



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**

September 7, 2025 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Red Missal: pg 570) - 13th Sunday After Pentecost (1962 Missal: pg 760)



Hail and Farewell

This past week, we bade farewell to Father Edwin Abudho, who spent August among us, helping us with our parish

ministries, and learning more about the Traditional Mass. We greatly enjoyed his presence, are enormously grateful for his contributions, and pray God will guide his return to his pastoral ministries in Kenya, bless him in and through his efforts there, and sustain him in fruitfulness.

We also welcomed Father Theogene Ngoboka from Rwanda, who succeeds Father Edwin in the role of visitor / assistant for the month of September. Father Theo is already adjusting to being here and enriching the fabric of our community. May God bless his time with us, as Father Illo makes his return from sabbatical.

The Battlefield of Faith

The August church attack in Minneapolis is already old news in the world's view; but the shock and grief are still fresh. Most of us wondered how to prevent such a tragedy in our community. Our desire to keep our children safe arises from the obligations of our love for them, which is a holy desire. We need to keep central in our perspective Jesus's instructions in establishing Holy Mother Church, though. Our commission

isn't to make her safe from the world, but to be a living instrument of God's conversion and purification of the world. To manifest the



Father Edwin Abudho

Beatitudes wherever we are, and to bear witness that willingly suffering out of love is the supreme good. Saint Paul beautifully explains how we can have more virtues than everybody else, combined; but if we don't have love (the love to lay down our lives for others), we have nothing. We still honor the martyrs from the earliest generations of Christians, and we will honor these, among her most recent martyrs, as we pray for the Lord to heal the wound.

The best weapons at hand for fighting such hatred and violence won't be found in better security systems, but in the Holy Eucharist and Rosary, which have animated and energized the faithful, generation after generation. How fortuitous for our Eucharistic Rosary Conference at Star of the Sea to be right around the corner in our calendars (Oct 28 - Nov 4), a kind of mystical bunker from which to battle the forces of sin and death. Sign up now for some Rosaries and Holy Hours in Adoration during the conference, attend talks, make new connections. Let our Lord be our hope and our faith be our strength.

Lord, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

Fr. Michael konopik



Father Theogene Ngoboka

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

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Parochial Vicar
Fr. James Liebner,
Parochial Vicar
Deacon Albert Nimri,
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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

Wisdom 9:13-18b; Ps 90:3-6,12-13,14,17; Phlm 9-10,12-17; Lk 14:25-33

Beyond reach of our comprehension are the ways and intentions of the Lord, who grants us to share in being, guides our life, and commissions us to take up our cross and follow Jesus, especially by forgiving those who wrong us.



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

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

Pier Giorgio Frassati: If I Didn't Have Love

Coming to Formed on September 7! A classic Italian movie re-mastered and re-released to celebrate the canonization in 2025 of Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati (1901-1925). Frassati was a fun-loving young man from a rich, aristocratic Italian family who turned from a life of privilege to one devoted to working with the poor, suffering and homeless, and was a courageous witness of Christian faith and charity to many others. An avid mountain climber, Frassati exemplified a great love for life, nature and humanity. He was a leader of youth in Italy in Catholic social justice and charitable organizations, and is the patron saint of World Youth Days. He died of the polio virus at the age of 24.

Mass Intentions

Saturday 09/06	8:30am	† Doma Parlovic Colic
	12noon	Int. of Ivonne Setiawan
	4:30pm	† Robert Tobin
Sunday 09/07	8:00am	People of the Parish
	9:30am	Int. of Archie Choice
	11:30am	Int. of Fr. Tomas Beroch
	7:30pm	Int. of Josip Martinovic
Monday 09/08	7:00am	Int. of Ronald Palencia
	12noon	Int. of Gabe Santos Int. of Hugo Monjivar Int. of Mario Bruno (bday) Int. of Francisco Buenostro Int. of Deacon Albert Nimri Int. of Daphne Therese Macalalad (bday) † Leopoldo Gutierrez
Tuesday 09/09	6:00pm	Int. of Amador Luna Int. of Elena Tillman (bday) Int. of Sherman Tillman (bday) Int. of Rosa de Lima Mendoza † All Souls in Purgatory † Mateo and Elma Melgar
	7:00am	Int. of Lency Nascimento - healing
	12noon	Int. of John Monaco (bday) † Fr. Benedict Chang (bday)
Wednesday 09/10	6:00pm	Int. of Matthew Schnur
	7:00am	Int. of Conchita Yap
	12noon	† Doma Parlovic Colic
Thursday 09/11	6:00pm	Int. of Donncha and Marisela O'Cochlain
	7:00am	Int. of Alysson Voltmer
	12noon	Int. of Lisa and Matthias Berens (bday)
Friday 09/12	6:00pm	Int. of Peter and Estrelle Chan
	7:00am	Int. of Toni Rusich
	12noon	† James J. Sing
Saturday 09/13	6:00pm	Int. of Fr. Javier Ravasi (bday) Int. of Marilyn Susan Bridon (bday)
	8:30am	† Edward Konopaski (bday)
	12noon	Int. of Pro-Life
	4:30pm	Int. of Sharon Johnston and Family



**ENROLLMENT OPEN
REGISTER!**

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

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

The Archdiocese of San Francisco

Respect for Life Conference

The Abortion Pill: Dangers, Remedies, and Legal Challenges

Saturday, September 27 | 8:30am-2pm

STAR OF THE SEA AUDITORIUM

8:30 am, Mass offered by Fr. Joseph Illo | 9:30am Refreshments | 10am - 2p.m. Speakers: Dr. George Delgado, Tammy Mahany, DNP, and Peter Breen | 12:15 pm Lunch

For Information please contact

Valerie Schmalz: lifeanddignity@sfarch.org, 415-614-5571

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, Sarah Monaco, Hannelore Schatz and all sick parishioners.

DEVOTIONS

Monday-Saturday: Rosary prayer after all daily Masses.
Tuesdays: 6pm Holy Face Devotion, in the chapel.

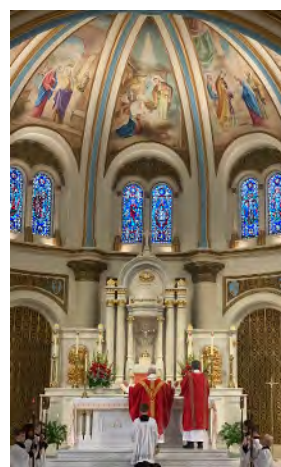
Tuesdays: 7-8pm Silent Holy Hour & Confessions
Saturdays: 3pm Divine Mercy Chaplet in the church.

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

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Tuesday Bible Study 3-4:30pm at Parish Rectory. Bill McCarty 415-876-8551	Holy Name Society (Divine Mercy Devotion) Thelma Queri, 415-751-0450
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



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.



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EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION On September 7, Blessed Carlo Acutis will become a canonized saint. An Italian, born in London in 1991, and raised in Milan, died of Leukemia at the age of 15. However, in his short life, he had a beautiful faith, striving to attend daily Mass, even at the young age of 7! Later, he used his gift of technology, creating a website, cataloging Eucharistic miracles. He is quoted, *"If we get in front of the sun, we get sun tans ... but when we get in front of Jesus in the Eucharist, we become Saints."*

Come sign up for a weekly Holy Hour at www.adorationpro.org/star. We will have a Eucharistic Rosary on October 28-November 4th, where we will pray the rosary every hour on the hour- during adoration ... sign up to lead a rosary: <https://signup.com/go/zUJkGN>
Holy Hours Needed: Sundays at 10 pm; Mondays, 8 and 9 am; Tuesdays, 10 and 11 am; Wednesdays, 8, 9 and 11 am, and 11

Blessed CARLO ACUTIS and Blessed PIER GIORGIO FRASSATI



**CANONIZATIONS
SEPTEMBER 7,
2025**

We invite you to
light a candle at St.
Carlo Acutis Shrine!



FAASTAR

FILIPINO AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF STAR OF THE SEA
**CELEBRATE THE FEAST OF SAN
LORENZO RUIZ OF MANILA AT
STAR OF THE SEA**

**TRIDUUM: SEPT. 17, 18 & 19 after
the 6pm Mass. DINNER: SEPT. 20, 6pm-9pm,
Auditorium.**

Tickets: \$20 Cash or check payable to
FAASTAR. 2 skewers BBQ pork or chicken, rice lumpiang shianghai
and bottle of water. Contact Estrella Chan 415.336.9193 or Jennifer
Gabriel 415.215.7046



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 \$6,858

To give online: www.starparish.com/give

**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.

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ROSARY SIGN UP





OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA PATRONAL FEAST CELEBRATION

SEPTEMBER 27, 2025

Novena Sept. 18-26

12 NOON SUNG LATIN MASS

FOLLOWED BY PROCESSION.

**RECEPTION IN THE
AUDITORIUM 2:30PM**



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

Book a tour:
mariella@starparish.com
www.starparish.com/marys-shrine/

*We invite you to light a candle and pray
to Our Lady for your intentions.*