

July 5-July 11, 2015
Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reflections for the Week

Idleness is the enemy of the soul.
—*St. Benedict*

Today's Readings

First Reading — They shall know that a prophet has been among them (Ezekiel 2:2-5).

Psalm — Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy (Psalm 123).

Second Reading — I am content with weaknesses and hardships for the sake of Christ (2 Corinthians 12:7-10).

Gospel — "Where did this man get all this? Is he not the carpenter, the son of Mary?" (Mark 6:1-6a).

Readings this Week

Monday: Gn 28:10-22a; Ps 91:1-4, 14-15ab; Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday: Gn 32:23-33; Ps 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, 8b, 15; Mt 9:32-38

Wednesday: Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a;

Ps 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19; Mt 10:1-7

Thursday: Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5; Ps 105:16-21; Mt 10:7-15

Friday: Gn 46:1-7, 28-30; Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40; Mt 10:16-23

Saturday: Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a; Ps 105:1-4, 6-7; Mt 10:24-33

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

Fr. Tom Seagrave, Maureen and Don Francis, Msgr. Labib Kabti, Sasha Panasik, Jerry O'Leary, Mary Dunn, Mike and Gabriel Marty, Patrick Lee, Charlie Liteky, Jim and Nancy McDonald, Mary Donnelly, Josephine Small 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

It's always great to hear from friends ~ why not send a card or place a call to let them know you're thinking and praying for God's healing. Mass requests also available.

Mass Intentions: July 3-9, 2015 (Fri-Thurs.)

Fri. Virgilio Obcena (Birthday Wishes!) 12:10pm
Sat. Frank Negri & Family (RIP) 4:15pm
Sun. Fr. Tom Seagrave (Healing Grace) 9:30am
Sun. Olaus Kyrie (Rest in Peace) 11:30am
Mon. Neil Flynn (Rest in Peace) 12:10pm
Tues. Laura Busby (Birthday Anniversary) 12:10pm
Weds. Margaret Smith (Rest in Peace) 12:10pm
Thurs. Eliz Rodriguez (Special Intension) 12:10pm

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

Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

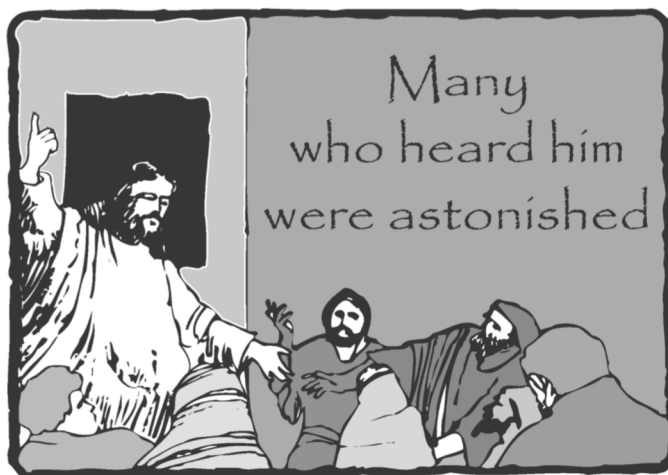
Monday: St. Maria Goretti

Wednesday: St. Grimbald

Thursday: St. Augustine Zhao Rong
and Companions

Friday: St. Veronica of the Veil

Saturday: St. Benedict



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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 the Bay

IF YOU LOVE THE PERSON YOU'RE MARRIED TO, YOU'LL LOVE A WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND! Marriage Encounter is 44 hours where married couples can get away from jobs, kids, chores, and phones—and focus only on each other. If you'd like greater depth, growth, and enrichment in your relationship, you'll like the difference a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend can make! For more information, go to www.sanfranciscowme.org or call Paul & Yvonne at 650.366.7093. **The next San Francisco/Santa Rosa Weekend:** Vallombrosa Retreat Center, Menlo Park: Nov 20-22. Space is limited; apply early.

FAITH IN JESUS CHRIST

Mark's Gospel account today is built on a double astonishment or amazement: the neighbors and family of Jesus are astonished that he taught in the synagogue with wisdom and worked powerful signs. Jesus, in turn, is amazed that they have no faith in him because they know his origins, not because of any fault with his teaching or ministry. As with many of Mark's passages, we get a rather intimate glimpse here of the human part of Jesus' two-fold nature. To reinforce his point, Mark tells of Jesus' return to his native place, and further points out that he is in the midst of his own family members there. From the very people he expected the most, Jesus received the least. In the day of the Gospel's writing, Mark was attempting to illustrate a lesson to the house of Israel: the God of the covenant expected the greatest faith from the house of Israel, but often received the least. This is a good source for reflection on our part, we who are Jesus' followers today. For the wisdom of Christ to continue and for our lives to be seen as signs of his power, he must expect and be able to find great faith among us. Will he? Can he? Does he? Or is he, once again, amazed by its absence?

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**Sundays after 9:30 and 11:30 mass
approx. 10:30 in Collins Hall
approx. 12:30 in Ben's Room
coffee, pastry and friendship
All are welcome!**

Bring a Friend ~ or two!

At St. John of God, we all meet each other
with compassion and respect.

STRIDES FOR LIFE COLON CANCER FOUNDATION

presents its **12th ANNUAL 4 MILE WALK-RUN-RIDE** at Lake Merced, San Francisco, Sunday October 11th. \$45 Registration includes Tech Shirt, Goodie Bag and Post Race Breakfast. Register online as an individual or form a team at www.stridesforlife.org. Call our office for questions or more information at (650) 692-3700 or email info@stridesforlife.org. Participants of all ages welcome!

There's a lot of talk about the political reaction to Pope Francis' 192-page encyclical on climate change. But part of what's being missed, say Catholic leaders, is a message about better caring for communities and families — the "human ecosystems" that allow humans to thrive.

The document refers to the family as "the basic cell of society," and repeatedly calls on believers and nonbelievers alike to care for those in our "human family," especially those who are poor and struggling.

"The earth, our home, is beginning to look more and more like an immense pile of filth," said Pope Francis. "I would like us all to make a serious commitment to respect and protect creation, to be attentive to every person, to counter the culture of waste to promote a culture of solidarity."

From the Archdiocese of San Francisco: Office of Public Policy and Social Concern

Our Archdiocesan Bioethics Working Group — composed of local physicians and nurses, theologians and philosophers—is interested in hearing about your recent experiences, and responding to your questions and ethical concerns, on issues related to death and dying. Please contact us through the Archdiocesan Respect Life Program
By calling 415-614-5533

Or emailing evansv@sfarchdiocese.

Or writing to : Respect Life Program

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Thank you!

Community Calendar ALL ARE WELCOME!

July 13 7-10PM

Choir Rehearsal

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS:

June 27-28

Peter's Pence (Holy Father)

July 4-5

Hospital Ministry