



# ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

## *Catholic Church*

AUGUST 16, 2020



## 20<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Then Jesus said to her in reply, "O woman, great is your faith!  
Let it be done for you as you wish." And the woman's  
daughter was healed from that hour. - Mt 15:28

## Sacraments

### Masses

All Masses will be celebrated outdoors in the field behind Gallagher Hall

### Weekend Mass Times

Saturday Vigil 7:00 pm  
Sunday 7:00 am  
8:00 am  
7:00 pm

### Daily Mass Times

Mon. - Fri. 6:30 am

### Reconciliation / Confession

Saturday 3 - 4:30 pm  
& by appointment

### All Other Sacraments

Please call the office for information.

### Clergy

Fr. Renier Siva  
Pastor

Fr. Cleetus Karakkat  
Parochial Vicar

William Goeke  
Jim McFadden

### Deacons

Fr. Ignatius Haran  
Pastor Emeritus

### Parish Office

The office is closed for in-person visits and meetings until further notice. Please call and leave a message.

307 Montrose Drive, Folsom  
Phone: 916-985-2065

### Website:

FolsomCatholic.org

### Social Media:

@FolsomCatholic

### Bulletin

FolsomCatholic.org/bulletin

### Bulletin Date Ad Due by 5 pm

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## Welcome to

# St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

We are a community where we welcome all as members of the Body of Christ.

We are welcoming, faithful, passionate, joyful, authentic, sacramental, loving and charitable.

### Today's Readings

Is 56:1, 6-7 / Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [4] / Rom 11:13-15, 29-32 / Mt 15:21-28

*"And behold, a Canaanite woman of that district came and called out, "Have pity on me, Lord, Son of David! My daughter is tormented by a demon."*

(Mt 15:22)

### Gospel Meditation

We are hardwired for wholeness and crave it. When something is broken, we want it fixed.

If a part of our body is not working properly, we want it healed. How often do we find ourselves saying, "I'm tired of struggling with this cold, I can't wait for my surgery to heal, or I want my treatments to make me better." Wholeness and healing restore our relationships and make us free to love as we desire. We know very well how our limitations, imperfections, and brokenness really limit us. They can easily prevent us from being and doing what we want to do.

Our physical and emotional wounds and maladies are easier to identify. If my back hurts, I feel it and know what part of my body needs attention. If I am feeling intense anger, I can identify the emotion and take necessary steps to uncover its cause. Being persistent often brings greater and quicker results. But will pursuing and even achieving our physical and emotional healings really be enough? We forget that there is a deeper healing that we seek and desperately need. As we look around at humanity, there are some physical and emotional wounds and scars that cannot be made whole. They are limitations that must remain and, for one reason or another, cannot be rectified. Does this mean that the wholeness and healing that my being longs for is not possible for me? Must I settle with less than what God promises?

The answer is no. Ultimately, there is a desire that goes deeper than the physical and emotional. It is a desire that resides in our soul. What we really seek and thirst for is healing and wholeness for our soul. Inner strength, conviction, focus, grounding, love, hope, faith, courage, determination, peace, and connectedness are all words that center us on eternity. They direct us to a presence we discover in our core, which is none other than the presence of God. In God, we are healed. When we are persistent in reaching out to and establishing our relationship with God, real healing and wholeness begin to happen.

There are some limitations and some of our brokenness with which we may simply have to live. This does not mean that we have to abandon our journey to wholeness and healing. If we have done our inner soul work, we have worked toward and acquired what and who we ultimately need and desire.

### Scripture Reflections

#### First Reading

After Israel's return from their captivity in Babylon, Isaiah prophesied the Lord's salvation to all people of faith and good will, not just Israel. Why do you think some people resist the idea of God's impartiality

#### Second Reading

Paul sees the rejection of Jesus by the Jews as the vehicle for God's mercy to all, both Jew and Gentile alike. When has God turned a negative into a positive in your life?

#### Gospel Reading

Jesus initially reacts negatively to the Canaanite (Gentile) woman in a manner familiar to most Jews of that day. But Jesus showed the disciples that faith in him transcends the historic divide between Jew and Gentile. When have you allowed your faith in Christ heal a division?



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as members of  
the Body of Christ.

### They are PHISHING again Scam emails & text messages

Parishioners and parish staff have been again receiving scam emails and text supposedly from our parish priests requesting the recipients to contact them in regard to donations or monetary matters. Please do NOT send money or respond to these people. If there is any doubt call the parish office to verify. The Parish and Diocese will never ask you to send gift cards or money by email or electronically.

### Parent Support: Introduction to Theology of the Body

August 17, 2020, Monday, 8pm  
[www.scd.org/parentsupport](http://www.scd.org/parentsupport)

Join us for the next in our *Parent Support* series as we invite Andreyá Arévalo to share an introduction to Theology of the Body for parents. Andreyá will be sharing some practical ideas and ways to talk to our children about the Theology of the Body. Streaming live on Youtube and [www.scd.org/parentsupport](http://www.scd.org/parentsupport)

### Inspiration for the Week

As much as some folks may not want to admit it, we all want to be healed. Human beings suffer physically, mentally, socially, and spiritually. There are many wounds. Of all of the maladies that can afflict us, the ones that require the greatest attention are of a spiritual nature. What can happen if we are healed inwardly, brought back to center, and restored in our relationships, especially in our relationship with God? We will find the courage, strength, conviction, and hope needed to deal with the more tangible struggles that may not find an easy remedy. Inner strength, gained by persistent faith, is what allows strong, determined, and courageous people to overcome incredible challenges and hurdles. Be persistent in your faith, and seek the inner spiritual healing that you so desperately desire and need.

### The Gospel According to Matthew

A 15-segment series (divided into two parts) presented by Deacon Jim McFadden. We will meet via Zoom every Tuesday night at 7pm beginning September 8, 2020.

Sept 8: *Matthew - The Jewish Gospel*

Sept 15: *Beginnings -*

*Genealogy and Annunciation*

Sept 22: *The Infancy Narratives*

Sept 29: *Preparing the Ministry -*

*John the Baptist, Baptism, Temptation*

Oct 6: *Jesus the Teacher: The Sermon on the*

*Mount - 1*

Oct 13: *The Sermon on the Mount - 2*

Oct 20: *The Power of the Kingdom*

Oct 27: *Jesus and His Students - The Disciples*

Nov 3: *Jesus and the Church*

Nov 10: *Moving Towards Jerusalem -*

*The Cross Looms*

Session and registration information to follow.

### Mass Celebration At St. John the Baptist

Masses here at St. John are celebrated outdoors in the grassy field behind Gallagher Hall. Our Mass schedule is as follows:

Saturday Vigil: 7:00 pm

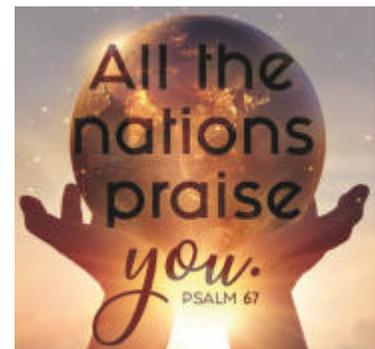
Sunday: 7:00 am, 8:00 am, 7:00 pm

Daily Mass Times: Mon. - Fri. 6:30 am

**Please bring your own chair. A mask is required and must be worn at all times. Please sign in for contact tracing purposes.**

[folsomcatholic.org](http://folsomcatholic.org)

Please check our website for any updates regarding COVID-19 status here in our parish.





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## Mass Intentions

### Sunday, August 16th

Arnold Fountain (100th birthday)  
Oscar & Claudia Sanches de Tagle  
(In thanksgiving for 21st wedding anniv)

People of the Parish

### Monday, August 17th

Alfred Gomez†

### Tuesday, August 18th

Charlito Reguindin†

### Wednesday, August 19th

Frank Marver†

### Thursday, August 20th

Rafael David†

### Friday, August 21st

Esther Louise Marver†

### Saturday, August 22nd

People of the Parish

## Observances

### We Celebrate This Week

Wed: St. John Eudes

Thu: St. Bernard

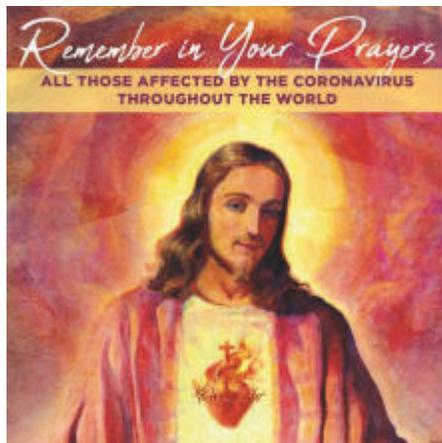
Fri: St. Pius X

Sat: The Queenship of the  
Blessed Virgin Mary

### August is Dedicated to: The Immaculate Heart of Mary

### Pope Francis' Monthly Intention for August The Maritime World

We pray for all those who work and live from  
the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and  
their families.



## Intercessory Prayers

### Prayers for the Sick

We pray for our sick parishioners, family and friends,  
and those in need of healing of the body and soul.

Christopher Kovarik

Kimanh Davis

Pat Koelfgen

Phyllis Dexter

Sunta de Rivera

Vickie Lustan

### Prayers for Our Troops

We pray for our military personnel abroad  
and at home, and for their families.

Michael Dalupan

### Prayers for the Recently Deceased

We pray for the souls of all who have died,  
our family members, friends, and parishioners.  
May they rest in peace.

Anne Acosta

Bernie Powers

Brian Trevisan Maxey

Bud Powers

Cal Dexter

Chris McDowell

Daniel Kelly

Delia Yambao

Francisco Tiffer

Gilbert Mendivil

Jean Walsh

Lamberto Bachiller

Maria Gill

Maria Perez

Maurico Padilla

Richard Rutledge

Rose Imbriani-Ajalat

Susan Wong

Tony Zuniga



## Prayer Requests

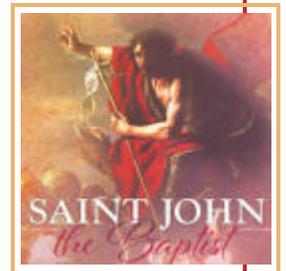
Prayer requests for the sick, military or  
recently deceased may be made by calling  
our Parish Office. Names will appear for  
four months.

O God,

You raised up St. John the Baptist  
to prepare a perfect people for Christ.

Fill Your people with the joy of possessing  
His grace, and direct the minds of all the  
faithful in the way of peace and salvation.

Grant that as St. John  
was martyred for truth  
and justice, so we may  
energetically profess  
our Faith in You, and  
lead others to the Way,  
the Truth, and  
Eternal Life.  
Amen.





### The Adoration Chapel

The Adoration Chapel is closed until further notice  
Adoration has been moved to the Church

A link to an Adoration Video (50mins) is located at the top of our website.  
Click on the box labeled "Adoration Video" and a YouTube video will pop up  
to play the video.

Another Adoration Video (30mins) is also posted and pinned on our Facebook page.

A Facebook account is not necessary to view.

Once on our Facebook page click on the Monstrance picture to start the video.

[www.facebook.com/FolsomCatholic](http://www.facebook.com/FolsomCatholic)

### Live Stream Mass

[scd.org/coronavirus/livestream-mass](http://scd.org/coronavirus/livestream-mass)

Please visit the Diocesan page. It lists  
Parishes which are currently live  
streaming Sunday and Daily Masses.

### Church Hours

#### Monday - Friday

The church will remain open for those  
who would like to pray before the  
Blessed Sacrament from 8am-4:30pm.

#### Saturday - Sunday

On the weekends, the church will be open  
from 7am-6pm.

**Please keep in mind your  
minimum 6ft "social distancing"**

### Confession

**Saturdays: 3 - 4:30 pm  
and by appointment**

Please note confessions at this time will  
still be offered but not in the confessional.  
We will be doing a face to face format in a  
larger setting in order to maintain the  
recommended minimum 6ft "social  
distancing."



### Prayer Opportunities At St. John the Baptist

**Marian Movement of Priests Cenacles**  
English/Spanish

**Divine Mercy Devotion/Cenacles**  
English/Spanish

*Please view our Ministries Page (9)  
for contact information regarding these  
prayer ministries*

### Respect Life Ministry

O Blessed Mother,  
you received the good news of the  
incarnation of Christ, your Son,  
with faith and trust.

Grant your protection to all  
pregnant mothers facing difficulties.

Guide us as we strive to make our  
parish communities places of welcome and  
assistance for mothers in need.

Help us become instruments of  
God's love and compassion.

Mary, Mother of the Church,  
graciously help us build a  
culture of life and a civilization of love,  
together with all people of good will,  
to the praise and glory of God,  
the Creator and lover of life.

Amen

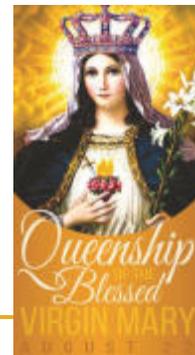


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## Why Do We Have a Feast for the Queenship of Mary?

For many of us, the language of kings and queens may seem like they belong to history or a medieval movie. Royalty have absolute authority over a kingdom and their subjects, a concept that is foreign to many of us today. While Jesus doesn't rule a political kingdom, we honor and recognize him as the King of Kings, Lord of Heaven and Earth. To God alone belongs absolute authority over all of existence.

We may think of queens as the spouse of the king, but there is another key relationship: the king's mother. In Biblical history, we see instances where the mother of the king is given due as a queen herself, complete with a throne! Mary's guiding influence over her Son is seen most notably in the Wedding Feast at Cana. Mary is not Queen on her own merit. She is "full of grace" and "blessed" in "all ages" because of the reign of her Son.



## 5 Ways to be Devoted to Mary During the Summer

Checking in with our heavenly Mother isn't just for May!

Aleteia.org | Fr. Edward Looney

How's your devotion to Mary going this summer? We had the month of May, which is dedicated to the Blessed Mother and to adding or deepening expressions of Marian piety and devotion in daily life. Parishes this year were of course limited in what they offered during the month of May because of shelter at home orders and quarantine life.

In the life of any Catholic, **I highly recommend a healthy Marian devotion**, responding to Jesus' invitation to take Mary into our homes and behold her as our mother. Loving Mary can't be confined to just one or two months, but must be a daily relationship with our heavenly mother who prays for us now and at the hour of our death.

Let these weeks of summer be a time where you deepen your devotion to Mary, and as you do so, hopefully it will become a part of who you are.

### Pray a novena

The month of August has a few different opportunities for praying a novena. The Assumption of Mary into Heaven is observed on August 15 and eight days later the memorial of the Queenship of Mary. August 21 is the anniversary of Mary's apparition in Knock. You can find many different novenas online simply by searching for them. **And you could pray a novena anytime; it doesn't have to be for a liturgical feast.**

### Rosary walks

The other night I went for my nightly Rosary walk. It had just rained a little bit and the sun was coming out. As I walked my mile route, I was caught up in the beauty of God's creation and the double rainbow in the sky. **If you find praying the Rosary difficult or can't seem to find the time, combine it with a walk.** Mary walks with us as we pray the Rosary through the scenes of Jesus' life, and she can hold our hand as we thumb our beads and walk the road, too.

### Look for Mary statues

I've been doing a lot of biking this summer, going for 10- to 20-mile bike rides. **As I bike my country roads, I look at people's yards, and am surprised to find so many yard statues of Mary.** Go for a fun run, bike ride, or Sunday drive, and count how many Mary gardens you find along the way.

### Visit a Marian shrine

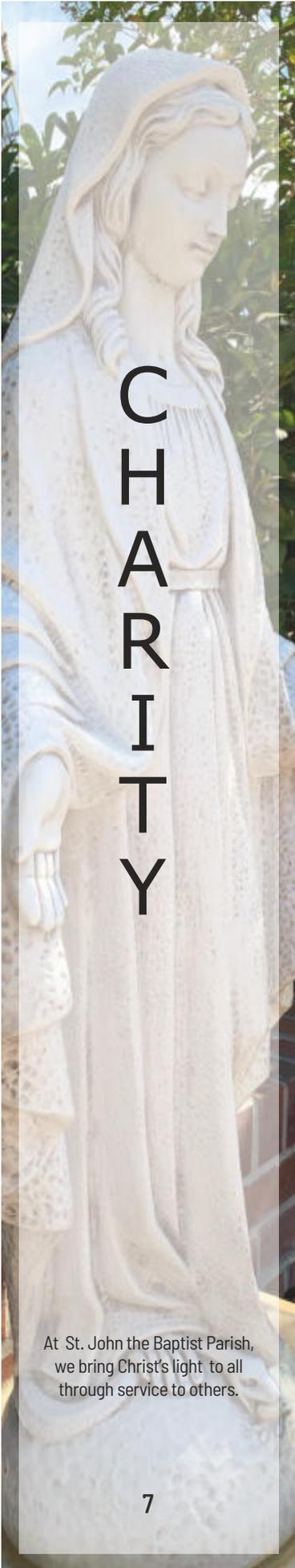
Even with the pandemic, many shrines are open for people to visit. You have to observe social distancing and wear a mask, but that doesn't take away the something special about praying at these holy places. **In addition to shrines, many churches have a special area to pray and honor the Blessed Mother.** Stop by one of these places and entrust your needs to Mary's intercession.

### Read a book

Saints and contemporary authors alike have meditated on the mystery of Mary and published many books. If you want to know more about Mary, check out any of Dr. Edward Sri's books or Dr. Brant Pitre's book, *Jesus, and the Jewish Roots of Mary*. If you want a devotional text, check out my book *A Heart Like Mary's* or any other meditation book you can find. Consult websites of Catholic publishers such as Ave Maria Press, TAN Books, OSV, Sophia Institute Press, or Ignatius Press, **and discover what Marian title intrigues you.** Learn about Mary, so you can love your mom all the more! And if you want to learn How to Love Mary, you can always check out the podcast *How They Love Mary*.

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At St. John the Baptist Parish,  
we foster a  
commitment to lifelong  
spiritual growth.



At St. John the Baptist Parish,  
we bring Christ's light to all  
through service to others.

## Second Collection

Thank you to those who contributed to our 2nd collection last weekend for our Building & Maintenance Fund. Contributions totaled \$1,885. July online donations for Building and Maintenance, totaled \$ 1,787.

This weekend, we take up the Collection for the Church in Latin America!

Many people in Latin America and the Caribbean do not have access to church programs and ministries because of a rising secular culture, difficult rural terrain, and a shortage of ministers. Your generosity makes it possible for our brothers and sisters in Latin America and the Caribbean to share in the life of the Church and grow closer to Christ.

Please be generous to the special collection! To learn more, please visit [www.usccb.org/latin-america](http://www.usccb.org/latin-america). To donate online, visit [www.scd.org/cla2020](http://www.scd.org/cla2020).

JESUS  
CHRIST IS  
THE SAME  
YESTERDAY,  
TODAY,  
AND  
FOREVER.

## Stewardship of Treasure the Lord Has Entrusted to Us

Weekly goal: \$25,529.00

Weekly Offerings:

August 8/9

\$13,562

### The Challenge of Stewardship

Every day we are called by Christ to respond in some way. The more practice we have at giving of ourselves freely and living in His presence, the easier it is to discern that call. Once we hear the call, the choice is ours: will we respond with yes or no? We could say that we are not required to say yes because God has given us free will. However, our response speaks much to where we are in our maturity of faith. When we were children, the word "no" used to be one of our favorites. If we continue to say that as we get older, well, that says something about where we are in our walk with the Lord. If we truly are disciples of Jesus Christ and are serious about growing in our faith, we will say "yes." We are not required to say yes, but we say yes because that is who we have become.

This is the challenge of a stewardship way of life. Have we matured enough to say yes when God calls, regardless of how much our answer may cost us? What matters more to us: what it will cost us or our relationship with Jesus? Some days we will easily be able to say yes. The grace and love he gives us will be plenty to see us through whatever situation in which we find ourselves. However, we are imperfect beings and there will be days when we are more into ourselves than him. It is on those days that we find ourselves at a true crossroads of a challenge. The choice is always ours. Hopefully, our faith will be strong enough. His call is never for his own sake. He calls us because the world he created and the Church he instituted need us. They wait just as he does for our response.

~ Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

## Sharing the Gospel

Jesus met a woman who had amazing faith. She was brave. She was loud. She did not care what anybody else thought. Jesus was the Savior, and she knew he could heal her daughter. Jesus can help you with any problem you have, too. Be brave. Keep asking Jesus for help. God is strong. He can do anything.

## ✝️ Mission for the Week

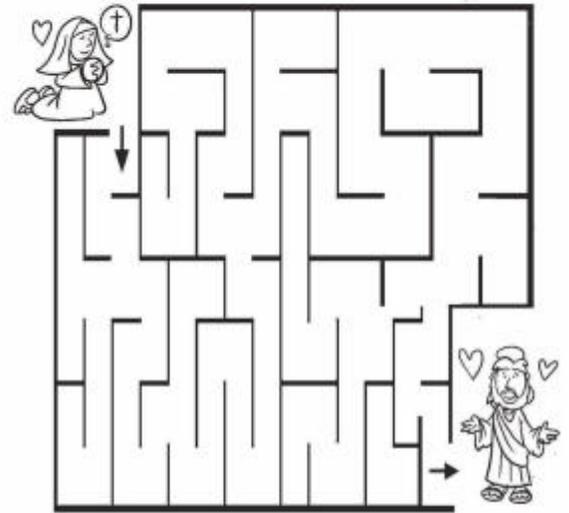
If you know someone who is sick, be brave and pray about it. Jesus can do anything.

## 🙏 Prayer

Jesus, help me to be brave. I know you can do anything.

## 🧩 Puzzle

Help this woman find Jesus.



## 🖍️ Read the Gospel and Color



"Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these."

Our parish is enriched with many ministries, please consider learning about and engaging in one or more of our ministries. Call the contact listed or see a Minister of Hospitality after Mass.

## Welcoming Ministries

### Communications Ministry

Loreen McMahon, 916-933-1330

### Ministers of Hospitality

Shannon Bleeker, 916-200-8059

### New Parishioner Welcoming Ministry

Lori Hopper, 916-337-0139

### Ushers

Stanley Posis, 916-705-9192

## Prayer Ministries

### Companioned Prayer

Bill Stobbe, 916-505-3800

### Divine Mercy Devotion/Cenacle

Zoanne Tafolla, 707-333-7359

-*Chaplet/Rosary/Morning Prayer*

-*Divine Mercy Chaplet/Mass*

-*Cenacle* - Zoanne Tafolla, 707-333-7359

-*Cenacle-Spanish* - Ana Haid, 916-956-1177

### Eucharistic Adoration

Veronica Thomas, thomas\_vera@yahoo.com

*Perpetual Adoration*—1st Fri 9am - Sat 4pm

### Marian Cenacle (Marian Movement of Priests Cenacle)

-*English* – 1st Saturday of the month

Sally Gomez, 916-693-2411

-*Spanish* – 2nd Wednesday of the month

Ana Haid, 916-956-1177

### Our Lady of Fatima

Henry Altamirano, 925 - 899-7769

## Spiritual Growth Ministries

### Adult Scripture Study

Lee & Teresa Weider, 916-983-8065

### Couples for Christ

Myrah Empleo, 661-993-4721

### Praise & Worship

Sheila Fitzpatrick, 925-437-0798

### Religious Education

Shannon Langer, 916-985-7338

### Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

Debbie Duncan, 916-798-0201

### Theology on Tap

Aaron Santos, 916-985-2065

### WINGS (Women in Growth Spiritually)

Sue Collins, 916-337-6237

### Youth/Young Adults Ministries

Aaron Santos, asantos@folsomcatholic.org

## Parish Committees/Councils

### Finance Council

Elizabeth Beigh, 916-730-1291

### Liturgy Committee

Barbara Bowden, 916-984-9476

### Pastoral Council

## Outreach/Charity Ministries

### Bereavement Hospitality/Receptions

Nina Pucci, 916-947-6386

### Catholics for Life

Kathy Baxter, 916-337-6824

### Gabriel Project

Helen Boyd, 916-367-8071

### Grace Quilters Ministry

Catherine Scott, 831-402-4681

### Grupo Pastoral Hispano

Anna Haid, 916-956-1177

### Knights of Columbus

Dick Phelan, 916-221-0596

### Pastoral Care Ministry

Dan Dunne, 916-817-1675; Sunday

Candice Ralston, 916-806-8090; Tuesday

### Prayer Shawl Ministry

Catherine Scott, 831-402-4681

### Prison/Restorative Justice Ministry

-Folsom Prison - Fr. H. Gomez, 916-985-2561 x 4206

-CSP Sacramento - Greg Mellor,  
Catholic Chaplain, 916-985-8610 x6425

### School Ministry (St. John Notre Dame)

Keith Martin, Principal, 916-985-4129

### Senior Visitation

Charlene Agles, 916-984-9602

### St. Vincent de Paul (Helping Hands)

John Knight, 916-985-4630

## Liturgical Ministries

### Altar Servers

Hugo Schmidt, 916-817-4541

### Children's Liturgy during Mass

Shannon Langer, 916-985-7338

### Extraord. Ministers of Holy Communion

Steve & Maryanne Ashley, 916-479-2214

### Lectors

Patti Midtlyng, 916-837-8322

### Liturgical Environment

Arlette Peterson, 916-220-5968

**Music** - See choir director after Mass.

## Additional Ministries

### Children's Babysitting at Mass

Georgia Oatmeyer, 916-201-3193

### Family Fellowship

Carol Stephenson, 916-952-6744

### Gift Shop

Connie Aley, 916-984-9284

### Women's Game Day

Roberta Puzio, 916-933-2561

Please send ministry updates and corrections to  
Loreen McMahon, mcmahon510@comcast.net.

# MINISTRIES

"Here am I, Lord;  
I come to do your will."



## The Giving of Treasure

### Why are Catholics required to give money to the Church?

Offering money and other goods to God and the Church is, before all else, a statement of gratitude. We see this when we look at how our spiritual ancestors showed their gratitude to God for the gifts they had received (e.g. Genesis 14:18-20 and Genesis 28:16-22). One of the ways they offered thanks to God was through a practice called “tithing,” in which 10 percent of a person’s goods (crops, livestock, money, etc.) were given back to God.

Today, the practice of tithing — giving 10 percent — is still common in many Protestant communities, but it is not required for Catholics. Instead, the Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches us that, “The faithful also have the duty of providing for the material needs of the Church, each according to [their] own abilities” (no. 2043). This means that, although we are not bound to practice “tithing” in the traditional sense, we do share a responsibility to share our money or other resources with our parish communities. Like our spiritual ancestors, we give as a sign of our gratitude for the many gifts that God has given to us. Beyond this, we also share our resources with other Catholic organizations to help them finance their ministries, to continue and grow their outreach to the poor and the needy, and to provide just wages for their employees.

How much we give depends on our individual circumstances, but since we share a responsibility for the programs, outreach, and health of our parish communities and Catholic organizations, this question gives us a wonderful opportunity to ask some important questions about the quality of our giving and what our priorities are. Remember, we are only stewards of our time, talents, and treasures and as the First Letter of Peter reminds us, “As each one of you has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God’s varied graces” (4:10).



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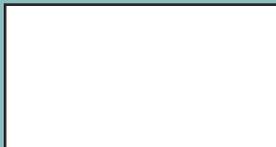
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