

February 1-7 2015
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reflections for the Week

*If we walk in the light as he himself is in the light,
we have fellowship with one another ~John 1*

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Today's Readings

First Reading — Moses spoke to all the people, saying: "A prophet like me will the LORD, your God, raise up for you" (Deuteronomy 18:15-20).

Psalm — If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts (Psalm 95).

Second Reading — Brothers and sisters: I should like you to be free of anxieties (1 Corinthians 7:32-35).

Gospel — The people were astonished at Jesus' teaching; he taught them as one having authority (Mark 1:21-28).

Readings for the Week

Monday: Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7-10; Heb 2:14-18;
Lk 2:22-40 [22-32]

Tuesday: Heb 12:1-4; Ps 22:26b-28, 30-32;
Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday: Heb 12:4-7, 11-15; Ps 103:1-2, 13-14,
17-18a; Mk 6:1-6

Thursday: Heb 12:18-19, 21-24; Ps 48:2-4, 9-11;
Mk 6:7-13

Friday: Heb 13:1-8; Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9; Mk 6:14-29

Saturday: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21; Ps 23:1-6; Mk 6:30-34

Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7; Ps 147:1-6; 1 Cor 9:16-19,

**Please pray for the healing of
Our parishioners and extended family:**

Maureen and Don Francis, Msgr. Labib Kabti, Sasha Panasik, Fr. Tom Seagrave, Jerry O'Leary, Mary Dunn, Mike and Gabriel Marty, Patrick Lee, Charlie Liteky, Jim and Nancy McDonald, Josephine Small, Mary Donnelly, and all our community members who reside in assisted living and care facilities. This list and additional prayer requests may be found on the "Circle of Prayer" link on our Website www.sjog.net; it is also available through email.

To request prayers for someone and/or receive the "Circle of Prayer" by email please contact Judy Laxen at judithfl@aol.com.

**Mass Intentions:
January 30-February 5, 2015(Fri-Thurs.)**

Fri.	MaryAnn Egli (Rest in Peace)	12:10pm
Sat .	Sonjel Scharff (Rest in Peace)	4:15pm
Sun.		9:30am
Sun.		11:30am
Mon.	Elaine Rivera (Special Healing)	12:10pm
Tues.	Sally Cassidy (Healing Blessing)	12:10pm
Weds.		12:10pm
Thurs.		12:10pm

*Give the gift of a Mass Intention ~Life Blessings, RIP,
Anniversary, Happy Birthday! Contact the office.*

Saints and Special Observances

- Sunday: Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time;
Boy Scout Sunday
- Monday: The Presentation of the Lord;
World Day for Consecrated Life;
Blessing of Candles; Groundhog Day
- Tuesday: St. Blaise; St. Ansgar;
Blessing of Throats;
Tu B'Shvat (Jewish new year of trees)
begins at sunset
- Thursday: St. Agatha
- Friday: St. Paul Miki and companions;
First Friday
- Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday



**Bring a Friend ~
ALL ARE WELCOME !**

At St. John of God, we follow the example of our Patron Saint who opened his doors to all in need. We ask that all who come to seek God's Grace honor Universal Diversity when we come together to worship as a community. A special time is during the prayers of the faithful : We all meet each other with compassion and respect.

If you have a desire to join a community of wonderful friends who accept all,

Spiritual Formation Group

January 31(Saturday 10am-noon) COLLINS HALL
San Francisco author, Mary O'Hara Wyman (Most Holy Redeemer parish) will share the podium with a lively and insightful story about her 2010 walking pilgrimage on the Spanish Camino to Santiago de Compostela. Mary walked the 500 mile ancient trails alone at age 70 from France across the Pyrenees to Spain, then westward to the thousand year old pilgrimage site where the bones of St. James the Apostle of Christ are buried.

Kristen Ripple, who is in her 20s and works at UCSF, recently returned from the same pilgrimage and will share both her pictures and spiritual reflections on the journey. Mary will sell copies of her book, *Grandma's on the Camino: Reflections on a 48-Day Pilgrimage Walk to Santiago*.

This prayerfully centered presentation sponsored by the Adult Spiritual Formation Committee, will take place from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM on Saturday, January 31 in Ben's Room. Coffee and donuts will be served. This is an ideal opportunity to get spiritually prepared for Lent, quickly approaching.

The **Rite of Election & Call to Continuing Conversion** will be held on Sunday, **February 22** at 4:00 p.m. at St. Mary's Cathedral. It is mandatory for all Catechumens, Candidates and Teams.

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The Saint John of God Prayer

*Dear God, through the intercession
of St. John of God, patron of the poor
and the sick,
grant me the grace this day
to greet every person that I meet
With understanding and compassion.
Reveal to me their needs and give me
the means and inspire in my heart the
humility and generosity of St. John
so that I might be to them
revelation of Christ's love. Amen
~ Rev. Thomas L. Seagrave*

Around the Community City and SF Bay

The Exploratorium will celebrate Groundhog Day on **February 1** by offering free admission to all visitors. Please note: Entry is subject to capacity; admission is not guaranteed. Come early!

BY POPULAR DEMAND! FOOD BANK WORK DAY Saturday, February 7th from 9 a.m. to noon.

St. John of God parishioners will once again have an opportunity to make a difference for the hungry in our City. Possible projects include sorting donated food, repackaging food, labeling cans and/or packing food boxes for distribution to the poor. Please call Liz Heaney at 415-596-0591 or email her at heaney.liz@gmail.com if you are interested in volunteering. The minimum age on Saturdays is 8.

February 8 Open House: Year of Consecrated Life The Dominican Sisters of San Rafael invite you to:

St. Rose Convent, 2515 Pine Street in San Francisco from 3:00-4:30 p.m. Join us in a prayer for peace in our Chapel, followed by visiting and refreshments in the convent.

In Marin County, you are invited to join us at Dominican Convent, 1540 Grand Avenue in San Rafael, from 3:00-4:30 p.m. We will share a prayer for peace, followed by visiting and refreshments.

Please RSVP by calling 415 453-8303

The Archdiocese of San Francisco

Restorative Justice Ministry invites survivors of violent crimes and their families to attend a free Retreat. Saturday, February 14. 8AM—4PM Mercy Center—1200 Adeline Dr. Burlingame CA (English and Spanish) register by calling 415-861-9579.

Chinese New Year is based on a lunar calendar (according to phases of the moon), so its corresponding date on the Western calendar varies from year to year. In 2014, the Chinese New Year (or "Lunar New Year") begins on January 31, the start of the Chinese **Year of the Horse**.

A note from Diane (who recently moved to LA):

I am doing well. Very beautiful here. My apartment is a little smaller but more efficient. I have a full kitchen, bathroom, walk in closet, Palm trees and lush garden including budding roses at this time of year. And, my own parking space. And, I can walk everywhere in the Village for most of my needs. But, I miss you all so much! You are in my heart always, Diane Rivera