

February 28-March 5, 2016
Third Sunday of Lent

Reflections for the Week
Walk With Jesus on
His Journey to the Cross

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Today's Readings

First Reading — The LORD God appears to Moses and directs him to go and deliver the Israelites from Egypt (Exodus 3:1-8a, 13-15)
or Exodus 17:3-7.

Psalm — The Lord is kind and merciful (Psalm 103)
or Psalm 95.

Second Reading — We are not to grumble like the people with Moses in the desert (1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12) or Romans 5:1-2, 5-8.

Gospel — If you do not repent, you will all perish (Luke 13:1-9) or John 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a,

Readings this Week

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4;
Lk 4:24-30
Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6, 7bc,
8-9; Mt 18:21-35
Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-
20; Mt 5:17-19
Thursday: Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9;
Lk 11:14-23
Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17;
Mk 12:28-34
Saturday: Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-21ab;
Lk 18:9-14 Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41
[1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]

Those who cannot forgive others break the bridge over which they themselves must pass.

—Confucius

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

Fr. Tom Burns, Msgr. Labib Kaboti, Fr. Bill Brady, Msgr. Mickey McCormick (former Pastors at SJOG) Pat Hoffman, Maureen and Don Francis, Mary Dunn, Mike Marty, Patrick Lee, Judy and Charlie Liteky, Jim and Nancy McDonald, Josephine Small,, Teresa Hyatt, Dorla Gross, Dalia & Estela Becerra and all our members who reside in assisted living and care facilities.

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

Mass Intentions:

February 26-March 3, 2016 (Fri-Thurs.)

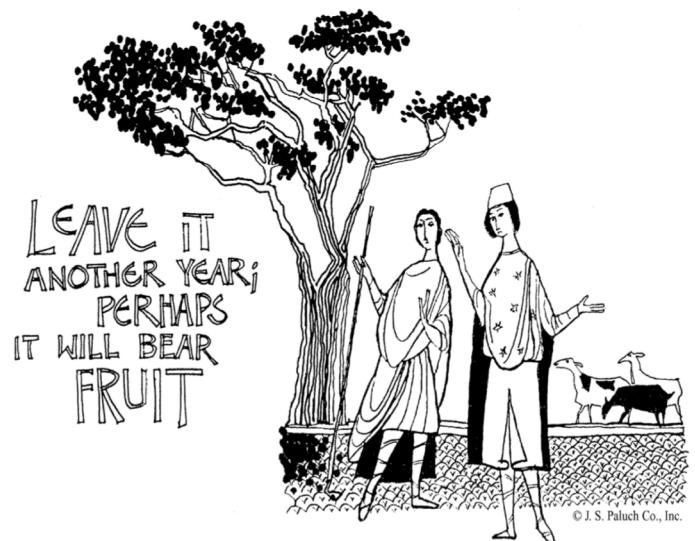
Fri.	Cassidy Family ~ God's Blessing	12:10pm
Sat	Evelyn Rull (Blessing RIP)	4:15pm
Sun	Pauline and Bobby Jo (Blessing)	9:30am
Sun.	Fr. Tom Seagrave (40 day Mass)	11:30am
Mon.	Mackie DeSouza (2 mo. Ann. RIP)	12:10pm
Tues.	Eudisia Medina Wilson (RIP)	12:10pm
Weds.	Mark&Karen Clarey (Healing)	12:10pm
Thurs.	Jan Patane (Special Life Blessing)	12:10pm

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

Saints and Special Observances

Third Sunday of Lent

Thursday: St. Katharine Drexel
Friday: St. Casimir; World Day of Prayer;
First Friday; Abstinence
Saturday: 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

Year of Mercy: Laudato Si'/Green Team Initiative

In this Year of Mercy, the Archdiocese of San Francisco is working to strengthen the practice for caring for creation in our parishes, in keeping with the encyclical, Laudato Si', On Care for Our Common Home. The Archdiocese is encouraging parishes, that have not done so yet, to form a parish Green Team/Care for Creation Team. The first Archdiocese Green Team orientation/training will take place at:

St. Anne's Parish on the morning of April 23rd. There will be 3 concurrent half day workshops, so parishes are asked to send 2 or 3 representatives. Please contact parish office if you are interested in attending.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

As Roman Catholics, our marriage practices have their pedigree in ancient Rome. One of the major players in shaping our practices was the warfare involved in building an empire. Soldiers vanished and sometimes never returned. Women began to manage their lives and to make decisions. The old family values were replaced by patriotic ones, and religion was more attuned to the gore and glory of battle, a religion of the state, not of the family. Weddings were still family celebrations, but had a public face. The bride wore a white toga and a red veil and walked to her new home. There, she and her husband joined their right hands and gave consent to each other, not relying on her father to give consent for her. Religion was optional: a pagan priest might be invited or not, and even without the ceremony, society agreed by common law that a year of living together equaled marriage consent. By the same token, marriage by consent also meant divorce was on the same legal footing, and did not require the courts or civil declarations. This is the world-view the first Christians inherited, and it was up to them to determine what was good and to hold marriage up to the light of the gospel.

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Community Meetings and Collections

Second Collection March 5-6 for Hospital Ministry

Sanctuary Meeting: Sunday, 3/13/16
11am Rectory



PLEASE COME JOIN US!
Bring a Friend ~ or two!
Sundays after 9:30 and 11:30 mass
coffee, pastry and friendship

Lent & Easter 2016:

PLEASE JOIN US! YOU ARE WELCOME HERE!
" A Holy Vigil "

Friday March 4, 2016

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM - A shared Lenten Soup Supper
in Collins Hall

7:30 PM - 8:30 PM - in the Chapel

A Communal Reconciliation Experience

**" Finding Peace with our God, our planet,
each other & ourselves**

Friday March 4, 2016 8:30 PM - 1:00PM

AND Saturday March 5, 2016 10:00 AM - 3:30PM

**Time for adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
& quiet meditation**

Saturday March 5, 2016 4:15 PM AND

Sunday March 6, 2016 9:30 AM & 11:30 AM

Celebrating the Feast of St John of God

at these 3 Masses, to include

A sacramental anointing of those suffering in body,
mind & spirit

A special blessing of all caregivers

[those in health related professions & those caring for
loved ones at home]

A Recommitment of our faith community to the spirit
of St John of God as expressed in our hospital ministry
at UCSF Medical Center

Feast Day of St. John of God March 8

Holy Thursday March 24 Soup Supper at 6 PM
Mass at 7:30pm

Good Friday March 25 The Lords Passion
12:10 and 7:30pm

Great Vigil during the Holy Night of Easter March 26

Easter Sunday March 27

Exterior Hall Painting

The Parish Council requested that we begin a fund drive to paint the exterior of the hall. Parishioners may contribute by writing "exterior hall painting" in the memo line of your donation check. If you wish to contribute cash, please put it in an envelope marked "exterior hall painting". If you have any questions please contact Rich Lang at r_lang@pacbell.net

It's all about LOVE! Thank You!

We received an abundance of valentine greetings for the patients that we visit at UCSF hospital.

We received more than 100 cards with greetings of Happy Valentine's day, prayers offered. And messages like " I hope you feel better, friend. And. I hope it doesn't hurt too much." Written by children. The patients were touched and uplifted by the handmade cards, snoopy cards, and cards with ribbons, beautiful big red lace hearts, and all with sweet messages. It was a joy to give them out. So, thank you children, families and all those who contributed cards for your outpouring of care. You warmed many hearts.

BE MERCIFUL AS YOUR GOD IN HEAVEN IS MERCIFUL

Luke 6: 36

**St. John of God
Collins Hall
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**Two On-going Scripture Studies
Two Thursday Evenings
7:00 pm – 8:30 pm**

APRIL 7, 2016

**THE WOMEN SAT OPPOSITE THE TOMB
THE RESURRECTION ACCOUNTS ACCORDING TO MATTHEW
WITH SPECIAL ATTENTION TO THE DECEMBER 10, 2015 VATICAN DOCUMENT
CONCERNING JEWS AND CATHOLICS**

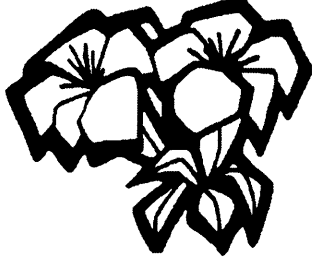
MAY 5, 2016

**THE PENTECOST EVENT AS ON-GOING EVENT EVEN IN OUR TIME
RECONSIDERING PENTECOST AS THE CENTRAL EVENT OF LUKE / ACTS OF APOSTLES
INTERFAITH ECUMENISM AS SIGN OF THE SPIRIT'S OUT-POURING IN OUR TIME**

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FLOWERS FOR EASTER 2016

As has been a St. John of God tradition for some time now, we would again like to offer you the opportunity to help us decorate the church this Easter Season by donating Easter Lilies and other flowers in memory of or in honor of loved ones and friends.

We ask that you donate **\$10.00** (approximate cost) for **each contribution**. The name(s) of the person(s) you wish to remember or honor will be acknowledged in the bulletin during the Easter Season 2016.

In order to dedicate these flowers, please fill out the form below and place it with your payment in an envelope marked "Flowers." You may leave it in the Saturday/Sunday collection basket, the rectory or mail it to St. John of God.

Thank you very much for your continued generosity.

I would like to donate: \$ _____ for Easter flowers to be dedicated
In memory of (deceased): **Please print**

In honor of (living): **Please print**

Your Name: _____ Please print

Phone Number: _____