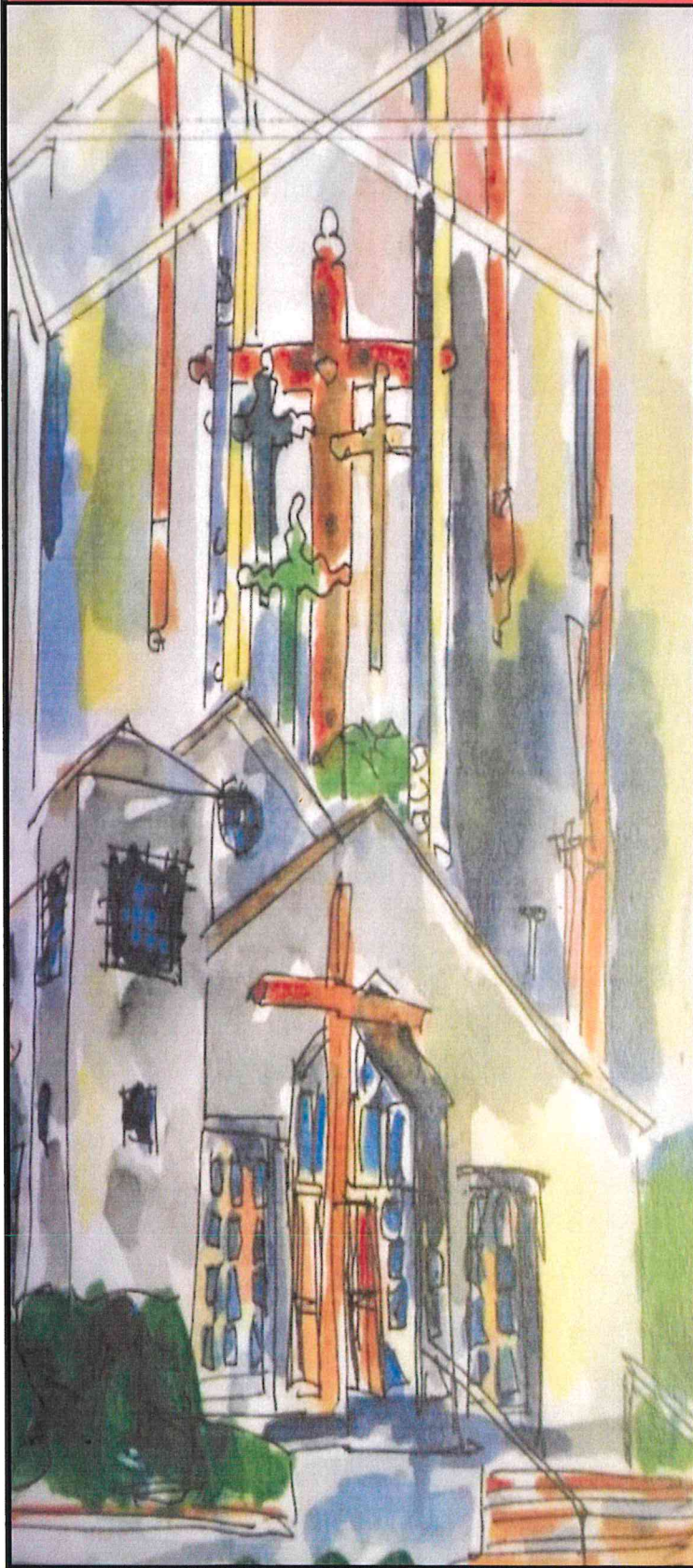


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## Sacrament of Eucharist

### Mass Schedule

#### Weekend Mass

Saturday: 4:30 P.M.

Sunday: 8:30 A.M. and 11:00 A.M.

#### Weekday Mass

Monday: 5:30 P.M.

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Fridays: 8:30 A.M.

#### Holy Day Mass

Vigil: 4:00 P.M. Day: 8:30 A.M. & 7:30 P.M.

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:30 P.M. — 4:00 P.M., or by appointment.

## Sacrament of Baptism

Contact Sister Hilda Sandoval, 2 months in advance.

## Sacrament of Marriage

Contact the Parish Office, 6 months in advance.

## **June 7, 2026 The Solemnity of The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ**

The cup we share, is it not the blood of Christ? And the bread we break, is it not his body? Just as God fed the Israelites with manna from heaven, so too do we feed on the best of wheat, the bread of angels, food for the pilgrim journey.

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Mass Intentions

June 8 — 14, 2026

Readings

Mon 8 5:30 P.M. †John Torres  
 Tue 9 8:30 A.M. †Manuel Trigueros  
 Wed 10 8:30 A.M. †Patricia Goldstein  
 Thu 11 8:30 A.M. †Most Rev. Patrick J. McGrath  
 Fri 12 8:30 A.M. †Arlene Ryan  
 Sat 13 4:30 P.M. †Molly Fitzpatrick  
 Sun 14 8:30 A.M. †Steve Hilsz  
 11 A.M. People of St. Peter

Mon 8 Reading *1 Kings* 17:1-6  
 Responsorial Psalm 121:1b-8  
 Gospel *Matthew* 5:1-12  
*Saint Ephrem, Deacon, Doctor of the Church*  
 Tue 9 Reading *1 Kings* 17:7-16  
 Responsorial Psalm 4:2-5,7b-8  
 Gospel *Matthew* 5:13-16  
 Wed 10 Reading *1 Kings* 18:20-39  
 Responsorial Psalm 16:1b-2a,4-5,8,11  
 Gospel *Matthew* 5:17-19  
*Saint Barnabas, Apostle*  
 Thu 11 Reading *Acts* 11:21b-26;13:1-3  
 Responsorial Psalm 98:1-6  
 Gospel *Matthew* 5:20-26  
*The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus*  
 Fri 12 Reading *Deuteronomy* 7:6-11  
 Responsorial Psalm 103:1-4,8,10  
 Gospel *1 John* 4:7-16  
*The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary*  
*St. Anthony of Padua, Priest, Doctor of the Church*  
 Sat 13 Reading *1 Kings* 19:19-21  
 Responsorial Psalm 16:1b-2b,5,7-10  
 Gospel *Matthew* 5:33-37  
**Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 Sun 14 Reading I *Exodus* 19:2-6a  
 Responsorial Psalm 100:1-2,3,5  
 Reading II *Romans* 5:6-11  
 Gospel *Matthew* 9:36—10:8

Gift Card Raffle Fundraiser



On behalf of our parish, I would like to extend our heartfelt thanks for your recent purchase in support of our fundraiser.

Thanks to your generosity, we are thrilled to share that we were able to raise a total of \$5,575.00. Your contribution plays a crucial role in helping us reach our goals and make a positive impact within our community.

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We are deeply grateful for your involvement.

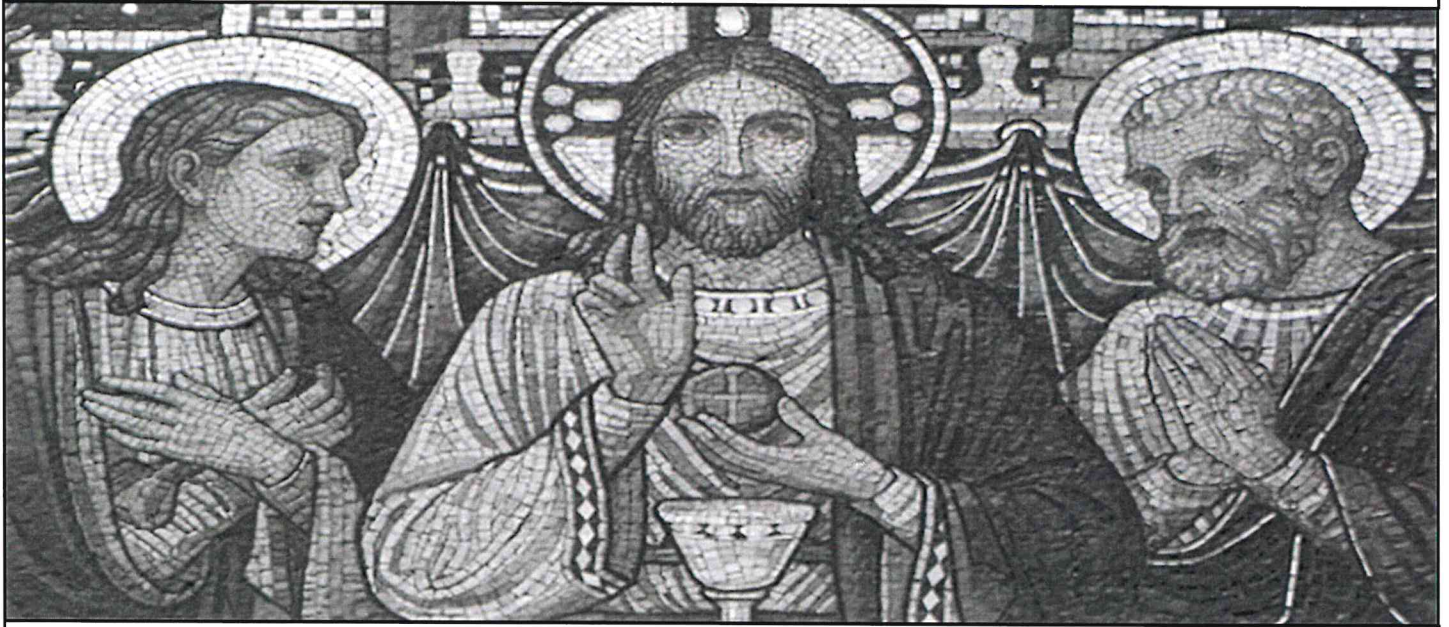
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*June 7, 2026*

*The Solemnity of The Most Holy Body And Blood of Christ*



Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ — a feast centered on one of the greatest gifts we have received, the Eucharist.

As Christian stewards, we recognize that all we are and all we have come from God. Among His greatest gifts is His own Son, given to us in the Eucharist as true spiritual nourishment.

In our Gospel, we hear the account of the multiplication of the loaves. Jesus takes what is offered — a small and seemingly insufficient gift — blesses it, and transforms it into more than enough to feed thousands.

This is not only a miracle of provision, but a powerful image of the stewardship way of life. When we offer our gifts to the Lord, no matter how small they may seem, He receives them, blesses them, and uses them to accomplish far more than we could ever imagine.

In the second reading, St. Paul reminds us of the institution of the Eucharist. Christ gives Himself completely — His Body and Blood — for our salvation. The Eucharist is not merely symbolic. It is the real presence of Christ, given to sustain us.

This gift strengthens us for mission. We are nourished so that we can go forth and live as His disciples. The Eucharist forms us into what we receive — the Body of Christ — sent out to serve others.

The stewardship way of life flows directly from the Eucharist. We receive the total self-gift of Christ, and we are called to respond with a total gift of ourselves.

Let us approach the Eucharist with gratitude and reverence. And let us allow this great gift to transform how we live — so that everything we do becomes an offering back to God.

## DOES GOD JUST COERCE PEOPLE INTO FOLLOWING HIM?

By Father Mike Schmitz

**Q:** *I have recently been reading the Old Testament and have encountered some things that have troubled me. Among them is the way God talks about blessing those who obey him and cursing those who disobey him. I much prefer the New Testament and how Jesus reveals that God is love and calls us to love him. This just seems like God is coercing people into following him. What do I do?*

The fact that you are wrestling with this demonstrates that you have an issue and are willing to engage with it rather than just ignore it. These are the kinds of questions that can lead to a deepening and maturing of faith, so I am very glad that you asked about this.

Your observation is one that others have made as well. In our times, few people are familiar with the entire Bible. We might just be knowledgeable about certain verses or certain “ideas” that are found in Scripture. When we encounter the fullness of the Bible, it can confront us with elements we had not considered before.

Further, what you noted can make a relationship with God seem incredibly “transactional”; the reason you follow him is to get good things and to avoid getting bad things. Even more, you noted that this seems to impugn the character of God, as well, and makes it look like he is willing to curse or bless people depending on how they respond to him.

But let’s consider a few important points.

You indicate that you are troubled by the fact that there are blessings connected with obeying God and curses connected with disobeying God. I can understand that this kind of thing might bother some people. But let’s also look at two things: human nature and the world around us.

The world around us is completely filled with a thing that most people prefer to avoid: consequences. Every choice we make has consequences attached to it. We do not live in a world where we can make choices without also being willing to accept the consequences of those choices. Many times, those consequences have the positive effect of shaping our choices. (I choose not to eat the second double cheeseburger because I do not want to live with the consequences of eating the second double cheeseburger.) The fact that consequences exist does not mean that I am being coerced into eating only one cheeseburger. The consequences reveal what I’m truly choosing when I make decisions.

Let’s emphasize that point: Consequences reveal what we are actually choosing when we make decisions. A person chooses to have the extra drink, and later realizes that what they’ve really chosen was a headache the next day, or they may discover that they have taken another step towards becoming dependent on alcohol. A person chooses to play video games and later realizes that what they’ve really chosen was to get a bad grade on the assignment that was due the following day. A parent chooses to scroll on their phone to get the latest updates on their friends and news in the world, and later realizes that what they’ve really chosen was to create distance between them and their spouse or children.

There are an infinite number of examples in our own lives that each one of us could think of, and they all do the same thing: They are all oriented towards making us more free or more enslaved, more wise or more foolish.

God's laws are the same. God makes it clear that he desires for human beings to live in a certain way. If we live the way he has revealed, we become free and wise. If we defy his will and his commandments, we become enslaved and foolish. This happens all of the time, and it happens regardless of our wanting it to. They are not arbitrary consequences. They are inherent in the very act of choosing.

One of the things that holds us up is that we imagine that God's "blessing and cursing" is arbitrary. It is not. The blessings are the intrinsic result of choosing to obey him, and the curses are the intrinsic result of choosing to disobey him. He is not coercing people into obedience by holding out a carrot (or being willing to use a stick), he is revealing what kinds of behaviors lead to life and which kind lead to death.

And this leads us to the second thing we need to acknowledge: human nature. I wonder if we aren't being too generous with ourselves if we think that we don't need rewards and punishments in our lives. Let's even simply imagine that all of God's laws are just that, rewards and punishments. Let's say that the blessings and curses of Deuteronomy are even arbitrary. Would anyone be willing to assert that human beings are so good that we wouldn't still need them? Every parent knows that children learn what is right and wrong through a system of reward and punishment. Hopefully, that system is just and fair and good, but it will be a system of "blessing and cursing" nonetheless. And this is how human beings learn. This, in fact, is how we have to learn.

If we are ever to get to the place where we are willing to do the right thing "for its own sake," we have to learn via the system of consequences. Yes, the goal is to be people who love God for his own sake and not out of a fear of hell or a selfish desire for heaven, but none of us automatically have that kind of love in us. That kind of love is more mature than most people have in them. It has to be cultivated and taught. The "blessings and curses" are the way our good Father in heaven is teaching us how to love.

Last thing: Whenever we read a challenging piece of Scripture, I always encourage people to "keep reading." For example, a person might wrongly have the impression that the New Testament doesn't talk about things like hell or how loving God looks like obeying him. But what we find is that Jesus talks more about hell than anyone else in the entire Bible. (Yes! Loving and gentle Jesus!) He does this because he actually loves people and doesn't want them to experience that consequence of disobedience. Jesus is also the one who says, "If you love me you will keep my commandments." Even in the New Testament, God reveals that obedience & love are intrinsically connected.

And the same is true in the Old Testament. In the chapter of the book of Deuteronomy immediately following the blessings and curses (Chapter 30), God reveals the motive for the punishments he is willing to allow: so that you may be brought back home after having been scattered, so that you may be gathered into God's loving arms after you have been isolated, and that you might "love the Lord, your God, with all your heart and all your soul, and so may live" (Deuteronomy 30:6). God wants us to live and love, that is why he lets us choose it freely.

## ST. PETER GIFT CARD FUNDRAISER

*After all weekend masses and at the Parish Office, Monday—Friday, 9 A.M.—5 P.M.*

The St. Peter Gift Card Fundraiser takes place year-round. The gift cards are very popular and are used with popular stores, including a Visa Gift Card that may be used at any retail store.

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Thank you for supporting St. Peter with your purchase of any of these Gift Cards.

## 55 PLUS CLUB MEETING—JUNE 1, 2026

Captain Eddy Horadenski, Mike Albrecht and John Amador of the North County Fire Department of the Pacifica Manor District, discussed and gave information on how the Fire Department works and helps the Pacifica community which provides rapid assistance for medical, fire or other hazardous situations.

Calling 911, the Police Department contacts the Firehouse, this station is staffed with personnel, apparatus, and equipment to respond to emergencies and then the Fire Department is contacted. The police dispatcher relays all the information received from the caller; address, medical problem, access to house, and any other important information.

If unable to give information, they are able to get your location based on a Cell Tower Triangulation from your cell phone and the Automatic Location Identification from a land line. The Fire Department has code numbers and keys to Senior Apartments to obtain entry.

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Should you have a fire in the kitchen and you put it out, you should still call the Fire Department to have them come and check that the fire is completely out.

Non-emergency numbers: 650-991-8138 and 650-364-1313

Next meeting will be September 14, 2026.

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Sunday Collection — May 31, 2026

Offertory	\$4,545.00
Saint Vincent de Paul	\$2,156.00

Online Collection | May 23 — 29, 2026

Offertory	\$984.09
Maintenance Fund	\$248.90
Church Roof Fund	\$9.01
Additional Donation	\$18.60
Total \$1,307.98	

Parish Calendar June 8 — 14, 2026

Mon 8	3:00 P.M.	Chaplet of Divine Mercy
	5:30 P.M.	Evening Mass
Tue 9	8:30 A.M.	Daily Mass
	3:00 P.M.	Chaplet of Divine Mercy
Wed 10	8:30 A.M.	Daily Mass
	3:00 P.M.	Chaplet of Divine Mercy
Thu 11	8:30 A.M.	Daily Mass
	3:00 P.M.	Chaplet of Divine Mercy
Fri 12	8:30 A.M.	Daily Mass
	3:00 P.M.	Chaplet of Divine Mercy
Sat 13	3:00 P.M.	Chaplet of Divine Mercy
	3:30 P.M.	Sacrament of Reconciliation
	4:30 P.M.	Mass
Sun 14	8:30 A.M.	Mass
	11:00 A.M.	Mass

*"Let us pray for Leo XIV, our Pope. O God, Shepherd and Ruler of all the faithful, look graciously, we pray, on your servant Leo XIV, whom you have set over us. Keep him safe in your care, uphold him by your power, and grant that, strengthened by you, he may lead the Church ever more effectively along the paths of salvation. Through Christ our Lord. Amen."*



2026 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal

2026 Assessment: \$65,022.00  
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- Online at [SFArch.org/AAA](http://SFArch.org/AAA).
- Via check: mail to your parish or the Chancery (Chancery preferred):  
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To the Chancery, make check payable to the Archdiocese of San Francisco. In the memo area of your check write the name of your church to get church credit for the year of AAA.

To your parish, make check payable to the name of your parish.

- Gifts may also be made via *transfer of stock or property*.

2. PLEDGED GIFT

- Pledged gifts (recurring gifts) require that the donor specifies an amount for their gift and the number of months over which he/she would like to make payments.
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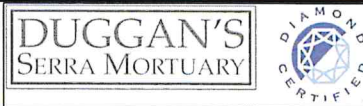


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