



The Annunciation At 6pm on Wednesday, three of us priests (Fr. Donald Morgan, Fr. Javier Ravasi, and myself) will offer the highest grade of liturgy within our power, a Solemn High Mass in honor of Our Lady's Annunciation. In our

parish and in our school, when we hear the Angelus bells ringing from our church towers, we stop what we are doing and pray to God, repeating the words of the Maiden Mary to the Angel Gabriel: "let it be done to me as you have said." She

trusted, and she surrendered herself to God, and at that instant, the Holy Spirit rushed upon her. She conceived within her body the Incarnate Word of God, Jesus Christ. Eternity stepped into time, and the infinite God became the tiniest of human cells. It is not Christmas, and it is not Easter, nor any other feast on the calendar that marks the still centerpoint of human history. It is the Feast of the Annunciation, the Feast of the Incarnation, when the gates of

heaven were thrown open to us. That is what we will celebrate at Holy Mass this Wednesday. We have four priests, and four Masses: 7am low Mass in the older usage, 9:10am sung English school Mass, 12noon sung English Mass, and 6pm Solemn High sung Mass in the older usage. Do not miss this greatest of celebrations! By the way: it was on March 25, 2017, that Archbishop Cordileone consecrated our "St. Joseph's Adoration Chapel." For nine years people have been praying before the Word Incarnate in this chapel.

Prayers for Life Every Saturday a group of parishioners pray quietly at the Planned Parenthood facility as mothers go in for surgical abortions. We pray the joyful mysteries, beginning with the Annunciation: God became just a zygote, a fetus, smaller than most children when they are aborted. I want to thank Ron Konopaski for again anchoring our

Forty Days for Life prayer vigil, and I invite all of you to join us *on any Saturday* of the year at 10am or any Thursday of the year at 6pm at this site.

Two weeks ago a fire truck and ambulance quietly rolled up to take out a woman who had been injured in an abortion. The abortion industry tries to hide the fact that both mothers and their children are harmed by the cruel act of abortion. Ambulances have been instructed to use their sirens as little as possible and to pull up to back entrances to keep the public from seeing what is happening in these facilities. We pray for everyone involved in the abortion industry.



Lisa and Eva at the St. Paddy's Day Party last week

Archbishop's Appeal Success

Congratulations and many heartfelt thanks to those who already made supporting gifts to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal. This year's giving has been particularly encouraging, with 70% of the goal reached in the first week, and after only the second week we are 95% towards our goal.

Who will bring us over the finish line?!? Every dollar raised above the goal comes back to the parish, and it is with AAA dollars in past years that we have paid for things like the new mahogany pews in the adoration chapel, the Carrara marble altar pavement, and the restored hardwood floor in the rest of the church. I urge every last Mass-going Catholic in our parish to make a gift of some amount--\$50, \$100, \$500,

\$1200—something for the Archbishop and his apostolic work beyond our parish. Tithing is a Biblical precept because it is good for us. Tithing keeps us from obsessing about money, creating an "abundance mentality" in our minds, helping us trust God, and increases a generous spirit in and around us. Lent is a time to give alms, so if you haven't made a gift to the Archbishop's Appeal, take a AAA brochure from the racks near the doors and do so this week.

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The Sunday Scripture

In the Flesh (Ez 37: 12-14; Rom 8: 8-11; Jn 11: 1-45) Our Lord raises Lazarus this Sunday; flesh that had already decayed four days was made healthy again. But Paul says in the Epistle that “those who are in the flesh cannot please God.” Lazarus would die again, and his flesh would decay into dust. So let’s put to death fleshly desires, and we will not fear death. In fact, in our flesh we will see Him, raised up, and we with Him.



Eucharistic Adoration

On March 23, we celebrate St. Turibius of Mogrovejo. He was born in Spain and studied law. He was the grand inquisitor for a few years, and later, bishop, sent to reform Peru. He baptized 500,000 indigenous people, including St. Rosa of Lima and St. Martin de Porres. He called the

Eucharist "heavenly manna," and "Sacrament of Love" and is quoted, "Jesus will change you into himself".

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Marriage and Family Apostolate

Families are invited to Park Day at Presidio Wall Playground today Sunday, March 22, from 2 to 4pm. Easy parking and gated play area. Bring snacks, drinks, sunscreen, and a Rosary. Any questions, text Sean 415-770-9504

Mass Intentions

Saturday 03/21	8:30am	Int. of Ana Feria (bday)
	12noon	Int. of Carmen and Trinity Duran
	4:30pm	Int. of Kim Nguyen and Family
Sunday 03/22	8:00am	† Cecilia Beltrame (bday)
	9:30am	Int. of Maria Najarro-Miron (bday)
	11:30am	Int. of Erell Masangkay and USPS Employees
	7:30pm	People of the Parish
Monday 03/23	7:00am	Int. of Michael Chu
	12noon	Int. of Jessie Chin † All Souls † Emilio So † Wilfred Chow † Alice Kessing † Alice Kessing † Edward Cochran † Brian Godlewski
	6:00pm	Int. of Daisy Jansen Reyes Int. of Mae Jansen Gregorie Int. of Jeane Jansen Poblete † Polly Arzaga † Delia Dorado † Mickey Whitney † Lloyd R. Musetti, Sr. (anniv)
Tuesday 03/24	7:00am	Deceased member of Kinga Dy and Felisa Family
	12noon	Int. of Thelma Queri and Family
	6:00pm	Int. of Celia and Patrick Francis and Family
Wednesday 03/25	7:00am	Int. of Joe and Joan Flanders
	12noon	Int. of Leslie Low (bday)
	6:00pm	† Lil Wong
Thursday 03/26	7:00am	† Holy Souls in Purgatory
	12:noon	Int. of Philip Schnur
	6:00pm	† Francis and Jenny Chow
Friday 03/27	7:00am	Int. of Corinna Gamez
	12noon	Int. of Fulton Takita (bday)
	6:00pm	Int. of Katherine Nguyen
Saturday 03/28	8:30am	† Jose Abantao
	12noon	† Jesus and Maria G. Jovel
	4:30pm	† John Tzeng

Prayers of the Sick

Mariana Mendieta, Margaret & Mark Sellai, Shawn Mickle, Justin Chin, Andrew Abdo, Julie Johnson, Brian Galloway, Maria Avedano, Denis Von Kaeppler, Oliva Setiawaty, Bryson Soncuya, O Lai Sau King, Ronald Henderson, John Brennan, Benjamin Tan, Leslie Low, Laura Tarbox, Brian Ahrens, Christopher Dunham, Elena Cereghino, Luis Acosta, Lourdes Washington, Jerr Dewey and all sick parishioners.

Programs & Apostolates

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A Message from Archbishop Salvatore J. Cordileone: As Catholics, we are called to use our gifts to serve others and bring Christ to the world. Through the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal, we strengthen our shared mission by supporting essential ministries that care for our youth, accompany families, serve those most in need, and support our priests. I invite you to prayerfully consider a gift to the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal. Your generosity makes a real difference in the lives of so many throughout our Archdiocese.— Most Rev. Salvatore J. Cordileone, Archbishop of San Francisco.



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Mountain Lake Mass

On the 250th anniversary of the Anza Expedition Mass of 1776

On March 27, 1776, Lieutenant Colonel Juan Bautista de Anza camped at Mountain Lake with 240 settlers, soldiers, indigenous interpreters, and the Franciscan padres Francisco Garcés, Tomás Eixarch, and Pedro Font. The next morning, Anza's priests would have offered what is probably the first Catholic Mass in what would become San Francisco. Three months later, on June 29th, 1776, Father Junipero Serra would offer the first recorded Mass at what became *Misión San Francisco de Asis*, after which our City is named.

On March 28, 2026, priests will again offer a sung Mass in the same form in which the original *padres* celebrated it, followed by a barbecue in Mountain Lake Park. All are welcome at Mountain Lake Park, 12th Avenue entrance.

250th Anniversary of the City of San Francisco



LENT, HOLY WEEK and EASTER LITURGIES

Daily Masses: 7am, 12Noon, 6pm, with public rosary after every Mass; Confessions: 15 minutes before every Mass; Saturdays 3:15-4:15pm

Stations of the Cross: 6:30pm on Friday, March 27 and April 3. Followed by Soup supper (auditorium).

Feast of the Annunciation, March 25: 7am Mass (Latin), Noon English, 6pm (Solemn High Mass).

Chrism Mass with Archbishop Cordileone at St. Mary's Cathedral: March 26, 4pm

Palm Sunday, March 29: Blessing and Distribution of Palms at all Masses

Holy (Maundy) Thursday, April 2: 7am Tenebrae service; 6pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday, April 3: 7am Tenebrae service, 12Noon Service of the Lord's Passion, 3pm Service of the Lord Passion (Latin); 7pm Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday, April 4: 8pm Easter Vigil Mass and baptism of new Catholics

Easter Sunday, April 5: 8am (Sung English), 9:30am (Sung English), 11:30am (Sung Latin). No 7:30pm Mass on Easter Sunday

Divine Mercy Novena: Begins April 3 (Good Friday) at 3pm, through April 12 (Mercy Sunday) at 3pm.

Divine Mercy Mass: April 12 at 3pm with Fr. James Liebner.



Easter Lilies & Orchids

Help us beautify our altars this Easter. Donations of Easter lilies or orchids are gratefully appreciated.

You may also make a check payable to *Star of the Sea*. Please deliver between March 29 and April 2. Thank you for your generosity.



Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord SOLEMN HIGH MASS Wednesday, March 25, 6PM



STEWARDS STATS

Colossians 3:23 *Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men.*

Time: 23+people joined the Lady of Perpetual Help devotional prayers last Wednesday.

Talent: 12 lectors served at the daily and Sunday Masses.

Treasure: Sunday Offering \$8,475

Catholic Relief Services \$1,157

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