

**Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 27, 2019**

*The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me
to bring glad tidings to the poor.
— Luke 4:18a*



TIME

The holidays are well behind us; the year stretches out ahead. And what sort of year will it be? To judge by the words of Jesus in today's Gospel, it will be "a year acceptable to the Lord." And Jesus surely didn't mean only the next three hundred sixty-five days facing his listeners at that time.

When Jesus announced the "arrival" of God's favor, it was a message for all time, for every year. Similarly, we read today in Nehemiah how the people gathered with solemnity to hear God's word as though for the first time. They listened, and then fell to the ground and wept. But the prophet said, "Today is holy . . . do not be sad, and do not weep."

The "year acceptable to the Lord" is this year. The day that is "holy" is this day. The time to listen is now. What sort of year will you have? What sort of day? God's help is always here. What you do with each day can be holy and acceptable to the Lord if you but listen to and act on God's word.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Rejoicing in the LORD must be your strength (Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10).

Psalms — Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life (Psalm 19).

Second Reading — In one Spirit we were all baptized into one body (1 Corinthians 12:12-30 [12-14, 27]).

Gospel — The Spirit of the Lord has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives (Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21).

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday 8:00 am	January 28 † Frank Camilleri † Vince Camilleri
Tuesday 8:00 am	January 29 † Josefina and † Antolin Flandez
Wednesday 8:00 am 7:00 pm	January 30 Communal Service Craig Trinidad (L) Thanksgiving † Jose Manuel Botelho
Thursday 8:00 am	January 31 † Bob Magarrell
Friday 8:00 am	February 1 † Jovito I. Cruz
Saturday 8:00 am 4:30 pm	February 2 † Val Myo Aung St. Paul of the Shipwreck
Sunday 7:30 am 9:30 am 11:30 am	February 3 People of the Parish † Joseph I. Bosso † Antonietta Perata † Tessie, † Joseph and † Saviour Schembri

† Denotes deceased – (L) Living

For any available Masses listed above please see the priest before Mass with your written intention and stipend.

Sunday Collection January 20, 2019

Weekly Need:	\$ 5,000.00
Sunday Collection	\$ 3,559.00
Over/Under	\$ 1,441.00
Church Project	\$ 836.00

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.)**

**ST. ELIZABETH MALTESE SOCIETY
THIRTY FIFTH ANNUAL**

**ST. PAUL OF THE SHIPWRECK FESTA
SATURDAY-FEBRUARY 2, 2019**

MASS: 4:30 pm

ST. ELIZABETH CHURCH

**Dinner: 6:00 pm in Cantwell Hall
Menu: Rotisserie Chicken, Salad,
Mostaccioli, Wine and Dessert
Wayland and Goettingen Streets
San Francisco**

ADULTS: \$25.00

CHILDREN: (12 and under) \$10.00

For Tickets Call:

John Sant	415-467-1413
Tony Sammut	415-467-1686
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Frances Cairns	415-468-8636



**THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON
MONDAY JANUARY 28TH**

End of Year Statements

We have closed the books on 2018. Please contact the parish office **in writing, or email stelizabethchurchsf@gmail.com** if you are in need of a year-end statement of your donations. We are able to provide statements to parishioners who have donated using **Sunday envelopes**.

Dominican Sisters of Mission San Jose Center for Education & Spirituality present:

BoundlessCompassion— Creating a Way of Life

A Seven Week personal transformation process for developing and deepening compassion
Jan. 29, Feb. 5, Feb. 12, Feb. 19, Feb. 26, March 5, March 12, 2019

10am-12 noon \$10 per session Group size is limited. Register early. Event will repeat in the Fall.
Dominican Sisters Motherhouse - 43326 Mission Circle (entrance off Mission Tierra) Fremont, CA 94539
Register by 1/27/19 at <http://bit.ly/2019Boundless> or call (510) 933-6360

Dominican Sisters of Mission San Jose Center for Education & Spirituality present:

Spiritual Guides for Today - The Return of the Prodigal Son

4-Part Book Series March 2019
March 7, March 14, March 21, March 28
1-2:30pm \$10 per session Group size is limited. Register early. Dominican Sisters Motherhouse Library - 43326 Mission Circle (entrance off Mission Tierra) Fremont, CA 94539
Register by 3/4/19 at <http://bit.ly/2019ProdigalSon> or call (510) 933-6360



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

Amado L. Bituin

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