



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 28, 2025 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Red Missal: pg 604) - 16th Sunday After Pentecost (1962 Missal: pg 771)



Rosary Rally This coming Saturday's Bay Area Rosary Rally began on October 7, 1961, when Fr. Patrick Peyton held the largest gathering in San Francisco history to that date, drawing 500,000 people to Golden Gate Park to pray the rosary.

The Governor was there, the Mayor was there, the Chief of Police was there, all on their knees, praying to God for peace and goodwill. I was living in New York at the time, still in my mother's womb, but the Cold War was escalating. A year later, in the Cuban Missile Crisis, the Soviet Union pointed its arsenal of nuclear warheads at New York City, where I was by then ten months out of the womb. The rosary is above all a prayer for peace, and the prayers of those 500,000 people in San Francisco, as well as Fr. Peyton's crusades in New York, Manila, Dublin, Rio de Janeiro, and many other cities, helped avert a global nuclear war. In 2011, on the fiftieth anniversary of Fr. Peyton's rosary rally in our city, the Legion of Mary and our own Eva Muntean restarted the rosary rallies in San Francisco. For ten years I coordinated this wonderful event, and this year Fr. Armando Gutierrez began his term as rally coordinator. He is a fine priest and doing good work in leading the Rally this year from St. Anthony's parish in the mission to the Cathedral for Mass with the Archbishop, followed by a second, shorter procession. I encourage all to attend as much as you can, either from St. Anthony's parish at 7am, or Mass at the Cathedral at 10am.

Feast of St. Francis The Rally this year will be on

October 4, which is also the feast St. Francis, and the true feast of our city, founded and named by the sons of St. Francis of Assisi. Two months ago I finished writing the history of our parish, which will be published in a few months to mark the 250th anniversary of both the founding of our city and the founding of our nation. While the United States began with the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776, San Francisco began with the dedication of Mission San Francisco de Asis on October 9, 1776. While writing the parish history, however, I discovered that the first Catholic Mass in San Francisco was not that offered by St. Junipero Serra at the Mission on June 29, 1776, but a Mass offered at Juan Bautista de Anza camp at Mountain Lake,



just a few blocks from our parish on, March 27, 1776. The first Mass in San Francisco was offered in what would become Star of the Sea parish!

Five First Saturdays The other book I wrote over the summer was on Our Lady's apparitions, and another thing I discovered was the importance of the First Saturdays. On December 10, 1925, Our Lord urged Sr. Lucia to promote this devotion: on five consecutive first Saturdays,

a Mass of reparation for sin, the rosary, fifteen minutes of silent meditation, and a good confession within 8 days. Since I've been doing all those things for the last 45 years, I thought I was covered. But I was wrong! I wasn't making the specific intention of offering my Holy Communion *in reparation for sins committed against the Immaculate Heart*. So I begin this coming Saturday, and I invite you to join me at the Archbishop's 10am Mass on October 4. Let us begin our first

Five Saturdays on the Feast of St. Francis and continue for at least four more Saturdays in a row. Do this for the love of God, for peace in our hearts, and for the salvation of souls. *Fr. Joseph Illo*

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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

Lazarus Am 6: 1a, 4-7; 1 Tim 6: 11-16; Lk 16: 19-31 There are two Lazarus' in the New Testament, and today's Gospel is about the less famous one, the poor beggar whom the rich man ignored at his doorstep. The rich man is not named, but the world will never forget the poor man named Lazarus. He went to heaven for his patience in poverty, but the rich man went to hell for not sharing his wealth.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION We celebrate St. Therese of Lisieux, also known as St. Therese of the Child Jesus on October 1st (Roman) & October 3rd (Trad). She was born in 1873 and died at age 24. Her little way earned her "Doctor of the Church."

She is quoted, "Do you realize that Jesus is there... expressly for you... for you alone? He burns with the desire to come into your heart..." and prayed, "Oh Jesus... Keeping myself open to the rays of the Divine Host. In this furnace of love, I shall be consumed."

Come be consumed by signing up for a weekly commitment at www.adorationpro.org/star

Eucharistic Rosary Congress: sign up to lead a rosary 1/28-11-4 at <https://signup.com/go/zUJkGN>

Holy Hour Needs: Sundays at 1 pm & 10 pm, and 11 pm; Mondays, 9 am; Wednesdays, 8, 9 and 11 am, and 11 pm; Thursdays, 10 and 11

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

Saint Francis of Assisi: His Life and Miracles

This movie is based on the official writings of Brother Thomas Celano, a close companion and friar with St. Francis who spent many years with the saint. Brother Thomas called Francis an "alter Christos" who was like a "a holy mirror of the sanctity of the Lord, and an image of His perfection." Filmed on location in Assisi and other Italian towns where Francis made an impact, this film tells the story of his whole life. We see the wealthy young Francis, who dreamt of being a great knight, but becomes transformed by a mystical experience of the Lord, who asked Francis to "rebuild-my-church."

MARRIAGE AND FAMILY APOSTOLATE

Engaged couples and families are welcome to partake in a free meal and fellowship hosted at Holy Family House (former convent across 8th Ave) after both the 9:30 and 11:30 Masses. Call Sean 415-770-9504 for the gate code.

I am a Star of the Sea parishioner, looking for an in-law unit in Outer Sunset or a roommate situation. Please contact: Benjamin Parkinson, Cell (650) 619-9658

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Mass Intentions

Saturday 09/27	8:30am	† Francis and Jenny Chow
	12noon	Int. of Toan Thanh Nguyen
	4:30pm	† Maria Silmaro (anniv)
Sunday 09/28	8:00am	People of the Parish
	9:30am	† John Frances Doherty
	11:30am	Int. of Marisela O'Cochlain (bday)
	7:30pm	Int. of Laurie Murdock (bday)
Monday 09/29	7:00am	† Marion Cooper
	12noon	Int. of Vency Fernandes Int. of Joan Spaargaren Int. of Mario Bruno and Family † Betty Tan † Maria Bruno † Robert Tobin (bday) † Daniel and Patricia De Vera
	6:00pm	Int. of Connie Halog † John Ruby † Teresa Perez † Bob Tobin † Patrick Negrete † Maria Anita Salazar † Msgr. Cesare Nosiglia
Tuesday 09/30	7:00am	† Dominic Lemos
	12noon	Int. of Tess So (bday)
	6:00pm	Int. of Aidan and Jolie Quigley
Wednesday 10/01	7:00am	† Parker H. Moriwaki
	12noon	In Thanksgiving to Saint Theresa of the child Jesus
	6:00pm	Int. of Rosa de Lima Mendoza
Thursday 10/02	7:00am	Int. of Fr. William Young (bday)
	12noon	† Judy Sim (anniv)
	6:00pm	Int. of Ruzera Kovacic (bday) Int. of Juan Carlos Lopez (bday)
Friday 10/03	7:00am	Int. of John Rey Hassan
	12noon	Int. of Juan Carlos Lopez
	6:00pm	† For the souls of those who have jumped to their deaths from the Golden Gate Bridge
Saturday 10/04	8:30am	† William Tobin
	12noon	† Maria Silmaro (bday)
	4:30pm	† Catherine Chow

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, Brian Galloway, Charles Bolla, Maria Molina, Maria Avedano, Sarah Monaco, Denis Von Kaeppler, Oliva Setiawaty, Jose Abantao, Wilfred Chow 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.
updates: <http://star.flocknote.com/RosaryWalk>

Programs & Apostolates

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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.

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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.

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ROSARY SIGN UP



**RELICS OF
THE
KNIGHTS OF
COLUMBUS
MEXICAN
MARTYRS**

**STAR OF THE SEA
PARISH
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2,
2025 | 6 PM MASS
FOLLOWED BY
VENERATION OF THE
RELICS**

Bay Area Rosary Rally

OCTOBER 4

Procession to the Cathedral, leaving
from St. Anthony of Padua in the
Mission at 7am.

Talks on Our Lady of the Rosary at
9am at the Cathedral.

Mass with the Archbishop at 10am,
then Eucharistic procession around
the block with His Excellency.

Participate in as much as you can!

SPECIAL LATIN SUNG MASSES

Sept. 29: 6pm, St Michael the
Archangel

Oct. 3: 6pm, First Friday - Sacred
Heart of Jesus

Oct. 4: 12 noon, St Francis of Assisi

A Prayer for Priests by St. Therese of Lisieux

O Jesus, eternal Priest, keep your priests within the shelter of Your Sacred Heart, where none may touch them. Keep unstained their anointed hands, which daily touch Your Sacred Body. Keep unsullied their lips, daily purpled with your Precious Blood. Keep pure and unearthly their hearts, sealed with the sublime mark of the priesthood. Let Your holy love surround them and shield them from the world's contagion. Bless their labors with abundant fruit and may the souls to whom they minister be their joy and consolation here and in heaven their beautiful and everlasting crown. Amen.



STEWARDS STATS

Time: 20+people joined the Lady of Perpetual Help devotional prayers last Wednesday.

Talent: 11 lectors served at the daily and Sunday Masses last week

Treasure: Sunday Offering \$ 10,211

Second Collection: Priests Retirement \$ 4,677

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SHRINES OF OUR LADY**

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