

St. John the Baptist Church

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Welcome!

*Our warmest welcome to all who worship with us,
whether a long-time parishioner or newly arrived in the parish.*

*As Catholic Christians, we are committed to knowing,
loving and serving God by obeying His commandments
and serving our brothers and sisters with love and respect.*

Schedule of Masses

Saturday Vigil: 5 p.m.

Sunday: 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m., & 11:30 a.m.

Brazilian: 6 p.m. Sunday

Weekdays: 8 a.m.

Holy Days: 8 a.m. & 7:30 p.m.

Sacraments

Reconciliation: 4 p.m. Saturday

Anointing of the Sick:

- 1st Saturday after 8 a.m. Mass

- or by individual arrangement

Baptism & Marriage: Contact office



Priests

Rev. Thuong Hoai Nguyen, Pastor
Rev. Joseph Tran, In Residence

Deacons

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Parish Office

Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

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St. Vincent de Paul Society

Leave a message at (510)-232-5659

St. John's Elementary School

Principal: Dina Trombetta
(510)-234-2244 • www.stjohnec.org

St. John's Community Center

6500 Gladys Ave.
Tuesdays: (510)-237-3808

St. John's Divine Mercy Adoration Chapel

11152 San Pablo Ave.

Sisters of Mercy Convent

(510)-233-6769



May 20, 2018

Pentecost (B)

Acts 2:1-11

1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16-25

Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

The Patience of Mary

The image of Mary—surrounded by the apostles in the upper room, awaiting the Holy Spirit—has a name: *Regina Apostolorum*, Queen of the Apostles. She is enthroned as Queen Mother because, when her Son the King was enthroned and lifted up, he told her, “Behold your son.” With those words he entrusted Mary to the care of John, the apostles, and the whole Church. As any good queen and mother, she defends her own.

She is also called the Spouse of the Spirit, because it was in union with the Spirit that she engendered the Son. She also engenders him in the apostles and in our souls through her powerful intercession and waiting on the Spirit.

One of Mary’s best qualities is waiting patiently until God’s power arrives. After the annunciation she waited nine months with Jesus in her womb. Then she waited some thirty years while Jesus grew and prepared for his mission. She waited during his public life and watched as his fame spread, but also as his enemies plotted. She waited at the foot of the cross and endured that unending Holy Saturday until the resurrection. And she waited patiently on the first Pentecost Sunday for the coming of the gift of the Holy Spirit promised by her Son. She knew he would come through, as he always did.

We get impatient with God and want him to respond on our timetables according to our expectations. He waits to give us a chance to adapt our hearts to his plan and timing. He waits until the time is just right.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

For Reflection

How often do I seek Mary’s intercession or help?

Patience is a fruit of the Spirit. How can you practice more patience this week?



Piece: *The Descent of the Holy Spirit*, 1608-1609

Artist: Guido Reni

Location: Vatican Museums

But when he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth.
John 16:13

Prayers and Blessings
to
Rev. Fr. Thuong Hoai Nguyen



on your
27th Year Ordination to Holy Orders.
From
St. John the Baptist Church & School

Mass Intentions for the Week

	Intention	Requested by
Saturday, May 19	5 p.m. Bunny Walton †	GRIP Soup Kitchen
Sunday, May 20	8 a.m. Nellie Naranja Tatom †	Joe Lewis
	9:30 a.m. Thanksgiving of Maria de los Reyes Family	Maria de los Reyes Family
	11:30 p.m. Deceased Members of the Woo and Dong Families	John and Nancy Woo
Monday, May 21	6 p.m. St. John Parishioners	St. John Parish
Tuesday, May 22	8 a.m. Joseph Kittisak Hunchareonchai †	Supalak Kittisakvanit
Wednesday, May 23	8 a.m. Alfredo Antonio †	Rosario Samson
Thursday, May 24	8 a.m. Marciano Samson †	Rosario Samson
	8 a.m. Fr. Thuong Nguyen-Anniversary	St. John Parish
Friday, May 25	7 p.m. Confirmation, Celebrant Bishop Michael Barber	
	8 a.m. Thanksgiving of Ana Prindle and Children for Blessings of Good Health	Ana Prindle and Children

Stewardship

Envelopes & EFT, May 13, 2018 \$ 2,394
 Loose Donations \$ 1,634
 Second Collection : Mother's Day \$ 1,357
 This week's Second Collection will support Catholic Charities.
 Next week's Second Collection is for the Catholic Communications Campaign.

Thank you for your generosity.

Bishop Michael Barber at St. John

Everyone is invited to the parish confirmation Mass on Thursday, May 24 at 7pm. Welcome and celebrate the liturgy with our beloved Bishop Michael Barber.

MR. WALTON'S RETIREMENT CELEBRATION
MARK YOUR CALENDARS & SPREAD THE WORD

Sunday, June 10
 St. John the Baptist Church
 11:30am Liturgy
 Reception

Let Us Pray for the Sick

Rodolfo Abesamis, Virginia Alday
 Evelyn Baker, Niani Barber, Pearl & Patrick Batiste
 Paul Batist, Irene Blair, Robert Britto, Richard Calapini, Evelyn Canepa, Jeff Chavez Brenna Clark, Jennette Cleadenger ,Betty Cooper, Linda Crittondon, Cora Dongon Joann Douglas, Mary Dong, Tami Duncan, Juanita Estrellas, Eric Ewen, Filomena Giese, Joseph Golinveau, Domingo de Gregorio, Andy Gutierrez, James Gutierrez Ruben Gutierrez, Maydelle Halligan, Joanne, Marvin & Maurice Haynes, Sherry Highlander, Tamaya Hunt, Ann Jones, Tom Kennedy, Maria Impang Lozada, Bernice Luckett, Marian & Michael Luoma, Nancy McVey, Francis Mondragon, Ester Oppus, Judith Padilla Theresa Parella, Angelina Patacsil, Pam Paun, Victoria Payless, Audrey J. Robinson, Jovita Santos, Claudette Schnarz, Linda Schneider, Dimitri Smith, Salvador Tejero, Rose Texara, Pat Tilley, Isaac Tiongson, Jr., Joseph Vidal, Sarah Vidal, Evodio Walle, Winston Williams, Jan Williamson, Jacinto Yamzon, Jr.



Bishop's Appeal of 2018

Every gift counts. Your gift supports to increase in vocations, fund catechesis, care for elderly religious and priests, provide social services for poor, the sick and the unemployed in Alameda and Contra Costa.

Pentecost

St. Paul reminds us today that all of our gifts have their source in the Holy Spirit and that those gifts are given “for the common good.” What gifts are mine to share?

This Week’s Service Schedule

Saturday Vigil Pentecost Readings: Gen 11:1-9. Rom 8:22-27. Jn 7:37-39

Pentecost Sunday Readings: Acts 2:1-11. 1Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13. Or Gal 5:16-25. Jn 20:19-23. Or Jn 15:26-27, 16:12-15.

Monday Readings: James 3:13-18, Mk 9:14-29. Or Rev 7:9-17. Jn 12:24-26.

Tuesday Readings: James 4:1-10. Mk 9:30-37. Or Phil 4:4-9. Lk 6:27-38.

Wednesday Readings: James 4:13-17. Mk 9:38-40.

Thursday Readings: James 5:1-6. Mk 9:41-50.

Friday Readings: James 5:9-12. Mk 10:1-12. Or 1Cor 2:10b-16. Mt 7:21-29. Or Acts 20:17-18a, 28-32, 36. Mt 16:13-19. Or 1Cor 7:25-35. Mk 3:31-35.

Saturday Readings: James 5:13-20. Mk 10:13-16. Or Phil 4:4-9. Jn 17:20-26.

Sacrament of Confirmation,
Bishop Michael Barber, Celebrant, Thursday, 7pm

Liturgy of the Hours, Mon.- Fri. at 7:40am.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena, Wed., 8:30am at the Church and 6pm at the Chapel.

Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet, Mon.- Sat., 8:30am at Church; Daily, 3pm, 9pm, and 10pm (Spanish) and Wed., 7:30pm (Spanish), Chapel.

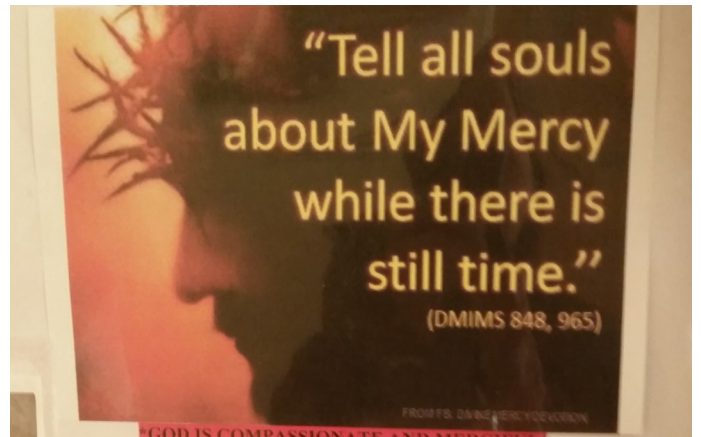
Holy Infant of Prague Novena, Thu. at 8:30am at Church.

Devotion to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, Fri., 6pm at the Chapel.

Confession, Sat., 4pm or At an appointed time.

The Holy Father’s Prayer Intention for the Month of May

Evangelization: **The Mission of the Laity**
That the lay faithful may fulfill their specific mission, by responding with creativity to the challenges that face the world today.



Protecting Our Children

All volunteers and church employees must be certified at virtusonline.org.

Volunteers and church employees, who mentor minors, or administer the Eucharist at homes or visit vulnerable adults must be livescanned/fingerprinted.

For questions, please call the Church or Safe Environment/Diocese, c/o Diana Bitz 267-8315.

Brazilian Community Celebrates 20th Anniversary at St. John

Everyone is invited for Mass on May 20, Sunday at 6pm. Refreshments at Community Center after the Mass.

Vacation Bible Day Camp, Jun 25-29

Fun for all ages. Morning and All Day Camp. Online registration with Early Bird discount: www.sjtbc.us/vbdc.html

Questions, Email: Pam Vincent pam@sjtbc.us

Oakland Symphony Chorus Italian Tour 2018

Parishioners Bernie Juat and Cynthia Webb-Beckford will be singing in some of the finest cities and concert venues in historic Italy. Register now www.oaklandsymphony.org/about-us/chorus/ **International Tours Next Stop: June 21-July 1, 2018**

Marian Devotion

Thirty-three days of Marian devotion. Every Monday from June 25 to August 13, 6:30pm - 8pm at the Fr. John Maxwell Conference Room.

Our Lady of Aparecida Shrine Project

Dear St. John the Baptist Families,
Recently our Pastor, Finance Committee and Pastoral Council approved a project to build a shrine in honor of Our Lady of Aparecida, in the patio area between the school gym and the church. This will be a small structure decorated with colorful symbolism expressed on the exterior walls around the Niche of Our Lady of Aparecida, a place that will house a replica of the original image founded in 1717 by three fishermen on the Paraiiba do Sul River in Brazil.



Tiles and mosaics will be used to create the panels for the art work. This holy and sacred place will be dedicated to our parishioners and the faithful, for us to pray privately, to give thanks for all our blessings and to ask Mary, the mother of God, to comfort us in our troubled times.

The project will be done by volunteers, and all the expenses for the materials and decorative art pieces will be paid by a fund-raiser managed by our church office. Our goal is to raise at least \$16,000.00, to complete this project. We are asking for your generosity to support our new project by donating money. You can place your contribution in a labeled envelope available at all the Masses. Note: If you are donating by check, please make your check out to: St. John the Baptist Church and write on your check memo, "Shrine" If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me. Blessings on all our families.

Eddy De Lima, 510 366-474, eddyspaguetti@gmail.com

Be A-Part of the Parish

Sign up your name, address and/or phone number at the Church.

Senior Center, 6500 Gladys Ave

May 22, Tuesday: Congr. DeSaulnier's Office Staff at 11:30am/Lunch at 12:30pm.

2018 Recipients of the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion

Congratulations, Julieta Aceves-Cortez, Emma Faciane Bryant, Fidel Ivan Leanos Nayelie Isabella Plasencia Gutierrez, Michael P. Richardson, Jr., Walt Isaac Alex Sutton, Giovanni Salvador Torres Gutierrez, Niani Patricia Marie Barber, Gianni Marie Cammack, Citlali Alice Lewis-Enriquez, Mia Denise McBride, Lauren Ochong, Izabella Esperanza Ramos-Rincon, Mathew Allan Rodriguez, Joshua Africa Tai, Armando Ramirez-Manyilla, Noah Lee Zell Barber, Alexander Gilberto Harp, John Richard Cross, Dylan Enrique Miam Ortiz, Lucia Annabella Razzano, Salvatore Reed Taraya. Violet Abigail Taraya, Leonard Rai Abesamis, Gonzalo Rey Landeros Amsbury, Kenneth Ugochukwu Olebara, Kaylie Sofia Rodriguez Ortiz, Ronard Abesamis, Danico Canal, Alexander Salome Hernandez, Sara Abigail Mendoza, Christian Canal, Andony Emanuel Porres Mazariegos, Germain D'Andre Ulloa Flores, Clifton Miguel Landeros Amsbury, Alexander Drum, Monica Mercedes Figueroa, Sofia Fiorella Lopez, Kai Valle, Anthony Souza Scussulim, Ariella M.M.Pires Oliveira, Anna Clara Ewbank Rocha, Eliezer Galindo Junior, Jefferson Ferreira Borges, Gabriel Ewbank Rocha, Ruthiellen Alves Mineiro de Britto, Vinicius Ferreira Marcal.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land at Christmas Season
Come and Join this Extraordinary unforgettable Trip to the Home Land of Jesus

With Fr. Joseph Tran	December 3-13, 2018	\$3,200/person
-Round Trip from USA	-Breakfast and Dinner Daily	-Mass Daily
<small>Hotel Included</small>		

For more information visit: www.polandmej.com
Contact: Victoria Tannady (510) 847-7773 email: beattitudes8@rocketmail.com
or Luvi Lumbao (510) 918-5825 email: luvilumbao@aol.com

The "Footsteps of St. Paul" Pilgrimage

This pilgrimage to Greece and Turkey will visit the House of the Blessed Mother in Ephesus. Mass will be celebrated daily during the 14-Day Pilgrimage, September 20 to October 3, 2018. Will be accompanied by Fr. Thuong H. Nguyen as the Spiritual Director. **Contact Group Leader, Linfa Belisario, @ (510) 599-4210.**