

November 22-28, 2015
Our Lord of Christ, King of the Universe

Reflections for the Week

Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead and ruler of the kings of the earth.

Revelation 1:5

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Today's Readings

First Reading — One like a Son of man received dominion, glory, and kingship (Daniel 7:13-14).

Psalm — The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty (Psalm 93).

Second Reading — Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead (Revelation 1:5-8).

Gospel — For this I came into the world, to testify to the truth (John 18:33b-37).

Readings this Week

Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Dn 3:52-56; Lk 21:1-4
Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45; Dn 3:57-61; Lk 21:5-11
Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28;
Dn 3:62-67; Lk 21:12-19
Thursday: Dn 6:12-28; Dn 3:68-74; Lk 21:20-28
Thanksgiving Day, Suggested:
Sir 50:22-24; Ps 145:2-11; 1 Cor 1:3-9;
Lk 17:11-19
Friday: Dn 7:2-14; Dn 3:75-81; Lk 21:29-33
Saturday: Dn 7:15-27; Dn 3:82-87; Lk 21:34-36
Sunday: Jer 33:14-16; Ps 25:4-5, 8-10, 14;
1 Thes 3:12 — 4:2; Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

Please pray for the healing of

Our parishioners and extended family:

Fr. Tom Seagrave, Msgr. Labib Kaboti, Fr. Bill Brady, Msgr. Mickey McCormick (former Pastors at SJOG) 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

Mass Intentions:

November 20-26, 2015 (Fri-Thurs.)

Fri. Elish Duffy (Happy Birthday)	12:10pm
Erestiva Fidelino (RIP/BD)	
Sat. Bob Christie (Life's Blessing)	4:15pm
Sun. HAPPY ANNIVERSARY FR. NORMAN	9:30am
Sun. Gene Needham (Happy Birthday)	11:30am
Mon. Eresvita Fidelion (RIP Anniv)	12:10pm
Tues. Elisabeth Wilson (Happy Birthday!)	12:10pm
Weds. Candido Laguda (RIP)	12:10pm
Thurs. Angustia Laguda (RIP)	12:10pm

Urgent and continuing prayer request:

Fr. Tom Seagrave, Msgr. Labib Kobti and several of our former pastors are ill. Please offer prayers for Fr. Bill Brady, Msgr. Mickey McCormick, and Fr. Tom Burns.

Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
Monday: Thirty-fourth Week Ordinary Time; (Last) St. Clement I; St. Columban; Blessed Miguel Agustín Pro
Tuesday: St. Andrew Dũng-Lạc and Companions
Wednesday: St. Catherine of Alexandria
Thursday: Thanksgiving Day
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary



**I Am the
Alpha
and the
Omega**

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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

THANKSGIVING DAY MASSES:

9:30 AM : Festive with Music

12:10 PM : usual workday Mass

SECOND COLLECTIONS:

Campaign for Human Development Nov 22-23

Retirement Fund for Religious Dec 5-6

SCHEDULE FOR *LAUDATO SI* STUDY GROUP

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2015

Chapter Three: Human Roots of the Ecological Crisis

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2015

Chapter Four: Integral Ecology

THURSDAY, JANUARY 7, 2015

Chapter Five: Lines of Approach and Action

THURSDAY, JANUARY 14, 2015

Chapter Six: Ecological Education and Spirituality

On Care for Our Common Home (Laudato Si') is the new appeal from Pope Francis addressed to "every person living on this planet" for an inclusive dialogue about how we are shaping the future of our planet. Contact Paul Rioski sjogmusic@aol.com for more information.

Celebrate with Fr. Norman Vitug

Everyone is invited to join in the celebration of Fr. Norman Vitug's 16th Anniversary of Ordination on **Saturday November 21**. The celebration will begin at the **4:15 Mass** and a terrific **POT LUCK afterwards** in the Hall.

The Filipino Community will be bringing many wonderful hot dishes and the community at SJOG will be responsible for the cold items : salads~ lettuces, vegetables or fruit; deserts!

Please join in and celebrate with Fr. Norman ! Expect music, dancing and a lot of fun!

Please RSVP to the office 415-566-5610

Please join Bishop Roberto Calara Mallari, the Auxiliary Bishop of San Fernando, Pampanga, the Diocese of San Jose Nueva Ecija in the Philippines in celebration of Mass Sunday at 9:30am.

It's Easy!

You can enjoy the convenience of online donations when you sign up on our website at www.sjog.net. Click on the "Donate Now" button near the top of the page to make a one-time donation or set up an automatic contribution at regular intervals to stabilize our parish finances. Questions? Contact Susan Fox, Joe Cline, Judy Laxen or Joe Humphreys.

SJOG is partnering with LYFT for a "warm coat drive". If you have a slightly used, in good condition coat, bring it by the office and Eric will take it over to Saint Boniface Catholic Church. Here's a code you can use for \$20 off your first LIFT ride for your generosity!

Lyft.com/i/ERIC930126

Lights and Shadows

I had a short long trip to PI two weeks ago to attend to my sickly mother. Short, because it was just for a few days. Long, because of the 14 hour flight. My trip coincided with my mom's birthday. And she thought she saw a ghost. Asking me if I was real.

I bet she won't ever forget the event and the kind of surprising experience in her life for the rest of it. But have you gotten to a place where you won't recall anymore the time you went or the exact date you were there but not forgetting the details of your experience on that place?

The mind forgets, but the heart remembers...

The kingdom of God should also be understood in this context. " the kingdom of God is among you" says the Lord.

The kingdom of God is not an event, it is an experience. It is not an occasion it is a communication. It is not a date it is a state. Where there is the presence of God, there is the presence of the kingdom of God. The kingdom of God therefore is whenever we let people experience love, compassion, mercy, care and vice versa.

The invitation of the gospel therefore is for us to cherish every event we have the chance to let others experience God. Not to let a day pass by without recognizing our capabilities of showing God and let others experience Him through us.

I was just humbled. Almost everyday that i open my phone and see the news, the bulk of it pertains to people who have died for so varied reasons. Just this morning i googled number of deaths today and world meters say 109, 513 deaths only today. And I see myself, still fully alive.

I am not saying we are and should feel lucky we are still alive. My point is for us not to miss the chance of really living and loving to the fullest by the grace of each day given to us by God.

Days will pass. Dates will be forgotten. But not the ways you let others see God in you. The kingdom of God has a heart with a memory of it's own....

~Fr. Norman
