February 22– 28, 2015
First Sunday of Lent

Reflections for the Week
Your ways, O Lord, make known to me; teach me your paths. –Psalm 25:4

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Today's Readings

First Reading — I will set my bow in the clouds to serve as a sign of the covenant between me and the earth (Genesis 9:8-15).
Psalm — Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant (Psalm 25).
Second Reading — The water of the flood prefigured baptism, which saves you now (1 Peter 3:18-22).
Gospel — Jesus was tempted by Satan, and the angels ministered to him (Mark 1:12-15)

This Week's Readings

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32
Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12
Friday: Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26
Saturday: Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48

Si Dios está a nuestro favor,
¿quién estará en contra nuestra?
— Romanos 8:31b

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

Maureen and Don Francis, Joey Ayoub (Martha's son), 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:
February 20-26 , 2015 (Fri-Thurs.)

Fri.	Eleanor Duncan (Healing)	12:10pm
Sat .	Wing Sui Fung (Rest in Peace)	4:15pm
Sun.	Rosemary and Frank Doonan (RIP)	9:30am
Sun.		11:30am
Mon.	Michael Durkin (Rest in Peace)	12:10pm
Tues.	Margaret McLoughlin (Healing)	12:10pm
Weds.	Mark Bourke (Healing)	12:10pm
Thurs.	Dekoza Family (Blessings)	12:10pm

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

Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: First Sunday of Lent; Rite of Election; Rite of Calling the Candidates to Continuing Conversion
Rite of Sending
Monday: Washington's Birthday
St. Polycarp; Julian Calendar
Orthodox Lent begins
Friday: *Abstinence*

Jesus remained in the desert for forty days

Sunday Morning Hospitality:

After 9:30 and 11:30 mass
approx. 10:30 in Collins Hall
approx. 12:15 in Ben's Room
coffee, refreshments and friendship
All are welcome!
Bring a Friend ~

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. ***PLEASE COME JOIN US!***

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Around the Community, City and the Bay

Catholic Charities

Summer Camp! Registration now open. Online: www.cyocamp.org or by calling 707-874-0200. Open house Saturday, March 21 from 11am to 3pm. Free BBQ lunch. RSVP.

Open Position for Volunteer Manager

Accepting application for the position . Are you detail-oriented, energetic person who loves the administrative side of managing volunteers from churches, school and corporation to service, children, families and individuals in need. Full time, fast-paced, faith-based, social services environment. YES? Review the full position description at catholiccharitiessf.org/careers

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Continuing our **2015 Lenten Speaker Series** on Pope Francis' vision of the church as documented in his apostolic exhortation, The Joy of the Gospel, we will focus on the key chapter 1, noting what Francis has to say about the new evangelization and becoming intentional disciples. We will examine the implications about our future growth and development as a parish community, envisioning SJOG as a house of formation for lay people which enables and empowers us to share our personal and communal encounters with Christ. Patricia Hoffman, MA, Pastoral Ministries, Santa Clara University, Educator and chair of the Friday Night Scripture Study Group here at SJOG, will guide us in this process.

Friday, February 27, 6:30-8:00, Collins Hall

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

THANK YOU! A special thank you to the parishioners who participated in our **workday at the Food Bank** Saturday February 7. One group worked in the frozen beans and packed 1,700 pounds of frozen beans into 1 lb bags (exactly!) we also repacked 1,600 pounds of brown rice into smaller 1Lb bags.

Thanks to Janice Mortenson (who volunteered on her birthday), Kathy and Ken Hoegger, Alice Yavorsky, Erin White, Chris and Robin Bogan,Elizabeth and Charley Obermeyer, Gianni Alejandre (our youngest volunteer), Roberto and Ruben Slavatierra, Christopher Lee, Linda and Marisa Cruz, Judy Morrow, Cathe Cornellio and Jack Alter, Jaqueline and Matilda Smay, Michael Lader.and Liz Heaney.

SAVE THE DATE : NEXT WORKDAY SAT MAY 30!

LENT / EASTER AT ST. JOHN OF GOD

Ash Wednesday, **February 18, 2015**
Mass with Distribution of Ashes
12:10 and 7:30PM

Fridays in Lent
(February 20, February 27, March 6, March 13, March 20, 27): Lenten Series on Pope Francis' Apostolic Exhortation, "The Joy of the Gospel" and Insights to be Gleaned About Our Future Growth and Development as a Parish Community. (Details to follow!)

Celebration! Feast of Saint of John of God at all three masses, including the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, and a blessing of all caregivers (doctors, nurses, and other health professionals, as well as those caring for the sick at home). **Saturday and Sunday, March 7-8, 2015**

Reconciliation Service, Thursday, **March 12,** 7:30 PM.

Palm Sunday March 29 Fresh Palms!

Holy Thursday April 2

Good Friday April 3

Easter Sunday April 5

Ascension Thursday May 14

Lenten Daily Prayer

In your mercy, Lord, watch over me this day.
Kyrie, eleison.
Guide me in your ways, lead me in your truth.
Christe, eleison.
Bring me to the joy of heaven in your mercy, Lord.
Kyrie, eleison.