

St. John the Baptist Church

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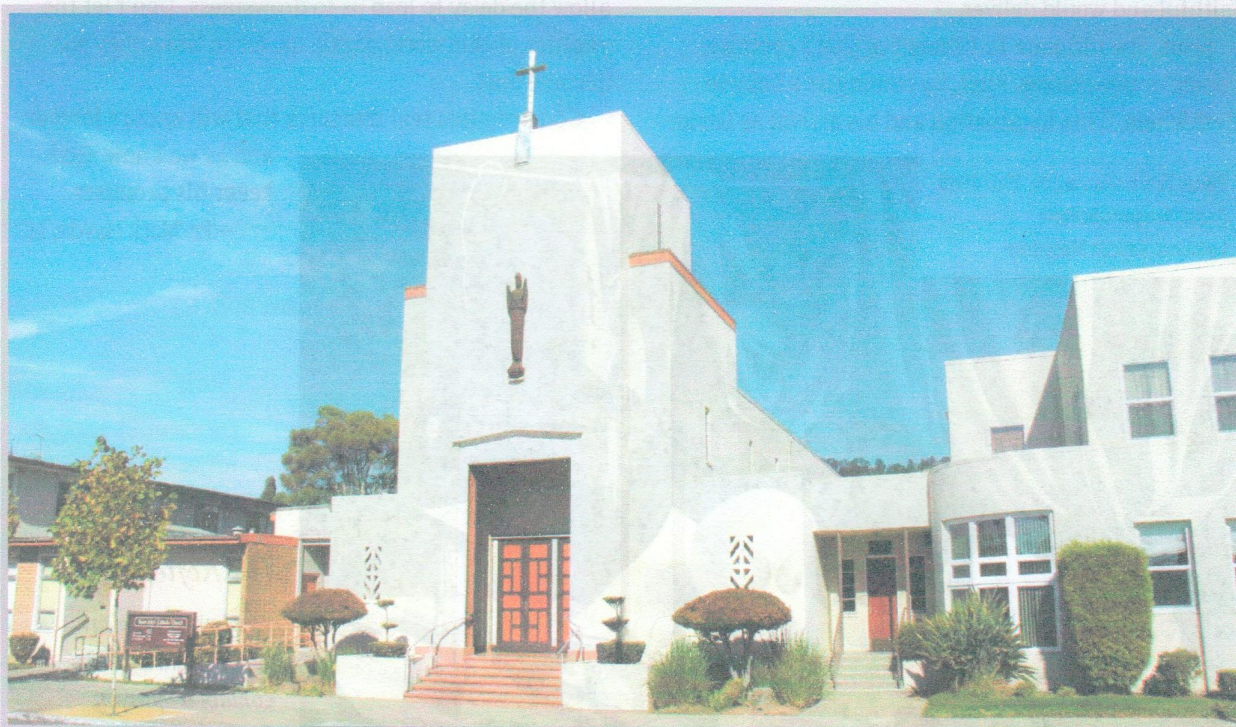
*Our warmest welcome to all who worship with us,
whether a long-time parishioner or newly arrived in the parish.
As Catholic Christians, we are committed to knowing,
loving and serving God by obeying His commandments
and serving our brothers and sisters with love and respect.*

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

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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

“And Who Is My Neighbor?”

This question from Luke 10:29 posed to Jesus prompts one of the most famous stories ever told. A neighbor is one I love as myself. A priest walked by the beaten and abused man. Even though he was someone dedicated to God and his worship, the priest didn’t have time to become his neighbor. Perhaps he didn’t want to risk ritual impurity by dealing with the bloodied body of an unknown man. Whatever his reasons, he felt he had more important commitments than helping the poor.

A Levite, a member of the tribe in charge of the temple, wasn’t his neighbor, either. He also found reasons to justify leaving this man to bleed to death along the road. Perhaps he thought someone else would stop and help. It’s easy to abdicate our responsibility.

Then a Samaritan, one disdained by the Jews, happened by. He stopped to help, lifted him up, carried him to safety, and paid from his own pocket for future care; he became totally involved. In an obvious sense, Jesus is telling us to be good Samaritans—that is, to be compassionate and generous to neighbors in need—not just people like us, but to aliens and strangers.

But on another level, perhaps we represent the wounded person by the roadside, in need of healing and restoration from sin. Like the Samaritan, Jesus was scorned by many. But it is Christ himself who wants to pick us up, bind our wounds, and pay for our care. And he pays this debt, of course, on the cross. Are we willing to admit that we need healing from a “Samaritan” like Jesus? —Fr. Mark Haydu, LC



Piece: *The Good Samaritan*, 1890
Artist: Vincent van Gogh
Location: Kröller-Müller Museum, the Netherlands

THE GOOD SAMARITAN (AFTER DE LA CRUXX) VINCENT VAN GOGH / WIKIMEDIA

For Reflection

How do I help those in need at home, at work, in society?

Do I see myself as merely entrusted with God’s gifts of my time, talents, and treasure?

[A Samaritan] approached the victim, poured oil and wine over his wounds and bandaged them.

Luke 10:34

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The good Samaritan was also a good steward, giving his time and his treasure to meet his neighbor's need. At the end of this familiar story, Jesus urges His hearers-and us-to go and do the same.

My Dear Friends,

Greetings to All. You may know that I seldom ask for monetary contribution. At this time, though, I would like to do so and implore upon you for your help. The parish turnout, as far as donations to the Annual Bishop's Appeal for this year, has been quite low. Our parish goal for this year is \$23,400.00. This is the same amount as our goal in 2018. I am very grateful, that as a parish, we exceeded our goal last year and thank you to all of you.

As of this date, we have only collected \$15,220.00. This represents 65.04% of our goal for this year. We still have \$8,180.00 to go in order to reach our goal.

I appreciate very much the sacrifice of those who have contributed to the Appeal this year. To those who may have not yet made a pledge or may have missed sending a contribution to the Bishop's Appeal, please help us and be a-part of other members of our parish in sending in your pledge or donation.

To contribute to the Appeal, please send your contribution to: The Diocese of Oakland at 2121 Harrison Street, Oakland, Ca 94612. Please also include the following information: Your NAME, Your ADDRESS, THE AMOUNT and whether you are sending this by CHECK, MONEY ORDER, or thru a CREDIT CARD. And lastly, please indicate the parish as ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST, in EL CERRITO.

On behalf of our Parish at St. John the Baptist, please accept my sincerest appreciation and gratitude for answering to this plea. May our dear Lord continue to bless us all.

With Love in Christ,

Fr. Thuong Hoai Nguyen

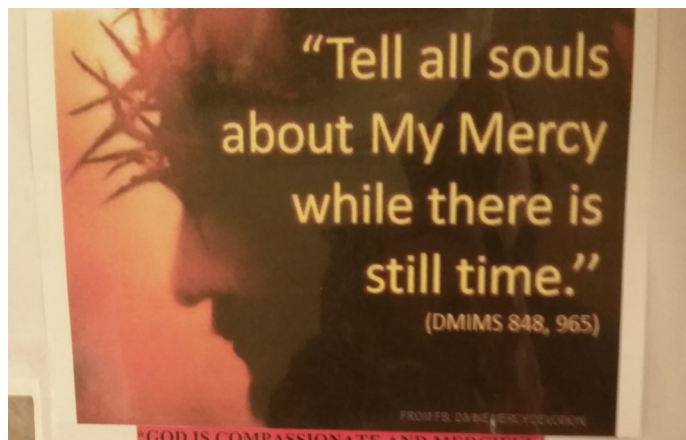
Mass Intentions for the Week

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Saturday, Jul. 13	5 p.m.	Frank Caramagno †	Keller Family
	7 p.m.	Participants to Our Lady of Fatima Rosary Procession and Mass	Ancelle Nguyen
Sunday, Jul. 14	8 a.m.	Renaldo and Diane Marin †	Marin Family
	9:30 a.m.	Gina Lencioni - Continuous Good Health	E.C. Royale Euch. Minis.
	11:30 a.m.	Esther Esmilla Taylor † Miguel Santos-Memorial	Christina Taylor Teresa Santos
Monday, Jul. 15	6 p.m.	St. John Parishioners	St. John Parish
	8 a.m.	Philip Crimmins †	Sr. Carmel, RSM
Tuesday, Jul. 16	8 a.m.	Souls in Purgatory	Maria Lozano
Wednesday, Jul. 17	8 a.m.	St. John Parishioners	St. John Parish
Thursday, Jul. 18	8 a.m.	Thanksgiving	Murphy Family
Friday, Jul. 19	8 a.m.	Helen Nelson †	Debi Mendoza
Saturday, Jul. 20	8 a.m.	Thanksgiving of Ana Prindle and Children For Blessings of Good Health	Ana Prindle and Children

This Week's Service Schedule

Sunday Readings: Dt 30:10-14. Col 1:15-20. Lk 10:25-37.
Monday Readings: Ex 1:8-14,22. Mt 10:34-11:1.
Tuesday Readings: Ex 2:1-15. Mt 11:20-24.
Wednesday Readings: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12. Mt 11:25-27.
Thursday Readings: Ex 3:13-20. Mt 11:28-30.
Friday Readings: Ex 11:10-12:14. Mt 12:1-8.
Saturday Readings: Ex 12:37-42. Mt 12:14-21.

Our Lady of Fatima Rosary Procession and Mass. Jul 13, Sat., 6:30am.
Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet. Mon.-Sat., 8:30am. at Church. Daily, 3pm, 9pm, and 10pm (Spanish) and Wed., 7:30pm (Spanish) at Chapel.
24-Hour Eucharistic Adoration. Daily at the Chapel.
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena. Weds, 8:30am at Church and 6pm at the 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 at Church.
Devotion to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. Fri., 6pm at the Chapel.



Safe Environment

Every volunteer and worker is required to sign in at virtusonline.org and complete the training on *Protecting God's Children*.

Volunteer at Church on Saturday, Aug. 3

Spare an hour to 6 hours on a Saturday, 9am. You will be helping tear out existing floor carpet of the 2-story convent building. Hand tools and gloves will be provided. The floor carpets will be loaded to a dump truck at the back of the convent. Call Edy de Lima, 510-366-8474.

15-Day Marian Pilgrimage

Oct 10-24. Portugal, Spain, France, Barcelona, Bosnia. Locations of Marian apparitions and healing. www.polandmej.com. (510) 918-5825. (510) 847-7773.

Stewardship

Plate Collection, June 30, 2019
 Envelopes \$1,809.00
 Loose Collection \$1,300.17
 EFT Weekly \$205.00
 Second Collection, Parish Charities: GRIP/SVdP
 Envelopes & Loose Collection \$1,573.00
 EFT \$272.00
 Plate Collection, July 7, 2019
 Envelopes \$ 3,307.00
 Loose Donation \$ 1,176.05
 EFT Weekly \$ 205.00.
 EFT Monthly, Every 2nd \$ 1,390.00 _____
 Second Collection, Parish and School Development
 Envelopes & Loose Collection \$ 1,101.00
 EFT \$ 207.00.
 Charismatic Service, July 6, 2019
 \$ 392.00.

Prayers for Healing

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
 Frank Gardner, 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,
 Judith Padilla, Theresa Parella, Angelina Patacsil,
 Pam Paun, Victoria Payless, Marlen Pineda and
 Friends, Wayne Price, Rose Anne, Fely Sabares, Jovita
 Santos, Henry Scheving, Linda Schneider, Dimitri
 Smith, Salvador Tejero, Rose Texara, Pat Tilley,
 Isaac Tiongson, Joseph Vidal, Sarah Vidal Evodio
 Walle Winston Williams, Jan Williamson



2019 Vacation Bible Camp: Power Lab

This year's Summer Day Camp was full of fun, learning and friendships. We had 58 campers from 18 different schools ranging in age from 3-12.

We had 9 High School Crew members and 4 College Station Leaders and 10 Adults, What awesome Volunteers!

The kids learned songs with Sign Language, Dance and Computer Coding. They enjoyed making Snacks for other campers, Science Experiments, high energy fun games and experiencing Bible Stories that came to life. Fusion Finale gave them the opportunity to see Science Lab experiments make changes and experience other activities.

They also got to make Crafts And Science projects that were slimy and Gizmos that walked, flew and designed their own tie-dye shirts.

Our 18th Annual event was a big hit! Thanks to all who participated and supported this wonderful event with your Time, Talent or Treasure, we truly appreciate it.

Save the Dates for next year's Extravaganza June 22-26, 2020.

Cont. Vacation Bible Camp Our Facebook page is St. John's Vacation Bible Day Camp, you can check out this and past year's adventures.

Let us know what you thought about Power Lab 2019. Please comment, share, write a recommendation. We appreciate your help to spread the word. - Pam Vincent, Director

Needing Soup Kitchen Volunteers

Our GRIP Soup Kitchen Team desperately needs your help. Volunteer to serve lunch every 1st and 3rd Sunday for about 2-1/2 hours. Please call Larry Mundy at 510-301-5027.

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

St. John Class of '68 Reunion, Oct 26

Contact Laurie Gaeta. gaetalaurie1968@gmail.com

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