

St. John the Baptist Church

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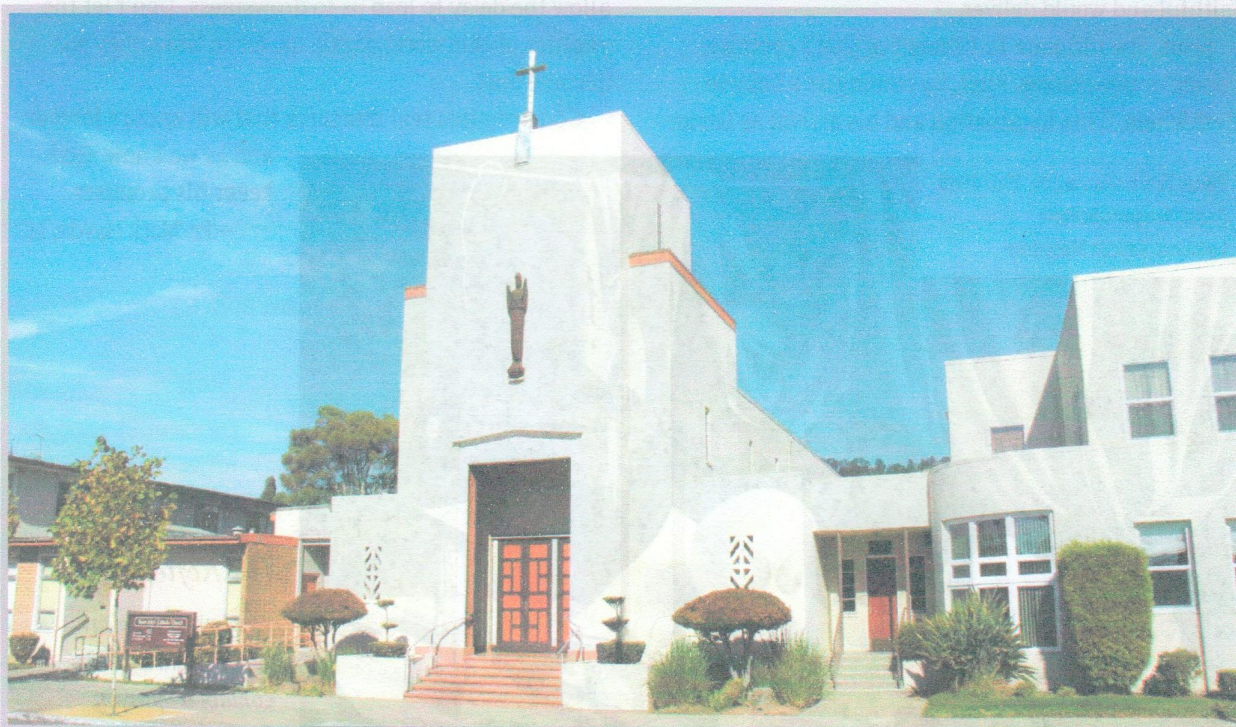
*Our warmest welcome to all who worship with us,
whether a long-time parishioner or newly arrived in the parish.
As Catholic Christians, we are committed to knowing,
loving and serving God by obeying His commandments
and serving our brothers and sisters with love and respect.*

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.

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Accountant/Bookkeeper:
Arthur De Leon

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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.stjohne.org

St. John's Community Center

6500 Gladys Ave.

St. John's Divine Mercy Adoration Chapel

11152 San Pablo Ave.

Sisters of Mercy Convent

(510)-233-6769

Interpreting Christ's Teachings Today

This passage of Acts shows us something about the early Church that we often overlook. Paul, Silas, and the other apostles felt a responsibility to preserve the true doctrine passed on to them. When they understood that certain Christians were teaching demands that didn't come from the Holy Spirit, they corrected that doctrine by sending a letter and endorsing the true interpretation.

Even in the earliest Church, there was an evolving hierarchy that interpreted what was God's will for the Christian community. This charism of the proper interpretation of Christ's teaching continues in today's Catholic Church through the pope and the bishops.

Jesus declared to the apostles at the Last Supper that the Holy Spirit would remind them of all he told them. Jesus gave this gift to the Church, and it's something we should value. How often do we do an internet search about a subject and then trust what a few articles say? Yet, are we as quick to look up what the Holy Father and the bishops say on different subjects in order to be guided by that light?



Piece: The Pentecost, 1576-1578

Artist: Girolamo Muziano

Location: Vatican Museums

For Reflection

Do I make an effort to know what the pope or my bishop is teaching?

When faced with moral decisions, do I research what the Church has to say?

We are not sheep without a shepherd. We have bishops and priests who preach the word of God and lead us toward the truth. When the bishops, in communion with the Holy Father, exercise their ordinary teaching office (magisterium), they help us to better understand God's revelation in faith and morals. This is the way the early Church developed and the way the Church still lives today.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

[Jesus said,] "The holy Spirit that the Father will send in my name— he will teach you everything and remind you of all that [I] told you."

John 14:26

Mass for the Intentions Week

		Intention	Requested by
Saturday, May 25	5 p.m.	Thanksgiving for Countless Blessings	Marianne Nguyen
Sunday, May 26	8 a.m.	Luis Torres †	Torres Family
	9:30 a.m.	Marciano Africa †	Africa Family
	11:30 a.m.	Thanksgiving of Ana Prindle and Children for Blessings of Good Health	Ana Prindle and Children
	6 p.m.	St. John Parishioners	St. John Parish
Monday, May 27	8 a.m.	Enzo Lencioni †	Gina Lencioni
		Ramon Regalado †	Panganiban Family
Tuesday, May 28	8 a.m.	Jeff Chavez †	Sisters of Mercy
Wednesday, May 29	8 a.m.	John Forys †	Fely Sabares
Thursday, May 30	8 a.m.	Effie Ong-Birthday	Ong Family
Friday, May 31	8 a.m.	Gerald Klatt †	
		John Fonseca-Continued Good Health	Kathy Klatt
Saturday, Jun 1	8a.m.	Thanksgiving of Ana Prindle and Children for Blessings of Good Health	Ana Prindle and Children

Stewardship

May 19, Envelopes/EFT \$ 4,021.00 / \$ 1,495.00
 Loose Collection \$ 950.12
 Second Collection: Catholic Charities of the East Bay \$ 863.00
 This Week's Second Collection is for Catholic Communication.
 Next week's Second Collection is for Parish & School Development.

Thank you for your generosity.

Senior Center, 6500 Gladys Ave

May 28: Birthdays and Bingo. 12:30pm, Lunch (\$5). Tracy (707) 400-8526.

Volunteers Needed

Serve as a Eucharistic Minister at Mass. (Call Sharon Ewen, 510-412-9761). Or to a home-bound family member, friend or fellow parishioner. (Call Larry Mundy, 510 301-5027).
 Neither ministry is time-consuming and will bring you closer to the Lord in amazing ways.

St. John Class of '68 Reunion, Oct 26

Contact Laurie Gaeta. gaetalaurie1968@gmail.com

Let Us Pray for the Sick

Rodolfo Abesamis, Virginia Alday, Niani Barber Pearl & Patrick Batiste, Irene Blair, Robert Britto Gustavo Caceres and Friends
 Evelyn Canepa, Al Carlson, Brenna Clark, Jennette Cleadenger, Linda Crittendon, Cora Dongon, Mary Dong, Tami Duncan, Juanita Estrellas, Eric Ewen, Filomena Giese, Mike Giovannini
 Joseph Golinveau, Victoria Gregorio, Andy Gutierrez James Gutierrez, Ruben Gutierrez, Maydelle Halligan Joanne, Marvin & Maurice Haynes, Sherry Highlander, Tamaya Hunt, Ann Jones, Avelina Juat Tom Kennedy, Marija Limon, Maria Impang Lozada Bernice Luckett Marian & Michael Luoma, Mary Agnes, Nancy McVey, Cecilia Mendiola, Francis Mondragon, Ester Oppus, Judith Padilla, Theresa Parella, Angelina Patacsil, Pam Paun, Victoria Payless, Marlen Pineda and Friends, Wayne Price Rose Anne, Fely Sabares Jovita Santos, Linda Schneider, Dimitri Smith Salvador Tejero, Rose Texara, Pat Tilley, Isaac Tiongson, Joseph Vidal Sarah Vidal Evodio Walle Winston Williams
 Jan Williamson



Catholic Charismatic Renewal 22nd Annual "Holy Spirit Conference

September 21, Saturday, 8am at St. Mary Cathedral, Gough St., San Francisco

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Today's reading from Revelation offers a vision of the City of God, the new Jerusalem. The Bishops' Pastoral on Stewardship reminds us that life to come is in continuity with this present life through the human goods, the worthy human purposes, which people fosters now.

This Week's Service Schedule

Sunday Readings: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29. Rv 21:10-14, 22-23. Jn 14:23-29.

Monday Readings: Acts 16:11-15. Jn 15:26-16:4a.

Tuesday Readings: Acts 16:22-34. Jn 16:5-11.

Wednesday Readings: Acts 17:15, 22-18:1

Thursday Readings: Acts 18:1-8. Jn 16:16-20.

Friday Readings: Zep 3:14-18a. Or Rom 12:9-16. Lk 1:39-56.

Saturday Readings: Acts 18:23-28. Jn 16:23b-28.

First Saturday Devotion. 8am Mass, Rosary. 4pm, Confessions, Rosary, Adoration, Mass.

Flores de Mayo, Rosary, Sun., 12:30p. Mon.-Thu., 8:30am. Fri., 7pm

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

24-Hour Eucharistic Adoration. Daily (Chapel).

Anointing of the Sick. First Sat., 8:30am.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena. Weds, 8:30am (Church) and 6pm (Chapel).

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

Confessions. Sat., 4pm. Or call 9am-4:30pm, Mon.-Fri.

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

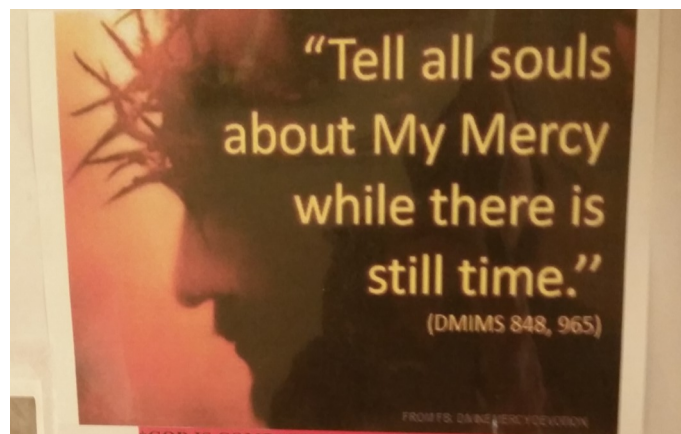
Devotion to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. Fri., 6pm (Chapel).

Charismatic Service. Sat., 7pm (Church).

Sisters of Mercy Farewell Mass and Reception

We will honor our three retiring Sisters of Mercy at the 5:00 pm Mass on **Saturday, June 15**, followed by a reception in the school gym.

As space is limited at the reception, please RSVP by the rectory (510-232-5659) and leaving your name and email address and / or phone number. Your donation to defray the cost of this special event will be much appreciated. Please write your check to St. John the Baptist Church with the memo line " Sisters Farewell Reception ".



Rebuild the Church

The Annual Bishop's Appeal supports the ministries and services offered in our diocese, i.e. Vocations, Shelter, Schools, Food, Health, Immigration, Catechesis, Evangelization. Make your pledge or donate. Thank you for supporting the 2019 Appeal.

Protecting God's Children

Every 3 years, volunteers and workers are required to register at virtusonline.org

Devotion to Our Lady

We will conclude Flores de Mayo On Friday, May 31st. Please join us in praying the rosary at 7PM. We will have a light dinner in the conference room after. If you have any questions, please contact Thalia Cayetano at (510) 734-8190 or at mythalia@comcast.net.

Calls for Help & Hope

The Contra Costa Crisis Center has provided a lifeline of help and hope for 56 years. Call 1-800-833-2900

First Saturday Devotion

Our Blessed Mother appeared to St. Lucia of Fatima on December 10, 1925. It was there Our Lady requested the Five First Saturdays Devotion and gave a great promise.

Appearing with the Queen of Heaven in that apparition was the Infant Jesus, Who said to Lucia: "Have pity on the Heart of your Most Holy Mother. It is covered with thorns with which ungrateful men pierce it at every moment, and there is no one to remove them with an act of reparation."



Our Lady then spoke: "See, my daughter, my Heart encircled by thorns with which ungrateful men pierce it at every moment by their blasphemies and ingratitude. Do you, at least, strive to console me. Tell them that I promise to assist the hour of death with the graces necessary for salvation all those who, in order to make reparation to me, on the First Saturday of five successive months, go to confession, receive Holy Communion, say five decades of the Rosary, and keep me company for a quarter of an hour, meditating on the fifteen mysteries of the Rosary."

At St. John the Baptist, we do this devotion on every First Saturday. We start the Rosary at 4:15pm. There is a priest in the confessional starting at 4 pm. And Mass is at 5 pm. It is very easy to fulfill the whole devotion that our Lady asks in a short amount of time and in one place. Please join us at 4 pm on every first Saturday. June 1 is the next first Saturday.

A Special invitation to an incredible 15-Day pilgrimage!



Marian Shrines of Europe Portugal-Fatima, Spain-Santiago, Lourdes, Loyola, Zaragoza, Barcelona, Bosnia-Medjugorje, and more with Fr. Thuong H. Nguyen

Visiting the locations where the Blessed Mother Mary had apparitions and miracles of healing.

October 10 - 24, 2019 \$4,499 per person double occupancy
Includes round-trip airfare from US airports, hotels, breakfast, dinner, and daily Mass.

For more information please visit our web at www.polandmej.com

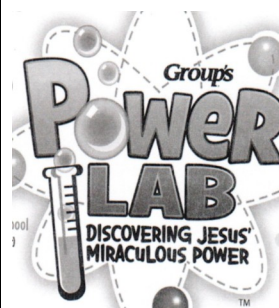
Local Contact Persons: Luvi Lumibao (510) 918-5825 or
Victoria Tannady (510) 847-7773

*Hail Mary, full of Grace
The Lord is with thee
Blessed art thou amongst women
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners
now, and at the hour of our death. Amen.*



Travel the Holy Land

Nov. 4-13. Haifa, Tiberias, Nazareth, Bethlehem, Jerusalem. \$3,899 roundtrip, breakfast and dinner daily, guide services, insurance, double occupancy. Call Christine Hickey / Feli Buettner 925-207-3501



Our 18th Annual Summer Day Camp

June 24-28, 9-5pm.
All Day Camp, \$170. Mornings Only, 9am-12:30pm, \$70.
Register at
www.sjtbc.us/vbdc.html

June 2019

Church (CH) Fr John Maxwell Conf Rm (CR) Comm Cen (CC) Music Rm (MR) Rectory (RE) Adoration Chapel (DM)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>2 The Ascension of the Lord 8a, 9:30a, 11:30a, 6p (Brazilian) Mass</p>	<p>3 St. Thomas 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass 8:30a Rosary/Chaplet of the Divine Mercy</p>	<p>4 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass 8:30a Rosary/Chaplet of the Divine Mercy 8a-2p Seniors Program CC 7:30-9p RCIA CC-2</p>	<p>5 St. Boniface 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass 8:30a Rosary/Chaplet of the Divine Mercy 12n-2p Women's Covenant</p>	<p>6 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass 8:30a Rosary/Divine Mercy Chaplet</p>	<p>7 First Friday 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass 8:30a Holy Hour Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet</p>	<p>1 First Saturday 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours, 8a Mass 8:30a Anointing of the Sick Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet, 4p Confessions 5p Vigil Mass 7p Charismatic Service</p>
<p>9 Pentecost 8a, 9:30a, 11:30a, 6p (Brazilian) Mass</p>	<p>10 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass 8:30a Rosary/Chaplet of the Divine Mercy</p>	<p>11 St Barnabas 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass 8:30a Rosary/Chaplet of the Divine Mercy 8a-2p Seniors Program CC 7:30p RCIA-CC</p>	<p>12 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass 8:30a Rosary and the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy 12n-2p Women's Covenant</p>	<p>13 St Anthony of Padua 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass, Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet. 6:30p Our Lady of Fatima Procession/Mass</p>	<p>14 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass, Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet</p>	<p>15 7:40 Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass, Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet 4p Confessions 5p Vigil Mass</p>
<p>16 The Most Holy Trinity 8a, 9:30a, 11:30a, 6p (Brazilian) Mass</p>	<p>17 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass 8:30a Rosary/Divine Mercy Chaplet</p>	<p>18 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass 8:30a Rosary/Divine Mercy Chaplet 8a-2p Seniors Program CC 7:30p RCIA-CC</p>	<p>19 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass 8:30a Rosary/Divine Mercy Chaplet 12n-2p Women's Covenant</p>	<p>20 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass 8:30a Rosary/Divine Mercy Chaplet</p>	<p>21 St. Aloysius Gonzaga 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass 8:30a Rosary/Divine Mercy Chaplet</p>	<p>22 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours, 8a Mass, Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet, 4p Confessions 5p Vigil Mass</p>
<p>23 Corpus Christi 8a, 9:30a, 11:30a, 6p (Brazilian) Mass</p>	<p>24 The Nativity of St John the Baptist 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass 8:30a Rosary/Divine Mercy Chaplet</p>	<p>25 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass, Rosary, Chaplet of the Divine Mercy 8-2p Seniors Program CC 7:30p RCIA-CC</p>	<p>26 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass, Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet 12-2p Women's Covenant</p>	<p>27 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass/Rosary/Chaplet of the Divine Mercy</p>	<p>28 The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass 8:30a Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet</p>	<p>29 Sts Peter and Paul 7:40a Liturgu of the Hours, 8a Mass, Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet 4p Confessions 5p Vigil Mass</p>
<p>30 Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 8a, 9:30a, 11:30a, 6p (Brazilian) Mass</p>						