PARISH MISSION STATEMENT
Holy Name of Jesus Parish in San Francisco is a welcoming multicultural and liturgical community that celebrates our Christian Faith. In the spirit of the “Joy of the Gospel” we work together promoting Catholic values and teachings. Our parish encourages a strong devotion to our Blessed Mother Mary, who gives us an example of faithful discipleship and a generous stewardship way of life.
Today’s Readings
First Reading — The barren deserts will rejoice and flower. Tired bodies will receive strength. Aching hearts will be made glad (Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10).
Psalm — Lord, come and save us (Psalm 146).
Second Reading — Be patient, for the coming of the Lord is as sure as the rain (James 5:7-10).
Gospel — Tell of what you hear and see: The blind regain their vision, the crippled their movement, the deaf their hearing (Matthew 11:2-11).

Readings for the Week

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<th>Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Jdt 13:18bcdc; 19; Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47, or any readings from the Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary, nos. 707-712</th>
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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES
Sunday: Third Sunday of Advent
Monday: Our Lady of Guadalupe
Tuesday: St. Lucy
Wednesday: St. John of the Cross
Friday: Las Posadas begins

Salve Regina Musicale
Celebrate the Joy of Christmas!
Holy Name of Jesus Marian Shrine will be having it’s first annual Choral Competition featuring 7-Local Church Choirs from the Archdiocese of San Francisco and the Bay Area.
Our theme is "Pasko sa Bahay ni Maria"
Christmas at the Marian Shrine.
December 11, 2016 2:00 PM
Tickets $10.00 per person
Sold after each Mass

TO MEMBERS OF THE FIL-AM CLUB:
This is a reminder that the Fil-Am Club will have its annual Christmas party, on Friday, December 16, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. in the Flanagan Center. The cost is $10 per person. Hope to see you then!

Julie Lozano, President

Mass Intentions

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We pray for the Sick…that they may experience God’s Love and Healing.
Tom Abdella, Evangeline Agbunag, Nick Aguila, Rosa Maria Alonso, Laura Andrade, Gina Arenas, Eunice Ausman, Julianne Beach, Joan Boike, Dalmacio Briones, Jr., Monica Briones, Pauline Boffi, Janet Cariganai, Remedios Cuchapin, Joseph Chu, Ron de la Cruz, Isabel Dominguez, Gloria Etchelet, Mr. & Mrs. Rodolfo Ezequiel, Lourdes Gatchalian, Connor Gavney, Genoveva Guevarra, Theresa Ick, Kathy Ignacio, Max Kirkham, Jim Kreps, Steven Lee, Clara Lee, Amelia Lippi, Leny Lopez, Flory Magat, George Maloof, Amy McNally, Bill MealeyMary Medina, Ann Murphy, Jeffrey Ng, Inge Nordstrom, Neil O’Sullivan, Manuel Pacheco, Josefina Palarca, Mary Palmer, Marybeth Palmer, Maryanne Piwowar, Patricia Quinn, Soledad Rico, Maria Salas, Michael Joseph Suntar, Maureen Sweeney, Dodie Teague, Victorianna Tolentino, Lauretta Venenciano

We pray for those who have Died…that they may be granted a home in heaven.
Mary Rielly, Alex Franz Gcashan, Mary O’Connor Cremin, Daniel Hsu

Coffee & Donuts Schedule
Dec 11 Holy Name School
Dec 18 Fil-Am Club
Jan 8 Religious Education
Jan 15 Lay Canossians

2016 Annual Appeal Update
Thank you to all who have donated to the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal. To date we have reached 96% of our goal of $60,000. For the 1% club members or those of you who have donated $600 and over, please save the date of FEBRUARY 25, 2017 for the dinner.
A MESSAGE FROM FATHER ARNOLD

Good Christians are good in Math. They add Christ in their lives, subtract sin, and multiply with love and compassion. Good Christians, rejoice!

FAZtor's Notes

By Fr. Arnold Zamora

There are a lot of things happening this Saturday. In the morning, we have First Reconciliation for the Second Graders of our school and a few students from our Religious Education program. Then I have a baptism for the child of a couple I married not too long ago. In the afternoon, I have a wedding in the church and at the same time the Homebound Mass will be on in the Flanagan Center. Then after the 5PM mass we will have the illumination of Christmas lights outside the church.

The environment outside the church, (like the rectory and convent front yards, the One Body Statue) needs a makeover, especially after the drought. A kindhearted and generous parishioner has offered to fix the front yard of our rectory. We are just waiting for the availability of the gardener and landscaper. We thank this wonderful parishioner for responding to the needs of our church and its environment. Our trees also need trimming and we hope to accomplish this in the next few days.

This Sunday, our Blessed Virgin Mary Shrine group is sponsoring the first Salve Regina Choir Competition, to be held in the church at 2PM. There are at least six choirs from different parishes who will compete, and few choirs will simply participate in the afternoon’s musicale by singing some songs. We thank the BVM Shrine group for organizing this event. The proceeds of this ticketed and sponsored event will go towards the beautification of our St. Francis garden. This is another spot in our outside environment that needs improvement.

We’ve lost a few parishioners lately and our church had been busy with funerals: Louis Musante, 97, whose funeral was November 26th; Theresa Siragusa, 91, whose funeral was December 2 (exactly 48 years after her husband John’s funeral); Patricia Quinn, 92, funeral on Dec 6th and Will Shea, 93, memorial mass on December 7th. All of them were one time school parents, and very active parishioners. Will Shea lived in our parish for 76 years, coming as a young man, and after marrying Calista, raising 8 children. We offer our condolences to their families, and will keep them in our prayers.

An atheist once asked a little girl to say some special words every night before going to sleep. He wrote them down so she could not forget: “God is nowhere.” The child studied the writing and spelled out the letters: G-o-d God i-s is no-w-now he-re here. She said, “That’s forget: “God is nowhere.” The child studied the writing and spelled out the letters: G-o-d God i-s is no-w-now he-re here. She said, “That’s easy! I’ll start my prayers by saying: “God is now here.”

When you receive the sacrament of Reconciliation, after receiving God’s forgiveness, you can certainly say “God is now here in my life.” Our dear departed can also say “God is now here with me!”

At Christmas we can all say “God is now here.”

2000 HAIL MARYS

Blessed Virgin Mary Marian Shrine group invite all to it’s Second Saturday 2000 Hail Mary’s held at the Marian Shrine from 9:00 AM -4:00 PM. Refreshments are provided. All are welcome.

Looking for the 2017 Longest Married Couple!  just email the couple’s names, wedding date and city they live in along with your contact information to wwmelmc2017@gmail.com, or you can go to the Worldwide Marriage Encounter website at wwwмелmc.com for more information.

FAITH FORMATION * CATECHESIS * PASTORAL OUTREACH *

Director: Sr. Cristina Ovejera, FdCC
Crisfdcc2016@yahoo.com
(415) 664-8590

Advent Giving Trees  Our heartfelt gratitude to the parishioners who have donated gifts that were requested by clients of Pomeroy Center. We appreciate very much your generous response. Please return your gift with the tag this week, December 9/10. You may also drop it at the parish office, attention Sr. Cristina. Pomeroy Center staff will pick up all the gifts on Wednesday, December 13th. God bless you and your family, this Advent and Christmas seasons.

There are new gift tags in the Advent Giving Trees for parishioners who still want to donate gifts to be given for the needs and use of various ministries in our parish. Please return the gifts with the tag not later than Christmas Day, December 25th. Thank you for your generosity.

Feast of our Lady of Guadalupe Patroness of the Americas – December 12 is Day of Prayer in Solidarity with Migrants. We offer Mass and prayers in unity with millions of migrants who risk their lives every day to find a new home, to reunite with family, or are simply in search of economic opportunities to help them support their family who remain behind in their homeland. This special day of prayers is designated by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB). Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us. Nuestra Senora de Guadalupe, Ruega por nosotras.

Advent Retreat will be on Saturday, December 17th, at 9:30AM to 12:30PM, with a snack break in between. Sr. Cristina will guide the reflection on the Advent themes of Hope, Joy, Peace, Love. The venue will be the Pastoral Center chapel, . No retreat fee, but please RSVP to the parish office, so we will know how many hand-outs to print. Thank you.

Reflection: “When Juan Diego returned to the Bishop and opened his cloak, fresh roses fell to the ground and miraculously revealed an imprint of our Lady’s image. A church was built on the site, and Juan Diego lived out his days, nearby, helping others, praying and doing penance. At his canonization, Pope John Paul II called St. Juan Diego “a simple, humble Indian who accepted Christianity without giving up his identity as an Indian”.

Holy Name School Newsletter, December 6, 2016 PRINCIPAL’S LETTER

Dear Holy Name families, We hope that you are feeling the joy of the Christmas season! All of our classes began a daily Advent reflection last week which many teachers discussed in the classroom updates. Turn to page 3 to read an article about our Advent reflections that was written in the Catholic San Francisco Newspaper last week. We look forward also to our upcoming Christmas Concert on Tuesday, December 20th at 6PM. Please save the date! Thank you to all who have donated the toy bin and baby items for the Christ Child Layette.

Boys Basketball Reminder- Next Wednesday, December 14th, there will be no practices. All parents are asked to attend a Parent Athletics Night at 6:30PM in the school gym. Have a wonderful rest of your week and enjoy the week!

Thanks, Natalie Cirigliano, Principal
TODAY’S SECOND COLLECTION IS THE RETIREMENT FUND FOR THE RELIGIOUS

The senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priests and some 33,000 more across the nation—have offered their lives in service and prayer. They have educated the young, cared for the sick, and spoken for the oppressed. Many, continue to serve. Others need assistance.

Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious helps provide nursing care, medications, and other necessities. Please be generous.

NEXT SUNDAY, MEMBERS OF THE HOLY NAME LADIES AID SOCIETY WILL BE COLLECTING FOR THE NEEDY IN THE PARISH. YOUR GENEROSITY IS GREATLY APPRECIATED. BOXES WILL BE BY THE EXITS.

HOLY NAME WEEKLY CALENDAR

Week of December 11, 2016

Sunday, Dec 11, 2016
10 AM Religious Ed Pastoral Center
11 AM Choir Gathering Flanagan Center
12:30 PM Choir Competition Church
1 PM Youth Meeting Flanagan Center
2 PM Choir Competition Church
3 PM Choir Competition Church

Monday, Dec 12, 2016
10 AM Monday Exercise Group Flanagan Center
1 PM Sewing Group Pastoral Center
7:30 AM SVDP Meeting Pastoral Center

Tuesday, Dec 13, 2016
9:30 AM C/E Class Pastoral Center
10 AM Scripture Class Pastoral Center
3 PM HN School Dance Class Flanagan Center
7:30 PM Legion of Mary Pastoral Center

Wednesday, Dec 14, 2016
6 PM Voice Students’ Recital Pastoral Center
7:30 PM Chinese Bible Study Flanagan Center

Thursday, Dec 15 2016 Immaculate Conception
6 PM Voice Students’ Recital Pastoral Center
7:30 PM Chinese Bible Study Flanagan Center

Friday, Dec 16, 2016
5:30 AM Misa de Gallo Flanagan Center
6:30 PM Fil-Am Club Meeting Flanagan Center

Saturday, Dec 17, 2016
5:30 AM Misa de Gallo Flanagan Center
9:30 AM Parish Advent Recollection Chapel
11 AM 3rd Grade Potluck Flanagan Center
1 PM Chinese RCIA Pastoral Center
2 PM Chinese Social Flanagan Center
3 PM Chinese Mass Church

A SEASON OF HOPE

Today we can bask in the imagery that the Mass readings offer us. In particular, Isaiah’s vision of a parched land that blooms with abundant flowers holds a message for each of us. Too often we are just like that parched land. We can allow ourselves to become absorbed in the waves of consumerism that grip so many. We look for fulfillment in the things that money can buy. Unfortunately, this leaves us like parched land, thirsting for something that money can’t buy. This holy season has much to offer to quench our thirsts. In a word, this season offers hope. We are told that those who are ransomed by God will know joy and gladness.

For them, sorrow and mourning will be no more. Let us place our hope in these promises.
HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH
2016 COMMITMENT CARD
My offering of time, talent & treasure

TIME
Prayer is the beginning of stewardship. Only when we spend time with God in prayer are we spiritually prepared to offer ourselves in service to others.

Please check the line next to your commitments to prayer:

____ Attend Mass every Sunday and Holy Days
____ Attend weekday Mass at least once a week
____ Spend 15 minutes a day in personal prayer
____ Spend 1 hour a month in Eucharistic Adoration
____ Pray together with my loved ones
____ Have one meal a week with my family
____ Read the Bible for one hour a week
____ Pray the Rosary at least weekly
____ Go to confession every other month
____ Schedule time for a spiritual retreat
____ Weekly act of kindness

TALENT
New Commitment       Renewed Commitment
   Important: Please clearly write the first name of the interested family member on the line

LITURGICAL
____ Altar Linens
____ Altar Servers
____ Pray the Rosary at least weekly
____ Children’s Liturgy of the Word
____ Church Environment
____ Extraordinary Ministers
____ Greeters/Ushers
____ Lectors
____ Music Ministry
____ Sacristans
____ Baptism Ministry Sewing Group

FAITH FORMATION
____ Bible Class
____ Pre-Baptismal Preparation
____ RCIA
____ Religious Education (K-8)
____ Sacramental Preparation
____ Women of the Well
____ Youth Ministry (7-12)

OUTREACH
____ Consolation/Grief Ministry
____ Legion of Mary
____ Pastoral Care of the Sick & Homebound
____ Project Gabriel
____ St. Vincent de Paul

TALENT

COMMITMENT LIFE
____ Building/Maintenance
____ Chinese Ministry
____ Filipino-American Association
____ Finance Council
____ Holy Name Ladies Aid Society
____ Knight of Holy Name
____ Lay Canossians Association
____ Ministry of Hospitality
____ Pastoral Council
____ Senior Club
____ Stewardship Council

TREASURE
In thanksgiving for God’s gifts, each household at Holy Name of Jesus is asked to give a specific percentage of income based on the biblical tithe:

5% to Holy Name of Jesus
1% to Archdiocese
4% to other charities

MY GIFT TO HOLY NAME OF JESUS
____% Percentage of income

Weekly gift $____ X 52= $____ annually
OR
Monthly gift $____ X 12= $____ annually

Weekly Giving Chart

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Monthly Automatic Deduction Option

□ Beginning _________(date), I would like to have my gift automatically drafted from my bank account. I have included avoided check with this commitment card to provide the necessary routing information. I understand that the automatic draft will continue on a monthly basis until I request otherwise.

Signature __________________ Date ________________

Have you turned in your commitment card? If not you may use this form, fill out, drop off or mail it to the Parish office (1555 39th Ave. San Francisco, CA 94122). Thanks and God bless you for your involvement in our parish community!
Our **HOLY NAME TREE OF LIFE** located at the back of the Church is a bronze tree trunk with 400+ leaves. Donors can have their names or those they wish to honor engraved on the leaf. We suggest a maximum of 25 characters (including spaces) per line, limited to 5 lines. Leaf color choices are gold, silver or bronze.

Custom imprinted leaves are $500 each + $25 imprinting

The proceeds will go towards our Capital Improvement Fund. Please drop by or call the Parish office for more information (415)664-8590.