

ST. ELIZABETH CHURCH
Established 1912 / Present Church dedicated 1962
Mailing Address: 449 Holyoke Street, S.F. CA 94134
The Epiphany of the Lord
January 8, 2023



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)

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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.

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

Over 50 Group Meet Thursdays at 12pm in Cantwell Hall.

Per the Archdiocese of San Francisco:

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



From the Pastor's Desktop

**A message from the Pastor
For the New Year
January 8, 2023**

Thank You!

Dear Parishioners of St. Elizabeth,

Simbang Gabi (Dec. 16 – 24) and Christmas Season---A Thank-You List of Volunteers and Active Participants: As you know, we had a highly successful Simbang Gabi 2022 followed by the joyful Christmas liturgies. There are many people who worked hard and collaborated in making these celebrations a prayerful and joyful. These are the volunteers I would like to thank in a very special way.

Simbang Gabi Food and Set-up:

Elizabeth Pasco and Luz Bansuelo (food setup for 9 days), Richard Padua (Coffee-master), Phil McCarthy, David Gemignani, Ken John, Richard John, Fred Spence and Sharon Soares, Setup/takedown tables and chairs

Sponsors and Gift Offerings for each day of Simbang Gabi

Richard and Marycon Padua (Day 1), Alipio and Macaspac Family (Day 2), Tessie Gotauco, Gloria Trinidad, Ignacio Madriaga Jr., Ledy Tolentino and Luz Bansuelo (Day 3), Estelle Rabaria, Herminia de los Reyes, and Sally Aldon (Day 4), Tessie Vinluan, En Maog, Belma Enriquez, and Cora Pilare (Day 5), Virginia Sanchez, Maria Concepcion, and Carmelita Ouano (Day 6), Carmen Reyes, Lupe Reyes, Dolores Reyes and Hermie de los Reyes (Day 7), Legion of Mary at St. Elizabeth Church (Beth Pasco-President, Jackie and Tommy Pugh, Antonia, Velasco, Eric Nacor Sr., Pilar Manalo, Anita Hazel, Tessie and Adolfo Alano), Sto. Nino De Cebu Association International, (represented by Rolly Mungues) (Day 8), Rufo Mangonon Jr., and Caroline Mangonon, May and Vito DeVera and Lilia Crow (Day 9)

Set-up of the manger scene:

Ed Calderon, David Gemignani, and Phil McCarthy

Figures and animals added to the nativity manger scene:

Lamb, brought up by Philip McCarthy (Day 1), Donkey, brought up by Macaspac Family (Day 2), Sheep, brought up by Ledy Tolentino (Day 3), Cow, brought up by Estelle Rabaria (Day 4), Shepherd boy, brought up by Cora Pilare (Day 5), Shepherd, brought up by Enrique Mendez (Day 6), Joseph, brought up by Dolores Reyes (Day 7), Mary, brought up by Eric Nacor, Sr. (Day 8), Crib, brought up by May DeVera and Rufo Mangonon Jr. (Day 9)

Placing and lighting of the Altar Star:

Joey Tanquilut

The Art and Environment Committee:

Richard Padua, Marycon Padua, and Joey Tranquilut

Decoration of lights for the Church and Rectory:

Fred Spence, Phil McCarthy, Richard John, David Gemignani, and Albert Sandoval

Lighting the Advent candle:

Marycon and Richard Padua (Day 1), Macaspac Family (Day 2) Luz Bansuelo, Gloria Trinidad, Ignacio Madriaga Jr. and Tessie

Gotauco (Day 3), Estelle Rabaria and Sally Aldon (Day 4), En Maog, Tessie Vinluan and Cora Pilare (Day 5), Enrique Mendez, Virginia Sanchez and Maria Concepcion (Day 6), Reyes sisters, Carmen, Lupe and Dolores (Day 7), Jackie and Tommy Pugh and Rolly Mungues (Day 8), Liberty Bacorro, Normalita Mangonon and Debbie Adams (Day 9)

Announcer for each day before the start of mass:

May DeVera (Day 1), Gloria Trinidad (Day 2), David Gemignani (Day 3), Sharon Soares (Day 4), May DeVera (Day 5), Belma Enriquez (Day 6), David Gemignani (Day 7), David Gemignani (Day 8), Tessie Gotauco (Day 9)

Lectors:

Lilia Crow, Gloria Trinidad, Tessie Gotauco, Dean Alipio, Giana Macaspac, Jeremy Manalastoc, Adrian Gotauco, Lourdes Saucillo, Ledy Tolentino, Estelle Rabaria, Cora Pilare, Belma Enriquez, Tessie Vinluan, David Gemignani, Marietta Alipio, May DeVera, Jackie Pugh and Elizabeth Pasco

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

Richard John, Tessie Vinluan, Dave Alipio, Jenny Macaspac, Lourdes Ressurrection, Cora Pilare, Phil McCarthy, David Gemignani, Elizabeth Pasco, Sr. Olga Cristobal, Lilia Crow, Luz Bansuelo, Isabel Macias

Choir:

Marycon Padua (leading the choir), Carmelita Ouano (piano), Ignacio Madriaga Jr., (guitar), Morning worshippers-Gloria Trinidad, Tessie Vinluan, Tessie Gotauco, Richard Padua, May and Vito DeVera, Marietta Alipio, Ledy Tolentino, Lourdes Saucillo, Elizabeth Pasco, Phil Alviar, Cora Pilare About 55 people attended each day, with 45 staying for food and fellowship.

Lighting the Advent candle:

11/26/22 Saturday 4:30 P.M. Sarah Vanucchi and Roseanne Nava, 11/27/22 Sunday 9:30 A.M. Carmen and Emmanuel Micallef, 12/03/22 Saturday 4:30 P.M. Leona and Remo Galea, 12/04/22 Sunday 9:30 A.M. Lucille and Edward Clement 12/10/22 Saturday 4:30 P.M. Jackie and Tommy Pugh, 12/11/22 Sunday 9:30 A.M. Laurrie Digneo, Fran Oropeza and Faith formation children, 12/17/22 Saturday 4:30 P.M. Martinez Family, 12/18/22 Sunday 9:30 A.M. Luz Bansuelo, Gloria Trinidad, 12/24/22 Saturday 4:30 P.M.

Christmas Eve, 4:30 p.m.:

Naomi Marquez (cantor), Carmelita Ouano (piano), Jessica and Kevin Mullin and their 4-year-old twin boys (bringing baby Jesus to manger)

12/25/22 Sunday 9:30 A.M. Christmas Day:

Morning Worshippers (choir), Carmelita Ouano (piano), Marycon Padua (leading the choir), Natalia Laxague (bringing baby Jesus to manger)

12/25/22 Sunday 11:00 A.M. Christmas Day:

Naomi Marquez (cantor), Carmelita Ouano (piano), Belma Enriquez (bringing baby Jesus to manger)

Presider for all the masses: Rev. Charles Puthota, Ph.D., Pastor

Thank you for making these Advent, Simbang Gabi, Christmas celebrations special and memorable,

Your Friend and Pastor,

Father Charles Puthota

The Epiphany of the Lord January 8, 2023

They opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. — Matthew 2:11b



ALL SHARE IN THE PROMISE

Picture a nativity scene in your mind's eye. The scene likely includes figures arriving on camels, some elaborately dressed, with jeweled boxes containing precious gifts. These magi arrived from distant lands to pay homage to the Christ Child. We know little about the magi, but we do know that these visitors were not Jews. They represent people of all nations who will be drawn to the Lord. "Nations shall walk by your light, and kings by your shining radiance." The Good News of Jesus cannot be limited to one people; all share in the promise of God's mercy through our Lord Jesus Christ. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! The Lord shines upon you and the glory of the Lord appears over you (Isaiah 60:1-6).

Psalm — All the nations will worship you, Lord (Psalm 72).

Second Reading — The Gentiles are coheirs, copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus (Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6).

Gospel — Magi from the east arrive looking for the newborn king of the Jews (Matthew 2:1-12).

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday 8:30 am	January 9 † Louis Tosti
Tuesday 8:30 am	January 10 † Jim Paulos
Wednesday 8:30 am	January 11 † Laverna Jones † Marcel Lacues
Thursday 8:30 am	January 12
Friday 8:30 am	January 13 † Alice Brown † Augustine Sanchez
Saturday 8:30 am 4:30 pm	January 14 † Stanford Brown Jr. † Theresa, † Paul and † Joseph Vella † Piera Schenone
Sunday 9:30 am	January 15 People of the Parish Maltese Society † Jesus Jesse Quinonez † Alma Topsana

†Denotes deceased – (L) Living

Christmas Collection **December 24 & 25, 2022**

Christmas Collection **\$ 7,328.00**

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS DONATION!

New Year Collection **December 31, 2022 & January 1, 2023**

New Year Collection **\$ 5,470.00**
Second Collection **\$ 426.00**
5,896.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS DONATION!

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.

2023 Calendars are available.

Please be sure to pick up a copy in the church or rectory during office hours.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms are arranged through the Parish Office. Please call for information and to make arrangements.

For Weddings, Funerals, Anointing of the Sick, and Quinceañeras, please contact the parish office.

2023 MASS INTENTIONS ARE AVAILABLE!

Please follow the guidelines below when sending in your Mass requests.

Due to the large volume of Mass requests, in order to be fair to the needs of our parishioners, the following is the Mass Book policy. Parishioners can request up to 12 masses per year. Only 2 of those Masses may be on weekends depending on availability. This makes it fair to all parishioners who wish to have a weekend mass.

Mass Intentions cannot be reserved by phone or in person. Requests must be submitted in writing or emailed.

Not all dates are available, so we ask that you be prepared with alternate dates and times. If your requested date is not available an alternate date will be chosen for you.

Please note: Mass Intentions are \$10.00 each. Please send payment with your Mass Intention requests. Please allow time for processing.

Please email or mail your Mass Intention to:

Saydha at stelizabethchurchsf@gmail.com

END OF YEAR STATEMENTS

We are preparing to close the books on 2022. Please contact the parish office in **writing** or **email** 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**.

Please note that any donations received after December 31st will be credited to 2022.

We will not be responsible for donations not credited due to missing envelope numbers, (or not having a Sunday collection envelope.)

St. Elizabeth Parish
On the Horizon:

Monday, January 16th, 2023:

Office closed in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday.



It is with great joy we welcome Dante Arturo Smith into our church community. Dante received the Sacrament of Baptism at our Rectory Chapel on December 31, 2023.

**WELCOME TO
ST. ELIZABETH PARISH COMMUNITY**

We extend our hands and hearts to you here celebrating with us, whether long-time or newly arrived in our parish. We thank God that you are with us. If you are not registered or have changes to your registration, please fill in the form and submit it to the office.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

Zip: _____ Phone: _____

New Parishioner

New Address/Phone

Send Sunday Envelopes