# ST. ELIZABETH CHURCH

***Established 1912 / Present Church dedicated 1962***

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## *November 1, 2026 ALL SAINTS' DAY*



**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**

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| Suzanne Brachna | Admin Assistant |
| Patricia Spiteri | Admin Assistant |
| Fred Spence | Maintenance |
| Laurrie Digneo | Faith Formation |

**Music Director**
Mark Wilson Estrada

**Mass Schedule**

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

**Monday through Saturday**

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| 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.

If you are having an emergency and urgently need one of our priests for the sacrament of anointing, please call (510) 882-0827

The month of November is dedicated to the Holy Souls in Purgatory. The Church commemorates all her faithful children who have departed from this life, but have not yet attained the joys of heaven. St. Paul warns us that we must not be ignorant concerning the dead, nor sorrowful, "even as others who have no hope ... For the Lord Himself shall come down from heaven ... and the dead who are in Christ shall rise.

The Church has always taught us to pray for those who have gone into eternity. Even in the Old Testament, prayers and alms were offered for the souls of the dead by those who thought "well and religiously concerning the resurrection." It was believed that "they who had fallen asleep with godliness had great grace laid up for them" and that "it is therefore a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead, that they may be loosed from sins." We know that a defiled soul cannot enter into heaven.

Excerpted from *Liturgical Meditations*, The Sisters of St. Dominic

**Duration of Purgatory**

Purgatory is not eternal. Its duration varies according to the sentence pronounced at each particular judgment. It may be prolonged for centuries in the case of the more guilty souls, or of those who, being excluded from the Catholic communion, are deprived of the suffrages of the Church, although by the divine mercy they have escaped hell. But the end of the world, which will be also the end of time, will close the place of temporary expiation forever. God will know how to reconcile His justice and His goodness in purifying the last members of the human race, and to supply, by the intensity of expiatory suffering, what may be wanting in duration. But, whereas a favorable sentence at the particular judgment admits of eternal beatitude being suspended and postponed, and leaves the bodies of the elect to the same fate as those of the reprobate; at the universal judgment, every sentence, whether for heaven or for hell, will be absolute, and will be executed immediately and completely.

**Offering Prayers and Sacrifices**

The Church Suffering and the Church Militant constitute in their relations a second circle of most vital activities. Having entered into the night "wherein no man can work," the Suffering Church cannot ripen to its final blessedness by any efforts of its own, but only through the help of others—through the intercessory prayers and sacrifices (*suffragia*) of those living members of the Body of Christ who being still in this world are able in the grace of Christ to perform expiatory works. The Church has from the earliest times faithfully guarded the words of Scripture that it is a holy and wholesome thing to pray for the dead that they may be loosed from their sins. [2 Macab. 12, 43] The suppliant cry of her liturgy: "Eternal rest give to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them," can be heard already in the Acts of the martyrdom of SS. Perpetua and Felicitas (A.D. 203) and is represented in numerous sepulchral inscriptions of the most ancient period, while theologians and Fathers of the Church, beginning with Tertullian, have supplied its substantial proof. . . . So fundamental indeed and so natural to man's hope and desire and love is this belief, that historians of religion have discovered it among almost all non-Christian civilized peoples: a striking illustration of Tertullian's saying that the human soul is naturally Christian.

The Catholic, therefore, is jealous to expiate and suffer for the "poor souls," especially by offering the Eucharistic Sacrifice, wherein Christ's infinite expiation on the Cross is sacramentally represented, and stimulating and joining itself with the expiatory works of the faithful, passes to the Church Suffering according to the measure determined by God's wisdom and mercy.

— Karl Adam



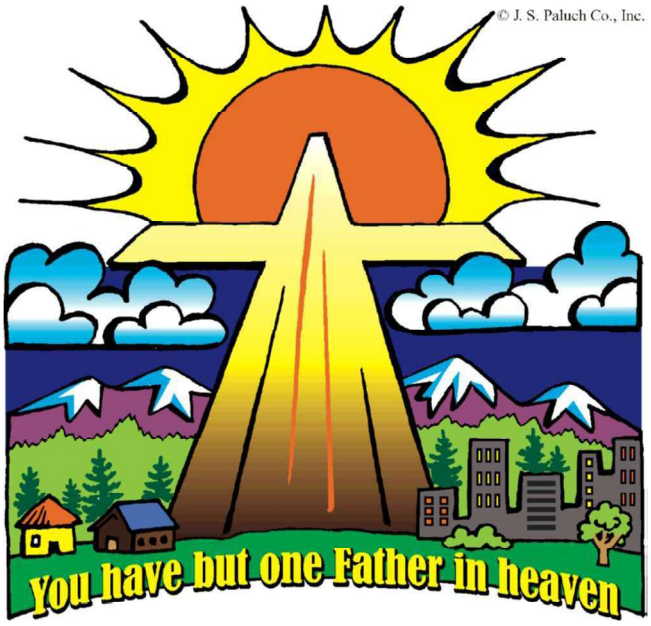
“Eternal Father, I offer Thee the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the holy souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, those in my own home and within my family. Amen.”

“My Jesus, by the sorrows Thou didst suffer… have mercy on the souls in purgatory… admit them to Thy most sweet embrace in paradise. Amen.”

“O most compassionate Jesus, have mercy on the souls in purgatory… release them from the pains due to their sins… admit them to your presence in heaven. Amen.”

## Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
## November 1, 2026

The greatest among you must be your servant.
— *Matthew 23:11*




### THE GREATEST AMONG US

Whom do you admire? Is it the President of the United States or a movie star or a billionaire? These are people whom the world exalts as great. Like the Pharisees in today's Gospel, they have places of honor wherever they go. Would you like to follow in their footsteps?

The scriptures for today offer different examples for us to follow. Jesus tells us that the greatest among us are the servants. These are the people we are to honor and imitate. We are called to be like Paul, who worked hard to serve the needs of his communities, and Jesus, who gave his life in service to the world.

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### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading —** Do we not have one father? Did not the one God create us? (Malachi 1:14b — 2:2b, 8-10).

**Psalm** — In you, Lord, I have found my peace (Psalm 131).

**Second Reading —** You have received not a human word but the word of God (1 Thessalonians 2:7b-9, 13).

**Gospel** — Call no one your father on earth; you have but one Father, the one in heaven (Matthew 23:1-12).

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## Mass Intentions

**† Denotes deceased – (L) Living**

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| **Monday** | **November 2** |
| 8:30 am | All Souls |
| **Tuesday** | **November 3** |
| 8:30 am | †Balbina & †Jose Nebil |
| **Wednesday** | **November 4** |
| 8:30 am | †Eufrecina & †Evaristo Camba |
| **Thursday** | **November 5** |
| 8:30 am | †Norma, †Lynn & †Naning Obtinario |
| **Friday** | **November 6** |
| 8:30 am | †Vittorio Rossi |
| **Saturday** | **November 7** |
| 8:30 am | †Parents of Marlito Romias |
| 4:30 pm | Jesus Martinez & Family (L) |
| **Sunday** | **November 8** |
| 8:30 am | People of the Parish |
| 10:30 am | †Jesus (Jesse) Quinonez<br>†Reynaldo G. Gayaban |

### ON THE HORIZON

- **Upcoming 2nd Collections**

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| November 7/8 | Parish Maintenance |
| November 14/15 | Campaign for Human Development |
| November 21/22 | Parish Ministries |
| November 28/29 | Parish Ministries |

- **Parish Office Closed**
  Veteran's Day, Wednesday, November 11, 2026
  Thanksgiving, Thursday, November 26, 2026
- **Installation Mass for Fr. Vito J. Perrone and COSJ**
  November 8, 2026 10:30am Mass Reception to follow
- **Mater Dolorosa Music Ministry- including St. Elizabeth Choir**
  Sunday, November 22, 2026 see Bulletin insert for more info
- **Our Lady of Guadalupe**
  Saturday, December 12, 2026 after 8:30am Mass
  Light reception

### Saints and Special Observances

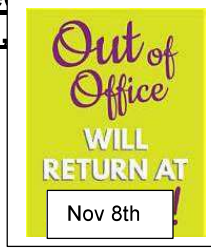
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| Sunday, 11/1 | ALL SAINTS Day |
| Monday, 11/2 | ALL SOULS Day |
| Tuesday, 11/3 | St. Martin de Porres<br>Thirty-first Week in Ordinary Time |
| Wednesday, 11/4 | St. Charles Borromeo |

Please Donate
Sunday Collection

Your generosity would mean so much to us and to those we serve.
Scan the QR Code

**Sunday Collection**
**October 24 - 25.**

**Weekly Need:**
**First Collection**
**Parish Ministries**
**Over/Under**




## 2027 Mass Book is open

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*at the*
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*For*

*Father Vito J. Perrone*
*And the*
*Contemplatives of*
*St. Joseph*

*St. Elizabeth Church*
*Sunday, November 8, 2026*
*10:30AM Mass*

*Followed by a*
*Brunch reception*
*At Cantwell Hall*




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.

## Pray for our dear Departed



Adelaide Del Rosario

*"Eternal Rest Grant unto Them, O Lord..."*

## *Baptism*

*We congratulate*

***Rowan Vaquilar***
***and***
***Deihna Arabella M. Tangco***

*who were baptized at*
*St. Elizabeth Church*
*on*
*September 26, 2025.*

## Month of All Souls' November

As we prepare for these remembrances there is a specific way of preparation besides our own prayers and remembrances. You may write their names on one of the All Souls' envelopes. These envelopes will be placed on the altar for remembrances during all the Masses in November.

"Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen."

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# Mater Dolorosa
## Music Ministry

*with participation from St. Elizabeth Choir*

# *One Body in Christ:*
## Prepare for the Journey!



## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2026
## 6:00 – 8:00 PM

### *A Fundraising Concert*

1040 Miller Avenue
South San Francisco, CA 94080

*Tickets:*
$25 Adult
$10 12 years old and under

*For Tickets Contact:*

Aida Gamboa (732) 853-5539
Chris Moscardon (650) 868-4543
Maribeth Ruperto (650) 892-1522
Charity Barcenas (650) 787-5885