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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

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Rev. Mark G. Mazza

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FIRST READING

Remember the Most High's covenant, and overlook faults.

SIRACH 27: 30 - 28: 7

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

He pardons all your iniquities, heals all your ills.

PSALMS 103

SECOND READING

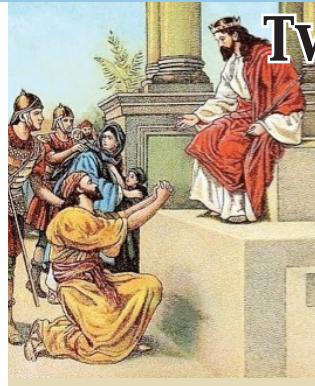
None of us lives for oneself, and no one dies for oneself.

ROMANS 14: 7-9

GOSPEL

"So will My heavenly Father do to you, unless each of you forgives your brother from your heart."

MATTHEW 18: 21-35



TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

17 SEPTEMBER 2017

Should you not have had pity on your fellow servant, as I had pity on you?

MATTHEW 18: 33

CALENDAR

SCHEDULE OF MASSES AND INTENTIONS WEEK OF 17 - 23 SEP


SAT	05:00 PM	Priest's intentions
SUN	Masses	Priest's intentions
MON	07:30 AM	† Marilou Villolongo
	05:30 PM	† Suzanna Walsh
TUE	07:30 AM	Bernie and Dave Kruetner
	05:30 PM	† Regina Scollard
WED	07:30 AM	† Arthur Bellaire
	05:30 PM	The Chvatal (quital) family; The Lause family; † Mason Anthony Page; † Kathy Bonfigli
THU	07:30 AM	† John and Virginia Conway
	05:30 PM	† Danny Olin
FRI	07:30 AM	† Augusto Moreno, Sr.
	05:30 PM	† Ira Castain
SAT	08:00 AM	The Hadsall family; Frank Cerrone; † Margaret Jane McLaughlin; † Amparo Hernandez

Please pray for those in need of physical or spiritual healing



Electronic giving is offered through our website www.nativitymenlo.org or call the parish office for a paper form

PARISH OFFERINGS

	WEEK OF 02-03 SEP
TOTAL:	\$12,424
ADA Progress:	\$46,800
2017 Archdiocesan Appeal Goal:	\$165,940

Donate online: www.tinyurl.com/sf2017ADA

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)

17 SEP	(Sunday)	02:00 PM Infant Jesus of Prague Society 03:00 PM RCIA 06:00 PM Marian Consecration
18 SEP	(Monday)	06:00 PM Marian Consecration 07:00 PM Apostles' Creed Class 07:30 PM Legion of Mary
19 SEP	(Tuesday)	09:30 AM Bible Study 06:00 PM Marian Consecration 07:00 PM Bible Study 08:00 PM H ⁴
20 SEP	(Wednesday)	06:00 PM Marian Consecration
21 SEP	(Thursday)	09:30 AM Mid-Peninsula Catholic Moms 11:00 AM The Thursday Group 06:00 PM Marian Consecration
22 SEP	(Friday)	06:00 PM Marian Consecration
23 SEP	(Saturday)	06:00 PM Marian Consecration



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

SAINTS AND OBSERVANCES

SOLEMNITY, FEAST, MEMORIAL • OPTIONAL MEMORIAL • OTHER

20 SEP (Wednesday):

SAINTS ANDREW KIM TAE GON, Priest and Martyr, PAUL CHONG HASANG, Martyr, and Their Companions, Martyrs

During an outbreak of persecution that occurred in **Korea** in **1839, 1846, and 1867**, some 103 members of the Korean Christian community gave their lives as martyrs. Pope John Paul II, during his trip to Korea, canonized these martyrs on **06 May 1984**.

21 SEP (Thursday):

SAINT MATTHEW, Apostle and Evangelist

Matthew was working as a tax collector when he was called by Jesus to follow Him. Matthew's gospel, more than any other, sets out to show that Jesus of Nazareth is the Messiah. Written for his countrymen in Palestine, Matthew wrote his gospel in Aramaic, probably between 42-52 A.D.



23 SEP (Saturday):

SAINT PIO OF PIETRELCINA, Priest (1887-1968)

A Capuchin priest, Padre Pio spent 50 years at the monastery of San Stefano Rotundo, where he was much sought after as a spiritual advisor, confessor, and intercessor. He was known to pray the Rosary almost continuously throughout the day, and he bore the stigmata.



CURSILLO WOMEN'S WEEKEND

A *Cursillo* (a short course in Christian living) weekend is scheduled for **28 SEP-01 OCT 2017**. It will be held at **Holy Redeemer Retreat Center** in Oakland. Christians of all denominations are welcome. If you are interested in attending, call **Corie Duffey** at **650/704-1256** or you can obtain an application via the website at www.cantaelgallo.com/resources.html.

MINISTRY AND GROUP NEWS

INFANT JESUS OF PRAGUE PRAYER SOCIETY

NOVENA, LITANY, PRAYER INTENTIONS/THANKSGIVING, AND ADORATION

The **Infant Jesus of Prague Prayer Society** invites parishioners and guests to join in prayer before our Infant Jesus shrine on **17 SEP 2017** at **02:00 PM**. Each month, on the 17th day, we begin the first day of the Infant Jesus of Prague Novena, a litany, prayer intentions/thanksgivings, and conclude with adoration.



Our Lord answers all prayers. It is *how* God answers that is most compelling. Let the Word made flesh, the Infant Jesus, open your heart, mind, and soul to receive and trust in His Divine Plan for your life.

Our 24-hour Infant Jesus Prayer Line is always open to receive any prayer request and thanksgivings. Please call **650/281-3339**, contact **Anne Delaney, O.F.S.**, or write to pray2infantjesus@aol.com. *We give glory to God through our gratitude.*

SAVE THE DATE: SCHOLA SERAPHICA

Rehearsals are underway for **Schola Seraphica's** 11th Annual Christmas Concert on **03 DEC 2017**. The concert will once again be at the beautiful **St. Patrick's Seminary Chapel**, 320 Middlefield Road, Menlo Park.

**FATIMA
CELEBRATION**

On **Friday, 13 OCT 2017**, we will have this year's final celebration of the Blessed Mother's apparition at Fatima, Portugal. We will have a Mass at **07:30 PM**, followed by a talk on the message of Fatima, rosary candlelight procession around the church grounds, and healing Benediction. Please join us and bring your family. For questions, contact **Deacon Dominick Peloso** at **650/269-6279**.



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

THE APOSTLES' CREED

On **Monday** evening, **18 SEP 2017**, from **07:00-08:30 PM** in the O'Hare Center, **Fr. Mark Mazza** will begin a series of ten classes on the *Apostles' Creed*. Over the course of these classes Fr. Mazza will cover the twelve articles of the Creed, which is the first pillar in the Faith we profess, live and love. The official Catechism of the Catholic Church will be the text we use. All are welcome to these classes; they are open to non-Catholics as well. These classes are for spiritual enrichment. There is no charge for the course. If you don't have a Catechism, they will be available for purchase. For more information contact Fr. Mark Mazza, **650/323-7914**.

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):

Monday: 08:00 AM

Tuesday: 01:00 AM

Thursday: 02:00 PM

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.

*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**
- Ikenasio Loyola, son of Ikenasio Lataimua and Feao Misinale
 - Addison Luisa, daughter of Ryan and Oris Martin

- MARRIAGES**
- Kevin Schultz and Samantha Pollano
 - Hector Ibarra and Faviola Ramirez Quevedo

- PARISHIONERS**
- Lourdes and Jeremy Avenier (*Liam, Isabelle*)

- DEATHS**
- Rosalie Barragan
 - Richard Silva



PARISH CONSECRATION

On Friday, 13 OCT 2017, Monsignor Otellini will be consecrating our Nativity Parish to the **Immaculate Heart of Mary**. It will be during the 07:30 PM Mass that day celebrating the 100th year of the great Fatima Miracle. We encourage you to put it on your calendar now so that you can participate first hand. NOTE: In preparation for the Consecration, we are using Fr. Gaitley's book "33 Days to Morning Glory".

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

This weekend there will be a second collection for the **Priests' Retirement Fund** for the Archdiocese of San Francisco. This collection directly benefits the retired priests of our Archdiocese who have put in so many faithful years of service. We have many priests of the Archdiocese who are retired now. Some of them have devoted more than 50 years to caring for, serving and ministering to the faithful, and, even in retirement, many continue to give themselves in countless ways of service for which we are most grateful.

Checks for all special collections should be made out to the **Church of the Nativity**. In the memo line write the appropriate reference for your donation, for example: *Priests' Retirement*.

GOLF TOURNAMENT

The **4th Annual Father Davenport Memorial Golf Tournament** will be held on **Saturday, 14 OCT 2017** at the **Golf Club at Moffett Field**, 934 Macon Road, Moffett Field, Mountain View. Registration will begin at **07:00 AM**; **08:10 AM** Opening Ceremony and Prayer; **08:30 AM** Shotgun Start. At **03:00 PM** there will be cocktails, appetizers and awards at Nativity School Sobrato Pavilion. To register and make your payment, please visit <http://fatherdavenportgold.com>. For questions contact **Mike Livingston** at mike@lon1basketball.com.



IN THE COMMUNITY

SF ARCHDIOCESAN CHILDREN'S CHOIR

September is recruitment month for the **San Francisco Archdiocesan Children's Choir**. The choir is free of charge and open by audition to any boys and girls in grades 3 through 8. Prior experience is not necessary. Rehearsals will be on **Tuesdays** from **04:30-06:00 PM** at the cathedral, where the choir also sings about twice a month for Masses and various special events. During their time in the choir, members learn about correct vocal production, sight singing, Christian character, and responsibility. You can learn more about the choir by visiting www.sfchoirschool.org. For more information or to set up an audition, please call **Dr. Christoph Tietze** at **415/567-2020 ext. 213**, or send an email to tietze@stmarycathedral.org.

MANAGING CHALLENGING BEHAVIORS (DEMENTIA)

On **Saturday, 23 SEP 2017**, from **10:00 AM-12:00 PM**, Catholic Charities Adult Day Services of San Mateo County will present *Managing Challenging Behaviors with Dementia*. This overview introduces acute or chronic health problems/illness that can cause behavioral changes, including coping strategies. It is designed for caregivers with all levels of experience, who are caring for a family member or friend. It will be at the **San Mateo Senior Center**, 2645 Alameda de las Pulgas, San Mateo. To register visit www.sanmateorec.org (Course #542032-A1). For help with registering call **650/522-7490**.

GUATEMALAN MISSION SALES

Next **Sunday, 24 SEP 2017**, **Kay Sweeney** will be at Nativity once again to sell Guatemalan handicrafts. These crafts are made by indigenous women in Guatemala, who are part of the **Kateri Tekakwitha Mission Fund**. The sales of these handicrafts help support and educate these women. There will be information available on how to support a scholarship for a young indigenous woman. For more information visit www.mission-guatemala.org. Kay Sweeney is an Associate of the Sisters of the Presentation in San Francisco. She works in Guatemala with the Kateri Tekakwitha Mission Fund, helping these women develop their talents through formal and informal education. The crafts will be available in the **O'Hare Center** after the **Sunday morning Masses only**.

AN INVITATION TO ALL GRANDPARENTS

Come all grandparents! Learn about a beautiful way to help your grandchildren fall in love with Jesus. *The Echo of the Good Shepherd*, based on Maria Montessori's worldwide work with children, is available to help us as grandparents quietly explore the Wonder of God and truth of Christian Faith with our grandchildren. Please bring your friends to explore ways to help generations keep their Christian faith in this challenging culture. St. Mother Teresa's Sisters use this material in their formation. Don't Miss this opportunity. Join us in the O'Hare Center on **17 OCT 2017 at 12:30 PM**.

FROM THE HOLY SEE

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

Each month **His Holiness** asks for prayer intentions. For **September 2017**, the Holy Father's prayer intentions are:

Intention: *Parishes*

That our parishes, animated by a missionary spirit, may be places where faith is communicated and charity is seen.

PARISH CONSECRATION: WEEK TWO

Themes are taken from **Fr. Michael Gaitley's** book: *33 Days to Morning Glory* (Marian Press)

SUNDAY

Review the life of **St. Maximilian Kolbe**. Mary asked him if he wanted the Red Crown (martyrdom) or the White Crown (purity). He wanted both and received it. In 1917, a few days after the great miracle in Fatima, he formed the Militia Immaculata to bring the whole world to Jesus through Mary. *Come Holy Spirit, living in Mary. Make me pure in body and soul, and help me die to myself.*

MONDAY

When Mary appeared to St. Bernadette, she used the title: Immaculate Conception. Her virginal womb was made ready to receive the Son of God. She was pure from the moment of her conception. We should strive to be so pure and take refuge in her purity. *Come Holy Spirit, living in Mary. Make me pure in body and soul, and help me die to myself.*

TUESDAY

Among creatures made in God's image, the marital union of mind, body and spirit is the most intimate of unions. The Trinity, the union of the three persons, is the perfect union. The union of Mary with the Trinity (she as daughter, mother and spouse), is the greatest achievement and gift to the human race. *Come Holy Spirit, living in Mary, and help us to stay always in union with you and our Triune God.*

WEDNESDAY

All of creation is made good. But humans, though made good, are given the extra power of free will and reason. Do I ever consciously say "I will not serve" to God? Why? He has all the gifts of the universe to offer us. Let us imitate Mary and in everything we say and do repeat Mary's humility: "Your Will be done." *Come Holy Spirit, living in Mary, and renew the face of the earth so that we may all do Your Will.*

THURSDAY

This is St. Maximilian Kolbe's formula for sainthood: W+w=Saint. (God's Will plus our will equals sainthood. With Mary's help and loving guidance we can become saints. *Come Holy Spirit, living in Mary, and unite my will to Mary's which is one with Your Will.*

CALENDAR OF NOVENAE

17 SEP (SUN) FOURTH DAY: St. Pio of Pietrelcina

18 SEP (MON) FIFTH DAY: St. Pio of Pietrelcina
FIRST DAY: St. Vincent de Paul

19 SEP (TUE) SIXTH DAY: St. Pio of Pietrelcina
SECOND DAY: St. Vincent de Paul

20 SEP (WED) SEVENTH DAY: St. Pio of Pietrelcina
THIRD DAY: St. Vincent de Paul

21 SEP (THU) EIGHTH DAY: St. Pio of Pietrelcina
FOURTH DAY: St. Vincent de Paul

22 SEP (FRI) NINTH DAY: St. Pio of Pietrelcina
FIFTH DAY: St. Vincent de Paul
FIRST DAY: St. Terese

23 SEP (SAT) Feast of Saint Pio of Pietrelcina
SIXTH DAY: St. Vincent de Paul
SECOND DAY: St. Terese

17 SEP (SUN) SEVENTH DAY: St. Vincent de Paul
THIRD DAY: St. Terese

18 SEP (MON) EIGHTH DAY: St. Vincent de Paul
FOURTH DAY: St. Terese
FIRST DAY: St. Francis

19 SEP (TUE) NINTH DAY: St. Vincent de Paul
FIFTH DAY: St. Terese
SECOND DAY: St. Francis

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23 SEP (SAT) NINTH DAY: St. Terese
SIXTH DAY: St. Francis

FIND THE NOVENA PRAYERS

St. Pio of Pietrelcina:

www.praymorenovenas.com/novena-to-padre-pio/

St. Vincent de Paul:

www.liturgies.net/saints/vincentdepaul/novena.htm

St. Terese (Little Flower):

www.ewtn.com/terese/novena.htm

St. Francis of Assisi:

www.praymorenovenas.com/st-francis-assisi-novena/

FRIDAY

St. Maximilian Kolbe desired to raise up an army of fighting knights and soldiers with Mary in the lead. They were to be instruments of grace to all they met, and the whole world. Can we "Be all that He created us to be." Will we live the consecration? *Come Holy Spirit, living in Mary, and prepare me to be a fit instrument in the hands of the Immaculata.*

SATURDAY

Consecration means to "Take me with all that I am and have." **St. Louis de Montfort** explains: Give to Mary our bodies, souls, goods, merits, talents, gifts, worries, troubles, anxieties, joys, etc. As **Pope Saint John Paul II's** motto stated: *Totus Tuus* (I am all yours). *Come Holy Spirit, living in Mary, and prepare me to give all to the Immaculata for the sake of the Kingdom.*

Young Believers

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PROPERTY	FORGIVENESS	SETTLE	INJUSTICE
HEAVENLY	VENGEFUL	JESUS	MERCY
BENEFITS	SERVANT	SUMMONED	BEGGING
ACCOUNTS	PRISON	NOURISH	WRATH



PILGRIMAGE TO GUADALUPE

Catholic Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico 09-14 DEC 2017 to be there for the Feast Day and the beautiful Mass of Roses on 12 DEC 2017. \$2049.00 per person including airfare from San Francisco. Breakfast, lunch and dinner daily. Mass every day. For a flyer or more detailed information, please call **Cathie** or **Michael Milano** at 800/773-2660.



CATHOLIC STUDY BIBLE APP

The entire Catholic Bible (RSV-2CE) can be downloaded for free! Packed with additional content from Augustine Institute, Ignatius Press, and other Catholic apostolates, this app unlocks the beauty and richness of Scripture. This free app will bring the Bible to life. It includes: complete text of the Old and New Testaments; Truth and Life dramatized audio New Testament Gospel of St. John; 10 hours of audio commentary from Dr. Scott Hahn; over 140 Lighthouse Talks; and much more. Download this app by searching “Catholic Study Bible” in your App Store.

MID-PENINSULA CATHOLIC MOMS

At our next meeting on **20 SEP 2017**, we will hold a children’s Mass book swap. Refreshments will be provided.

Topic: *Self-Care and the Virtues*

Date: **Wednesday, 20 SEP 2017**

Place: **O’Hare Center**

Time: **09:30-11:30 AM**

Family Event: *Pizza and Family Rosary*

Date: **Saturday, 07 OCT 2017, Feast of the Holy Rosary**

Place: **TBA - outdoors**

Time: **04:00 PM**

To RSVP contact **Monica Hendricks**,

mmhendricks@gmail.com, home phone **650/367-4944**

or **Christina Lee**, lee.christina.s@gmail.com, **650/450-8498**

facebook.com/groups/mpcatholic or
meetup.com/Catholic-Moms

CONSECRATION OF THE ARCHDIOCESE TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

The Consecration of the Archdiocese of San Francisco to the Immaculate Heart of Mary will be on **07 OCT 2017** beginning at **09:00 AM** at **St. Mary’s Cathedral**, 1111 Gough Street, San Francisco. To learn more about the consecration, Our Lady of Fatima, the Immaculate Heart of Mary, and much more visit www.sfarchdiocese.org/IHM. There you will find beautiful examples of Mary in art and music, as well as videos. Mark your calendar and save the date: the **Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary**.

The Consecration of the Archdiocese of San Francisco to



The Immaculate Heart of Mary at the San Francisco Rosary Rally

Saturday, October 7, 2017

Saint Mary’s Cathedral • San Francisco

9:00AM **Rosary** — Gathering and Rosary (Joyful Mysteries)

10:00AM **Mass** — Celebrated by Archbishop Cordileone
 St. Mary’s Cathedral, 1111 Gough Street and Geary Blvd. in San Francisco

11:30AM **Procession and Consecration** — Procession of the Blessed Sacrament and the Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of Fatima. Be a witness to this historic occasion during the Centennial Anniversary of Our Lady’s Apparition at Fatima. The procession will be followed by the Consecration of the Archdiocese to the Immaculate Heart of Mary by Archbishop Cordileone and will end with Benediction.

SFArch.org/IHM RosaryRallySF.com (415) 272-5837

