August 25, 2019 ~ Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Strengthen your drooping hands and your weak knees. Make straight paths for your feet, that what is lame may not be disjointed but healed. — Hebrews 12:12-13

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Please Pray for our Holy Father’s Intention for August

**Pope’s Intention:** Families, Schools of Human Growth. That families, through their life of prayer and love, become ever more clearly “schools of true human growth”.

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**Welcome the Stranger**

We have become accustomed to seeing pictures in the media and stories on the news about immigrants from Latin America and refugees from Syria fleeing violence and destruction in their own countries, trying to make their way to a safe place. We have also seen the reactions of people who want to keep them away from their countries, who fail to welcome the stranger and the helpless children. Have we forgotten Jesus’ call to comfort the homeless and the stranger? “They shall bring all your brothers and sisters from all the nations . . . to Jerusalem, my holy mountain, says the LORD.”

In the three readings for this day, we are told that we are to welcome these strangers, to welcome the discipline of the Lord, which leads to peace, and to “strive to enter through the narrow gate” into the glory of God’s own homeland, the reign of God.

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**Archdiocesan Annual Appeal Update**

Thank you to everyone who has made a donation to our 2019 AAA. If you haven’t donated yet, please consider making a donation.

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**How to Pray**

Grant us grace, Almighty Father, so to pray as to deserve to be heard.

~ Jane Austen

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**Treasures From Our Tradition**

The wonderful diversity of life and worship among Roman Catholics of East and West is an example of God writing straight with crooked lines. The steady hand of the villainous Emperor Diocletian drew a line across Europe and Africa that split the empire in two, and for the most part determined how Christians would worship two thousand years later.

Italy’s heel and the far northern city of Trieste fell on the Eastern side, and have had a form of Eastern liturgy ever since. Constantinople, which soon became the seat of the Roman Empire, became a base for Christianizing the East up to Russia and Poland. Poland was on the Eastern side, but a series of wars and medieval mayhem pushed the religious boundary back to the Ukraine, and Poland remains an outpost of the Latin Church to this day.

An old rule of thumb declared that whatever religion was observed by the local prince, the people had to follow. This gave rise to persecution and migration as people sought tolerance for their expressions of faith. In the United States, we are accustomed to peaceful collaboration among Christians of East and West, a situation that challenges churches that still feel the pinch of age-old division.

~ Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.
Religious Education Classes

The staff and catechists of St. Patrick Church are dedicated to helping your children grow in faith and be closer to God. As parents, you are the primary educators of your children and are their best teachers. Your children learn the most from the example you set when you pray together and actively participate in Mass and the sacraments as a family.

Our Religious Education Program is designed to assist you in the faith formation of your children. Enroll your child after all Masses every Sunday in August. First-time students must provide a valid baptismal certificate. Classes begin on Saturday, September 7th and run through May. Class hours are from 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.

Are You Someone or Do You Know Someone Who...

- ...has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- ...has a child over the age of seven who has not been baptized?
- ...was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is an opportunity for you to come together in a small group to learn more about the Catholic faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights, and your faith story in a warm accepting setting. For information please contact the parish office during normal business hours.

Acts of the Apostles

I never heard anything about the resolutions of the apostles, but a great deal about their acts.

~ Horace Mann

Grace and Struggle

The gift of grace increases as the struggles increase.

~ St. Rose of Lima

Worthy Teachers

All who undertake to teach must be endowed with deep love, the greatest patience, and, most of all, profound humility. The Lord will find them worthy to become fellow workers with him in the cause of truth.

~ St. Joseph Calasanz

Temptation

The average number of times that people say “no” to temptation is about once, weakly.

~ Anonymous

Ministers Schedule

Aug 31 - Sep 01, 2019
Saturday, 5:15 p.m.
Presider - Fr. Linh Nguyen
Readers - Rowena Cruz Diaz, Jeanette Chafe
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion - Barbara Villanueva, Natividad Galinato, Luzviminda Grajales, Mary Josue, Jeannette Chafe

Sunday, 7:30 a.m.
Presider - Fr.
Readers - Cathy Bohol, Therese Guin-tu
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion - Therese Guin-tu, Julius Vedasto, Cathy Bohol, Vida Ventura, Albert Chin, Tessie Gallardo

Sunday, 9:30 a.m.
Presider - Fr.
Readers - Rizalina Fernandez, Fred Nangca
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion - Ligaya Gementera, Celso Mangoba, Rose Mangoba, Miguel Herrera, Malou Pulanco, Ben Banatao, Rufina Oviedo

Sunday, 12:00 p.m.
Presider - Fr.
Readers - Fe Barcelona, Belinda Rodrigues
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion - Sandra Cea, Carlito Pantig, Frazier Ataide, Judy Labaria, Evelyn Bird, Jeannette Bird, Giulia Pattini

Sunday, 2:00 p.m. (Tagalog Mass)
Presider - Fr.
Reader - Ellen Gayapa
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion - Vince Ramirez

Sunday, 5:15 p.m.
Presider - Fr.
Readers - JM Valencia, Zachary Duldulao
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion - Zachary Duldulao, Teng Sullivan, Luzviminda Grajales, Mary Josue
Today’s Readings

First Reading — Brothers and sisters of every race and language will be brought to Jerusalem (Isaiah 66:18-21).

Psalm — Go out to all the world and tell the Good News (Psalm 117).

Second Reading — Strengthen your drooping hands and your weak knees (Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13).


Parental Rights in Education

Did you know that new California law now requires sex education in public and charter schools—and that the recommended curricula include aggressive promotion of morally objectionable concepts of human sexuality? What can we do to protect our children? Join us to learn more.

English: Thursday, September 12, 6:30-8:30 pm
Address: St Dominic Church 2390 Bush St San Francisco, CA
Spanish: Sunday 9/8/19 2-4 pm, St. Anthony in Menlo Park
https://sfarchdiocese.org/myfamilyrights

GET YOUR FLU SHOTS FREE*

Best way to protect yourself and your loved ones this season.

DATE: 09/01/2019
TIME: 8:30am to 01:00pm
LOCATION: Walgreens

*For patient that element has insurance for flu vaccine and can not afford to pay for it, the vaccine.
Welcome to St. Patrick!!
Welcome to all of our out-of-town visitors,
Thank you for worshipping with us!!