

September 4-10, 2016
Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reflections for the Week

*"The time you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament
is the best time you will spend on earth."
— Mother Teresa*

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Today's Readings

First Reading — Who can ever know God's counsel unless God gives wisdom and sends the Holy Spirit from on high? (Wisdom 9:13-18b).

Psalms — In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge (Psalm 90).

Second Reading — Paul asks Philemon to accept back his slave Onesimus, not as a slave but as a brother (Philemon 9-10, 12-17).

Gospel — To be a disciple of Jesus one must carry one's own cross and renounce all possessions (Luke 14:25-33).

Readings this Week

- Monday: 1 Cor 5:1-8; Ps 5:5-7, 12; Lk 6:6-11, or, for Labor Day, any readings from the Mass "For the Blessings of Human Labor," nos. 907-911
- Tuesday: 1 Cor 6:1-11; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 6:12-19
- Wednesday: 1 Cor 7:25-31; Ps 45:11-12, 14-17; Lk 6:20-26
- Thursday: Mt 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 13:6; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 [18-23]
- Friday: 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27; Ps 84:3-6, 12; Lk 6:39-42
- Saturday: 1 Cor 10:14-22; Ps 116:12-13, 17-18;

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*

—Fr. Tom Seagrave

Father Tom passed away peacefully on December 18, 2015.
He was born in San Francisco April 30, 1942.

Mass Intentions:

September 2-8, 2016 (Fri-Thurs.)

Fri. Joseph Lee (Rest in Peace)	12:10pm
Sat. Michael Crews (Rest in Peace)	4:15pm
Sun. Tom McGrath (Healing)	9:30am
Sun. Christy Gallagher (Rest in Peace)	11:30am
Mon. The Unemployed	12:10pm
Tues. Souls in Purgatory	12:10pm
Weds. Denise Castello (Blessings)	12:10pm
Thurs. Widows and Orphans	12:10pm

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

Saints and Special Observances

- Sunday: Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: Labor Day
Thursday: The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Friday: St. Peter Claver
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary



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

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

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

**Laguna Honda:
Volunteers needed to help
patients to the Chapel on
Sunday Mornings.
Starting at 9:15am for
10:15am Mass.
Also needed for services on
Fridays at 10:30am.
Please contact Fr. Te :
(415) 200-9359**

**Day of Prayer for Peace September 9
Patriot Day September 11
Resources for Liturgy and Prayer**

*September 9 Day of Prayer for Peace
September 11 Patriot Day
Liturgical Resources*

Friday, September 9, the Feast of St. Peter Claver, will be a day of Prayer for Peace in our Communities, as requested by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, "to promote peace and healing during this time of great strain on civil society." Sunday, September 11, will be the 15th anniversary of the terrorist attacks of 2001. The archdiocesan Office of Worship has sent a memorandum to Pastors and Parish Administrators with recommended Mass prayers, readings, and intercessions for liturgies on those days. The archbishop has granted a dispensation to use specific Mass texts on these occasions.

As Pope John XXIII prayed, "Make all men and women witnesses of truth, justice, and brotherly love. Banish from their hearts whatever might endanger peace."

**Celebrate the Canonization of
Blessed Teresa of Calcutta**

*Sunday, September 4, 11:00 am (Mass)
St. Mary's Cathedral, 1111 Gough St., San
Francisco*

Blessed Mother Teresa will be canonized in Rome on Sunday, September 4. The Archdiocese of San Francisco will celebrate with Mass at 11:00 am in the Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption, with Archbishop Cordileone presiding for the gift of this new Saint.

**Long time parishioner and activist for
immigrant rights, Judy Liteky died amid
family and close friends on Saturday,
8/20 at 11:15 am.**

**We will miss and remember her for her
personal warmth and her fearless advocacy
for the poor. RIP dear friend...**

**THERE WILL BE ONE MASS ONLY ON
SUNDAY 9/25 10:30 AM**

The St John of God Sanctuary Committee will mark it's 30th anniversary and pay tribute to one of its founding members, Judy Liteky.

There will be only 2 masses that weekend.:

Saturday 9/24 at 4:15

Sunday 9/25/16 at 10:30

We will have a special liturgy and speaker at both Masses. This will also be Sanctuary's annual fundraiser to support our work.

We encourage all to attend either of the 2 Masses to acknowledge our 30 years of service to immigrants, refugees and communities in Central America and to celebrate the life and spirit of our beloved Judy who gave so much to St. John of God. There will be a finger foods pot luck after the Sunday Mass. We will be asking for help with food, set up and cleaning.

Please contact Judy to help with food, set-up and clean up : judithfl@aol.com

**We expect a full house on Sunday
so arrive early.**

Special Collection for Louisiana Flood Relief

From a statement by Archbishop Joseph Kurtz: "As president of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, I have called for an emergency collection to support the humanitarian efforts of Catholic Charities USA and to provide pastoral and rebuilding support to impacted Catholic dioceses. Join the Church in being a visible witness to the healing presence of Jesus alive in the world...Whether your donation is large or small, let us also be sure those suffering feel the power of our prayer to sustain them in the difficult days ahead."

Archbishop Cordileone has endorsed this request and asked that all parishes in the Archdiocese of San Francisco take a special collection **SEPTEMBER 10-11** (The Archdiocese had requested Sept 24-25, which is in conflict with SJOG Sanctuary Sunday).

Community Meetings & Collections

Hospital Ministry	Sept 3-4
Priests' Retire Fund (Local)	Sept 17-18
Sanctuary Sunday	Sept 24-25