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The Church of the Nativity

MASSES

Sundays 08:00, 09:30, 11:30 AM and 05:00 PM

Saturdays 08:00 AM and 05:00 PM (Vigil)

Weekdays 07:30 AM and 05:30 PM

Holy Days 07:30 AM, 05:30 and 07:30 PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (Opus Dei priest)

03:30 PM - 04:30 PM (parish priest)

(also by appointment)

BAPTISMS 1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays of the month

(contact rectory 2 months in advance)

WEDDINGS Saturdays 11:00 AM and 02:00 PM

(contact rectory at least 6 months in advance)

PASTOR

Rev. Msgr. Steven D. Otellini

PAROCHIAL VICAR

Rev. Patrick J. Driscoll

PERMANENT DEACONS

Rev. Mr. Dominick Peloso

Rev. Mr. Thomas Kelly

VISITING PRIESTS

Rev. Gregory Heidenblut, OSA

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Rev. Reginald Martin, O.P.

SCHOOL OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Mrs. Monica Hickam • mon.hickam@gmail.com

24-HOUR EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Mrs. Mary Ellen Peloso • (650) 269-7794



FIRST READING

Forsake foolishness that you may live; advance in the way of understanding.

PROVERBS 9: 1-6

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Look to Him that you may be radiant with joy.

PSALMS 34

SECOND READING

Do not continue in ignorance, but try to understand what is the will of the Lord.

EPHESIANS 5: 15-20

GOSPEL

Whoever eats My flesh and drinks My blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day.

JOHN 6: 51-58



THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

19 AUGUST 2018

Be filled with the Spirit...giving thanks always and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

EPHESIANS 5: 18, 20

CALENDAR

SCHEDULE OF MASSES AND INTENTIONS WEEK OF 19 - 25 AUG

SAT	05:00 PM	Priest's intentions
SUN	Masses	Priest's intentions
MON	07:30 AM	† Elizabeth Holman
	05:30 PM	The Robinson family; Mariane Hennig; † William Avalon
TUE	07:30 AM	† Katie Supple
	05:30 PM	† Danny Olin
WED	07:30 AM	Joan Draeger
	05:30 PM	† Lucienne Woods
THU	07:30 AM	† Rina Krevzel
	05:30 PM	† Katherine Eastman
FRI	07:30 AM	† Swede Lenz
	05:30 PM	† Richard and Yola Carello
SAT	08:00 AM	Fr. Gregory Heidenblut; All priests

Please pray for those in need of physical or spiritual healing



Parish Office Hours
09:00 AM-04:00 PM
Monday-Friday



Please make sure your cell phones are **turned off** or **muted** when you enter the church.

SUN	07:00 PM	Holy Hour for Priests
MON-FRI	07:10 AM	Morning Prayer
MON-FRI	05:10 PM	Evening Prayer
TUE	06:00 PM	Cenacles of Life Rosary
THU	06:00 PM	Perpetual Help Novena
SAT	06:15 AM	Men's Prayer Group
SAT	07:40 AM	Morning Prayer
SAT	10:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Confessions (Opus Dei priest)
SAT	03:30 PM - 04:30 PM	Confessions (parish priest)

19 AUG	(Sunday)	
20 AUG	(Monday)	07:30 PM Legion of Mary
21 AUG	(Tuesday)	07:00 PM H ⁴
22 AUG	(Wednesday)	
23 AUG	(Thursday)	
24 AUG	(Friday)	
25 AUG	(Saturday)	01:30 PM Opus Dei Anniversary Mass



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BULLETIN NEWS



REMINDER: SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Items for the bulletin should be **emailed to the bulletin editors** at nativity.bulletin@gmail.com.

Deadline: 12:00 PM (noon) Friday by email, for inclusion in the Sunday bulletin **9 days later**.

EXAMPLE: For inclusion in the **02 SEP 2018** bulletin, submit by **Friday, 24 AUG 2018** at noon.

PARISH OFFERINGS

	WEEK OF 04-05 AUG
TOTAL:	\$12,465
Mission Cooperation Plan:	\$11,393
Annual Diocesan Appeal Progress:	\$71,180
2018 ADA Goal:	\$152,524

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SAINTS AND OBSERVANCES

SOLEMNITY, FEAST, MEMORIAL • OPTIONAL MEMORIAL • OTHER

20 AUG (Monday): SAINT BERNARD, Abbot and Doctor of the Church (1894-1941)

Fearing the ways of the world, **Bernard of Clairvaux**, along with four of his brothers and 25 friends, joined the abbey of Citeaux. Their father and another brother joined shortly after. He founded and led the monastery of Clairvaux, which soon had 700 monks and 160 daughter houses. He is the first Cistercian monk to be placed on the calendar of saints.



21 AUG (Tuesday): SAINT PIUS X, Pope (1835-1914)

Pope Pius X is perhaps best remembered for his encouragement of the frequent reception of Holy Communion, especially by children. One of the twentieth century's greatest popes, he was interested in politics and encouraged Italian Catholics to become more politically involved.

23 AUG (Thursday): SAINT ROSE OF LIMA

22 AUG (Wednesday): THE QUEENSHIP OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Pius XII established this feast in 1954, but Mary's queenship has roots in Scripture. At the Annunciation, Gabriel announced that Mary's Son would receive the throne of David and rule forever.

24 AUG (Friday): SAINT BARTHOLOMEW, Apostle

Bartholomew may have preached in Asia Minor and written a Gospel (now lost). He was martyred in Armenia.

25 AUG (Friday): SAINT LOUIS IX of FRANCE, King and Patron (1226-1270)

Louis was devoted to his people and saw his kingly duties in light of his faith. He is the patron of the **Third Order of the Franciscans**.



SAINT JOSEPH CALASANZ, Priest (1556-1648)

MINISTRY AND GROUP NEWS

H4: HOLY HOUR-HAPPY HOUR

Young adults in their 20s and 30s are encouraged join us for a **Holy Hour** at the Church of the Nativity (210 Oak Grove, Menlo Park) on **Tuesdays** from **07:00-08:00 PM**, followed by drinks at **08:00 PM** at nearby pub or café. If you have any questions, please e-mail holyhourhappyhour@gmail.com. All are welcome.

ROSARY OUTSIDE ABORTION CLINIC

If you would like to pray the Rosary during the week in front of the Planned Parenthood in Redwood City, please contact **Laura** at nativitymenlorespectlife@yahoo.com or **650/257-7780** for more information. Additionally, every First Saturday of the month, a group of parishioners meets to pray there after going to the **08:00 AM** Mass and pray until about **10:00 AM**.

FATIMA CELEBRATION

On **Thursday, 13 SEP 2018**, we will continue with our celebration of Our Lady's Appearances in Fatima, now **101** years ago. It includes Holy Mass, Rosary Procession and Healing Benediction.

This year, the celebrations will start at a **new time: 07:00 PM**.

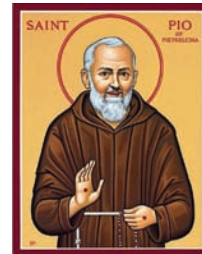
All are encouraged to attend.

For questions, contact **Deacon Dominick Peloso** at **650/269-6279**.



RELICS OF SAINT PIO TO VISIT THE ARCHDIOCESE

Relics of **Saint Pio of Pietrelcina** – better known as *Padre Pio* – will be at **St. Mary, Star of the Sea** parish, 180 Harrison Ave., **Sausalito**, on **08-09 SEP 2018**. The relics of Saint Pio available for public veneration will be his **glove**; **crusts of the wounds**;



cotton-gauze with his blood stains; a **lock of his hair**; his **mantle**; and a **handkerchief** soaked with his sweat hours before he died.

Visit the parish website for the schedule and other important information about this event:

<https://www.starofthesea.us/101>.

On the following day (**10 SEP 2018**) the relics will travel to **Our Lady of Peace** church in

Santa Clara for a full day of veneration.

<https://www.olop-shrine.org/event/st-pio-relics-visit/>

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



Nativity Church is open 24x7. The Blessed Sacrament is exposed for adoration and there is always someone present in prayer. Won't you join us by signing up for a weekly Holy Hour? When you sign up, you and your intentions share in the grace of everyone who comes to visit. Come and experience the dramatic presence of God in our lives. Please consider the following hours as there is no one currently assigned to them (or pick an hour that works for you):

Wednesday: 03:00 PM

Friday: 01:00 AM, 02:00 AM

Thank you in advance for your generosity. The God who is not outdone in generosity will certainly bless you and your intentions. Call **Mary Ellen Peloso (650/269-7794)** to sign up.

You have never strayed too far for the Father's forgiveness and grace.

Pregnant? Need Help? Please contact
the **Juan Diego Society (408/258-2008)**,
the **Gabriel Project (800/910-0191)**,
or **San Juan Diego Centro por la Vida at St. Francis (650/322-2152)**.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OUR PARISH FAMILY

Please keep all of our newest members in your prayers, as well as those who have preceded us to the Father.



BAPTISMS • Aoifa May and Rory Michael, children of Michael and Fiona Kerns
• Natalia Sofia, daughter of Ben and Michelle Sambrano

MARRIAGES • Justin Hurst and Mara Calibara

PARISHIONERS • Purvi Mody and Ajit Mohan (Ajit, Talin, Kalem)

DEATHS • Roberto Guitron, Sr.

NOVENA FOR LIFE

On **Fridays** from **03 AUG-28 SEP 2018**, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops urge our participation in a nationwide **Novena for the Legal Protection of Human Life**. This is a call to prayer and fasting that a change in the U.S. Supreme Court will move our nation closer to the day when every human being from conception to natural death is protected in law and welcomed in life. Participants are encouraged to pray one *Our Father*, *Hail Mary*, and *Glory Be* for the intention of this novena. To join visit www.usccb.org/pray.

IN THE COMMUNITY

NATIVITY SCHOOL OF RELIGION: 2017-2018

Registration has begun for Nativity's **Children's Faith Formation Program**. Children who attend public or independent schools in 1st through 8th grades should be enrolled in Nativity's School of Religion for ongoing faith formation.

Registration forms and information packets are available online (www.nativitymenlo.org) under the *School of Religion* link. We encourage all children to continue on in the School of Religion after receiving First Communion, through all grade levels until the reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Mrs. Hickam will be available after Masses on **11-12, 18-19** and **25-26 AUG 2018** to register your children and answer any questions about the program. **Sacrament Class** and **Classes for Grades 1-6** are held on **Sundays** from **08:15-09:15 AM** at Nativity School and continue on into our **09:30 AM** Mass with our *Children's Liturgy of the Word*. **Confirmation** preparation classes are held on **Wednesday** evenings from **07:00-08:00 PM** in the O'Hare Center, beginning **26 SEP 2018**.

First Reconciliation/First Holy Communion requires 2 years of instruction before a child is eligible to receive these Sacraments. Children should be enrolled in **1st Grade**.

Confirmation Preparation is also a 2-year program as required by the Archdiocese of San Francisco. Children should be enrolled as they enter **7th Grade**, but will include older students who have not yet been confirmed.



Catechist Openings:

Help our children be all they can be! Become a catechist and use the talents God has given you to help teach our faith. No experience is necessary. Training is provided. Our program is in need of the following:

Catechists for Grade 3 and Grade 6
Assistant Catechists

For questions or information please contact **Mrs. Monica Hicham** at mon.hickam@gmail.com.

CALLED AND GIFTED WORKSHOP

Coming soon: an opportunity to begin a journey to discover the unique call God has for you, and the gifts He gives you to fulfill your mission in life. The *Called and Gifted Workshop* will be **Friday, 14 SEP 2018** from **07:00-09:00 PM** and **Saturday, 15 SEP 2018** from **09:00 AM-04:00 PM** at **St Raymond Catholic Church**. This workshop includes presentations about Church teaching on the universal call to holiness and mission; the nature of spiritual gifts; and how to undertake the process of discernment. It is led by **Fr. Xavier Lavagetto, O.P.** To register visit www.straymondmp.org or call **650/323-1755** for more info. Cost is **\$50** per person (financial assistance is available) and includes lunch.

ST. PATRICK'S 11TH ANNUAL GALA (SAVE THE DATE)

On **Saturday, 29 SEP 2018**, **St. Patrick's Seminary** will be having their **11th Annual Gala**. This is the premier fundraising even for St. Patrick's, which this year is honoring the Archdiocese for the Military Services, with **Archbishop Timothy Broglio, JCD**, accepting the honors. The evening's program includes vespers; tours of the seminary and cocktails; dinner; and a live and silent auction.

For more information visit www.stpsu.edu, or contact **John Callan** at **650/325-5621** or advancement@stpsu.edu.

PILGRIMAGE TO WYD 2019



Join young adults from the Archdiocese of San Francisco to share faith and fun with young people around the world at **World Youth Day, 21-28 JAN 2019**, in **Panama**.

Learn details of the Archdiocese-organized pilgrimage at gp.myfaithjourneys.com/login. Our Group Number is **19019**. The cost is **\$2,625** per person (including airfare, lodging, food, and most other costs) if our group is 40 or more persons; otherwise, cost is **\$2,845** each. For those who cannot afford the entire cost, a limited number of partial scholarships are available (pastor recommendation is required). For more information about the pilgrimage, contact **Amanda George**, Coordinator of Youth and Young Adult Ministries, at: georgea@sfnarch.org or **415/614-5595**.

FROM THE HOLY SEE

THE HOLY FATHER'S
PRAYER INTENTIONS

Each month His Holiness asks for prayer intentions. For **August 2018**, the Holy Father's prayer intention is:

Intention: The Treasure of Families
(Universal)

That any far-reaching decisions of economists and politicians may protect the family as one of the treasures of humanity.

NOVENA FOR OUR NATION

For the third year in a row, the "Novena for Our Nation," a **54-Day Rosary Novena**, will run from **15 AUG 2018** (the **Feast of the Assumption of Mary**) to **07 OCT 2018** (the **Feast of Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary**) and will end with a National Rosary Rally in Washington DC. The project invites participants to pray the Rosary for 54 consecutive days, in a particular order and for particular intentions. For complete information visit the website: www.novenaforournation.com

TOGETHER IN HOLINESS: CATHOLIC MARRIAGE CONFERENCE

The **Archdiocese of San Francisco** and the **St. John Paul II Foundation** present the *Together in Holiness Conference* on **Saturday, 29 SEP 2018**, from **09:00 AM-03:45 PM** at **Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church**, 1040 Alameda de las Pulgas, Belmont. The day includes Mass celebrated by **Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone**, Eucharistic Adoration, and Reconciliation. Child care (2-12 years) is available, space limited. Cost is **\$59** a couple, or **\$35** individual (early bird costs until **20 AUG** are **\$49/29**).

Visit: www.forlifeandfamily.org/events/th18-sfca/ to learn more and register, or contact **Ed Hopfner 415/614-5547** or hopfnere@sfarch.org.

Presentations by national experts include:

"Learning to Pray Together as Spouses: Three Simple Steps"

Christopher J. Stravitsch, D.Min., LPC, LMFT, Co-founder, St. John Paul II Foundation

Pope Saint John Paul II taught that families have a "priestly mission" which includes living a life of prayer together in the home—husband and wife together, parents and children together. Dr. Chris Stravitsch will share three simple steps couples can follow to begin or to deepen their prayer life together.

"Prayer as the Basis of Family Unity"

Fr. Joseph Illo, Pastor, Star of the Sea Church, San Francisco

All spouses want a peaceful home where they can flourish and, if they are blessed with children, where their children can grow and flourish. Fr. Illo draws on his 27 years of experience as a parish priest to share his insights on making a home a true refuge that is welcoming to family and friends.

"Discovering the Domestic Church"

Dr. John and Mrs. Claire Grabowski.

Pope Saint John Paul II called the Christian family a miniature church. John and Claire Grabowski (Catholic spouses, parents, and grandparents) explore practical ways to make this beautiful vision of family more of a reality in daily life and experience.

CALENDAR OF NOVENAE

19 AUG (SUN)	SECOND DAY: St. Monica FIRST DAY: St. Augustine
20 AUG (MON)	THIRD DAY: St. Monica SECOND DAY: St. Augustine
21 AUG (TUE)	FOURTH DAY: St. Monica THIRD DAY: St. Augustine
22 AUG (WED)	FIFTH DAY: St. Monica FOURTH DAY: St. Augustine
23 AUG (THU)	SIXTH DAY: St. Monica FIFTH DAY: St. Augustine
24 AUG (FRI)	SEVENTH DAY: St. Monica SIXTH DAY: St. Augustine
25 AUG (SAT)	EIGHTH DAY: St. Monica SEVENTH DAY: St. Augustine
26 AUG (SUN)	NINTH DAY: St. Monica EIGHTH DAY: St. Augustine
27 AUG (MON)	Feast of Saint Monica NINTH DAY: St. Augustine
28 AUG (TUE)	Feast of Saint Augustine
29 AUG (WED)	
30 AUG (THU)	FIRST DAY: Nativity of the BVM
31 AUG (FRI)	SECOND DAY: Nativity of the BVM
01 SEP (SAT)	THIRD DAY: Nativity of the BVM

FIND THE NOVENA PRAYERS

Novena to Saint Monica:

www.catholicdoors.com/prayers/english3/p02253.htm

Novena to Saint Augustine:

www.praymorenovenas.com/st-augustine-novena/

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary:

www.dailycatholic.org/sepdevo.htm



RCIA BEGINS IN SEPTEMBER

Adults interested in Catholicism are invited to attend the **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)** at Nativity. We will meet **Sundays, 03:00-04:30 PM** in the **O'Hare Center**, beginning **16 SEP 2018**. This faith formation series is for adults who have never been baptized, or were baptized in another faith, and are now considering becoming Catholic. Also welcome are Catholic adults who never received First Communion and Confirmation. The classes are led by **Deacon Tom Kelly**, parishioner **Charlotte Pace**, and two seminarians. After a few weeks of informal inquiry, we will embark on several months of classes, prayer and discussion in preparation for the reception of the Sacraments of Baptism, First Communion, and Confirmation at the **Easter Vigil, Saturday evening, 20 APR 2019**. We will accept new participants throughout **September** and **October**. Please see the green brochures in the vestibule for more detailed information, or the Nativity website (www.nativitymenlo.org). Contact **Charlotte Pace (650/325-6978, cpace@stanford.edu)** or the rectory (**650/323-7914**). We look forward to welcoming you. Catholic adults who need Confirmation only are prepared by the archdiocese in a separate program. Please contact **Charlotte** for more info.

Young Believers

FIND-A-WORD

Can you locate all these words in the square full of letters?

MARY	QUEEN
HEAVEN	LOUIS
BERNARD	POPE
PIUS	FAITH
MERCY	OBEDIENCE
TOULOUSE	MOTHER

P	R	M	A	R	Y	D	Y	K	W
O	P	U	S	C	D	E	I	G	R
P	B	E	R	N	A	R	D	T	W
E	Y	E	E	A	R	E	S	O	N
J	M	O	D	R	S	P	I	U	S
P	I	F	A	I	T	H	O	L	M
J	I	Q	U	E	E	N	G	O	D
E	G	O	S	U	M	N	T	U	M
S	L	I	G	H	T	H	C	S	W
U	P	R	Y	N	E	V	A	E	H
S	A	L	V	R	E	G	I	N	A

(Just like in our lives, JESUS is always there, too.)

SIMPLE, FAST PRAYERS OF PROTECTION

When you are worried, or fearful, or being tempted, remember the advice that Jesus Himself gave us through his mystics. He told us to pray these simple but extremely effective invocations:

(Our Lord to Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque):

"Sacred Heart of Jesus, I trust in You."

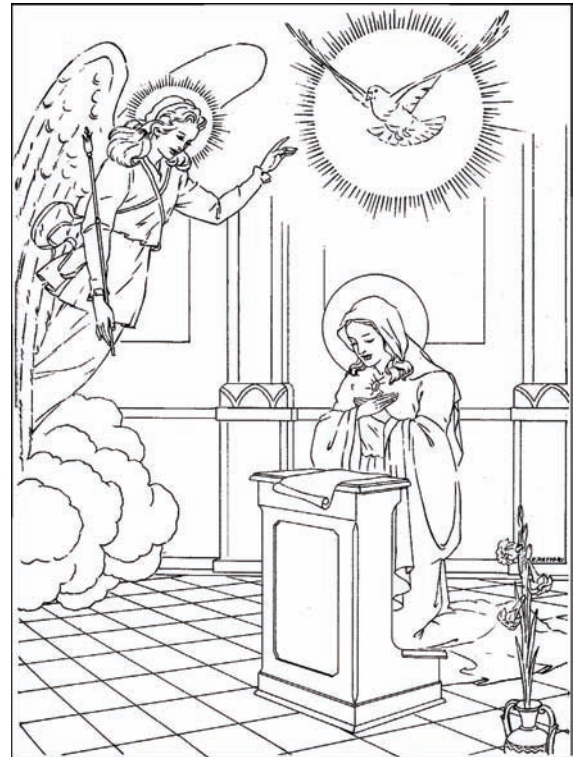
(Our Lord to Saint Faustina Kowalska):

"Jesus, I trust in You."

It doesn't get much simpler than that!

SEMINAR FOR PARENTS AND CATECHISTS

The *Parish Catechetical Leaders and Master Catechists of Deanery 11* are pleased to present this a one-day seminar for parents and catechists **Saturday, 25 AUG 2018** from **09:00 AM-04:00 PM** at **St. Denis Catholic Church**, 2250 Avy Ave. Menlo Park. What does it mean to say that "parents are the primary catechists" of their children? How are parents supposed to carry out this awesome responsibility? Here is a day to learn how. These workshops offer credits toward certification and recertification for Basic and Master Catechetical Certificates for volunteer catechists. All attend the morning sessions, and there are 4 workshop choices in the afternoon. Lunch is included. The event is free; but RSVP by **01 AUG 2018** to **Lucy Soltau**, lsoltau@stdenisparish.org.



Mary was first told she would become Queen of Heaven at the Annunciation.

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