

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.*

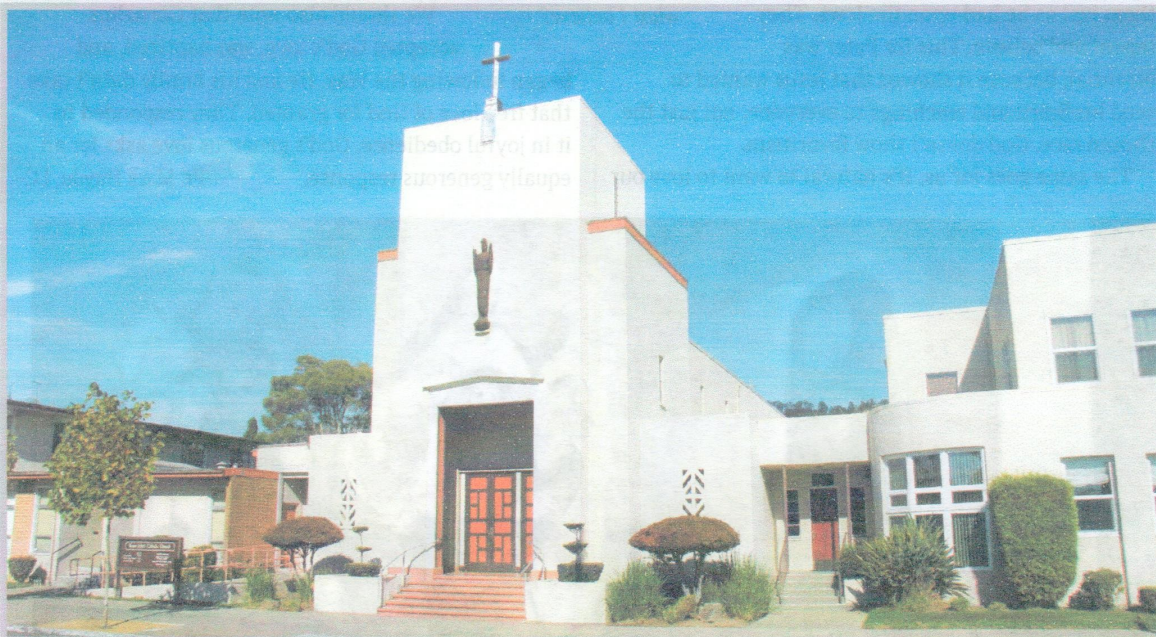
*As Catholic Christians, we are committed to knowing,
loving and serving God by obeying His commandments
and serving our brothers and sisters with love and respect.*

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
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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



August 26, 2018

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b

Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32

Jn 6:60-69

Our Legacy of Faith

We all want to leave a legacy, to be remembered when we're gone. A legacy comes from faithfully and lovingly living your convictions. Joshua challenges the Israelites, making a definitive statement as their leader and head of his family: "We will serve the LORD." Notice that it isn't a question of *if* you will serve someone, but *who* you will serve.

The easiest way to find out who you are serving is to look where your heart, thoughts, and worries are. Jesus said, "Where your treasure is, there also will your heart be" (Matthew 6:21).

Peter also had this hard choice placed to him, and he spoke up as the first pope, the head of a family of believers. When Jesus revealed the doctrine of the Eucharist, that it was truly his body and blood, many left him over this difficult saying.

Jesus asks the apostles if they want to leave, too. He could have said this was just a symbol—that those who

left had misunderstood. But he doesn't change his teaching. He merely asks the apostles if they accept and believe him.

Peter's answer, like Joshua's, is a fundamental option. He finds in Jesus' words eternal life. There is nowhere else to go when you have tasted the goodness and truth of Jesus. As hard as some of those truths may be, for Peter there is no turning away. Following Jesus faithfully will lead him to lay down his life for Jesus, crucified upside down, and buried on

Vatican Hill where you can visit his tomb today. How's that for a legacy? —Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

For Reflection

What are my convictions, and what ideal do I love and live for?

Will that ideal last in time and into eternity? There is still time to adjust.



Piece: *The Crucifixion of St. Peter*, 1546-1550
Artist: Michelangelo
Location: Pauline Chapel, Vatican City

*[Joshua said,] "Choose today whom you will serve....
As for me and my household, we will serve the LORD."*

Joshua 24:15

Mass Intentions for the Week

Intention

Requested by

Saturday, Aug. 25	5 p.m.	St. John the Baptist Portuguese Community	St. John the Baptist Portuguese Community
Sunday, Aug. 26	8 a.m.	St. John the Baptist Parishioners	St. John Parish
	9:30 a.m.	Pablo de la Vega †	Lacsina Family
	11:30 a.m.	Gerald Hicks †	Frank and Mildred Gardner
	6 p.m.	Rosa Pinguelo †	Jose Pinguelo
Monday, Aug. 27	8 a.m.	Russ Blair †	Blair Family
Tuesday, Aug. 28	8 a.m.	Martin Joseph Padilla †	Alice Barce
Wednesday, Aug. 29	8 a.m.	James Gonzalez †	Blair Family
Thursday, Aug. 30	8 a.m.	Christian Lacsina-Birthday	Lacsina Family
Friday, Aug. 31	8 a.m.	St. John the Baptist Parishioners	St. John Parish
Saturday, Sep. 1	8 a.m.	Jennifer Cruz Bonifacio †	Manuzon Family

Stewardship

Envelopes & EFT, Aug 19, 2018	\$ 2,839
Loose Donations	\$ 1,067
Feast of the Assumption, Aug. 15	\$ 1,371

Thank you for your generosity.

Let Us Pray for the Sick

Rodolfo Abesamis, Virginia Alday, Gera Assefa
 Niani Barber, Pearl & Patrick
 Batist, Irene Blair, Robert Britto, Richard Calapini
 Evelyn Canepa, Jeff Chavez, Brenna
 Clark, Jennette Cleadenger, Betty
 Cooper, Linda Crittondon, Cora
 Dongon, Mary Dong, Tami Duncan
 Juanita Estrellas, Eric Ewen
 Filomena Giese, Mike Giovannini
 Joseph Golinveau, Domingos
 deGregorio, Andy Gutierrez, James Gutierrez, Ruben
 Gutierrez, Maydelle Halligan, Joanne, Marvin &
 Maurice Haynes, Sherry Highlander, Tamaya Hunt
 Ann Jones, Avelina S. Juat, 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, Floyd Renty, Fely
 Sabares, Jovita Santos, Linda Schneider, Dimitri
 Smith, Salvador Tejero, Rose Texara, Pat Tilley, Isaac
 Tiongson, Jr., Joseph Vidal, Sarah Vidal, Evodio
 Walle, Winston Williams, Jan Williamson



"Totus Tuus" At St. John Parish

A new group has been formed at St. John's called "Totus Tuus" (*Totally Yours*). The group came together by way of the preparation of St. Louis De Monfort's "Consecration to Jesus through Mary" using Fr. Michael Gaitley's book "33 Days to Morning Glory".

To continue "*Living Our Consecration*" we'll be meeting on the 2nd Monday of the month at 7:00 pm in the Fr. John Maxwell Conference Room. The next meeting is on Monday, September 10th. We'll be studying the "Rosary".

All are invited to join us on our continued journey with Our Lady.

For more information, contact Elizabeth Martinez at 510-384-9800.

Next Meeting: **Monday, September 10 at 7:00 pm** in the Conference Room.

Protecting God's Children

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

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.

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

In today's first reading, Joshua challenges the people to decide whom they will serve. Recalling God's faithfulness to them and to their ancestors, the people declare, "We also will serve the Lord, for He is our God." May we, too, be mindful of God's gifts to us and renew our commitment to serve Him with grateful hearts.

This Week's Service Schedule

Sunday Readings: Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b. Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32. Jn 6:60-69.

Monday Readings: 2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12. Mt 23:13-22. Or Sir 26:1-4, 13-16. Lk 7:11-17.

Tuesday Readings: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17. Mt 23:23-26. Or 1 Jn 4:7-16. Mt 23:8-12.

Wednesday Readings: 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18. Mk 6:17-29. Or Jer 1:17-19. Mk 6:17-29.

Thursday Readings: 1 Cor 1:1-9. Mt 24:42-51.

Friday Readings: 1 Cor 1:17-25. Mt 25:1-13.

Saturday Readings: 1 Cor 1:26-31. Mt 25:14-30.

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.

Rosary (Brazilian), Fri., 7:30pm, Conf. Rm.

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

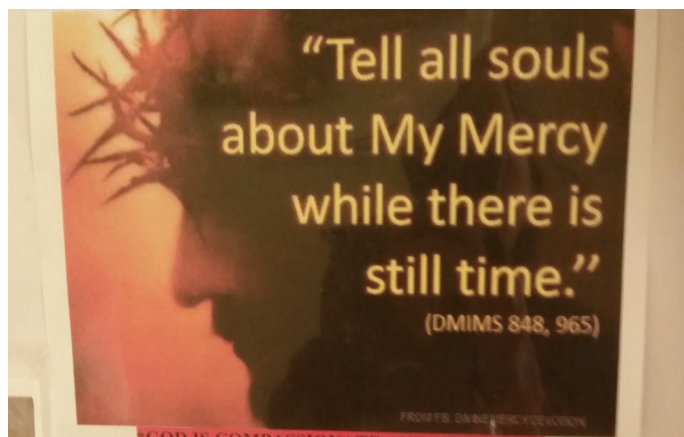
Devotion to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, Fri., 6pm at the Chapel.

Confession, Sat., 4pm. Or at an appointed time.

24-Hour Eucharistic Adoration, Daily at the Chapel.

Charismatic Service, Sat., 7pm at Church.

Brazilian Prayer Service, Mon., 7:30pm at Community Center.



Youth Ministry & Confirmation Program

Through our Youth Ministry & Confirmation Program we seek to empower young people and engage them in the adventure of discipleship by establishing a community for teens which to serve, to share their faith and to grow as followers of Jesus Christ.

If you or someone you know has a teenager interested joining a teen faith community program or receiving the Sacrament of the Rite of Confirmation, registration is now open and registration forms are available at the exits of the church and at the rectory office.

Families interested in registering their teens for the program are required to attend a parent & student meeting at the Community Center on Wednesday, September 12th at 7:00 pm. Youth Group and Confirmation classes will begin on Wednesday, September 26th @ 7:00 p.m. Meetings are held every other Wednesday at the Community Center.

If you have any questions, please contact Gina DeLaTorre, 510-815-0050.

Celebrating Our Lady of Fatima



A Mass and a Rosary procession is celebrated each month to commemorate the apparition of Our Lady. Church gathers on September 13, Thursday, at 7pm at St. John.

Centennial Rosary Crusade

Host the Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady in your own home with the Rosary, the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy, and Her Message at Fatima. (Spanish/English). Please call: Enrique Sanchez, (510) 237-8873.

Celebrate the Fall Season at

St. John the Baptist Church and School's Annual



BBQ DINNER: Saturday, September 22, 2018

6:00 pm to 10:00 pm

St. John the Baptist School Gym

Kearney St (cross street Potrero Ave) El Cerrito, CA 94530

FESTIVAL: Sunday, September 23, 2018

10:30 am to 4:00 pm

St. John the Baptist School Playground and Gym

- * Multi-Cultural Delicious Foods
- * Fun Games for the Entire Family
- * Wonderful Entertainment
- * Face Painting, Cake Walk, Kids Story Time
- * Country Store and Book Fair

Invite your family and friends!
Can't attend? Sponsor a food or game booth.
or make a donation (tax-deductible).

Call us: (510) 232-5659 (Church Rectory) or
(510) 234-3344 (School Office)

Visit us: StJohnElCerrito.org

Like/Follow us: Facebook, Twitter

See you at the Fall Festival!!

September 2018

CC – Community Center CC2 – Community Center Upstairs CH – Church CR – Conference Room RE – Rectory MR – Music Room DM– Divine Mercy Chapel

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2 Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time 10:30a Hospitality-CR	3 St. Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours-CH 8a Mass / Rosary 7:30p Prayer Service (Brazilian)-CC1	4 St. Rose of Viterbo 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours-CH 8a Mass / Rosary 9a Senior Program-CC	5 St. Mother Teresa of Calcuta 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass/Rosary 12n Women's Covenant-CC	6 St. Faustus 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass /Rosary 10a EC Royale Mass	7 St. Cloud/First Friday 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass/Holy Hour 8:30a Rosary/Chaplet of the Divine Mercy 6p Sacred Heart Novena-DM 7:30p Brazilian Prayer Service-CR	1 St. Giles/First Saturday 8a Mass / Anointing of the Sick 9:30a Pastoral Council Meet 10a St Vincent Pantry 4p Confessions 5p Vigil Mass 7p Charismatic Service/Adoration
9 Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:30a CRE 10:30a Pre Baptism-RE	10 St. Nicholas of Tolentino 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours /Mass/Rosary 7p Living Our Consecration-CR 7:30p Prayer Service (Brazilian)-CC1	11 St. Jean-Gabriel Perboye 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours-CH 8a Mass / Rosary 9a Senior Program-CC 7:30p Brazilian Choir Prac-CH	12 Holy Name of Mary 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass 8:30a Rosary 12n Women's Covenant-CC 7p Youth Confirmation, Registration-CC	13 St. John Chrysostom, Bishop & Doctor 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass /Rosary 7p Youth /Confirmation-CC	14 Triumph of the Cross 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass 8:30a Rosary 6p Sacred Heart Novena-DM 7:30p Brazilian Prayer Service-vice-CR	15 Our Lady of Sorrows 8a Mass 9a Opus Dei Meeting-DM 9:30a Finance Meeting 10a St Vincent Pantry 4p Confession 5p Vigil Mass
16 Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:30a CRE 10:30a Pre Baptism-RE	17 St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop & Doctor 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass / Rosary 7:30p Prayer Service (Brazilian)- CC1	18 St. Joseph of Cupertino 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass/Rosary 9a Senior Program-CC	19 St. Janarius, Bishop & Martyr 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass /Rosary 12n Women's Covenant-CC	20 Korean Martyrs 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours-CH 8a Mass 8:30a Rosary 7p Youth/Confirmation-CC	21 St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass / Rosary 6p Sacred Heart Novena-DM 7:30p Brazilian Prayer Service-vice-CR	22 St. Maurice, Martyr 8a Mass 4p Confessions 5p Vigil Mass
23 Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:30a CRE 10:30a Hospitality-CR	24 Our Lady of Ransom 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours -CH 8a Mass 8:30a Rosary/ 7:30p Prayer Service (Brazilian)- CC1	25 St. Finbar 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours-CH 8a Mass/Rosary 9a Senior Program-CC 7:30p Barzilian Choir Prac-CH	26 St. Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass/Rosary 12n Women's Covenant-CC 7p Youth Confirmation Class Begins-CC	27 St. Vincent de Paul 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass/Rosary 7p Youth/Confirmation-CC	28 St. Wenceslaus & Companions, Martyrs 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass / Rosary 6p Sacred Heart Novena-DM 7:30p Brazilian Prayer Service-CR	29 St. Michael, Gabriel, & Raphael, Archangels 8a Mass 4p Confessions 5p Vigil Mass
30 Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:30a CRE 10:30a Hospitality-CR						