

October 25-31 2015
Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reflections for the Week

*The LORD has done great things for us;
we are glad indeed. —Psalm 126:3*

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Today's Readings

First Reading — I will lead the people to brooks of water, on a level road, so that none shall stumble (Jeremiah 31:7-9).

Psalm — The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy (Psalm 126).

Second Reading — It was not Christ who glorified himself, but rather the one who said to him: You are my son: this day I have begotten you (Hebrews 5:1-6).

Gospel — Immediately the blind man received his sight and followed Jesus on the way (Mark 10:46-52).

Readings this Week

- Monday: Rom 8:12-17; Ps 68:2, 4, 6-7ab, 20-21; Lk 13:10-17
Tuesday: Rom 8:18-25; Ps 126:1b-6; Lk 13:18-19
Wednesday: Eph 2:19-22; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 6:12-16
Thursday: Rom 8:31b-39; Ps 109:21-22, 26-27, 30-31; Lk 13:31-35
Friday: Rom 9:1-5; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Lk 14:1-6
Saturday: Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29; Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 17-18; Lk 14:1, 7-11

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

Fr. Tom Seagrave, Mons. Labib Kaboti, 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; 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:
October 23-29, 2015 (Fri-Thurs.)**

Fri.	Gary Schindler (Get Well Blessings)	12:10pm
Sat.	Luciele Carson (Rest in Peace)	4:15pm
Sun.	Patrick Lawlor (Rest in Peace)	9:30am
Sun.	Marietta Michel (Birthday/RIP)	11:30am
Mon.	Langan & Busby Families (Spc Inten)	12:10pm
Tues.	Pauline Picchi (Family Blessing)	12:10pm
Weds.	Bobby Jo Viksne (Blessings!)	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: Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Priesthood Sunday; World Youth Day
Wednesday: Ss. Simon and Jude
Saturday: Halloween; Blessed Virgin Mary

October is the month of The Rosary



POSSIBILITIES

All things are possible for one who believes, more to one who hopes, even more to one who loves.—St. Lawrence

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

[Click here](#) for Nov 8 Parish Visitation and Confirmation Schedule

SPECIAL NOTICE: On November 8, 2015 Archbishop Salvatore Cordilone will be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation at St. John of God.

THERE WILL ONLY BE ONE MASS

November 8 AT 10:30AM

no mass at 9:30AM or 11:30AM

Please plan on attending! There will be a reception after the mass to meet and greet the Archbishop!

Sanctuary Weekend: October 31- November 1 4:15, 9:30, & 11:30 Masses.

St. John of God parishioner and Sanctuary Committee member Tessa Rouverol Callejo will share a reflection on her trip to El Salvador in May 2015 for the Beatification of Archbishop Oscar Arnulfo Romero. Tessa is currently the FAITHS Program and Civic Engagement Officer at The San Francisco Foundation (TSFF) where she directs a civic engagement and capacity building program serving Bay Area faith-based organizations and leads the foundation's Immigrant Integration grant making.

At the Sanctuary Weekend Masses on October 31 and November 1, there will also be a commissioning and blessing of those in the St. John of God Community who are participating in the Archdiocesan program to assist immigrants who are or will be preparing to seek approval under the Deferred Action program. **There will be a second collection to support the Saint John of God Sanctuary programs.**

Please wear your red Oscar Romero shirt (or another red shirt) in honor of Blessed Oscar Romero of El Salvador and those who have died working for a world of justice and peace.

THANK YOU! A special thank you to the 14 parishioners who participated in our workday at the Food Bank Saturday October 17. Our group worked in the senior boxes, we helped pack 700 senior boxes for a total of 21,000 Lbs. We then moved to the "repack room" and relabeled jars and repacked chicken broth cans for a total of 6,000 Lbs. Grand total was 27,000 pounds of food serving the poor "repack room" and processed. Thanks to Janice, Mortenson, Judy Morrow, Chris and Robin Bogan, Margaret Jose, Matilda Smay, Sunny Salomon, Aiden and Connie Mason, Mio Nakamura, Kristina Lee, Kristen Beck, Benjamin Farahnik and Liz Heaney. **Our next work day will on Saturday January 16th from 9 AM - noon.**

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

How did the church deal with "daily sins" in the first five centuries? As devout and observant as they were, our early fathers and mothers in faith could not have been all that different from us. Maybe they looked the other way when the grocer threw an extra fig in the shopping basket, or had a wandering eye for the widow next door, or had a taste for too much ale, or didn't let the truth get in the way of a good story. First of all, there was the Eucharist. The words are familiar: "This is the cup of my blood, poured out for the forgiveness of sin." Especially by participating in Communion from the cup, forgiveness was achieved. Eucharist was, and remains, the sacrament of reconciliation *par excellence*, the sign and source of unity with Christ.

There were other helps along the way: "fraternal" correction, or the course corrections we offer one another in love, prayer, fasting, works of mercy. St. Augustine listed endurance of suffering, forgiveness of insults, and added the praying of the Lord's Prayer in the liturgy. He felt that the public praying of the Our Father on Sunday and its daily use in private prayer was an essential remedy and the reason why everyone was not a candidate for canonical penance. Inherited from Augustine's practice, the Lord's Prayer in our Communion Rite still has the same purpose, preparing us for receiving and becoming the Body of Christ.