

ST. ELIZABETH CHURCH
Established 1912 / Present Church dedicated 1962
Mailing Address: 449 Holyoke Street, S.F. CA 94134

Pentecost Sunday
June 5, 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

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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
Father Charles Puthota
June 5, 2022**

Dear Parishioners of St. Elizabeth,

Pentecost Sunday: As we are well aware, Pentecost is the Birthday of the Church. The disciples of Jesus were hiding, afraid that they might also be killed by the authorities. But Jesus had assured them that the Advocate, the Comforter, would come and remind them of everything Jesus had said. In other words, the Holy Spirit would come to give life, energy, and dynamism to the words and memory of Jesus. Everything changed for those disciples that Pentecost day. The Holy Spirit came down in a dramatic way. The wind and the fire swept the fears away and burned away their powerlessness. Filled with the Holy Spirit, they spoke and bore witness to the life of Jesus, his death and resurrection. Everyone heard everyone else in their own language and understood them. The good news became not only accessible but alive and aflame. The disciples of Jesus became fearless preachers and witnesses. A community was born with the memory of Jesus and the power of the Holy Spirit. For over two thousand years this community has been called the Church. We are all members of this body. Jesus is the head. The Holy Spirit is the indwelling grace and power within us calling God Abba Father. If we allow the Holy Spirit to move and guide us, that's when we make the right choices for God, love, family, faith, and the world. Let's just keep two images of the Holy Spirit in mind: Wind & Fire. What might this wind and fire do for us and in the world today?

Prayer to the Holy Spirit: Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful. And kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And you will renew the face of the earth. Lord, by the light of the Holy Spirit you have taught the hearts of your faithful. In the same Spirit help us to relish what is right and always rejoice in your consolation. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Quotes on the Holy Spirit: "O Holy Spirit, descend plentifully into my heart. Enlighten the dark corners of this neglected dwelling and scatter there Thy cheerful beams." --- Saint Augustine. "I myself do nothing. The Holy Spirit accomplishes all through me." --- William Blake. "The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control." --- Galatians 5:22. The Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit are: wisdom, understanding, knowledge, counsel, fortitude, piety, and fear of the Lord. "The Holy Spirit is your spiritual GPS. He will tell you where you are and where you are going." "My thoughts belong to the Holy Spirit. They are not mine. St. Paul assures us that without the Spirit of Love, we cannot call God our Father." --- Saint Thérèse of Lisieux.

An American Tragedy: Uvalde, Texas: Pope Francis' Message: Saying his heart was broken at the news of at least 19 children and two adults being shot and killed at a Texas elementary school, Pope Francis said it was time to say "Enough!" and enact stricter laws on gun sales. At the end of his weekly general audience May 25, with thousands of people gathered in St. Peter's Square, the pope prayed publicly for the victims of the shooting the day before at Robb Elementary School in Uvalde, Texas. "With a heart shattered over the massacre at the elementary school in Texas, I pray for the children and adults who were killed and for their families," the pope told the crowd. "It is time to say, 'Enough!' to the indiscriminate trafficking of guns," the pope said. "Let's all work to ensure that such tragedies never happen again." Shortly before the audience, Archbishop Gustavo García-Siller of San Antonio, an archdiocese that includes Uvalde, tweeted: "Holy Father Pope Francis, say some prayers for the souls of our little ones killed today and two teachers. Uvalde is in mourning. The families are having a very dark time. Your prayer will do good to them." (Catholic News Service)

My Double Digit Birthday---I'll be 66 this June 11: I was 33 years old when I was ordained a priest (August 19, 1989) in my hometown in India where I had been born and baptized, received my Communion and Confirmation and my Catholic elementary education. Now I have added 33 more years as priest. It is an honor and privilege to serve God, the Church, and our own St. Elizabeth Church. Please keep me in your prayers---and I count on your continued support for what we together are called to do in and through our parish community.

For Your Families and Friends in Need of Sacraments: Baptisms, Confessions, Anointing of the Sick, Weddings, Funerals, Quinceañeras, please contact the parish office or talk to me. I'm ready and happy to serve you by meeting your needs and situations in a creative and flexible way. Do not hesitate to ask for help. I'll try to make the process as easy and accessible as possible. I think it is important to go out of my way to help, especially after these two years of Covid restrictions.

Short Jokes: 1. A: "Hey, man! Please call me a taxi." B: "Yes, sir. You are a taxi." 2. Student: "Would you punish me for something I didn't do?" Teacher: "Of course not." Student: "Good, because I haven't done my homework." 3. A: "Why are you crying?" B: "The elephant is dead." A: "Was he your pet?" B: "No, but I'm the one who must dig his grave." 4: Principal: "I've had complaints about you, Johnny, from all your teachers. What have you been doing?" Johnny: "Nothing, sir." Principal: "Exactly." 5. Little Johnny: "Teacher, can I go to the bathroom?" Teacher: "Little Johnny, MAY I go to the bathroom?" Little Johnny: "But I asked first!"

Wishing you all the power and presence of the Holy Spirit in concrete and intimate ways in your lives,

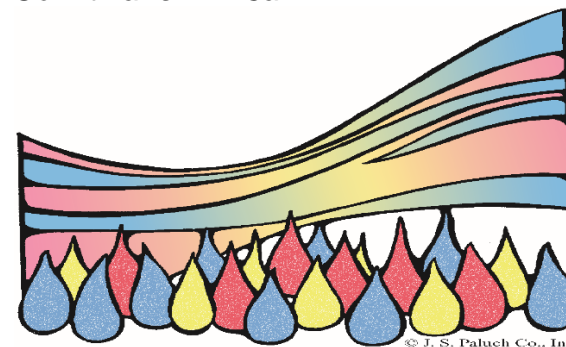
Your Friend and Pastor,
Father Charles Puthota

Pentecost Sunday

June 5, 2022

In one Spirit we were all baptized into one body.

— 1 Corinthians 12:13a



THE SPIRIT'S ACTIVE POWER

The mystery of the Trinity refers to one God in three persons. We frequently acknowledge Jesus as "the second person of the Trinity," but referring also to the Spirit as a "person" comes less naturally. In religious art, the Holy Spirit often appears as a dove or, as in today's reading from the Acts of the Apostles, tongues of fire. Much rarer are images of the Spirit as a "person" in recognizable human form. Today's readings do not settle the issue of how to picture the Spirit, but they certainly give shape to the Spirit's active power in the world and in each human heart. In Acts, the Spirit enables people to speak and understand a variety of languages. Paul's letter to the Corinthians praises the Spirit for all kinds of spiritual gifts, services, and "workings." Finally, in John's Gospel, Jesus calls the Spirit our Advocate and our divine teacher.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Filled with the Holy Spirit, the apostles begin to speak in tongues (Acts 2:1-11).

Psalm — Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth (Psalm 104).

Second Reading — In one Spirit we are baptized into one body and given to drink of one Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13) or Romans 8:8-17.

Gospel — Jesus Christ appears to the disciples and sends them on their mission with the power to forgive or retain sins through the Holy Spirit (John 20:19-23) or

John 14:15-16, 23b-26.

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday 8:30 am	June 6 †Timoteo D. Nacor Sr. Liliana Henderson (L)
Tuesday 8:30 am	June 7 † Adolph Vannucchi † Manuel Martinez
Wednesday 8:30 am	June 8 Bryan Spiteri (L) † Vittorio Rossi
Thursday 8:30 am	June 9 † Tessie & †Joseph & †Saviour Schembri † Mario Busalacchi
Friday 8:30 am	June 10 Sisters of the Good Shepherd † Liliana Skorpanic
Saturday 8:30 am	June 11 Jessica Gotauco (L) † Marites Cerezo † Victor DaSilva † Chloe Dawn
Sunday 9:30 am	June 12 People of the Parish † Ronald Vannucchi † Maria Caraffi

†Denotes deceased – (L) Living

**Saturday/Sunday Collection
May 28 & 29, 2022**

Weekly Need:	\$ 5,000.00
First Collection	\$ 2,290.00
Over/Under	\$ 2,710.00
Catholic Communications Campaign	\$ 396.00

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.

First Saturday Mass

At the Holy Cross Cemetery, Colma

In All Saints Chapel

June 04, 2022

11:00 a.m.

Celebrant: Father Charles Puthota

Everyone Most Welcome to Join to pray for the
Dear Departed Souls Eternal Rest Grant Unto
Them, O Lord....

Mass Intentions

Mass Intentions are still available for the 2022 year. Most dates in July, August, September, October, November, and December re open.

2023 Mass Intentions Now 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 a 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

Thank you.

Pray for our Dear Departed

Mario Busalachi

Blanca Cerri

Agustin and Margarita Guardado

"Eternal Rest Grant unto Them, O Lord"



FAITH FORMATION

Faith Formation Registration for 2022-2023 is now open. Registration forms are available in the parish office or by contacting the Faith Formation Coordinator, Laurrie Digneo @ 415-672-4903.

Faith Formation Teachers are needed! If you are interested, please contact Laurrie Digneo.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

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

OTHER SACRAMENTS

For Weddings, Quinceañeras, Anointing of the Sick, or Funerals.
Please contact the parish office.

Faith Formation in need of catechist teachers

The Faith Formation Program is looking for teachers to teach religion during the 2022-2023 school year. Classes start on September 10, 2022 through May 21 ,2023, from 9:am -11:am. If you have a understanding of the Catholic faith and love working with children, call,Laurrie Digneo (415) 672-4903 or sophielady7@aol.com. Hope to hear from you soon.

Faith Formation

Enroll your child for the 2022-2023 Faith Formation school year!

Classes are held on Saturdays from 9:00 am - 11:00 am in Cantwell Hall.

Children will learn about the Catholic religion, and be prepared to obtain the sacraments of Reconciliation, Communion and Confirmation. Lessons are not only informative and educational, but also fun and interesting for children. The experience will give children an understanding of the Catholic religion which will make them better Catholics in their adult life.

Registration forms are available in the Parish Office. Forms can also be obtained by calling Laurrie Digneo (415) 672-4903 or sophielady7@aol.com. Forms can also be picked up St Elizabeth Church after mass at the back of the church or online at www.stelizabethsf.org. Registration fees are \$45.00 per student per year. See you in class!