

**The Nativity of St. John the Baptist**  
**June 24, 2018, Year B**



**Readings:**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Isaiah 49:1-6**

Isaiah foretold the birth of a man called to serve the Lord. He would be like a sharp-edged sword, a polished arrow, a light to the nations.

**Responsorial Psalm 139**

I praise you, for I am wonderfully made.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Acts of the Apostles 13:22-26**

John heralded Jesus' coming by proclaiming a baptism of repentance. John was not the Messiah but the forerunner of the One who was to come.

**Gospel: Luke 1:57-66**

Elizabeth's time for delivery had come, and she gave birth. She and Zechariah named her child John. Zechariah was able to speak again.



**Mass Intentions**  
**June 2018**

Fri, 22	8:00 a.m.	+Angela & Giuseppe Tardio
Sat, 23	4:30 p.m.	*Parochial Intentions
Sun, 24	8:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m. (Spanish)	*Parochial Intentions
Mon, 25	8:00 a.m.	+Emilio & Fortunata Salonga
Tue, 26	8:00 a.m.	+Fortuna Barba
Wed, 27	8:00 a.m.	+Dario Montenegro
Thu, 28	8:00 a.m.	+Jacqueline Coles Austin
Fri, 29	8:00 a.m.	+Eckner Padilla
Sat, 30	4:30 p.m.	*Parochial Intentions
July Sun, 01	**Summer Schedule: 9:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m. (Spanish)	*Parochial Intentions

**Schedule of the Week:**

**June**

Sun, 24.....2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: Parish Maintenance Projects  
 ..... Holy Hour for Religious Freedom  
 1:00 p.m. All are welcome.  
 Mon, 25.....8:00 a.m. Mass/ Adoration  
 Tue, 26..... 8:00 a.m. Mass/ Adoration  
 Wed, 27..... 8:00 a.m. Mass/ Adoration  
 Thu, 28.....8:00 a.m. Mass/ Adoration  
 Fri, 29..... 8:00 a.m. Mass/ Adoration  
 .....4:00 p.m. Perpetual Help Novena  
 at the Parish Center Chapel  
 Sat, 30.....3:30 p.m. Confessions, 4:30 p.m. Vigil  
 Mass

**\*\*Our Summer weekend schedule from July 1<sup>st</sup> and to September 2<sup>nd</sup> 2018:**

Sat, 4:30 p.m. Sun, 9:00 a.m. (English)  
 11:30 a.m. (Spanish)

## La Natividad de San Juan Bautista

24 de junio 2018, Año B

Lectores de hoy: Jairo Villanueva  
Margarita Villanueva  
Ministros: Blanca Orozco, Luis Calderon  
Magda McDonald

### Oracion de Fieles:

Por los benditas almas, especialmente:

+Rosendo Alvarez – 6° Aniversario

+Estefana Estrada – 5° Aniversario

¡Que el Señor los tenga en su Santa Gloria!



### Reflexiones Pastorales de Rdo. Juan J. Sosa

(Oregon Catholic Press)

¿Cuál es la misión del mensajero? Hoy en día el mensajero que las sagradas Escrituras destacan, tanto en

el Primer Testamento como en el nuevo, es en realidad, un misionero. La fiesta de Juan el Bautista hoy nos invita a considerar el mensaje que Dios nos ha confiado como discípulos de Cristo. Los destinatarios del mensaje y las actitudes del mensajero. Así como profeta Isaías percibió la llamada de Dios, san Juan Bautista acepta su misión de precursor con valentía. La Oración Colecta de hoy nos resume el tesoro de su vida y de su entrega. Él es el precursor que prepara la llegada de Cristo para un pueblo que, guiado por el Espíritu Santo, está llamado a compartir La Buena Noticia de la salvación al mundo entero. También nosotros en la Iglesia somos precursores, mensajeros, que anticipan ante el mundo la presencia de Cristo como Buena Noticia para los que buscan la paz y la salvación. Somos, en fin, los discípulos misioneros que se comprometen a acoger a los que buscan a Dios y a caminar hacia la periferia de la sociedad a anunciar su llegada. Para nuestros grupos comunitarios, la fiesta de hoy presenta en los personajes que la componen, una serie de actitudes básicas que corresponden a la repuesta de fe que nos exige la Iglesia: la confianza en Dios que expresa Isabel y, más adelante, Zacarías; la insistencia de Juan en su anuncio de purificación y penitencia; y el testimonio público de la vida resucitada en Cristo que en los labios de Pablo nos presenta la segunda lectura...



## Hoy: Hora Santa para la libertad religiosa

Hoy conmemoramos la fiesta de San Juan Bautista, que predicó sobre el Mesías en medio de muchas oposiciones.

Únase a las organizaciones parroquiales para el Rosario y el servicio de oración a la 1:00 p.m. Vamos a orar por la libertad religiosa.

	Flor y Canto	
Entrada	Aclamemos al Señor	568
Señor, Ten Piedad		101
Gloria		108
Salmo		Misal
Aleluya		Misal
Ofertorio	Que Mi Oración	679
Santo		145
Aclamación		146
Amen		147
Cordero		151
Comunión	Es Mi Cuerpo	593
Salida	Cristo Libertador	708

### Colecta de Próximo Domingo: *Peter's Pence (PPC)*

*¿De que manera podemos unirnos al papa Francisco y ser un Testigo de la Caridad?*

Al brindar su apoyo a esta colecta, usted está ayudando a la labor caritativa del papa Francisco. Su generosidad es un testimonio de la caridad y ayuda a la Santa Sede a darle la mano con compasión a aquellos que se encuentran marginados. Por ejemplo, con la ayuda de la PPC, y con la asistencia del Vicario del Patriarcado Latino en Amman, Jordania, se ha creado una red de financiamiento para responder a las necesidades de la Escuela Parroquial de la Inmaculada Concepción en Al Huson – 12 millas de la frontera con Siria. La parroquia ayuda más de 800 niños, muchos de los cuales con refugiados a causa de la Guerra en Siria.

### Apelación Anual Arquidiocesana 2018: 50%

Este año, nuestra cuota es de \$28.382, de la cual ya hemos recaudado:

\$14.440 pagos/promesas

Esta cantidad es el 50% de nuestra meta.

¡Gracias y que Dios los bendiga!

St. Finn Barr Parish

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Collections: Weekly Goal: \$3,000 June 16-17 Offerings..... \$2,819.00 Thank you for your continued support!
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**Next week's Special Collection: Peter's Pence (PPC)**

By supporting this collection, you assist the charitable works of Pope Francis. Your generosity is a witness to charity and helps the Holy See reach out compassionately to those who are marginalized. For example, with the support of the PPC and the assistance of the Vicar of the Latin Patriarchate in Amman, Jordan, a funding network has been created to respond to the needs of the Immaculate Conception Parish School in Al Huson—12 miles from the border with Syria. The parish assists more than 800 children, many of whom are refugees from the war in Syria.



**We're half-way there...**

**2018 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal is now at 50%**

As of today, we have submitted the following amount (pledges & payments) to the 2018 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal: \$14,440

This amount is 50% of our goal of \$28,382. Heartfelt thanks for your generosity. For those who have not participated in this Appeal, please use the envelopes provided at the church entrance. Or, if you choose make your pledge using your credit card. God bless!

**Honor for our Simbang Gabi Cluster**

On June 9<sup>th</sup> 2018, during the celebration of the 120<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Philippine Independence, the Consul General of the Philippines in San Francisco, Hon. Henry S. Bensurto Jr. gave one of the *Kalayaan Heroes* awards to the "Simbang Gabi Group at St. Stephen" -- acknowledging the group's service to the Filipino-American community for more than 20 years.

For those from our parish, who have braved the morning chill to attend the 9 Masses at 6:00 a.m. at Stephen, from December 16<sup>th</sup> thru the 24<sup>th</sup> for many years: this award is also for you.

Congratulations!



**Today:** SFB Holy Hour for Religious Freedom  
All are invited to join St. Finn Barr Parish holy hour for religious freedom today Sunday, June 24<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m.

- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
- Brief Talk
- Rosary
- Benediction

Different parish organizations will lead the decades of the Luminous Mysteries. All are welcome.

**Religious Freedom Week Events**

The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) has designated June 22-29 as Religious Freedom Week: "We are called to follow Christ as missionary disciples by serving others and living our faith in all that we do..." Events will be held nationwide during this period. The USCCB website has extensive resources: [usccb.org](http://usccb.org)

Archbishop Cordileone is encouraging parishes to hold a holy hour during the week.

All are welcome to these remaining events:

- June 24: Nativity of St. John the Baptist. Mass of Religious Freedom at St. Matthew Church, San Mateo; 8:45 a.m. Mass in Spanish & 10:45 a.m. Mass in English. Coffee and donuts after each Mass.
- June 27: 7:30 p.m. Young Adult Mass for Religious Freedom with Auxiliary Bishop Robert Christian at St. Dominic Church, 2390 Bush Street, San Francisco
- June 29: Feast of Sts. Peter & Paul. 7:00 p.m. Vespers and Panel Discussion at Sts. Peter & Paul Church, 666 Filbert, SF. Wine and cheese, coffee provided.

For information, contact Valerie Schmalz at (415) 614-5571 or go to [sfarch.org/freedom](http://sfarch.org/freedom)

**Perpetual Help Novena**

Deacon Willie leads the prayers of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena, every Friday at 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. at the Parish Center Chapel. The Novena prayers are followed by a Benediction and Rosary. During the Summer months, we have brief reviews of our Doctrine.

Talk to any of the current members and they will tell you about the many benefits received from this devotion. If you could spare the time, please join us!

From the Notebook of  
Juliet Samonte

## **Pope Francis Catechesis on the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass: Liturgy of the Eucharist**

During the Pope's General Audience in the Vatican on Wednesday, February 28, 2018, he talked about the major part of the Mass called, *The Liturgy of the Eucharist*. [Last week's bulletin contained some of his catechesis of the *Liturgy of the Word*.]

The Church organizes the Eucharistic Liturgy into "moments which correspond to the word and the actions performed by him (Christ) on the eve of his Passion."

### **Preparation of the Gifts:**

Members of the congregation bring the bread and the wine to the altar and place these elements as offerings in the hands of the priest. The bearers represent the Church in handing over the spiritual offering of the Church to the priest --

"who represents Christ in the Mass, does what Christ himself did and entrusted to the disciples at the Last Supper: he took the bread and the cup, gave thanks, gave it to his disciples and said: *Take, eat...drink: this is my body...This is the cup of my blood. Do this in memory of me.*"

[During holy ordination, the Bishop gives the priest the bread and wine and says: "Accept from the holy people of God the gifts to be offered for the Eucharistic sacrifice (Pontificale Romanum)."]

Pope Francis, in his usual fatherly manner says: "Certainly our offering is small but Christ needs this small amount. The Lord asks little of us and he gives us so much. He asks for little. He asks us for good will in our ordinary lives; he asks us for an open heart; he asks us to seek to be better in order to welcome the One who offers himself to us in the Eucharist; he asks us for symbolic offerings which will become his Body and Blood...And do not forget: there is the altar which is Christ, but always in reference to the first altar which is the Cross and, upon the altar which is Christ, we bring our small gifts, the bread and the wine which will become so much: Jesus himself who gives himself to us."

[For me, the Mass remains a mystery. After the Consecration, the priest says, "the mystery of faith," and we respond with one of these:

- A. We proclaim your death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.
- B. When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your death, O Lord, until you come again.
- C. Save us, Savior of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

The Mass remains to be the perfect prayer because Jesus the High Priest also becomes the Victim – He makes himself as a pleasing offering to the Father. Pope Francis said that even if we do not understand the words at Mass, he assures us that God speaks to us in his own way.]

One important thing to remember about the Mass: it is an act of LOVE of God for each one of us. Let us set aside Sunday to rejoice in that LOVE!

### **Next week-end's assignments: – Summer Schedule**

Sat, June 30, 2018, 4:30 p.m. Mass

Lector: Chrystal Fontanilla - Torres

Lay Minister: Elsie Foley

Server (s): Johanna Gormley, Ashley Reyes

Sun, July 01, 2018, 9:00 a.m.

Lector: Ernie Llorente or Margaret Lemus

Lay Ministers: Elora Lam Cuenco,

Clare Wiater

Server(s): Drew Davis, Gabriel Wico

Sun, July 01, 2018, 11:30 a.m.

Lectors: Evelyn Ibarra

Marlon Baldizon

Ministers: Indiana Arguello,

Alejandra Gonzalez, Carmen Dominguez

Server (s): Scarlett Borges

### **T-Shirt and Sock Drive for the Homeless:**

#### **July 8 & 15**

The St. Vincent de Paul Society is initiating a T-Shirt and Sock Drive for the homeless. The Missionaries of Charity set up their mobile soup kitchen at the edge of Potrero Park every afternoon, except on Thursday. Aside from food and prayers, the Sisters also provide clothing from time to time. During Summer, they receive requests for socks and t-shirts.

Please start looking for bargains now. Thank you!