

November 1-7, 2015

All Saints

Reflections for the Week

See what love the Father has bestowed on us
that we may be called the children of God -1 John 3:1

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Today's Readings

First Reading — John's vision of a vast throng from every nation and people, whose robes had been made white in the blood of the Lamb (Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14).

Psalm — Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face (Psalm 24).

Second Reading — By God's love, we may be called God's children (1 John 3:1-3).

Gospel — The Beatitudes: your reward will be great in heaven (Matthew 5:1-12a).

Readings this Week

Monday: Wis 3:1-9; Ps 23:1-6; Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40, or any readings from no. 668 or from the Masses for the Dead, nos. 1011-1016

Tuesday: Rom 12:5-16b; Ps 131:1bcde-3; Lk 14:15-24

Wednesday: Rom 13:8-10; Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9; Lk 14:25-33

Thursday: Rom 14:7-12; Ps 27:1bcde, 4, 13-14; Lk 15:1-10

Friday: Rom 15:14-21; Ps 98:1-4; Lk 16:1-8

Saturday: Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Ps 145:2-5, 10-11; Lk 16:9-15

**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:

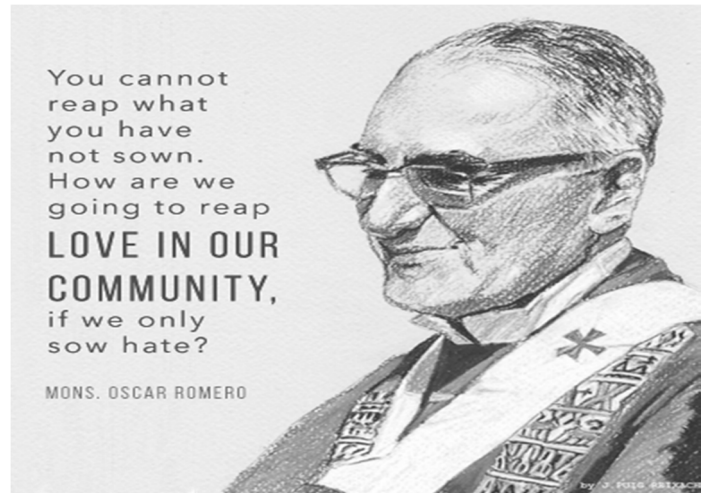
October 30-November 5, 2015 (Fri-Thurs.)

Fri. Vilma LaValle (Get Well Blessing)	12:10pm
Sat. John & Genevieve Riordan (RIP)	4:15pm
Sun. Mariette Michel (Birthday/RIP)	9:30am
Sun. Julia O'Malley (Blessings)	11:30am
Mon. Langan & Busby Families (Spc Inten)	12:10pm
Tues. Laura Busby (Rest in Peace)	12:10pm
Weds. Tom Kilikelly (Rest in Peace)	12:10pm
Thurs. Liam Kennedy (Healing)	12:10pm

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

Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: All Saints; Daylight Saving Time ends; National Vocation Awareness Week
Monday: Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)
Tuesday: Thirty-first Week in Ordinary Time; St. Martin de Porres; Election Day
Wednesday: St. Charles Borromeo
Friday: First Friday
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday



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

SPECIAL NOTICE: On November 8, 2015 Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone 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!

**Archbishop Salvatore J. Cordileone
Parish Visitation Schedule
Sunday November 8, 2015**

8:00-9:00am

Conversation and idea sharing with pastoral and finance council, staff, sanctuary committee

9:00-9:30am

Meet with the RCIA, YRE group and catechist

9:30-10:00am

Talk with the Administrator (Fr. Norman)

10:00- 10:20am

Meet the Confirmandi before the Mass

10:30am Mass and Confirmation

11:30am – 12:45PM

Parishioner's moment with the Archbishop
(picture taking, chat etc .)

1:00 pm

Lunch with the Archbishop
(with the different ministries of SJOG)

2:00 pm

UCSF Hospital Visit.

Since St. John of God's ministry is serving UCSF, the Archbishop will visit UCSF hospital patients.

REALLY GOOD GOSSIP! Psst . . . are you wondering why some active parishioners at St. John of God let the collection basket pass by and NEVER seem to contribute? Here's their secret – they are online donors! You too can enjoy the convenience of online donations when you sign up on our website at www.sjog.net. Just click on the "Donate Now" button near the top of the page. You can make a one-time donation or better yet create your own profile and set up an automatic contribution at regular intervals. Regular online donations help to stabilize our parish finances. You can make contributions immediately from your bank account through EFT (electronic funds transfer) or use your credit card, pay later and rack up all those miles! If you need assistance in setting up recurring donations or if you have questions about how it works, contact Susan Fox, Joe Cline or Judy Laxen.

SANCTUARY SUNDAY: OSCAR ROMERO

Romero's campaign for human rights in El Salvador won him many national and international admirers as well as a Nobel Peace Prize nomination. It also won him enemies, however. On March 24, 1980, an assassin fired from the door of the chapel where Romero was celebrating mass and shot him dead. The archbishop had foreseen the danger of assassination and had spoken of it often, declaring his willingness to accept martyrdom if his blood might contribute to the solution of the nation's problems. "As a Christian," he remarked on one such occasion, "I do not believe in death without resurrection. If they kill me, I shall rise again in the Salvadoran people." In 1997, Pope John Paul II bestowed upon Romero the title of Servant of God, and a cause for beatification and canonization was opened for him. The cause stalled, but was reopened by Pope Benedict XVI in 2012. He was declared a martyr by Pope Francis on 3 February 2015, paving the way for his beatification, which took place on 23 May 2015. Pope Francis stated during Romero's beatification that "His ministry was distinguished by a particular attention to the most poor and marginalized." Hailed as a hero by supporters of liberation theology inspired by his work, Romero, according to his biographer, "was not interested in liberation theology", but faithfully adhered to Catholic teachings on liberation, desiring a social revolution based on supernatural interior reform. His spiritual life drew much from the spirituality of Opus Dei.

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

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

Bring a Friend ~ or two!

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

PLEASE COME JOIN US!

⚡ ST. JOHN OF GOD SANCTUARY COMMUNITY ⚡

History

In 1985 the members of the St. John of God community embarked on an eight-month course of prayer and discernment regarding the plight of the Central American refugees coming to the Bay Area. Members studied Archbishop John R. Quinn's 1983 Pastoral Letter on Central America, participated in house meetings in which refugees shared their stories, and informed themselves about moral and legal issues regarding political asylum. In January 1986, over 90% of the parishioners voted in favor of Sanctuary. Since Palm Sunday 1986, our community has reaffirmed the covenant, which articulates the vision of faith taught by our brothers and sisters of El Salvador and Guatemala.

Christ's call is to reach out to our brothers and sisters in need. In response to this call, the members of the St. John of God Community enter into this covenant to provide sanctuary -- support, protection, and advocacy -- to Salvadoran and Guatemalan refugees who request haven out of well-founded fear of persecution and possibly death if they are returned to their homeland. We do this out of concern for the welfare of these refugees, regardless of their official immigration status. . .

St. John of God Covenant of Public Sanctuary, Palm Sunday, 1986

As in the early years, Sanctuary work focuses on immigrant advocacy and emergency aid to immigrants in San Francisco and the Bay Area and support of development projects in El Salvador.

☀ Report on Projects ☀

Guided by the Spirit, we have continued the Sanctuary commitment to solidarity through:

Direct Support: In the past year funds were given to the Central American Resource Center (CARECEN) and Dolores Street Community Services for legal and social services for local immigrants. Both of these nonprofits have taken leadership in mobilizing our city's response to the needs of recently arrived undocumented children. Funds were also contributed to "The Lantern Project," a project in San Francisco run by the Presentation Sisters to prepare immigrants for U.S. citizenship and teach them English and computer skills.

Development: Funds were given to anti-gang efforts at Santa Rosa of Lima Church in San Salvador. The funds enable parish teens to continue their high school education in a collaborative project with the Ministry of Education. The teens study in a supportive environment that is safe from gang-related threats and intimidation. Funds given to Voices on the Border were used to support local communities in El Salvador hold an environmental workshop and march to protect mangrove forests, estuaries and undeveloped beaches from destruction by tourism interests.

Protection and Human Rights Advocacy: Members of the parish participated in workshops to assist undocumented immigrants to obtain legal status as well as legal residents to obtain U.S. citizenship. Committee members are part of a citywide interfaith coalition supporting immigrant rights locally and nationally. Funds were given to the Interfaith Coalition for Immigrant Rights to sustain this advocacy work.

☀ Please Support SJOG Sanctuary Work in 2015-2016 ☀

Please make checks payable to **St. John of God (in memo line put "C.A.R. Fund")**

Sanctuary Committee Members – Dagbevi Akpawu, Theresa Cameranesi, Joe and Joan Humphreys, Rich Lang, Judy Liteky, Sherri Maurin, Roberta and Jim McLaughlin, Adrienne and Shaolin Plasse, Mark Reedy, Tessa Rouverol Callejo, Linda Vossler Swan.

We invite community members to join us. Email Adrienne at aplasseadrienne@gmail.com.