

Pastor's Updates

October 6, 2023



Things you may want to know this week

1. October is the month of the Rosary. Tomorrow is the **Feast of Our Lady of Rosary**, and the Archdiocese will be having its 13th Rosary Rally, starting with a mass at 10:00am at the Cathedral of St. Mary's presided by Archbishop Cordileone then followed by a Eucharistic Procession to St. Boniface Church.
2. On the Feast of St. Francis, which was last Wednesday, October 4, the School had the **Blessing of Animals**. All students gathered in the upper yard as our school choir sang the Prayer of St. Francis, and the Student Council lifted up some prayers. Many parents and relatives came to have their dogs, cats, rabbits, fish, reptiles, and other creatures blessed. The students even brought their favorite stuffed animals. We will be having another Blessing of Animals tomorrow at 9:30am in the main parking lot.
3. The newly polished **thurible and incense boat** we used in this morning's Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament looked new and gold. **Fred Mangold** did a wonderful job in restoring it to its original beauty. Thanks to both Fred and Sandy Mangold for taking the initiative.
4. The Grownups will be having their Luncheon this Sunday after the 11:30am mass. The menu is salad, pork, dessert, and all the fixings. Thanks to the group's leader, **Bob Lockwood**, and his working committee for putting this together.
5. There will be a Mass and Healing Service for all those who have experienced the loss of an infant, whether by miscarriage, stillbirth, or early infant death. This will be on November 18, 2023, at 10:00am at St. Dominic's Church in San Francisco. See the poster below.
6. If you or someone you know is grieving the loss of a loved one, contact Judy Kerrigan and our **Grief and Consolation Ministry**. This group of caring, loving, and comforting people meets every first Thursday of the month at 9:15am in the parish convent. They had their meeting yesterday, and their number has doubled. Kindly pray for the eternal repose of parishioner **Pete Beltrano**, who passed away the other day. The family is still making the funeral arrangements.
7. The priests in our Archdiocese of San Francisco will be having their Study Days from Monday to Wednesday next week. Canon or Church Law issues will be discussed on those days.
8. The school and parish office will be closed this Monday, October 9 in observance of Indigenous People's Day.

FAZnotes
(Father Arnold Zamora)
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Dear St. Robert's parishioners and friends,

I've learned to accept any loss because I know there is a greater victory that is in store for me.
The brightest future is based on a forgotten past.
YOU cannot go on well in life until YOU let go of your past failures and heartaches.
In life, many things happen unexpectedly.
No matter how we plan and arrange our life, it's still God's plan that prevails in the end.

-Fr. Arnold