

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

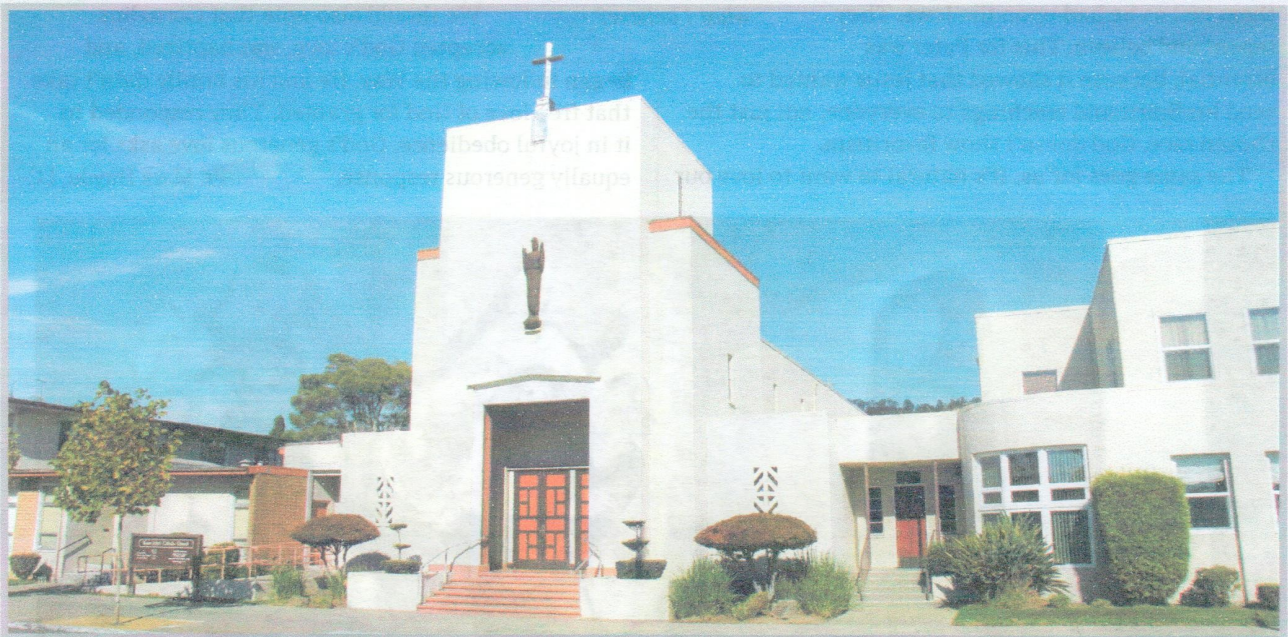
Reconciliation: 4 p.m. Saturday

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

Thom McGowan: (707)-653-4920
Loch Sekona: (510)-837-1052

Parish Office

Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Bulletin Editor: Ed Bautista

Accountant/Bookkeeper:
Arthur De Leon

Children's Religious Education

Lynne Castro-Evans: (510)-501-4894

Confirmation – Youth Ministry

Gina DeLaTorre: (510)-815-0050

Adult Inquiry – RCIA

Christine Hickey: (510)-815-6022

Pastoral Council

Dan Hughes: (510)-253-8127

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

The Pain of Suspicion

A bright and luminous work of art from 1905 by Maurice Denis shows the Child Jesus in Nazareth, apparently teaching the other children. *Nazareth* highlights the peace, beauty, and joy of those years when Jesus was growing in wisdom and strength right before Mary's eyes.

The little dovelike white ribbons on the heads of the kneeling children indicate the knowledge and spirit Jesus was imparting.

Yet when Jesus returns to Nazareth as an adult, things are quite different. The townspeople are suspicious of his wisdom as they remember him as the carpenter, son of Joseph and Mary. Those humble roots don't justify the knowledge

and power with which he spoke. Perhaps envy or jealousy blinded them and brought Jesus to quote the Old Testament, "A prophet is not without honor except in his native place and among his own kin and in his own house" (Mark 6:4).

Their closed hearts pained Jesus, as he would have most certainly wanted to show all the love and power of God to his fellow Nazoreans. Scripture says Jesus was amazed at their lack of faith.

We can also limit everything Jesus wants to do in and for us with our lack of belief in him and his power.

Perhaps those of us who are closest to him through daily prayer and regular sacraments are the least convinced of his power. Dare to let Jesus in and do with you what he wants!

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

For Reflection

Does my familiarity with Jesus lead me to routine and lack of faith?

Piece: *Nazareth*, 1905
Artist: Maurice Denis
Location: Vatican Museums



Is he not the carpenter, the son of Mary? ...He was amazed at their lack of faith.

Mark 6:3a, 6

Mass for the Intentions  *for the Week*

Intention			Requested by
Saturday, Jul. 7	5 p.m.	Manuel Catao †	Victoria Gregorio
Sunday, Jul. 8	8 a.m.	Renaldo Marin †	Marin Family
	9:30 a.m.	Aida Joshi †	Alice Barce
	11:30 a.m.	Ernesto Cruz †	Nemesia Peralta
	6 p.m.	St. John Parishioners	St. John Parish
Monday, Jul. 9	8 a.m.	St. John the Baptist Portuguese Community	St. John the Baptist Portuguese Community
	8 a.m.	Sr. Marie Dominique †	Rose Murphy
Tuesday, Jul. 10	8 a.m.	Thanksgiving of Ana Prindle and Children for Blessings of Good Health	Ana Prindle and Children
Wednesday, Jul. 11	8 a.m.	Helen Nelson †	Karen Stevens
Thursday, Jul. 12	8 a.m.	Aida Yoshi †	Alice Barce and Alcala Family
Friday, Jul. 13	7 p.m.	Our Lady of Fatima Devotees	Ancelle Nguyen
	8 a.m.	St. John Parishioners	St. John Parish

Stewardship

Envelopes & EFT, July 1, 2018	\$ 7,327
Loose Donations	\$ 1,670
Second Collection: Parish Development and School Tuition Assistance Program	\$1,252

Thank you for your generosity.

Senior Center, 6500 Gladys Ave

Jul. 10, Morning Tai Chi with Glen Corley / Lunch at 12:30pm.



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The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for the Month of July

Evangelization: Priests and their Pastoral Ministry

That priests, who experience fatigue and loneliness in their pastoral work may find help and comfort in their intimacy with the Lord and in their friendship with their brother priests.

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 Crittendon Cora Dongon, Mary Dong, Tami Duncan, Juanita Estrellas, Eric Ewen, Filomena Giese, Joseph Golinveau Domingo Gregorio, Andy Gutierrez, James Gutierrez Ruben Gutierrez, Maydelle Halligan, Joanne, Marvin & Maurice Haynes, Sherry Highlander, Tamaya Hunt, Ann Jones, Tom Kennedy, Maria Impang Lozada, Maria Lozano, Bernice Luckett, Marian & Michael Luoma, Nancy McVey, Francis Mondragon, Ester Oppus, Judith Padilla, Theresa Parella, Angelina Patacsil, Pam Paun, Victoria Payless, Floyd Renty, Fely Sabares, Jovita Santos, Rosa Maria 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



Contra Costa Crisis Center

Every day through 55 years, we have witnessed miracles, lives transformed and hope restored. -Crisis Center

Call 1-800-833-2900.

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

During this time, we celebrate the independence of our country. We would do well to echo the psalmist, saying, "Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for His mercy." May we always recognize and use wisely the gifts of freedom and abundance He has showered upon us. -Psalm 123

This Week's Service Schedule

Sunday Readings: Ez 2:2-5, 2Cor 12:7-10, Mk 6:1-6a.

Monday Readings: Hos 2:16, 17-18, 21-22, Mt 9:18-26. Or 1Jn 5:1-5, Jn 12:24-26.

Tuesday Readings: Hos 8:4-7, 11-13, Mt 9:32-38.

Wednesday Readings: Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12, Mt 10:1-7. Or Prov 2:1-9, Mt 19:27-29.

Thursday Readings: Hos 11:1-4, 8e-0, Mt 10:7-15

Friday Readings: Hos 14:2-10, Mt 10:16-23. Or Micah 6:6-8, Mt 7:21-27.

Saturday Readings: Is 6:1-8, Mt 10:24-33.

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.

Our Lady of Fatima Rosary Procession and Mass, Fri., 7pm at the Church.

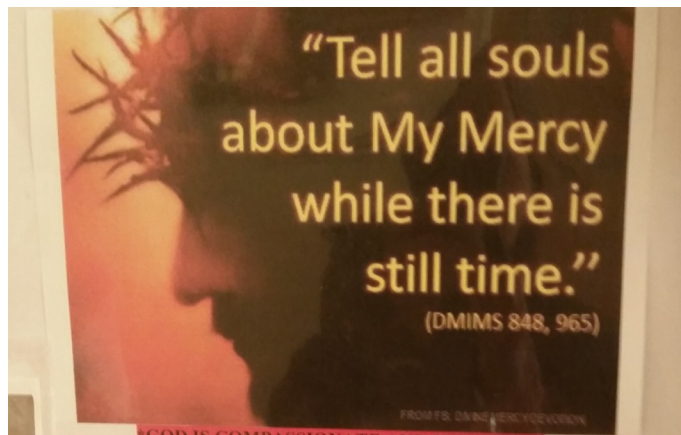
Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet, Mon.- Sat., 8:30am at Church; Daily, 3pm, 9pm, and 10pm (Spanish) and Wed., 7:30pm (Spanish), Chapel.

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.

24-Hour Eucharistic Adoration, Daily at the Chapel.



Protecting God's Children

All church and school volunteers and employees must sign in at virtusonline.org and get certified.

Volunteers and church employees, who mentor minors or administer to vulnerable adults must be livescanned/fingerprinted.

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

Church Linen Ministers Wanted

The parish is looking for several additional people to join the Church Linen Ministry. The church linens ministry prepares all of the linens we use at Mass. The linens are the purificators which are used to keep our communion cups clean, the corporals which are on the altar to catch any little pieces of the host that may fall, and hand towels which are used when to priest washes his hands during Mass. Weekly one minister picks up, launders, irons, and returns the linens used that week in the celebrations of the Eucharist.

With a full complement of ministers, each person will be responsible for the linens every six to eight weeks. Thank you for considering joining. If you are willing to serve, please call Kathleen Keller at 510-734-1267 or [email](mailto:keller@diocese.org) her.

33 Days to Morning Glory

You are invited to participate in a total Consecration to Jesus through Mary. We will use Father Michael Gaitley's book, 33 Days to Morning Glory.

Each week, we will study a saint who was consecrated to Mary and discover the impact consecration made in their lives.

Join us for an information night and distribution of materials on June 25.

We will meet Mondays, July 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th and August the 6th, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the conference room.

Consecration is on August 15th.

(The Assumption of Mary, Solemnity)

Saint John the Baptist Church at 7 p.m.

For more information, call Elizabeth Martinez at (510) 384-9800 or Maria Isabel Jiménez at (510) 508-3438.



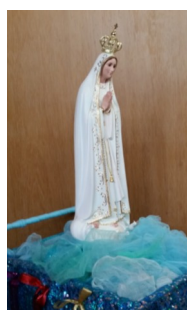
Making Summer Plans?

Plan to discern God's will for love in your life!

The Dominican Nuns of Corpus Christi Monastery in Menlo Park, California are hosting a Come and See Day on Saturday, July 21st, 2018 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Single, Catholic women between the ages of 18 and 38 years are invited to learn more about discerning God's call and to experience a taste of the life of a cloistered Dominican nun. There is no cost for the day and breakfast and lunch are provided.

To learn more or to register for our July 21st Come and See Day, or any of our other upcoming day retreats, contact Sister Joseph Marie, O.P. at vocations@opnunsmenlo.org or visit www.opnunsmenlo.org. For those outside the San Francisco Bay Area, the nuns have limited accommodations for overnight guests, but they fill quickly! Contact them to confirm availability before registering online.

Celebrating Our Lady of Fatima



A Mass and a Rosary procession will be held each month to commemorate the apparition of Our Lady on those dates 101 years ago. Sunday, May 13, 2018 at 7pm at the Chapel (Rosary procession Only). Wednesday, June 13, 2018 at 7pm at Saint John Church. Friday, July 13, 2018 at 7pm at St. John Church.

Monday, August 13, 2018 at 7pm at St. John Church.

Thursday, September 13, 2018 at 7pm at St. John Church.

Saturday, October 13, 2018 at 7pm at St. John Church with Rose flower offering.

Bishop's Appeal of 2018

Your gift to the 2018 Bishop's Appeal's "Lighting The Way" supports to increase vocations, fund catechesis, care for elderly religious and priests, provide social services to the hungry, homeless, the sick and unemployed in Alameda and Contra Costa counties.

Braveheart's Corner

God is asking us to do more. The prophet Isaiah was a servant of God and tirelessly drew the tribes of Israel together but it did not happen.

St. John the Baptist who was to prepare the way for Jesus preached and gathered crowds but still questioned, *Are you the one.*

Jesus answered the blind have been given new sight, the deaf begin to hear, the good news is brought to the poor. The reign of God has not come in its fullness. There is work to be done and where everyone will have a chance to its fullness of life.

-Excerpts/Bishop Gumbleton, Detroit/National Catholic Register/ Shared by James Vaughn

Holy Land Pilgrimage
December 3-13 (10 Days)
\$3,200 (Double occupancy)
With Fr. Joseph Tran

**Book Now!
 Deadline
 due soon**

Come and walk in the footsteps of Jesus, Mary, Joseph and the apostles!
 Includes: Round-trip airfare from USA, hotel, daily breakfast, dinner and daily Mass.
HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE: - Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem. - Church of the Annunciation. - Cana of Galilee where will be a renewal of wedding vows. - City of Nazareth. - Take a boat ride across the Sea of Galilee. - Mount of the Beatitudes. - Jordan River to renew your baptismal vows. - Walk along the Fourteen Stations of the Via Dolorosa and much more.
 For more information please visit the web at www.polandmej.com
 Local contact persons: Luví Lumibao (510) 918-5825 or Victoria Tannady (510) 847-7773

» Pilgrimage balance of \$3000 is due by Jul 13.

Natural Family Planning Classes

An introduction to Natural Family Planning, a form of family planning which conforms to Catholic teaching, is being offered Sept. 8. The session is from 1 to 4 p.m. and will be offered at Real Options Obria Medical Clinic-Union City, 33523 Western Ave., Union City.

The session is free and open to engaged or married couples, clergy and religious. For more information, call 510.271.1936.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

The mission is to proclaim the value of Marriage and Holy Orders in the church and the world! Call Joe & Sue Talarico, Diocese of Oakland, 925-680-7767, Joe.Sue.Talarico@wwme.org

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.

The pilgrimage includes seven cruise trips to different Greek Islands. The cost is \$4,599 for a roundtrip airfare from San Francisco, hotel accommodations, meals, cruise and island short excursions. Flyers are available at the vestibule and at the St. John the Baptist Office. Due to high demand, please make your reservation early for this pilgrimage from September 20 to October 3, 2018. The pilgrimage will be accompanied by Fr. Thuong H. Nguyen as the Spiritual Director. For reservation and for more information, contact Group Leader, Linfa Belisario, @ (510) 599-4210.