

Co-Sponsored By:



*Annual Interfaith Memorial
for All Our Homeless Dead*



**San Francisco City Hall Steps
(Polk Street Side)**

**Monday, December 21, 2015
5:30 pm**

Program

- Opening Remarks and Welcome on Behalf of the City and County of San Francisco: *Supervisor Scott Wiener*
- Opening Prayer and Welcome on Behalf of the San Francisco Night Ministry: *Rev. Lyle Beckman*
- Welcome on Behalf of the San Francisco Interfaith Council and Reading of Interfaith Statement:
Michael G. Pappas, Executive Director
- Musical Offering: “*Singers of the Street*,” directed by *Ashley Moore*
- Baha’i Prayer for the Dead: *Teresa Morales*
- Reading of Names of Those Who Have Died:
Corey Bigoni, St. Anthony’s Social Action Program
- The Kaddish: *Senator Mark Leno*
- Prayer Offering: *Rev. Jana Drakka, Jikoji Zen Center, founding teacher of Zendo without Walls*
- Reading of Names of Those Who Have Died:
Kelley Cutler, Coalition on Homelessness
- Musical Offering: “*Singers of the Street*”
- Reading of Wisdom 3:1-9 (read in Spanish, but printed in English):
Rev. Monique Ortiz
- 1 But the souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and no torment will ever touch them.
- 2 In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died, and their departure was thought to be an affliction,
- 3 and their going from us to be their destruction; but they are at peace.
- 4 For though in the sight of men they were punished, their hope is full of immortality.
- 5 Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good, because God tested them and found them worthy of himself;
- 6 like gold in the furnace he tried them, and like a sacrificial burnt offering he accepted them.
- 7 In the time of their visitation they will shine forth, and will run like sparks through the stubble.
- 8 They will govern nations and rule over peoples, and the Lord will reign over them for ever.
- 9 Those who trust in him will understand truth, and the faithful will abide with him in love, because grace and mercy are upon his elect, and he watches over his holy ones.
- Muslim Prayer for the Dead: *Imam Abu Qadir Al-Amin*
- “*May We All Be Free*”: a Hindu Blessing for the Dead, offered by *Kaushik Roy, Executive Director of the Shanti Project and Board Member, San Francisco Interfaith Council*
- Assembled congregation is invited to speak the names of other homeless who have died, then process across the street to Civic Center Plaza while singing “*Amazing Grace*,” where names will be burned.
- Closing Prayer and Blessing: *Claire Bohman, Program Director of Sojourn Chaplaincy*