



# 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**

August 10, 2025 Sunday in Ordinary Time (Red Missal: pg 526); Sunday After Pentecost (1962 Missal: pg 746 )



**The forgotten virtue of purity** “The sin of impurity sends more souls to hell than any other” (Our Lady of Fatima). “Sorry, Fr... you are living in the past. Why talk about that in the 21st century?

Aren't there

worse sins than impurity?”. Certainly there are: hatred of God, blasphemy, idolatry, etc. The problem is that the soul that becomes habituated to this kind of fault ends up enslaved by this terrible vice, so widespread in our times. Are there worse sins? Objectively, yes—blasphemy, hatred of God. But impurity enslaves the soul and is rampant today. St. Augustine said that while the devil catches souls with a hook in other sins, with impurity he uses a net.

## 1. But... what is a sin against purity?

It's any thought, word, or act against the 6th and 9th commandments, meant to safeguard our sexuality. The reason is that original sin disordered our passions. Sexuality is not evil in itself—obviously—but misused, it becomes destructive. It's like anything: water is not bad in itself, but if we tie a rope around our neck with a stone and jump off the Golden Gate into the water... too much water can kill us. And Jesus said: “Anyone who looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery with her in his heart” (Mt 5:28). St. Paul warned: “The works of the flesh are obvious... and those who do such things shall not inherit the Kingdom of God” (Gal 5:19-21).

## 2. Types and gravity of sins against purity

Sins against purity are mortal if done with full knowledge and consent. Why? Because they disorder the will, cloud judgment, and lead to other sins—lies, manipulation, broken families.

Examples: Fornication, Masturbation, Adultery, Homosexual acts, Pornography. Anyone who commits these sins must go to Confession before receiving Communion.

## 3. Means to overcome impurity

Natural means:

- Stay calm during temptation (a temptation is not a sin).
- Avoid near occasions of sin: “Father,” a young man once told me, “Every time my girlfriend and I meet, we end up sinning...” “Well, son,” I replied, “if you're alone with her at 2 a.m. in your apartment, it's probably not to pray the Rosary...”
- Watchfulness and penance: As St. Paul wrote, the flesh wars against the spirit. So we must discipline the body—through fasting, cold showers, self-denial—lest it dominate the soul.
- Cultivate modesty: Purity requires modesty. This means dressing and behaving in ways that respect one's dignity and protect others. The eyes and heart must remain chaste. Scripture says: “He who loves danger will perish in it” (Sir 3:26).

Supernatural means:

- Prayer: St. Jerome said: “It is granted to those who ask.” God

gives purity to those who seek it sincerely.

- Confession and Eucharist: Confess immediately after a fall—don't delay. Frequent Confession and Communion (while in grace) are powerful weapons against impurity.

- Devotion to Mary: Mary is the “teacher of virginity,” the Virgin of virgins. Ask her to protect your chastity. No devotion is more effective in preserving purity. Let us ask Our Lady for the grace of purity, whose reward—Christ Himself—has promised: “Blessed are the pure of heart, for they shall see God” (Mt 5:8).

Fr. Javier Olivera Ravasi, SE



Shrine of our Lady of Fatima  
at Star of the Sea

## Star of the Sea Church

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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 & Confes-  
sions, 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

**Wis 18: 6-9; Heb 11 1-2, 8-19; Lk 12:32-48.** The saying goes that "the tree falls to the side it leans." On this Sunday, Our Lord Jesus Christ, through the Gospels, warns us to always be prepared for that most important moment of our life: the moment of our death. That is why we must always live in the grace of God; and if we have lost it, we must recover it as soon as possible through the sacrament of Confession. "Death, judgment, hell and glory – keep them, Christian, in your memory."



## Eucharistic Adoration

We celebrate St. Jane Frances Chantal, on August 12 (Roman) and August 21 (Trad). She was married, widowed, and later founded the Visitation Sisters (along with Francis de Sales, her spiritual director). The Eucharist was of upmost importance! She is quoted, "I spend most of my time in the chapel, where I find my delight and my

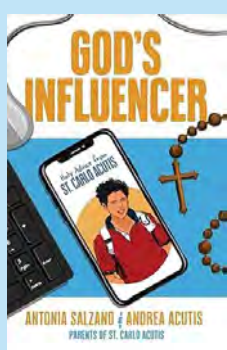
repose. There I adore my God..." You, too, can find your delight and repose and adore God with a weekly Holy Hour.

Sign up at [www.adorationpro.org/star](http://www.adorationpro.org/star)

Hold these special dates: Star will have a special Eucharistic Rosary Congress coming Oct. 28-Nov. 4th, where we will pray the Rosary every hour on the hour- during adoration ... and you can sign up to lead a Rosary! More info to come!

## FORMED RECOMMENDATIONS: <http://watch.formed.org> . FORMED IS FREE TO ALL PARISHIONERS!

Clare and Francis This epic feature film on the lives of St. Clare and St. Francis of Assisi was shot on location in Italy. This outstanding movie is unique among films about these saints because of the historical content. St. Clare of Assisi feast (New calendar) is August 11.



## CARLO ACUTIS

Learn about the life of blessed Carlo Acutis, from the people that knew him best! His mother and Father.

The Catholic Church's first millennial saint. His canonization will take place on September 7, 2025 in Rome. He will be declared saint by Pope Leo XIV.

**Book available in the parish kiosk \$15.00**



Join our Young Adults Group for Weekly Events!

Every Thursday, 6:30-8:00pm

Star Gym, St. Clare Room.

Kevin Erickson (310) 418-6289

# Mass Intentions

Saturday 08/09	8:30am	† Violet K. Cheng
	12noon	Int. of Pro-Life
	4:30pm	† Virginia and Richard Copada
Sunday 08/10	8:00am	People of the Parish
	9:30am	† Bohumil Kovacic
	11:30am	Int. of Nativity High School
	7:30pm	Int. of The Sullivan Family
Monday 08/11	7:00am	Int. of Claire Hallquist
	12noon	Int. of Daisy Reyes Int. of Deacon Albert Nimri Int. of Codi Catubigan (for healing) † All Souls † Editha Barte † Domingo Arnaldo † Carol Alejandrino
	6:00pm	Int. of Trung Int. of Michelle Lopez (for healing) Int. of Dough Sheperd (for healing) † All Souls † Fausto Casallas † Souls in Purgatory
Tuesday 08/12	7:00am	Int. of Claire Hallquist
	12:00pm	† Carlito Vallejera
	6:00pm	† Violet K. Cheng
Wednesday 08/13	7:00am	Int. of Generoso Yap
	12:00pm	Int. of Rosa Ma (bday)
	6:00pm	† Francisco and Lidia Maturano-Quintana
Thursday 08/14	7:00am	† Alfred Samuel, Jr. and Mary Louise Lyding
	12noon	† Catalino T. Nicolas
	6:00pm	† Jeannine Donohoue (1st anniv)
Friday 08/15	7:00am	Int. of Nicole Arena
	12noon	Int. of Lukas Tjhin
	6:00pm	Int. of Tommaso Palmieri
Saturday 08/16	8:30am	† Aleta Nawrot
	12noon	† Bill McEntire
	4:30pm	† Patrick and Gertrude Halloran

**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, Julie Johnson, Lauri Tepedino, Brian Galloway, Homer Chin, Charles Bolla and all sick parishioners.

## DEVOTIONS

Monday-Saturday: Rosary prayer after all daily Masses.

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

Tuesdays: 7-8pm Silent Holy Hour & Confessions

Saturdays: 3pm Divine Mercy Chaplet in the church.

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

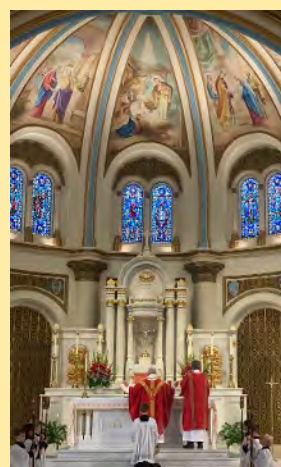
Sundays: 2:30pm Rosary Walk at St. Mary's Cathedral. For

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



# Programs & Apostolates

<b>GENERAL INFORMATION</b> Parish office, 415-751-0450 www.starparish.com	<b>BAPTISM, MARRIAGE &amp; ALL SACRAMENTS</b> 415-751-0450
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<b>Foundation of Prayers for Priests</b> Carmen Duran   Register: foundationforpriests.org	<b>Our Lady of Fatima, Star Pro-Life Apostolate</b> Thursdays 6-7pm, & Sat. 10-11am 1522 Bush St. star.flocknote.com/Star-Pro-life
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<b>Tuesday Bible Study</b> 3-4:30pm at Parish Rectory. Bill McCarty 415-876-8551	<b>Holy Name Society</b> (Divine Mercy Devotion) Thelma Queri, 415-751-0450
<b>Bulletin Announcements</b> Ad submissions due by 3pm on Tuesdays. Contact bulletin editor: mariella@starparish.com	<b>Volunteer Opportunities</b> Interested in volunteering? Information at: 415-751-0450 mariella@starparish.com



## Keep Our Parish Prosperous

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 information please contact: mariella@starparish.com

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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!)

## 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.

### GET STARTED WITH A PLANNED GIFT?

Call for information: Mariella Zevallos,  
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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.



Formed.org/Sign up as parishioner/Create new account: find your parish (zip code 94118)/ Select Star of the Sea/next/Create a new account:Your name and email/sign up!



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## EUCHARISTIC ROSARY CONGRESS

Star of the Sea

Save the date: Oct. 28 - Nov. 4



24-Hour Eucharistic Adoration.

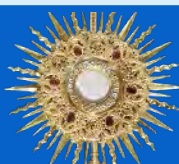
Holy Rosary Prayed Every Hour on the Hour.

Daily Masses (Latin & Novus Ordo).

Highlights of the Congress:

Saturday, November 1, 2025

9:00 AM - Mass with Archbishop Cordileone at St. Mary's Cathedral, followed by Our Lady of Fatima Eucharistic Grand Procession to Star



24-Hour  
Eucharistic  
Adoration



The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

A Holy Day of Obligation

7am Latin Mass, 12 noon English Sung Mass,  
6pm Latin Sung Mass



### STEWARDS STATS

**Time:** 10 people joined the Holy Face Devotional prayers last Tuesday at 6pm.

**Talent:** 6 volunteers clean the church candle racks weekly

**Treasure:** Sunday Offering \$8,559

**To give online:** [www.starparish.com/give](http://www.starparish.com/give)



Order of Christian Initiation for Adults

**CLASSES START ON AUGUST 27  
REGISTER!**

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

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



### STAR OF THE SEA

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd "CGS"  
Program for children 3-6 years old

**NOW ENROLLING!**

First two Sundays of the month classes:  
10:30am - 11:15am

Program Starts September 7, 2025  
in the Preschool Atrium

Teachers: Alyson Voltmer and  
Kisstrin Cozier

To register visit: [www.starparish.com](http://www.starparish.com)

Contact: Mariella Zevallos (415) 751-0450



### STAR OF THE SEA PARISH

First Holy Communion Preparation  
**NOW ENROLLING!**

Sunday classes: 10:30am - 11:15am

Program Starts September 7, 2025

Teacher: Clarice Mandala

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AT STAR of the SEA**

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