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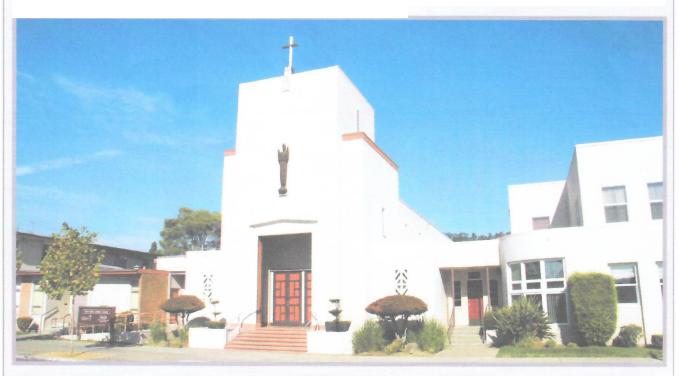
Schedule of Masses

Every Day at 8am. Vigil, Saturday, 5pm. Sunday, 8am, 9:30am,11:30am, 1pm (Chinese), 6pm (Brazilian).

Sacraments

Reconciliation: 4 p.m. Saturday

For inquiries, please call, e-mail stjohns@sjtbc.us or www.sjtbc. us



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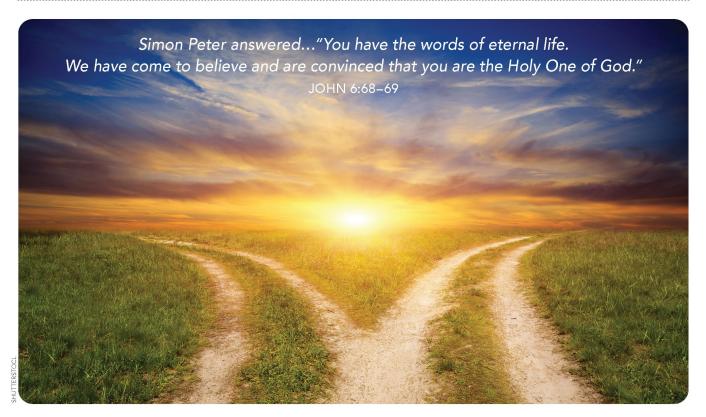
St. John's Divine Mercy Adoration Chapel

11152 San Pablo Ave.



August 22, 2021

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time (B) Jos 24:1–2a, 15–17, 18b Eph 5:21–32 or 5:2a, 25–32 In 6:60–69



Make Up Your Mind

ne can say that life is a series of choices. You have to make up your mind; which shall it be? Some of these choices are insignificant: red or green? Others are much more important: To what shall I commit my life? Shall I get married? There are some choices that are even more momentous: What kind of a person do I want to be—trustworthy or crafty? Should I even bother with God and religion?

Having spent a lifetime in the wilderness, the Israelites were poised in the land of the Amorites, ready to enter the land promised to them by God. Before they moved forward, a pressing decision had to be made. Which god were they going to worship? A Canaanite god who presumably made the land before them fertile and inviting? Or the God who delivered them from Egypt, fed them in the wilderness, brought them safely to this point, and yet with whom they

quarreled throughout their wilderness sojourn? Joshua voiced his decision: "As for me and my household, we will serve the LORD" (Joshua 24:15).

Jesus' declaration of himself as "the bread of life" (John 6:35) troubled many people. It was then, and still is today, a difficult saying. It was repulsive to many, and they thought that Jesus sounded blasphemous. Those who could not accept his claim, left him. He asked his closest followers, as he asks us today: "Do you also want to leave?" Speaking for all, Peter replied: "Master, to whom shall we go?" (John 6:67–68). How might you answer?

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR Reflection

- * What decisions of conscience has life placed before you? How did you decide?
- * Trust in God's care and protection even if you might have chosen better.



		Intention (s)	Requested by
Saturday, August 21	5pm	Perez Family-Thanksgiving	Les Perez
<i>y,</i>	-	and Merlee David-Physical He	ealing
Sunday, August 22	8am	Isabella Tannady-Thanksgivii	ng and Tannady Family
		Blessings	
	9:30 am	Petrus Tannady-Thanksgiving and	
		Blessings	Tannady Family
	11:30am	Andrew Jun †	Theresa Jun
Monday, August 23	8am	Steven Tipping †	Richard and Kathleen Keller and Family
		Andrew Jun †	Theresa Jun
Tuesday, August 24	8am	Andrew Jun †	Theresa Jun
Wednesday, August 25	8am	Andrew Jun †	Theresa Jun
Thursday, August 26	8am	Andrew Jun †	Theresa Jun
Friday, August 27	8am	Andrew Jun †	Theresa Jun
Saturday, August 28	8am	Martin Joseph Padilla-Death	Anniversary Alice and Nanette Barce
		Andrew Jun †	Theresa Jun

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Stewardship

Online giving at www.sjtbc.us/give

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- 1. For New Volunteers: "Protecting God's Children" OR
- 2. For Continuing Volunteers: "Keeping the Promise Alive"

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Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

In today's first reading, Joshua challenges the people to decide whom they will serve. Recalling God's faithfulness to them and to their ancestors, the people declare, "We also will serve the Lord, for He is our God." May we, too, be mindful of God's gifts to us and renew our commitment to serve Him with grateful hearts.

This Week's Service Schedule

Sunday Readings: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b. Eph 5:21-32 or 5::2a, 25-32.. Jn 6:60-69.

Monday Readings: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10. Mt 23:13-22.

Tuesday Readings: Rv 21:9b-14. Jn 1:45-51.

Wednesday Readings: 1 Thes 2:9-13. Mt 23:27-32.

Thursday Readings: 1 Thes 3:7-13. Mt 24:42-51.

Friday Readings: 1 Thes 4:1-8. Mt 25:1-13.

Saturday Readings: 1 Thes 4:9-11. Mt 25:14-30.

Eucharistic Adoration. Daily, 24 hours a day. Chapel.

Confessions. Sat., 4pm.

The Annual Bishop's Appeal

As of July 31, 2021, our parish have had 49 donors, leading our total contribution to reach 60.79% of our annual goal of \$23,400.00. Please help make our parish goal this year. Send donations to Bishop's Appeal 2021/St. John, El Cerrito.

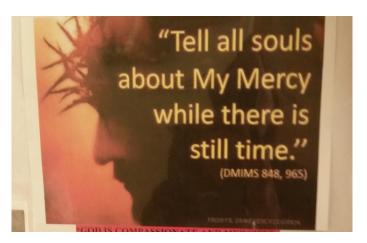
Calls for Help & Hope

The Contra Costa Crisis Center has provided a lifeline of help and hope for 59 years.

Call 1-800-833-2900

Communion to the Elderly

The parish needs volunteers to bring Communion to El Cerrito Royale residents and to parishioners who are unable to come to church. Call Larry Mundy at (510) 233-6783 or the Rectory at (510) 232-5659.



Baptism Classes

For information, E-mail: stjohns@sjtbc.us. Or www.sjtbc.us or call the church at (510)232-5659. Deacon Loch, (510) 837-1052

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Do you hunger for a deeper love in your marriage? Let Jesus fill your hunger by participating in the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience. Both Virtual and In-Person Experiences are available. Go to www.wwme.org to find the Experience that is just right for you!

Covid 19 Restrictions/Updates

Masks are required indoors. All employees, volunteers, visitors are required to sign in and date at all entrances to the Parish Rectory.

(For details, please check our Church Bulletin Boards Or www.sjtbc.us)

St. John Senior Center, 6500 Gladys Ave



Statewide Gubernatorial Recall Election, Tuesday, September 14, 2021

Upcoming Testing and Vaccination Sites

August 16, 23: Ann Chandler Clinic (18+)

Ann Chandler Public Health Center, 830 University Ave.

- Monday, August 16, 23: 10am-1pm
- Both two-dose Moderna and single-dose Jansen (J&J) available
- Walk-up or call **510-981-5350** to make an appointment. Spanish assistance available. If leaving a voicemail, leave your name and phone number and request a call back for a vaccine appointment.
- Drop-ins for second doses available- bring your vaccination card
 August 19, 24, 25: Downtown Berkeley Campus Clinic (12+)

 Berkeley City College, 2050 Center St.
- Thursday, August 19 and Tuesday Wednesday, August 24-25: 11am-6:00pm

Walk up or create a free Carbon Health account and sign-up online

Parental consent: Those under 18 need parent or guardian permission via signed consent form (<u>see sample</u>), inperson consent at vaccination, or via a phone call. Patients ages 12-15 must be accompanied by a responsible adult before, during, and after their appointment.

Those receiving a first dose this week at this site may receive second doses at a different Berkeley location.

August 24: Dorothy Day Clinic - Downtown Berkeley (18+) *Dorothy Day House, 1931 Center St.*

- Tuesday, August 24: 2-4pm
- Walk-up only

For those that are 18+

More ways to get vaccinated

COVID-19 vaccines are widely available through other sources including some that offer same-day appointments or drop-in vaccinations for both first and second doses.

- MyTurn: Use <u>myturn.ca.gov</u> to schedule appointments at many sites across the state and region, MyTurn is available in 14 languages.
 - CA COVID-19 hotline: Call **1-833-422-4255** to schedule appointments by phone. Translators are available to support 250 languages.

Local pharmacies: Getting vaccinated at a neighborhood pharmacy may be the most accessible option for many. For booking information, see: <u>CVS</u>, <u>Safeway</u>, <u>Walgreens</u>.

Private health care providers are vaccinating both members and nonmembers: See information from: Kaiser Permanente,

Sutter Health, Stanford Health Care.

The COVID-19 vaccine is free for everyone. You do not need insurance to get vaccinated.

Getting your second dose

Moderna and Pfizer COVID-19 vaccines require two doses. Even if you had your first dose months ago, it is still important that you receive your second dose to be fully vaccinated.

When you receive your first dose of either vaccine, plan out or schedule your second dose appointment when at the vaccination site. Be sure to keep your CDC vaccine card with you so you can receive your second dose at any available vaccination site and bring it with you wherever you receive your final dose. If you are not returning to the same location for your second dose, you may be able to receive it at one of the pop-up sites on this page or those listed in the More ways to be vaccinated section above. You should follow the recommended timing window outlined below for your second dose:

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You should follow the recommended timing window outlined below for your second

Moderna vaccines

Get your second dose of the Moderna vaccine:

- as close to as possible but no sooner than 28 days (4 weeks) after your first dose
- preferably no later than 42 days (6 weeks) after your first dose, but later second doses will still complete your vaccination.

Pfizer vaccines

Get your second dose of the Pfizer vaccine:

- as close to as possible but no sooner than 21 days (3 weeks) after your first dose
- preferably no later than 42 days (6 weeks) after your first dose, but later second doses will still complete your vaccination. For further questions, talk to your medical provider, the provider of your first dose or other COVID-19 vaccine providers.

After you're vaccinated

Some people experience side effects after being vaccinated, including mild side effects such as arm soreness where the shot was given, headaches, muscle pain and tiredness. To learn about more possible side affects, side effects reporting, and rare but serious side effects, visit the CDPH Vaccine page.

Side effects are normal, and should go away in a few days. Not everyone will experience side effects. If you don't have side effects after you get your shot, don't worry. The vaccine is still working.

When you are considered fully vaccinated

It takes time for your body to build protection once you receive your shot. You are considered "fully vaccinated":

- two weeks after your second shot of a two-dose vaccine (Pfizer, Moderna)
- two weeks after receiving a single-dose vaccine (Johnson & Johnson)

If getting a two-dose vaccine, it is essential to get both shots.

Once you are fully vaccinated

Once you're fully vaccinated, you should follow the CDPH's Recommendations for Fully Vaccinated People

Fully vaccinated people must still get tested if experiencing COVID-19 symptoms and follow state and local isolation guidance if they test positive.

Lost vaccine card. The City of Berkeley does not keep vaccine records and is unable to provide a replacement CDC vaccine card. Vaccination records are maintained by the state. If you have lost your COVID-19 CDC vaccine card, obtain a record of your immunization through: California Immunization Registry (CAIR): To request your full immunization record through the California Immunization Registry, submit a CAIR Authorization to Release Form, email the CAIR Helpdesk or call 1-800-578-7889. You will a receive a full immunization record that shows proof of COVID-19 vaccination. CA Digital COVID-19 Vaccine Record: A digital vaccine record that details your COVID-19 vaccination, as stored in the California Immunization Registry (CAIR), that includes COVID-19 vaccination dates, vaccine type received and a QR code. Request your Digital Record from the State online and screenshot and save for your records. Please note that neither entities will provide a replacement CDC vaccine card or provide vaccine lot numbers.

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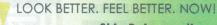
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