



# 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 17, 2025 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Red Missal: pg 538); 10th Sunday After Pentecost (1962 Missal: pg 749)



## From green to grace

During the past month the space between our church and the rectory / office has

undergone a transformation, turning what has long been a little slice of green into a Sacred Heart garden, thanks to the addition of an antique bell and statue from St. Anne's Home, an upgraded sprinkler system, and weeks of work. The results are beautiful, and the small refuge of peace amidst the city's concrete expanse is now a sacred space for recollection and prayer. Make a point of visiting the old Greenway for a look and some prayer. We are blessed by and grateful to the generous donor who gifted the image of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

## A question of perspective

It's been a little hard to keep up with all the activities, events, and incidents so far in 2025, and reactions to this veritable whirlwind have been heavily influenced by our perspectives. I've been reminded by this of a parable that has circulated for many years and in varied forms. I offer it here to help us reflect during trying times.

While walking on the road out of town, I encountered three men carrying loads of bricks on their shoulders, on their way into town. As the first man approached, I greeted him and asked him what he was doing. He stopped and set down his pack, looking almost a little annoyed. "I'm carrying

a load of bricks on my back! What does it look like I'm doing?!" He rolled his eyes and shook his head,



*The 1909 restored statue of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in the church's Greenway.*



mumbling some epithets under his breath, as he re-shouldered his load and hurried on his way.

A few moments later, I met the second man. After exchanging greetings with him, I asked him what he was doing. He stopped to face me, taking a couple of deep breaths as he adjusted the load on his shoulders. "Times are tough, and I'm trying to earn enough to feed and house my family..." He apologized for rushing off, and within a minute was even beyond shouting range.

The third man approached shortly after that, and exchanged greetings with me. I asked him what he was doing. "We're building a cathedral in town. It's going to be magnificent when we've finished it!" He wished me well, and continued on his way.

All three men were doing the exact same thing. But each of them felt differently about it, because each saw it from a different perspective. This

invites us to consider how we perceive the burdens in our lives? Which of these three attitudes is closest to yours?

May God's blessings pour down upon us and the whole world. Fr. Michael Konopik

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**Office Hours**  
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 & 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

Jer 38:4-6,8-10; Ps 40:2-4,18; Heb 12:1-4; Lk 12:49-53

Those who speak the truth of God and live in his ways can expect rejection and abuse for their efforts; but God calls us to persevere, promising to preserve the lives of the faithful who persist.



## Eucharistic Adoration

We celebrated St. Cajetan on August 7. Born into nobility, he was scorned after he became a priest and decided to serve the poor. He countered the reformation by educating the

laity. He had a strong devotion to Mary and the Blessed Sacrament, spending hours in prayer. He is quoted, *"Do not receive Christ in the Blessed Sacrament so that you may use Him as you judge best but give yourself to Him... so that He...may do to you and through you, whatever He wills."*

And so, sign up for a weekly commitment at [www.adorationpro.org/star](http://www.adorationpro.org/star)

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

**Our Lady of Knock** - The Faithful episodes.

In 1879, in the village of Knock, Ireland, a group of 15 people witnessed an amazing apparition of the Virgin Mary, St. Joseph, and St. John the Evangelist. This episode explains what a Marian apparition is and tells the story of Our Lady of Knock. (Animated short video).



## CARLO ACUTIS CANONIZATION SEPTEMBER 7, 2025 IN ROME

The Catholic Church's First Millennial Saint will be declared saint by Pope Leo XIV.  
*We invite you to Light a candle in his shrine!*



Join our Young Adults Group for Weekly Events! Every Thursday, 6:30-8:00pm  
Star Gym, St. Clare Room.  
Kevin Erickson (310) 418-6289

# PICKLEBALL OPEN CLASS

**WEDNESDAYS  
7:00-9:30 PM  
STAR GYMNASIUM**

Contact Dennis Aguirre: (650) 302-7908

# Mass Intentions

Saturday 08/16	8:30am	† Aleta Nawrot
	12noon	† Bill McEntire
	4:30pm	† Patrick and Gertrude Halloran
Sunday 08/17	8:00am	People of the Parish
	9:30am	Int. of Andy Stone and Family
	11:30am	Int. of The Dumlao Family
	7:30pm	† Mike Apicelli
Monday 08/18	7:00am	† Francisco Quintana-Diaz
	12noon	Int. of Ronald C. Kozka Int. of Jose and Veronia Abantao † Marie DiPirro † Souls in Purgatory † Audrey Jennie Tom
	6:00pm	Int. of Trung and Tam Int. of Rosa Escobar - healing † German Casanas † Joseph Abudho † Souls in Purgatory
Tuesday 08/19	7:00am	† Joe Kelly
	12:00pm	Int. of Felix, Lucy and The Tai Family
	6:00pm	Int. of Bud and Lorna Feria
Wednesday 08/20	7:00am	Int. of Clarice Mandala
	12:00pm	† Simeon E. So
	6:00pm	Int. of Giancarlo Zevallos
Thursday 08/21	7:00am	Int. of Debra Dharmer (bday)
	12noon	Int. of Celia Tabobo (bday)
	6:00pm	Int. of Edmund Ing (bday)
Friday 08/22	7:00am	† Phillip Norcia
	12noon	Int. of Mariella Zevallos (bday)
	6:00pm	† Valerie Meehan
Saturday 08/23	8:30am	† All Souls
	12noon	† Daniel Hurley
	4:30pm	† Dr. Donald and Mary T. Lintner

**PRAYERS OF THE SICK:** Mariana Mendieta, Margaret & Mark Sellai, 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, Maria Molina, Maria Avedano, 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/Rosary Walk](https://star.flocknote.com/Rosary%20Walk).



# 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

MAXIMIZE YOUR IMPACT



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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,  
(415) 751-0450 | mariella@starparish.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.



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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OCTOBER 28 –  
NOVEMBER 4, 2025  
STAR OF THE SEA PARISH,  
SAN FRANCISCO

EUCCHARISTIC  
ROSARY  
CONGRESS



SEVEN DAYS & NIGHTS OF CONTINUOUS DEVOTION  
HONOR OUR LADY. IMPORE CHRIST'S MERCY.

- 24-HOUR EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
- ROSARY PRAYED EVERY HOUR ON THE HOUR  
(LATIN, ENGLISH & SPANISH)
- DAILY MASSES (LATIN & NOVUS ORDO)
- HIGHLIGHTS OF THE CONGRESS: SATURDAY, 11/1/25

9:00 AM – MASS WITH ARCHBISHOP CORDILEONE AT ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL FOLLOWED BY OUR LADY OF FATIMA EUCCHARISTIC GRAND PROCESSION TO STAR OF THE SEA PARISH.

COULD YOU NOT WATCH ONE HOUR WITH ME? – MATHEW 26:40

ERC SCHEDULE



ROSARY SIGN UP




**OCIA**  
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


**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 in the Preschool Atrium. 10:30am - 11:15am.  
Program Starts September 7, 2025  
Teachers: Alyson Voltmer and Kisstrin Cozier  
To register visit: [www.starparish.com](http://www.starparish.com)



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




You are invited to Join The Legion of Mary: The Legionaries from Star of the Sea Legion of Mary, are recruiting new members! Visit their information table in the school yard, Sunday, August 17 from 9:15am to 11:15am and after the 11:30am Mass.



Interesado en recibir los sacramentos de Bautismo, Primera Comunión y confirmación? Ofrecemos un programa en español en línea! Para información o para registrarte visita:  
<https://forms.gle/8vkRDDfQzaVQGABp7>

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**EXAMEN Y CERTIFICADO  
PARA RECIBIR LOS SACRAMENTOS**

**ORDEN SAN ELIAS**

**«CATEQUESIS PARA BÁRBAROS»**

Families are invited to Park Day at Presidio Wall Playground today Sunday from 2-4pm. Easy parking and gated play area. Bring snacks, drinks, sunscreen, and a Rosary. Any questions, text Sean 415-770-9504

**STEWARDS STATS**

**Time:** 30+ joined the Lady of Perpetual Help devotional prayers last Wednesday.  
**Talent:** two volunteers helped at the office last week.  
**Treasure:** Sunday Offering \$8,885  
**To give online:** [www.starparish.com/give](http://www.starparish.com/give)

**VISIT THE 16 APPARITION  
SHRINES OF OUR LADY  
AT STAR of the SEA**

Book a tour:  
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[www.starparish.com/marys-shrine/](http://www.starparish.com/marys-shrine/)

**OUR LADY OF KNOCK  
FEAST DAY AUGUST 21**  
We invite you to light a candle and pray to Our Lady for your intentions.

