

## Mass Intentions

<b>Monday</b> 8:00 am	<b>September 4</b> † Luigi and † Maria Casazza
<b>Tuesday</b> 8:00 am	<b>September 5</b> † Guy Contardini
<b>Wednesday</b> 8:00 am 7:00 pm	<b>September 6</b> † Carl and † Rita Muscat † Coke Vannucchi † Jose Castro † Efrain Galeano † Alwyn Wales
<b>Thursday</b> 8:00 am	<b>September 7</b> † Jeremias Zeuli
<b>Friday</b> 8:00 am	<b>September 8</b> † Jeremias Zeuli
<b>Saturday</b> 8:00 am 4:30 pm	<b>September 9</b> † Jenny Sant † Robert Nava
<b>Sunday</b> 7:30 am 9:30 am 11:30 am	<b>September 10</b> People of the Parish † Luigi Romani † Delia Gemignani † Leon Aldon

† Denotes deceased – (L) Living

## Sunday Collection August 27, 2017

<b>Weekly Need:</b>	<b>\$ 5,000.00</b>
<b>Sunday Collection</b>	<b>\$ 3,841.50</b>
<b>Over/Under</b>	<b>\$ 1,158.50</b>
<b>Church Project</b>	<b>\$ 561.00</b>

If you make your offertory donation by check, without using parishioner envelopes, it would be most helpful if you placed your parishioner/envelope # in the "memo" section of the check.

This helps us input your donation to the offertory data system. **We will not be responsible for donations not credited due to missing envelope numbers (or not having a Sunday collection envelope.)**

**The Parish office will be closed on Monday September 4<sup>th</sup> in observance of the Labor Day holiday.**

## A MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR:

I would like to take this opportunity to address some of your concerns regarding St. Elizabeth Parish.

- **Our parish is in no danger of closing. We are financially stable based on the Archdiocesan financial standards.**
- **Removal of the 5:30 pm Mass on weekdays (excluding the Wednesday 7:00 pm Mass) was already discussed before I left for my Sabbatical, with the understanding that without an Associate the possibility that these changes would have to be made.**
- **The leaders of the Latin American Community recommended the removal of the 5:00 pm Sunday Spanish Mass upon their meeting with Father James Garcia. Upon my return meetings were held to discuss their recommendation. It was mutually agreed upon that effective in August of 2017 the Mass would be discontinued.**
- **The Archdiocese of San Francisco, with my knowledge decided not to send an associate to St. Elizabeth Parish. Their decision is based on several different reasons such as: we no longer have a Parochial school, there are less ordained priests and more retired priests. There are several parishes that have a pastor and no official associate.**

**If you have any further questions or concerns please feel free to contact me directly.**

*Father Suan*

The 4th Annual Bay Area Re-Entry Conference and Resource Fair is being held Friday, September 8 at St. Mary's Cathedral in San Francisco. This free event, sponsored by the San Francisco Archdiocese Restorative Justice Ministry, provides formerly incarcerated people and families affected by crime with community resources information, panel dialogs and access to create linkages between reentry services providers. Attendees must register a [www.reentryaction.org](http://www.reentryaction.org).

**The Maltese Society meeting will be on Monday September 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm, Meeting Room Number One.**

*Cebu Clergy Performing Artists*

**Sunday**

**September 17, 2017**

**Showtime: 2:00 PM**

**St. Elizabeth Church**

**Tickets \$20.00 on sale after Mass**

## Women of the Bible

St. Paul of the Shipwreck will be hosting a Two-Day Bible Study Retreat on Friday September 15<sup>th</sup> from 6PM to 9PM and Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup> from 9AM to 5PM. The retreat leader is Sister Toinette Eugene, PhD. The cost is \$30, which includes evening snacks, course materials and lunch on Saturday. **Pre-registration is required.** For full details contact Shipwreck's Church Office 415-468-3434

**The Sisters of the Good Shepherd, who have a 376-year history, are celebrating 85 years of service to San Francisco this year.** They began by caring for teens who were runaways from abusive homes and were placed by the Juvenile Courts. Now, the Sisters provide a transitional living program—called Good Shepherd Gracenter—for women without resources who are determined to break free of alcohol or drug addiction. Thanks to their amazing program which focuses on wellness and provides individualized services and support—and lots of prayer—Gracenter has a **95% success rate!**

Their annual fundraiser luncheon is Sunday, September 17<sup>th</sup> at Patio Español, 2850 Alemany Blvd. at noon, followed by an Open House for those who wish. Please check the website for more info: [www.gsgracenter.org](http://www.gsgracenter.org) or call (628) 224-2050. Come join the Sisters and learn more! If you can't attend, buy a raffle ticket for some GREAT prizes! Gracenter is totally privately funded and is giving determined women a *successful* way to begin their life anew!

## ICF ANNIVERSARY LUNCHEON

All parishioners are invited to attend the ICF Anniversary Luncheon, on Friday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Basque Cultural Center, South San Francisco. 12:00 noon no host cocktails, 12:30 Lunch. Menu will consist of House Salad, Chicken Cordon Blue or Salmon with Champagne Sauce, Dessert/Coffee/Wine. The cost is \$35.00. Please call Mary Perata at 415-239-5936. Reservation deadline is September 20<sup>th</sup>.



*Pray for our Beloved Deceased*

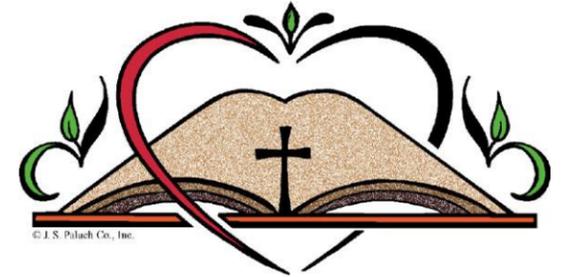
*In your prayers this week, please remember the repose of the souls of our deceased parishioners, especially:*

*Alwyn Wales*

*"Eternal Rest Grant unto them O Lord..."*

## Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time September 3, 2017

Be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and pleasing and perfect.  
— Romans 12:2



## FOLLOWING CHRIST

If you've ever had an unpleasant but somewhat amusing practical joke played on you, then you have some understanding of how Jeremiah feels today when he tells God "good one—you duped me." We can almost see him shaking his head with a bit of a rueful smile, but an angry undertone in his voice. In similar fashion, Peter thinks Jesus is "duping" him when Jesus starts to explain that being Messiah means suffering and dying, and being a follower of the Messiah means taking up a cross and doing the same. Jeremiah tries to deny God's will for him by trying to shut up; Peter—who has just been made the foundation of the church—out and out denies the teaching of Jesus, for which he is named "Satan" today. Fortunately for us, Jeremiah comes to realize that to have the word of God placed in your heart means that it will be futile to try and keep silent, even if it means scorn and derision from those around you. Luckily Peter ultimately returned to the faith he professed in last week's Gospel, and came to understand our need as baptized followers of Christ to follow in his way, even when it means following him to our very death.

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## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — The name of the LORD has become like fire burning in Jeremiah's heart (Jeremiah 20:7-9).

**Psalm** — My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God (Psalm 63).

**Second Reading** — Be transformed; renew your mind; discern what is good (Romans 12:1-2).

**Gospel** — Those who lose their lives for Jesus' sake will find them (Matthew 16:21-27).

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