

**ST. ELIZABETH CHURCH**  
*Established 1912 / Present Church dedicated 1962*  
**Mailing Address: 449 Holyoke Street, S.F. CA 94134**  
**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**February 13, 2022**



**Rev. Charles Puthota, Ph.D., Pastor**

**Mission Statement of St. Elizabeth Church**

“The joys and hopes, the griefs and anxieties of the people of our time, especially of those who are poor or in any way afflicted, are the joys and hopes, the griefs and anxieties of the followers of Christ as well. Indeed, nothing genuinely human fails to raise an echo in their hearts. For theirs is a community of people united in Christ and guided by the Holy Spirit in their pilgrimage towards the Kingdom of their Father, bearers of a message of salvation for all of humanity. That is why they cherish a conviction of deep solidarity with the human race and its history.”

(From the Preface of *The Church in the Modern World*---Gaudium Et Spes---of Vatican II)

**Parish Staff**

**Sandra Mehrwein** Secretary  
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**Parish Office Hours**

Monday through Thursday  
8:00 am to 12:00 pm (unless otherwise posted)

**Closed Friday**

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**Liturgy Schedule**

Saturday **4:30 pm**  
Sunday **9:30 am**  
Monday through Saturday  
Divine office: 8:00 am  
Mass: 8:30 am  
Holy Day 8:30 am & 6:00 pm

**Confession Schedule**

After the 8:30 am Daily Mass  
4:15 pm before the 4:30 pm Mass  
9:15 am before the 9:30 am Sunday Mass

**Baptism Preparation Classes** Call the Parish Office for more information.

**Sacrament of Marriage**

Call the Parish Office at least six months before the desired date.

**Benediction and Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena:** Wednesdays after the 8:30 Mass.

**Legion of Mary Meeting** 5:00 pm Monday in the Rectory.

**Second Saturday** after the 4:30 pm Mass: Sto Nino Prayer and Benediction in Mary's Chapel.

**1000 Hail Mary's** Third Saturday after the 8:30 am Mass until 3:30 pm: A Day of Prayer and Adoration.

**Light of God Prayer** 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of the month after the 8:30 am Mass.

**Per the Archdiocese of San Francisco:**

**Congregants are to wear masks during Mass indoors. Social distancing reduced to 3 ft between households.**



February 07, 2022

Dear St. Elizabeth Parishioner,

**Invitation to Archdiocesan Annual Appeal (AAA):** It's that time of year when we are invited again to participate in the annual fundraising campaign to assist the Archdiocese of San Francisco in its mission and ministry.

**The theme of AAA this year is:** "As I have done for you, you should also do." (John 13:15)

**The AAA assessment for our parish in 2022 is \$30,500.**

**Top Three Reasons to Support the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal:** 1. St. Elizabeth parish has been an integral and inseparable part of the Archdiocese since 1912 and through the period in 1962 when the current church building was constructed. 2. In Word and Sacrament, through various ministries and services, the Archdiocese has always supported and nourished our parish. 3. Rooted in a 2000-year-old Catholic tradition and culture, the Archdiocese connects us to the church in California, the United States, and the Universal Church shepherded by the Holy Father Pope Francis.

**Last Year's successful AAA Campaign in our Parish:** In 2021, despite the raging pandemic, our parish successfully completed the AAA campaign within two months, thanks to your kind generosity. This year, with the amount being less by \$9,000, it may take even less time to complete our goal, if you are able to support it again promptly and generously.

**Starting Date of the AAA 2022 Campaign:** We are officially launching AAA drive with this letter and the announcements during the weekend Masses of February 13.

**Ways to Donate:** You can use the enclosed envelope. You may also go to our parish website [stelizabethsf.org](http://stelizabethsf.org) or directly to [sfarchdiocese.org/aaa](http://sfarchdiocese.org/aaa) to donate online.

**One Percent Circle:** Can you personally consider donating one percent of the amount we have to raise? It is \$305. Some of you last year donated way more than one percent. I am hoping for such donors to continue at the same level. I have already sent in my AAA check for \$305. If 100 people donate \$305 each, we will make our goal quickly. As a way of thanking you, as in last year, I'll be inviting the One Percent Circle members to a luncheon. The names of all donors along with a reference to One Percent donors will be listed in the bulletin during our AAA campaign and on the website through the year.

God bless you and your families for supporting the mission of the Church,

Gratefully yours in Christ,

Father Charles Puthota

**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
February 13, 2022**

"Blessed are you who are poor,  
for the kingdom of God is yours.  
Blessed are you who are now hungry,  
for you will be satisfied."  
— Luke 6:20-21a



**FEELING BLESSED**

Congratulations! Welcome to the Kingdom! Rejoice and leap for joy! Sounds a little like Easter, doesn't it? Well, in a very real way, it is. This Sunday, the scriptures remind us that we are blessed and beloved, especially when we have difficulties and don't feel especially blessed. Jesus reminds us that God blesses us in our trials, so we should trust in the saving power of God. We are "raised from the dead," as it were, each time we arise from our hardships. The ultimate proof of all of this is our new life in Christ, who died so that we could be free of sin, and was raised from the dead so that we might all have new life. Wouldn't that be something? A new life, in which poverty is riches and sadness is transformed into lightness of spirit? It's a topsy-turvy world, isn't it? Do you feel blessed today?

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**TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** — The one who trusts in the LORD is like a tree planted beside the waters (Jeremiah 17:5-8).

**Psalm** — Blessed are they who hope in the Lord (Psalm 1).

**Second Reading** — Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep (1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20).

**Gospel** — Blessed are you who are poor, hungry, weeping. Woe to you who are rich, filled, laughing (Luke 6:17, 20-26).

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**MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>Monday</b> 8:30 am	<b>February 14</b> St. Elizabeth Parishioners
<b>Tuesday</b> 8:30 am	<b>February 15</b> † Paul and † Theresa Vella † Joseph Vella
<b>Wednesday</b> 8:30 am	<b>February 16</b> Garibaldi Family Living and Deceased
<b>Thursday</b> 8:30 am	<b>February 17</b> † Ray Garibaldi Giulia Maffei (L)
<b>Friday</b> 8:30 am	<b>February 18</b> Olivia Abranches (L) † Erlinda Antonio
<b>Saturday</b> 8:30 am 4:30 pm	<b>February 19</b> † Krista Budesa † Maria Caraffi
<b>Sunday</b> 9:30 am	<b>February 20</b> People of the Parish † Charles Bonnici † Rita and † Stanley Tanner Maltese Society

†Denotes deceased – (L) Living

**Saturday/Sunday Collection**  
**February 5 - 6, 2022**

<b>Weekly Need:</b>	<b>\$ 5,000.00</b>
<b>First Collection</b>	<b>\$ 2,113.00</b>
<b>Parish Ministries</b>	<b>\$ 441.00</b>
<b>Over/Under</b>	<b>\$ 2,446.00</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.)*

**JOIN Fr. Charles Puthota, Ph.D. ON A  
PILGRIMAGE TO  
JORDAN AND THE HOLY LAND**



**OCTOBER 5 – 17, 2022**

\$4,639.00 from **San Francisco, CA**  
PER PERSON BASED ON DOUBLE  
OCCUPANCY)

**PRE-TOUR JORDAN Oct 5 - 9, 2022**

\$790.00 (PER PERSON BASED ON DOUBLE  
OCCUPANCY)

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**For more information, please contact Jon or  
Rinda: 1-800-206 TOUR (8687)**



**Participate in Pope Francis's Synod at Your  
Parish – Take the Disciple Maker Index Survey!**

Pope Francis invites the whole Church to participate in the preparatory process for the upcoming Synod of Bishops on Synodality. This unprecedented opportunity will facilitate discussion and reflection to help shape the Church's understanding of herself and her mission of evangelization and forming disciples. The Archdiocese of San Francisco has kicked-off the local synodal process this month by asking every Catholic to participate in the Disciple Maker Index survey between now and February 15. The process will continue in February and March with engagement sessions offered throughout the Archdiocese. The Disciple Maker Index survey is a nationally recognized survey administered at parishes around the United States and Canada since 2013 by The Catholic Leadership Institute. The results from this survey will provide baseline feedback from which content for engagement sessions will be developed.

To take the survey for your parish, go to [www.sfarch.org/synod](http://www.sfarch.org/synod) and click on your parish.

***Be sure to participate by February 15!***

**SYNODAL LISTENING SESSION**

Registration is now open for the Synodal Listening/Engagement sessions. These sessions are available in-person in all three counties of the Archdiocese, and also virtually using Zoom. Registration is highly encouraged to help the host parishes plan for how many people will be in attendance.

Please visit [www.sfarch.org/synod](http://www.sfarch.org/synod) to register. Click on "Attend a Listening Session" and you'll be able to find sessions in all three counties and several virtual Zoom sessions. All you need to do is click on the session you'd like to attend and you'll be transferred to a registration form.



**It is with great joy we welcome Samiyah and Kadin Ali into our church and community. Samiyah and Kadin received the Sacrament of Baptism at our Rectory Chapel on Saturday, February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022.**