

October 11-17, 2015  
Twenty—Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reflections for the Week  
*Come, Spirit of Wisdom*

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**Today's Readings**

**First Reading** — I pleaded, and the spirit of wisdom came to me. All good things together came to me in her company (Wisdom 7:7-11).

**Psalm** — Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy! (Psalm 90).

**Second Reading** — Indeed the word of God is living and effective (Hebrews 4:12-13).

**Gospel** — It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for one who is rich to enter the kingdom of God (Mark 10:17-30 [17-27]).

**Readings this Week**

Monday: Rom 1:1-7; Ps 98:1-4; Lk 11:29-32  
Tuesday: Rom 1:16-25; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 11:37-41  
Wednesday: Rom 2:1-11; Ps 62:2-3, 6-7, 9; Lk 11:42-46  
Thursday: Rom 3:21-30; Ps 130:1b-6ab; Lk 11:47-54  
Friday: Rom 4:1-8; Ps 32:1b-2, 5, 11; Lk 12:1-7  
Saturday: Rom 4:13, 16-18; Ps 105:6-9, 42-43; Lk 12:8-12  
Sunday: Is 53:10-11; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; Heb 4:14-16; Mk 10:35-45 [42-45]

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

Fr. Tom Seagrave, Maureen and Don Francis, Mary Dunn, Mike and Gabriel Marty, Patrick Lee, Judy and Charlie Liteky, Jim and Nancy McDonald, Josephine Small, Teresa Hyatt, Pat Hoffman, Dorla Gross, Dalia & Estela Becerra and all our 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](http://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](mailto: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:  
October 9-15, 2015 (Fri-Thurs.)**

Fri. Romeo L. Hermoso (Rest in Peace)	12:10pm
Sat. John Schick (Rest in Peace)	4:15pm
Sun. Pete Saenz (Rest in Peace)	9:30am
Sun.	11:30am
Mon. Joseph McCalhill (Rest in Peace)	12:10pm
Tues. Dick Wilson (Rest in Peace)	12:10pm
Weds. Pauline Picchi (God's Healing)	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: Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time;  
National Children's Day  
Monday: Columbus Day  
Wednesday: St. Callistus I  
Thursday: St. Teresa of Jesus  
Friday: St. Hedwig;  
St. Margaret Mary Alacoque;  
National Boss Day  
Saturday: St. Ignatius of Antioch; Sweetest Day  
**October is the month of The Rosary**



**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

### BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND! FOOD BANK

**WORK DAY October 17** – St. John of God parishioners will once again have an opportunity to make a difference for the hungry in our City. On Saturday, October 17 from 9 a.m. to noon we will be working at the Food Bank's warehouse. 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 e-mail her at Heaney.liz@gmail.com if you are interested in volunteering.

### The Youth Religious Education Program 2015 – 2016

#### REGULAR CLASSES

**First Communion Preparation Class** and **Third Grade Class** [last year's First Communicants] will meet during 9:30 Mass.

*We need a Third Grade Teacher or Teaching Team!*

**NEW Pre-K/Kindergarten Drop-In** – To be held during 9:30 Mass – to be held 1-2 Sundays/month depending on parent/ older youth volunteer availability.

OUR FIRST WORK SHOP WILL BE IN THE AFTER-NOON OCTOBER 18<sup>TH</sup>

THE TOPIC WILL BE **THE CHURCH**. FR. NORMAN WILL LEAD A *MAGICAL MYSTERY TOUR OF THE CHURCH*, INCLUDING THE SANCTUARY, SACRISTY, VESTMENTS AND SACRED VESSELS. THERE WILL BE AN ACTIVITY AND A SNACK FOLLOWING THE TOUR. ALL CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES ARE INVITED. Contact Judy Morrow for more information.

### Community Calendar

October 12	Choir Practice	7-10PM
October 19	Parish Council	7PM
October 31 - Nov 1	Solemnity of All Saints	
October 31	Sanctuary Sunday	

#### Archbishop Salvatore Cordilone

#### Parish Visit

**Sunday November 8 10:30AM Mass**  
**Confirmation of St. John of God Students**  
**Reception to Follow**

#### UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS:

October 10	Hospital Ministry
October 18	World Mission Sunday



**After Masses on Sunday.**  
**Join us ! All are Welcome!**

### Cultivating Disciples!

#### Faith Formation Conference

**Friday, November 6, 2015 & Saturday, November 7**

Santa Clara Convention Center

[www.faithformationconference.com/](http://www.faithformationconference.com/)

#### Archdiocesan Youth Rally and Youth Mass

**Sunday, October 18, 2015**

Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church

1 Elmwood Dr. Daly City, CA 94015

*"Thanks be to God," says the Admiral, "the air is soft as in April in Seville, and it is a pleasure to be in it, so fragrant it is."* Christopher Columbus

### Lights and Shadows

One of the most painful physical pain is to have a

splinter in the eye.

A strange object suddenly getting into the eye would have a piercing and have a boulder like pain in the eye. Ordinarily, the first aid for this is to find someone close to you who can blow your eyes until the splinter gets removed.

"Blowing the eyes". It

may not always be successful and may not be medically safe and sound, but it works! The point of which I am driving out is that there is an intention to help, to give easement and to rescue someone who is in dire need of an eye emergency.

A great deal of people have splinters not only in their eyes. In other words, a great deal of people are hurting. It's for various reasons. Even sometimes, instead of blowing away the splinters, some people wouldn't help others blow away what causes the pain.

I would like to call this position which is akin to the Pharisees way of dealing with splintered people: SPIRITUAL SADISM these people love seeing others in pain. And the more they see people are hurting, the more they would add up to their infliction.

Gossips, slander, unjust vexation and harsh judgments are the components of spiritual sadism.

God is asking for us instead to be agents of hope to splintered people by blowing out their pain away.

Pope Francis is such a breath of fresh air. Mercy and compassion. It is not you who should judge people, it is God.

If we attempt to develop such kind of attitude, the more we will be loving and compassionate to a world full of broken people. "Before, I prayed for justice, but when I remembered myself, I begged for mercy...."

~ Fr. Norman