ST. PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH
Parroquia de San Pablo
www.stpaulsf.org -or- find us on FACEBOOK

Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:30 pm Vigil Mass
Sunday ~ in English 8:00 am, 9:15 am, 11:00 am, & 5:00 pm
Sunday ~ en Español 12:15 pm
Coffee & Donuts, in the Parish Center, following 9:15 Mass

Children's Liturgy of the Word
Celebrated at 9:15 am Family Mass
all children age Kindergarten to Fourth grade welcome, no registration required

Holy Day of Obligation 8:30 am -or- 6:00 pm

Daily Mass and Devotions
Monday ~ Saturday, 8:30 am in the Chapel
Rosary in English ~ daily after 8:30 am Mass
Our Lady of Perpetual Help ~ Tuesday after 8:30 am Mass

The Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday 3:30 - 4:15 pm -or- by appointment

BAPTISM PREPARATION ~ first Wednesday of each month 7:00 pm
RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA) ~ September to May, please call the Rectory for information
MARRIAGE PREPARATION ~ contact Rev. Mario Farana at least six (6) months prior to your desired ceremony date

PARISH RECTORY and OFFICES
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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE & BULLETIN EDITOR Joan Strachan
RCIA PROGRAM Terri Brady and Deacon Bill McLoughlin
PARISH STAFF Jamie Tracy, Jill Alcantar, and Annette Schubert

MUSIC MINISTRY, Joseph Duggan, Director
Saturday Vigil ~ Joseph Duggan, David Simi
Sunday ~ Diane Costa, Joseph Duggan, and Margaret Ann Kem
Guillermo Morales en Español

LITTLEST ANGEL PREPARATORY PRESCHOOL
follow the yellow-brick road
Mrs. Peg Lazzarini-Kayser, Director
415.824.5437 -or- littlestangelpreschool@gmail.com
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Rev. Mario P. Farana, Pastor
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Deacon Bill McLoughlin
Rev. Raymund Reyes, In Residence
Rev. Joe Bradley, In Residence

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
Dorothy Vigna, Director
School of Religion ( CCD)
Saturdays 9:30 am - 11:00 am, September through May
Confirmation Preparation for Teenagers
Tuesdays 7:00 pm, September through May

ST. PAUL’S ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
Kindergarten through 8th Grade
Mrs. Katie Kiss, Principal
415.648.2055 -or- kkiss@stpaulsf.net
www.stpaulschoolsfa.org
Calendar of the Week

Monday: February 26th.
Tuesday: February 27th.
   Lenten Spiritual Journey 9:30am Rectory
   RCIA 7pm
   Confirmation Class 7:30pm

Wednesday: February 28th.
Thursday: March 1st.
   Stations of the Cross / Soup Supper 6pm
   Lenten Spiritual Journey 7:00pm Rectory
   Stations of the Cross Spanish 6:30pm in the Chapel

Friday: March 2nd.
Saturday: March 3rd.
   CCD class from 9:30 am to 11:00am
Sunday: March 4th.
   Donuts and Coffee following the 9:15am Mass

ST. PAUL’S THANKSGIVING RESPONSE TO GOD THIS PAST WEEK
Weekly Collection February 18, 2018 $  
E-Contributions January 2018 $ 6,250.03

Community Outreach – Lenten Gifts
   Our weekly Lenten Gift for next weekend March 3rd & 4th will be the collection of Brown Bag Lunches.

Next Weekend March 3rd/4th, there will be a Second Collection for the Preservation Fund. This collection helps in Preserving our beautiful Church. As always, your generosity, prayers and support are always appreciated

The 2018 St. Paul’s Blood Drive dates are: March 11th, June 24th and November 4th. You can sign up ahead of time for our Blood Drive by going on line to www.bloodheroes.com and clicking on St. Paul’s. Or call Jill Alcantar at (415)586-8911 to schedule an appointment.

Please note Mass time changes for Sunday Masses on Palm Sunday Mass times will be
   8am, 9:30am, 11:15am, 12:30pm and 5:00pm
And Easter Sunday.
   Mass times will be 8am, 9:30am, 11:15am, 12:30pm

Please pray for those in our book of the sick and especially for the following:
Hope Eisenberg, Michael Lazarini, Debbie Ferranti, Avo Heegard, Yvonne Pastor,
Toni Solano, Olive Jean Yannes, Buzzy Kirkham, Wayne Schaffnit Levi Langevin

For those who have died: Gregory Muniz, Maria Vela, Dominic Guilani, Carolyn Pollen
THE OBEDIENCE OF ABRAHAM AND JESUS

God tested Abraham by asking not for an ordinary sacrifice, which would have been a partial burning with the meat divided between God and the people and eaten by those who sacrificed, but for a holocaust, a total burning of the sacrificial animal. This type of sacrifice consecrated the entire offering to God alone. This is what God was asking of Abraham in offering his only son, Isaac. When Abraham demonstrated his obedience, that was enough. This story from today’s scriptures foretells the completion of the blood sacrifices of the old covenant in the new covenant: the blood of God’s own Son, offered to us on the cross and in the Eucharist. Abraham’s obedience foreshadows the obedience of Jesus to God’s promise of salvation. The obedience of Abraham is rewarded in the birth to him, through Isaac, of many nations. The obedience of Jesus is rewarded in the salvation of all people for all time.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The second Sunday of Lent every year recalls the Transfiguration of the Lord. Since the fourth century, Mount Tabor has been the focus of devotion to this event. As mountains go, it is not particularly lofty, rising about fifteen hundred feet, within view of the Sea of Galilee and very close to Nazareth. Scripture doesn’t identify the mountain, but in the year 348 Saint Cyril of Jerusalem said he preferred Mount Tabor to Mount Hermon as the site of the Transfiguration, and his opinion won. It has long been a strategic military site, and ancient fortresses are visible on the heights. Over the centuries, churches and fortified monasteries rose on the mountaintop, only to be destroyed by various invaders. Six hundred years ago, local Christians started to decorate the ruins with flags and banners on the Feast of the Transfiguration. In 1831, the Sultan granted permission to the Franciscans to live on Mount Tabor, and they have been there ever since, discovering the ruins of an old Crusader church and constructing the present church on the site in 1924.

The top of the mountain is divided into Greek Orthodox and Latin (that’s us) zones. At one time, tourists arrived on the summit by bus, but this is no longer permitted. Some ride bicycles up a challenging and winding path, while others take the four thousand three hundred steps constructed for Christian pilgrims in the fourth century. It’s hard to imagine the fishermen following Jesus up this craggy mountain without complaint. Visitors will sympathize with Peter’s plan to construct booths and stay put with Jesus, Moses, and Elijah for a while, enjoying the view, and planning the trip back down.

February 25th Second Sunday of Lent
For our culture: May we listen to God and follow His call to cherish every person’s life;
We pray to the Lord:

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Lk 6:36-38
Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23;
        Mt 23:1-12
Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28
Thursday: Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31
Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21;
        Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12;
        Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
Sunday: Ex 20:1-17 [1-3, 7-8, 12-17]; Ps 19:8-11;
        1 Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25
Alternate readings (Year A): Ex 17:3-7;
        Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 6:1-2, 5-8;
        Jn 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]
LA OBEDIENCIA DE ABRAHAM Y JESÚS

Dios puso a prueba a Abraham pidiéndole no un sacrificio ordinario, el cual requeriría que se quemara parcialmente la carne y se dividiera entre Dios y el pueblo y fuera consumido por los que hacían el sacrificio, sino que le pidió un holocausto, la quema completa del animal expiatorio. Este tipo de sacrificio consagraba la ofrenda solo a Dios. Esto es lo que Dios le pedía a Abraham en su ofrenda de su único hijo, Isaac. Cuando Abraham demostró su obediencia, fue suficiente. El relato de la Sagrada Escritura de hoy predice la finalización de los sacrificios de sangre de la vieja alianza en la nueva alianza: la sangre del Hijo de Dios, la cual se nos ofrece en la cruz y en la Eucaristía. La obediencia de Abraham prefigura la obediencia de Jesús a la promesa de salvación de Dios. La recompensa de la obediencia de Abraham yace en el nacimiento, por medio de Isaac, de muchas naciones. La recompensa de la obediencia de Jesús yace en la salvación de todas las personas por los siglos de los siglos.

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Dn 9:4b-10; Sal 79 (78):8, 9, 11, 13; Lc 6:36-38
Martes: Is 1:10, 16-20; Sal 50 (49):8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 23:1-12
Miércoles: Jer 18:18-20; Sal 31 (30):5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28
Jueves: Jer 15:5-10; Sal 1:1-4, 6; Lc 16:19-31
Viernes: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Sal 105 (104):16-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Sábado: Mt 7:14-15, 18-20; Sal 103 (102):1-4, 9-12; Lc 15:1-3, 11-32
Domingo: Ex 20:1-17 [1-3, 7-8, 12-17]; Sal 19 (18):8-11; 1 Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25
Lecturas alternativas (Año A): Ex 17:3-7; Sal 95 (94):1-2, 6-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]

TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

Regresando a los tres pilares de la conversión, el ayuno es mucho más que el simple hecho de no comer, es aprender a negarme a mí mismo para que ya no sea yo quien vivo, sino Cristo que vive en mí. Es el negarme de ciertas cosas para dar vida a los demás.

El ayudar es poner en práctica la caridad y la justicia social. Es buscar el cargar con nuestra propia cruz y ayudar a los demás con la de ellos. En otras palabras, es practicar la misma bondad de Dios quien hace lluir sobre los buenos y los malos, es amar sin distinción de personas.

Contemporáneamente, el orar es entrar en conversación con Dios, es recogerse para entrar en la presencia de Dios, con todo lo que uno es y todo lo que uno tiene, poniendo todo en las manos misericordiosas del Padre que nos ama.

Esta Cuaresma procuremos hacer lo que debemos hacer todo el año: ayunar, ayudar y orar. Es difícil, pero no nos desanimemos porque el Espíritu Santo viene a nuestro alcance porque donde somos más débiles, Cristo es nuestra fuerza.

25 de febrero Segundo Domingo de Cuaresma
Por nuestra cultura: para que escuchemos a Dios y sigamos su llamado de atesorar la vida de todas las personas; rogúemos al Señor:
Estaciones de La Cruz en Inglés, los días Miercoles, comienza Febrero 21 a Marzo 21, después de la Misa de 8:30 en la Capilla. Estaciones de la Cruz en Inglés, a las 6:00 p.m. seguido de un plato de sopa en la Rectoría.

Estaciones de la Cruz en Español, Jueves 22 de Febrero a las 6:30 en la Capilla de la Parroquia, termina el 22 de Marzo.

Continuando con las donaciones de Cuaresma, el próximo Domingo 11 de Marzo, traremos calcetines para hombres, ropa interior, T. shirts de color, que recogen las Hijas de la Caridad, situadas en el centro de San Fco y sirven mas o menos 70 personas.

Esta Cuaresma San Pablo desea que Ud. desde lo mas profundo de su corazón done sangre. La primera donación del año será el 11 de Marzo del 2018 de 8.00 a.m. a 12.00 del mediodía. Para mayor información llamar a Jill Alcantar a la Rectoría Lunes o Martes

Se renta una habitación 220 Macdonal Avenue Daly City, Ca Teléfono 415-812 5783

CUMPLEANÍEROS DEL CLUB LATINO DEL MES DE FEBRERO
Juana Flores, Patricia Chaplin, Marcel Gastenaga, Maria Ines Rodriguez, Marcos Antonio Guido, Cecilia Sandoval, Ana E. Trejo, Carmen Santisteban.

ANIVERSARIO MATRIMONIAL
Stephen y Patricia Chaplin, Jaime Morales, y Maria Cecilia Villalobos.

Sacramento del Bautismo: Bautismos y clases son realizados por citas solamente Las clases son el primer Miercoles de cada mes en la Rectoría a las 7:00 p.m. Los Bautizos son los Domingos a la 1:30

R.C.I.A. Rito Católico Cristiano de Iniciación para Adultos, es un proceso por el cual adultos se preparan para entrar en nuestra comunidad de fe, a través del Bautismo, Eucaristía y Confirmación. Las Clases son los Martes de 7:00 a 9:00 p.m en la Rectoría. Para información llamar a Terri Brady o Bill McLoughlin

Sacramento del Matrimonio: Arreglos deben hacerse con el padre o diácono, al menos con seis meses de anticipación. Para mayor información llamar a la Rectoría 415-648-7538

Sacramento de Confirmación: Todos los estudiantes de Escuela Secundaria que no hayan sido Confirmados están invitados a participar en éste programa Sacramental de la parroquia. Es un largo programa de un año, clases comienzan a fines del mes de Septiembre y concluyen a finales de Mayo del año siguiente, con la Confirmación en Junio. Para mayor información llamar a Dorothy Vigna a la Rectoría 415-648-7538.
LENT – EASTER 2018

Coming Events:
Stations of the Cross and Soup Supper during Lent.
Stations of the Cross Wednesdays following the 8:30am Mass in the Chapel
Stations of the Cross on Wednesdays at 6pm in the church followed by soup supper in the Rectory
Wednesday’s February 21st. through March 21st.
Stations of the Cross in Spanish will be held on Thursday’s @ 6:30pm in the Chapel under the
Church February 22nd through March 22nd.
Church Decorating for Easter March 31, 2018, 10:15am Lunch will be provided

HOLY WEEK / EASTER SCHEDULE

March 29, 2018  HOLY THURSDAY  Mass of the Last Supper: 6:30 p.m.
March 30, 2018  GOOD FRIDAY  Confessions: 11:00 a.m.—12 noon
                         Good Friday Services: 12:00 noon – 3:00 p.m.
                         Confessions: 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
March 31, 2018  HOLY SATURDAY  Confessions: 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.
                        Easter Vigil Mass: 7:30 p.m.
APRIL 1, 2018  EASTER SUNDAY  Mass: 8:00a.m., 9:30a.m. 11:15: am (Spanish)
                        12:30p.m.
                        NO 5:00 p.m. Mass

ST. IGNATIUS PARISH LENTEN ACTION TO HELP STOP HUMAN TRAFFICKING IN SAN FRANCISCO

You are invited to participate in an interfaith action to insure that hotels and motels are informed about the
public notice posting requirements required by Senate Bill 1193. The mandated posters contain information
to help individuals who have been trafficked to obtain assistance. St. Ignatius’ partners in this action are
Northern California Catholic Sisters against Human Trafficking and the Jewish Coalition to End Human Trafficking.
Please note that attendance at the training session is required.

Training will be offered on March 4. St. Ignatius Action will be on March 24.

Required Training: March 4, 1-2:30 pm at Xavier Hall

Description: As an interfaith action to raise awareness and work collaboratively towards ending human trafficking,
we are calling upon members of our respective communities to come together for a 2-week outreach campaign
between March 24 and April 7 associated with the observance of Lent/Easter and Passover. We will be focusing our
efforts around insuring that hotels are informed about the SB 1193 public notice posting requirements, have posters
and display the posters in these businesses’ premises.
On March 4 volunteers will gather to launch the outreach campaign with a training provided by members of the San
Francisco Collaboration Against Human Trafficking.

Please register for the training at:

https://sb1193volunteertraining.eventbrite.com

St. Ignatius’ Lenten Action: March 24, gather at 10 a.m. in St. Ignatius Church
CHURCH CLEAN-UP AND DECORATING

SATURDAY March 31, 2018
10:15 AM – 2PM

We need help with cleaning and decorating the Church for our Easter Services.

We need help with dusting, vacuuming, cleaning and decorating. Lunch will be provided for the workers.

Any help would be appreciated.
Calla Lilies/Plants Needed

We need Calla Lilies and Plants to decorate the Church for Holy Week / Easter Services

We need Calla Lilies for our **Holy Thursday Service**. Please bring your donations Tuesday or Wednesday, March 27th / 28th. 2018

![Calla Lilies](shutterstock_140347492)

We also need Easter Lilies and Potted Spring flowers and Easter Lilies for our Easter Services. Please bring your donations to the Church by Saturday March 31, 2018

![Easter Lilies](flower-pattern)
The Men of St. Paul's invite you to come enjoy

St. Paul's Annual St. Patrick's Dinner

Corned Beef, Cabbage, Soda Bread, live music, dancing, fun!

Saturday, Mar 10, 2018
St. Paul's Parish Center
Doors Open at 5:00
Dinner at 7:00

Adults: $25, Seniors: $20
Children (under 13): $10

Tickets are available at the Rectory, in the School Office, or after 9:15 Mass.

A limited number of hot dogs will be available for children who don't eat corned beef.
Lenten Action for Dreamers:
Congressional Call-In Campaign

Please participate in the Call-in Day to Congress on Monday, February 26, 2018! Your advocacy is critical to help the nearly 1.8 million Dreamers, young people who were brought into the United States by their parents as children. They may face deportation as soon as March 6, unless Congress reaches a bi-partisan deal to protect them. Please follow these easy steps to help:

1. Please call 855-589-5698 to reach the Capitol switchboard, and press 1 to connect to your Senators. Once you are connected to each Senator’s office, please ask the person on the phone to deliver this simple message:

“"I urge you to support a bipartisan, common-sense, and humane solution for Dreamers:

- Protect Dreamers from deportation and provide them with a path to citizenship.
- Reject proposals that undermine family immigration or protections for unaccompanied children.
- As a Catholic, I know that families are not “chains,” but a blessing to be protected.
- Act now to protect Dreamers, our immigrant brothers and sisters.""

2. Please call 855-589-5698 a second time to reach the Capitol switchboard again, and press 2 to connect to your Representative. Once you are connected to the Representative’s office, please ask the person on the phone to deliver the same message as above.

After completing your call, please go to http://www.justiceforimmigrants.org to learn more about Dreamers and find other ways to voice your support.