

ST. ELIZABETH CHURCH

Established 1912 / Present Church dedicated 1962

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September 27, 2026 Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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)

Father Vito J. Perrone, COSJ

Parish Office

449 Holyoke Street, San Francisco, CA 94134
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Parish Office Hours

Monday through Thursday - 8:30 am to 12:00 pm

Closed Fridays

Pastoral Staff

Father Vito J. Perrone, COSJ, Priest-Monk, Pastor
Father Mikhael Mihic, COSJ, Priest-Monk, Asst. Pastor

Pastoral Ministry Assistants

Father Andrew Mbinkar Berinyuy, Sch.P., Parochial Vicar
Father Joseph Homick, COSJ, Priest-Monk
Father Christopher LaRocca, O.C.D.
Father Vincent Woo, J.C.D.
Rev. Mr. Ramon de la Rosa, Permanent Deacon
Brother John Zaar

Parish Staff

Suzanne Brachna	Admin Assistant
Patricia Spiteri	Admin Assistant
Sandra Mehrwein	Secretary
Fred Spence	Maintenance
Laurie Digneo	Faith Formation

Music Director

Mark Wilson Estrada

Mass Schedule

Saturday	4:30 pm
Sunday	8:30 am and 10:30 am

Monday through Saturday

Divine Office	8:00 am
Mass	8:30 am
Holy Day	8:30 am & 6:00 pm

Confession Schedule

4:00 pm before the 4:30 pm Saturday Mass
10:00 am before the 10:30 am Sunday Mass

Baptism

Call the Parish Office for information on baptisms and baptism classes.

Sacrament of Marriage

Call the Parish Office six months before the desired date.

Faith Formation

Classes are held every Sunday
beginning with the 8:30 am Mass
Classes to immediately follow in Cantwell Hall.

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

Legion of Mary Meeting: 3:00 pm Tuesday in the Church.

1000 Hail Mary's: Third Saturday after the 8:30 am Mass until 3:30 pm.

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



Mater Dolorosa parish marks 65 years with weekend celebration and Eucharistic Procession to Sign Hill

Litany of the Most Blessed Sacrament

Lord, have mercy. — Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy. — Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy. — Lord, have mercy.
Christ, hear us. — Christ, graciously hear us.

God the Father of heaven, — have mercy on us.
God the Son, Redeemer of the world, — have mercy on us.
God the Holy Spirit, — have mercy on us.
Holy Trinity, one God, — have mercy on us.
To each of the following invocations, respond: have mercy on us.

Living Bread, that came down from heaven,
Hidden God and Saviour,
Corn of the elect,
Wine springing forth virgins,
Bread of fatness and royal dainties,
Perpetual sacrifice,
Clean oblation,
Lamb without spot,
Most pure feast,
Food of angels,
Hidden manna,
Memorial of the wonders of God,
Superabundant bread,
Sweetness of the heart,
Fire always burning,
Most holy banquet,
Medicine of immortality,
Awful and life-giving Sacrament,
Unbloody sacrifice,
Food and guest,
Sweetest banquet at which angels serve,
Sacrament of piety,
Bond of charity,
Offering and giver,
Spiritual sweetness tasted in its own fountain,
Refreshment of holy souls,
Viaticum of those who die in the Lord,
Pledge of future glory.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, — spare us, O Lord.
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, — graciously hear us, O Lord.
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, — have mercy on us.

V. You have given them bread from heaven.

R. Containing in itself all sweetness.

The Closing Prayer

O God, who under a wonderful Sacrament
have left us a memorial of Your Passion:
grant us, we beseech You,
so to venerate the sacred mysteries of Your Body and Blood
that we may ever feel within ourselves the fruit of Your redemption.
Who live and reign for ever and ever. Amen.



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Clip of the article by Mary Powers in CSF – Catholic San Francisco, emailed 9/18/2026.

The weekend's festivities included a Eucharistic pilgrimage to Sign Hill, the iconic landmark bearing the "South San Francisco, The Industrial City" sign, led by Father Vito Perrone, a Contemplative of St. Joseph and pastor of Mater Dolorosa Catholic Church, and Father Mikhael Mihic, a priest-monk serving as parochial vicar at Mater Dolorosa Catholic Church.

"It was powerful," said Father Vito. "Sign Hill is now a different sign. The sign of God — the greatest sign of God's love — has been there and blessed it."

A large group of parishioners joined the Eucharistic procession from the parish to the top of the hill, where Father Vito led a special blessing of the hill and the city of South San Francisco, and Father Mikhael led Benediction, blessing the valley below. After the blessing and benediction, Father Vito said that tremendous peace and joy permeated everything.

"Everyone was so joyful!" said Father Vito. "People were smiling, laughing, and taking pictures together. It was such a powerful and transformative experience."



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Have in you the same attitude that is also in Christ Jesus.

— *Philippians 2:5*



GOD'S WAYS

In the stream of readings during this portion of Ordinary Time one week's texts can often appear to pick up exactly where the previous week's concluded. The sentiments expressed in today's first reading seem to be a direct reaction to the Gospel passage we heard last week. In that Gospel, the landowner pays the same wages to his workers whether they worked for a full day or for only a few minutes. Today Ezekiel gives us the lament, "The LORD's way is not fair!" (Ezekiel 18:25). These Sundays in Ordinary Time offer us a glimpse into the ways of the Lord. We see how God's way has the tendency to turn the accepted conventions of the day upside down. Those who always expected that their way to heaven was guaranteed are disappointed. Those who thought they never had a chance are given that chance. Today offers us another opportunity to discover the abundance of God's mercy and love.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — When the wicked turn away from their wickedness they have committed and do what is right, they shall surely live (Ezekiel 18:25-28).

Psalm — Remember your mercies, O Lord (Psalm 25).

Second Reading — Consider others as better than yourselves; look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others (Philippians 2:1-11 [1-5]).

Gospel — Tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God ahead of you (Matthew 21:28-32).

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Mass Intentions

† Denotes deceased – (L) Living

Monday

8:30 am

Tuesday

8:30 am

Wednesday

8:30 am

Thursday

8:30 am

Friday

8:30 am

Saturday

8:30 am

4:30 pm

Sunday

8:30 am

10:30 am

September 28

†Maria Moretto

†Milagros Macaspac

September 29

†Maria Gonzalez

September 30

†Froreino & †Delia
Gemignani

October 1

Edgard Gonzalez &
Family (L)

October 2

†Tillie Ferris

October 3

Simon Martinez

Jewell Coccellato

Aaron & Kari Spiteri (L)

October 4

People of the Parish

†Anastacio Alvarez

†Eric Avila

ON THE HORIZON

• Upcoming 2nd Collections

October 3/4	Faith Formation
October 10/11	Parish Maintenance
October 17/18	World Mission Sunday
	Propagation of Faith
October 24/25	Parish Ministries

• Parish Office Closed

Columbus/Indigenous People Day Monday,
October 12, 2026
Veteran's Day, Wednesday, November 11, 2026

Saints and Special Observances

Sunday, 9/27	Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday, 9/28	St. Wenceslaus & St. Lawrence Ruiz & Companions
Tuesday, 9/29	Sts. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael
Wednesday, 9/30	St. Jerome
Thursday, 10/1	St. Therese
Friday, 10/2	The Holy Guardian Angels



Please Donate Sunday Collection

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Sunday Collection September 19 - 20, 2026

Weekly Need:	\$5,000.00
First Collection	\$2,477.00
Church Environment	\$ 609.00
Over/ Under	\$1,914.00

2027 Mass Book is open

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

Due to the large volume of Mass requests and in order to be fair to the needs of all our parishioners, the following is the Mass Book policy as set by Father Vito Perrone:

All Masses including the Saturday Vigil Mass and Sunday Mass (10:30 am), will be accepting one intention per Mass. The Sunday 8:30 am Mass is designated for the People of the Parish only.

We do not accept individual Mass Intentions for holidays or holy days including the following:

Ash Wednesday, Easter, Mother's Day, Father's Day, All Saints, All Souls, Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve and Christmas. The intentions will be for the entire St. Elizabeth Community.

Masses cannot be reserved by phone.

Requests must be submitted in writing or by email (preferred): stelizabethchurchsf@gmail.com

Not all dates are available for Mass Intentions, 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.**

Mass Intentions are \$10 each

Faith Formation Needs Teachers

If you enjoy working with children and have a general knowledge of the Catholic Religion, we would love to have you be a part of our program. If interested, please contact Laurie Digneo at 415-672-4903.



Faith Formation

REGISTRATION IS OPEN FOR 2026-2027

Registration forms may be requested by calling Laurie Digneo at 415-672-4903

email: sophielady7@aol.com, online at stelizabethsf.org under the Faith Formation tab or Forms can also be picked up at the parish office or at the Church. Registration fees are \$50.00 per child.

Classes have begun



ALTAR FLOWERS

If you are interested in donating flowers for the high altar in celebration of a special occasion, birthday, anniversary and more, please see the sign-up sheet in the front of church. Please see a sacristan before or after mass for more information.

FR. VITO NEEDS YOUR ASSISTANCE

Looking for an in-law unit or 1-2 bedroom apartment to rent. Please contact the rectory with any information at (415) 468-0820 and leave a message with the secretary or email us at stelizabethchurchsf@gmail.com
Thank you for your help!!