

ST. ELIZABETH CHURCH

Established 1912 / Present Church dedicated 1962

Mailing Address: 449 Holyoke Street, S.F. CA 94134

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)

June 19, 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)

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Monday through Thursday
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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 19, 2022**

Dear Parishioners of St. Elizabeth,

Corpus Christi: This Sunday is the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ. Keep in mind, it's not called the Feast of the Soul of Christ or the Spirit of Christ. It's the body and blood of Christ. It's the feast of the flesh and blood of Christ. We are connected with the flesh and blood of Christ. That's how close we are to him. In the Eucharist, he enters our flesh and blood, and we enter his flesh and blood. We---Jesus and us---become inseparable. As Paul says, "It's no longer I who live but Christ who lives in me." When we share the Eucharist, we become intimate with Christ and with one another. When we become one with others in the Eucharist, the implications for what we can do for one another are crystal clear. We'll love, respect, and care for one another. We'll rearrange our relationships; we'll ensure that no one goes without food, clothing, shelter, justice, dignity, peace, and prosperity, not just in our neighborhood, but all over the world.

Jesus is the bread of life. Even as bread is essential for the survival of body, Jesus is essential for our life. Jesus is the Bread for the world as well. When the world shares in the body and blood of Christ, we'll strive to remove hunger and poverty from the world. We can do that by sharing our blessings with others. As Julius Nyerere, the late President of Tanzania and an ardent Catholic, said: "It's not that we do not have enough for everyone; it's that we do not have people who share." Ultimately, as Jesus shares his own life with others in the Eucharist, we are called to share our lives, all that we are and do, with others. Eucharist is also Thanksgiving; it's the memory of Jesus; it's the source of eternal life; it's the sign of the unity of the human family; it's what transforms us into the body of Christ, the community of believers. If the Eucharist is all this multi-dimensional reality and mystery, with what kind of reverence and anticipation should we be approaching it, knowing that in the Eucharist there's the assurance of our being united inseparably with Christ and with all others, with the assurance that we are all destined for a life of fulfillment here and life everlasting?

Father's Day: To all the fathers, Happy Father's Day! For some of us, our fathers are with us and what a blessing it is for us to love and cherish them --- and take care of them! For some others, our fathers are gone to their eternal reward. My father Isaac returned to God at the end of December in 2017. I'm still grieving, and I know you who have lost your fathers, no matter how long ago, still grieve and miss them. We celebrate our fathers and shall always

keep their sacred memory, whether they are with us now or gone to God. In our fathers, we cannot but see God Himself. Isn't it beautiful that God himself is our Father? Jesus called God his Abba (Father) and taught us to pray to "our Father" and relate to Him as His children. Our Father loves us with an everlasting love and unconditionally. He makes the rain fall on the good and the bad and lets the sun shine on the good and the bad. Such is his abiding and awesome love. Because we are all the children of the one Father, we become intimately connected with one another as sisters and brothers. How could we then not take care of one another in our need? How could we let anyone in this human family be deprived of basic needs and necessities?

A Father's Day Prayer: God, our Father, Bless these men, that they may find strength as fathers. Let the example of their faith and love shine forth. Grant that we, their sons and daughters, may honor them always with a spirit of profound respect. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Parish Consultors Meeting (PCM): on Friday June 10, I had called a meeting of representatives from various ministries and organizations of our parish to share experiences and help evaluate our parish life. There were 30 people present. We sang hymns, representatives from each group shared their experiences in their particular ministry, and I as pastor, from my vantage point, shared about the various parish aspects, both spiritual and temporal, including the maintenance and upkeep of our buildings and facilities. There was a great spirit of goodwill, gratitude, and joy in the group. We ended the meeting with a meal that everyone seemed to enjoy. The delicious food was catered by Ulisses Catering.

Faith Formation Program: Please do register as early as possible for 2022-23 year. Laurrie Digneo, our new coordinator of Faith Formation, spoke at both Masses last weekend, inviting families to enroll their children and grandchildren. We would very much like to grow the numbers of our students. Please help by persuading your own families to become part of our Faith Formation program. We are eager to prepare them for the First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion, and Confirmation, and help orient them for a life of faith and service according to the mind and heart of Christ.

Humor: God Sending an E-mail: One day God looked at the earth and saw all kinds of terrible and evil things going on. A couple of his angels came back from the earth to report to God, "Lord, 95% of the people do not obey your will, and only 5% do." So God decided to send an e-mail to the 5% who were good to thank and encourage them. Do you know what that e-mail said?... Oh, you didn't get that e-mail either?

Your Friend & Pastor,
Father Charles Puthota

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ June 19, 2022

As often as you eat this bread
and drink the cup,
you proclaim the death of the Lord
until he comes.
— 1 Corinthians 11:26



THE GIFT OF THE EUCHARIST

Today we hear how Abram encounters Melchizedek, "king of Salem . . . and a priest of God Most High" (Genesis 14:18). Melchizedek appears nowhere else in scripture, but is nonetheless significant. Psalm 110 declares of the great King David, "You are a priest forever, in the line of Melchizedek," a description later given (in the letter to the Hebrews) to Christ as High Priest.

Early Christians saw in Melchizedek's bread and wine the bread and wine of the Eucharist; Paul's account of the Last Supper (in today's second reading) is the oldest one in scripture. In the Gospel, Luke describes Jesus providing bread for a crowd in words similar to Paul's, words still used by the Church: Jesus takes bread, gives thanks, breaks it. Together, these three readings reveal how Christian priesthood, Christ's Real Presence, and the call to serve those in need are all found in the gift of the Eucharist.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Melchizedek brought out bread and wine and blessed Abram (Genesis 14:18-20).

Psalm — You are a priest forever, in the line of Melchizedek (Psalm 110).

Second Reading — Paul gives his description of the institution of the Eucharist (1 Corinthians 11:23-26).

Gospel — Jesus feeds the crowd with five loaves and two fish (Luke 9:11b-17).

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MASS INTENTIONS

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

9:30 am

June 20

† Maria Caraffi
† Arturo Bura
† Marietta B. Nacor

June 21

† Carmen and † Joseph Spiteri
† Tessy Lencioni
Father Charles Puthota (L)

June 22

† Pepito O. Camba
† Dean Dinelli

June 23

† Constancio Sanchez Jr.
† Chene Sanchez

June 24

† Theresita Amorado
† Eduardo Amorado Jr.

June 25

† Joseph Charles Muscal
† Blanca Cerri
† Joe Sapiano
† Rosy Hernandez

June 26

People of the Parish
† Tony and † Josie Sorich
† Joseph Micallef
Maltese Society
Italian Catholic Federation

† Denotes deceased – (L) Living

Saturday/Sunday Collection

June 11 and 12, 2022

Weekly Need:	\$ 5,000.00
First Collection	\$ 1,760.00
Parish Maintenance	\$ 402.00
Over/Under	\$ 2,838.00

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.

Mass Intentions

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

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

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, and 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, on Saturdays. If you have an understanding of the Catholic faith and love of working with children, call Laurrie Digneo (415) 672-4903 or email sophielady7@aol.com.

Registration

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 receive 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 faith which will make them better Catholics in their adult life.

Registration forms are available in the Parish Office. Forms are also available 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.



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