

St. John the Baptist Church

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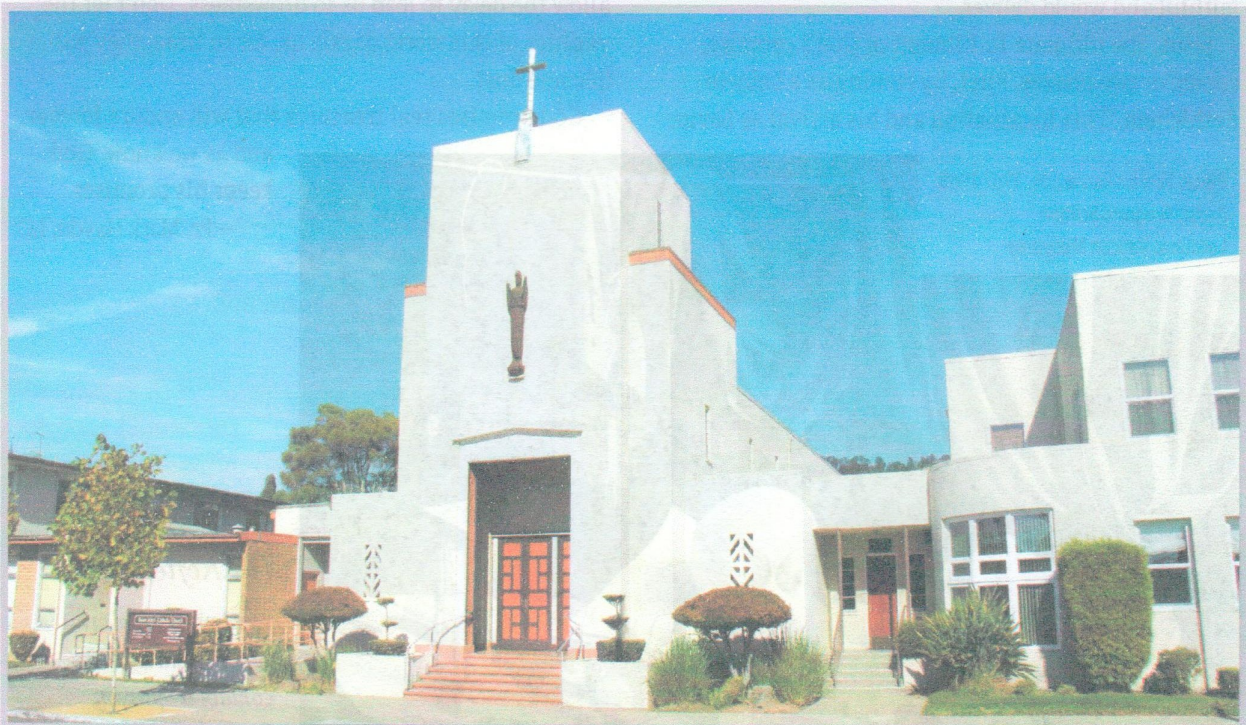
*Our warmest welcome to all who worship with us,
whether a long-time parishioner or newly arrived in the parish.
As Catholic Christians, we are committed to knowing,
loving and serving God by obeying His commandments
and serving our brothers and sisters with love and respect.*

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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Pastoral Council

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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.stjohne.org

St. John's Community Center

6500 Gladys Ave.

St. John's Divine Mercy Adoration Chapel

11152 San Pablo Ave.

Praying to Our Good, Good Father

Learning to pray well is perhaps the most important skill we can learn. It’s one thing that will carry us through life, all the way to heaven. We might as well get good at it!

Jesus was often found praying, but if he was God, why was this necessary? Certainly he prayed as a model to us. But he also prayed to have a fuller human experience of the love of his Father. He prayed because he wanted to, not because he needed to. Even amid the demands of his mission and the looming cross, Jesus showed us prayer as a way to receive spiritual strength and to experience his Father’s love.

This “being caught up in love” was

evident to those who watched Jesus pray. Looking at him, the apostles longed to experience what he experienced, so they asked him “teach us to pray.” He began, “Our Father...”

When we pray we’re not in dialog with a demanding commander but with a caring, protecting Father. He is a good, good Father. The last thing he wants to see is his children suffering or in want. He wants to provide exactly what we really need—not necessarily what we pout about! Our role is to trust and abandon ourselves into his hands through prayer.

This is where the life of grace comes in. Grace—God’s fatherly love shared with us at baptism and which continues through the help of his Holy Spirit—is our greatest treasure. One way to grow in prayer is to ask yourself what will help this grace, this God-shared love, grow in your heart.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

For Reflection
In baptism I became a child of God. Do I give thanks enough for this gift?



Piece: *The Baptism of Constantine*, 1517-1524
 Artist: Gianfrancesco Penni
 Location: Apostolic Palace, Vatican City

[Jesus said,] “Ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you.”

Luke 11:9

Mass for the Intentions Week

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Saturday, Jul. 27	5 p.m.	Eric Ewen-For Continued Good Health	E.C. Royale Eucharistic Ministers
Sunday, Jul. 28	8 a.m.	Dick, Helen, and Richard Nelson †	Karen Stevens
	9:30 a.m.	Eric Ewen-For Continued Good Health	Kathy Klatt & Helen Stubbs
	11:30 a.m.	St. John Parishioners	St. John Parish
Monday, Jul. 29	6 p.m.	St. John Parishioners	St. John Parish
	8 a.m.	Nilda de Leon †	Fr. Ray Ogbemure & Kathy Klatt
Tuesday, Jul. 30	8 a.m.	St. John Parishioners	St. John Parish
Wednesday, Jul. 31	8 a.m.	Ignacia Sabares †	Fely Sabares
	10:30 a.m.	Nilda de Leon †	De Leon Family
Thursday, Aug. 1	8 a.m.	Richard Nelson †	Debi Mendoza
Friday, Aug. 2	8 a.m.	Joseph Franz †	Keller Family
		Elena Quijano Santos †	Priscilla Flores
Saturday, Aug. 3	8 a.m.	Thanksgiving of Ana Prindle and Children For Blessings of Good Health	Ana Prindle and Children

Stewardship

Plate Collection, Jul. 21, 2019
 Envelopes \$ 3,913.00
 EFT Weekly \$ 205.00
 EFT Monthly, Every 17th \$ 1,390.00
 Loose Collection \$ 1,016.22
 Chapel
 EFT \$50.00

Thank you for your generosity.

Senior Center, 6500 Gladys Ave

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

Volunteers Needed

St John Parish needs Eucharistic Ministers. To volunteer to bring Holy Communion to the home-bound, call Larry Mundy, 510-301-5027 Or to volunteer as a minister at Mass, call Sharon Ewen, 510- 412-9761. The ministry takes only a little time. And, at the same time, rewarding.

Catholic Charismatic Conference

Sep. 21, Saturday, 8am-8pm. St. Mary Cathedral, 1111 Gough St. SF Celebrant Rev Raymund Reyes and Featured Speaker Rev J. Maniyangat.

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, Maria Fe Santos, Linda Schneider, Dimitri Smith, Salvador Tejero, Rose Texara, Pat Tilley, Isaac Tiongson, Joseph Vidal, Sarah Vidal, Evodio Walle, Winston Williams, Jan Williamson



St. John Class of '68 Reunion, Oct 26

Contact Laurie Gaeta.gaetalaurie1968@gmail.com

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus is describing God’s immeasurable generosity when He says in today’s Gospel, “Whoever asks, receives; whoever seeks, finds; whoever knocks, is admitted.” But it should also be the description of us as Christian stewards— those seeking to follow Christ by using our gifts in service of others.

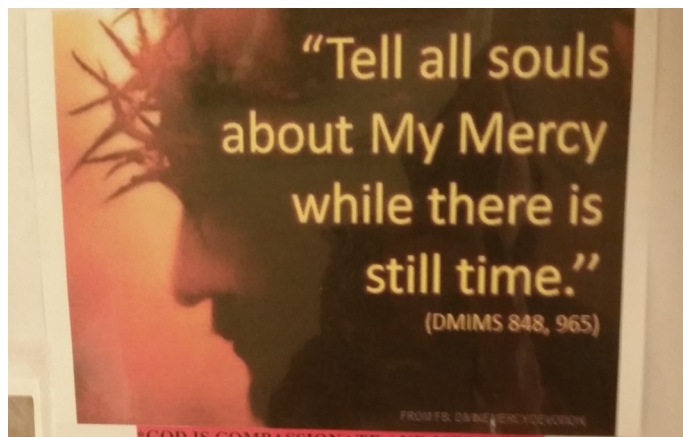
This Week’s Service Schedule

Sunday Readings: Gn 18:20-32. Col 2:12-14.
Lk 11:1-13.
Monday Readings: Ex 32:15-24, 30-34.
Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42.
Tuesday Readings: Ex 33:7-11., 34:5b-9, 28.
Wednesday Readings: Ex 34:29-35. Mt 13:44-46.
Thursday Readings: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38.
Mt 13:47-53.
Friday Readings: Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37.
Mt 13:54-58.
Saturday Readings: Lv 25:1, 8-17. Mt 14:1-12.

Holy Hour. Fri., 8:30am.
Anointing of the Sick. Sat., 8:30am.
First Saturday Devotion.
8am Mass, Rosary. 4pm, Confessions, Rosary, Adoration, Mass.
Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet.
Mon.-Thu., Sat., 8:30am. Fri., 9am 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.- Sat., 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.
Funeral Mass for Nilda de Leon, Wed., 10:30am

500 Years of Evangelization in the Philippines

All are invited on Oct 5, 2019 at St. Michael Church in Livermore from 8am-4pm.
oakjourneyto2021@gmail.com
www.500thAnniversaryCelebration2019.eventbrite.com



Rebuild the Church

Make our parish goal for the 2019 Annual Bishop’s Appeal by a pledge or donation. (Correcting Jul 21 Issue, \$7,678 to make our goal).

Safe Environment

Every volunteer and worker is required to complete the online training, Protecting God’s Children, at virtusonline.org

RCIA Film Lecture: G.K. Chesterton

Aug. 6, Tuesday at the community center from 7:30p-9p. Segment on Bishop Robert Barron’s Catholicism, The Pivotal Players. All are invited.

15-Day Marian Pilgrimage

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

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

Baptism Classes for Parents

Aug. 4, 11, 9:30am at Church. Call or email.



Nilda de Leon

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 4:15 on every first Saturday. August 3 is the next first Saturday.

August 2019

Church (CH) Fr John Maxwell Conf Rm (CR) Comm Cen (CC) Comm Cen 2nd Fl (CC2) Music Rm (MR) Rectory (RE) Adoration Chapel (DM)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>4 Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Mass 8a, 9:30a, 11:30a, 6p (Brazilian)</p>	<p>5 Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass 8:30a Rosary/Chaplet</p>	<p>6 The Transfiguration of the Lord 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass 8:30a Rosary/Chaplet of the Divine Mercy 8a-2p Seniors Program CC</p>	<p>7 St Sixtus II and Companions, St Cajetan 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass 8:30a Rosary/Chaplet of the Divine Mercy</p>	<p>8 St Dominic 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass 8:30a Rosary/Divine Mercy Chaplet</p>	<p>9 St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass. Rosary. Divine Mercy Chaplet</p>	<p>10 St Lawrence 8a Mass 8:30a Rosary/Chaplet of the Divine Mercy 4p Confessions 5p Vigil Mass 7p Charismatic Service</p>
<p>11 Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 8a, 9:30a, 11:30a, 6p (Brazilian) Mass 9:30a CRE</p>	<p>12 St Jane Chantal 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass 8:30a Rosary/Chaplet of the Divine Mercy</p>	<p>13 St Pontian, St Hippolytus 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass 8:30a Rosary/Chaplet of the Divine Mercy 8a-2p Seniors Program CC 6:30p Our Lady of Fatima Rosary Procession and Mass</p>	<p>14 St Maximilian Kolbe 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>15 The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass. Rosary. Divine Mercy Chaplet. 7:30p Mass</p>	<p>16 St Stephen of Hungary 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass. Rosary. Divine Mercy Chaplet</p>	<p>17 8a Mass 4p Confessions 5p Vigil Mass</p>
<p>18 Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time 8a, 9:30a, 11:30a, 6p (Brazilian) Mass</p>	<p>19 St John Eudes 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass 8:30a Rosary/Divine Mercy Chaplet</p>	<p>20 St Bernard 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass 8:30a Rosary/Divine Mercy Chaplet 8a-2p Seniors Program CC</p>	<p>21 St Pius X 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass 8:30a Rosary/Divine Mercy Chaplet 12n-2p Women's Covenant</p>	<p>22 The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass 8:30a Rosary/Divine Mercy Chaplet</p>	<p>23 St Rose of Lima 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass 8:30a Rosary/Divine Mercy Chaplet</p>	<p>24 St Bartholomew 8a Mass 4p Confessions 5p Vigil Mass</p>
<p>25 Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time 8a, 9:30a, 11:30a, 6p (Brazilian) Mass</p>	<p>26 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass 8:30a Rosary/Divine Mercy Chaplet</p>	<p>27 St Monica 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass. Rosary. Chaplet of the Divine Mercy 8-2p Seniors Program CC</p>	<p>28 St Augustine 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass. Rosary. Divine Mercy Chaplet 12-2p Women's Covenant</p>	<p>29 The Passion of St John the Baptist 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass/Rosary/Chaplet of the Divine Mercy</p>	<p>30 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass 8:30a Rosary/Divine Mercy Chaplet</p>	<p>31 7:40a Liturgy of the Hours 8a Mass/Rosary/Divine Mercy Chaplet 4p Confessions 5p Vigil Mass</p>