephanie Melvin
	6:00pm	† Robert Tobin † Sarah Mercado † Catherine Chow † Patria Diaz Taveras
Tue 03/04	7:00am	† Laurel Boros
	12:00pm	† Robert Tobin
	6:00pm	Int. of Celia and Patrick Francis and Family
Wed 03/05	7:00am	Int. of Martin and Angela konopaski
	9:00am	Int. of Donncha and Marisela O'Cochain
	12:00pm	Int. of Perla Silva
	6:00pm	† Thomas Chow and Chew Htaw Yee
Thu 03/06	7:00am	Int. of Ana Maria Kozuch (bday)
	12noon	† Louis and Peggy Walsh
	6:00pm	† Arnold Low
Fri 03/07	7:00am	† Arturo Martin (bday)
	12noon	† For the souls of those who have jumped to their deaths from the Golden Gate Bridge
	6:00pm	Int. of Carmen Rondon-Mendoza
Sat 03/08	8:30am	† George Mozingo
	12noon	Int. of Pro-Life
	4:30pm	† Fernando Manzon (anniv)

DEVOTIONS

Monday-Saturday: Rosary prayer after all daily Masses.

Tuesdays: Holy Face Devotion, 6pm in the chapel.

Tuesdays Silent Holy Hour: 7-8pm in the church.

Confessions available during the holy hour.

Saturdays: Divine Mercy Chaplet, 3pm in the church.

Sundays: Latin Rosary, 11am in the church. Pamphlets with the Latin words will be provided.

Sundays: Rosary Walk, 2:30pm at St. Mary's Cathedral.

For updates: <https://star.flocknote.com/RosaryWalk>.

PRAYERS OF THE SICK: Mariana Mendieta, Margaret & Mark Sellai, Mary Ann Eiler, Shawn Mickle, Marie Bellas, Sarah Miller Sinn, Justin Chin, Joyce Durbin, Andrew Abdo, Alex Tong, Louis Brannum, Julie Johnson, Jerry Ferguson and all sick parishioners.

Programs & Apostolates

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Bulletin Announcements Ad submissions due by 3pm on Tuesdays. Contact bulletin editor: mariella@starparish.com	Volunteer Opportunities Interested in volunteering? Information at: 415-751-0450 mariella@starparish.com

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Your generous financial gifts ensure that Star of the Sea Catholic Church will continue thriving to provide a peaceful sanctuary for prayer, worship and evangelization in the Richmond District. Our doors are open 7 days a week!

WAYS OF SUPPORTING STAR OF THE THE SEA:

Offertory gifts online: www.starparish.com/give

Offertory envelopes: Place cash or check written to Star of the Sea in the offertory envelopes and place in the collection basket, or drop envelope in the parish office mailbox: Star of the Sea 4420 Geary Blvd, San Francisco, CA. 94118

Matching Contribution:

Double your gift to Star of the Sea with an equal contribution from your employer! As 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, we qualify to receive matches from companies all over the Bay Area. If your company offers this program, ask for a form to submit a matching request.



For more information please contact: mariella@starparish.com

PLANNED GIVING

ONE CHARITABLE GIFT, A LEGACY OF FAITH

Consider listing Star of the Sea as beneficiary in your Will (advisable to have one). It preserves the mission and values of the church in its ministry.

HOW DO I GET STARTED WITH A PLANNED GIFT?

Call for information: Mariella Zevallos,
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STAR OF THE SEA CHURCH
Use Venmo for: Sunday offertory, lighting candles, church kiosk purchases.
(Please add what the payment is for. Thank you!)



Are you interested in becoming Catholic? Do you wish to receive the Sacraments of Eucharist and/or Confirmation?

Contact OCIA coordinator: Greg Moeck, (310) 694-6380 - gmoeck@gmail.com

Receive news & updates from Fr. Joseph Illo, sign up to Flocknote.com/star. Get access to the best selection of catholic educational materials, sign up for formed.org (information below). Use Venmo to pay for candles, kiosk items, offertory, etc. Use your cellphone camera to scan the QR codes.



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St. Joseph the Workman Council**

Cordially invites you to their Annual St. Patrick's and
St. Joseph's Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner
On March 22, 2025



**Star of the Sea
Auditorium, 6:00pm
Dinner \$25 per person
\$60 for families with
children under 18**

Venmo @StarKofC16734



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**On the 25th Anniversary of the Death of
Ignatius Cardinal Kung Pin-Mei**

October 7, 1949-March 12, 2000

Bishop of Shanghai

Apostolic Administrator of Souchou and Nanking

*33 years as a Prisoner for Christ in the hands of the
current communist Chinese Government*

PONTIFICAL REQUIEM MASS

His Eminence Raymond Cardinal Burke

Most Reverend Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone

Reverend Joseph Illo

Reverend Vincent Woo

Canon Joel Estrada

SATURDAY, MARCH 15, 2025

10:30AM, STAR OF THE SEA CHURCH

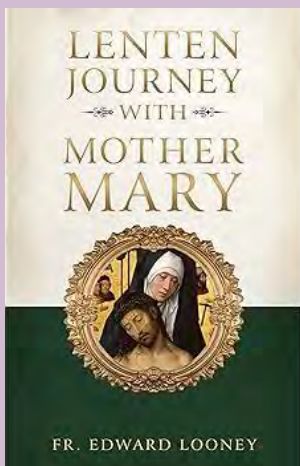
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General Reception after the Mass

Star of the Sea Gymnasium | 345 8th Ave, San Francisco

RECOMMENDED BY FR. JOSEPH ILLO



Lenten Journey with Mother Mary invites you to walk with the world's model of faith and purity - the Virgin Mary herself - each day of your Lenten spiritual pilgrimage to Easter. Here Fr. Edward Looney introduces Mary's messages, dedicating each week of Lent to an overarching theme from her apparitions, drawing forth from them a vibrant new lived spirituality for you.

Available in the church kiosk and in the parish office \$10
4420 Geary Blvd San Francisco | 415-751-0450

Ash Wednesday

March 5

Imposition of Ashes at all Masses

7am (Latin)

9am School Mass (Latin)

12noon (English),

6pm (English)



16 SHRINES OF OUR LADY AT STAR of the SEA

Book a tour to visit the 16 apparition shrines of our Lady

VISIT: <https://starparish.com/marys-shrine/>



STEWARDS STATS

Through work, we serve, minister, and become God's stewards on the earth.

Time: 30+ people prayed the Lady of perpetual Help devotion last Wednesday.

Talent: 22 Stella Maris Academy students from the Cathedral Children Choir sung at the 9:30am Mass last Sunday.

Treasure: Sunday Offering \$9,445

To give online: www.starparish.com/give