

January 15-21, 2017  
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Reflections for the Week

*Some people see more in a walk around the block  
than others see in a trip around the world.*

—Anonymous

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### Today's Readings

**First Reading** — The glory of the Lord shows through Israel, a light to all nations, that salvation may reach to the ends of the earth (Isaiah 49:3, 5-6).

**Psalm** — Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will (Psalm 40).

**Second Reading** — All those who call upon the name of the Lord are called to be holy (1 Corinthians 1:1-3).

**Gospel** — John the Baptist testifies: The one who comes after me, on whom the Spirit comes down and remains, is the Son of God (John 1:29-34).

### Readings for this Week

Monday: Heb 5:1-10; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 2:18-22  
Tuesday: Heb 6:10-20; Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9, 10c;  
Mk 2:23-28  
Wednesday: Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 3:1-6  
Thursday: Heb 7:25 — 8:6; Ps 40:7-10, 17; Mk 3:7-12  
Friday: Heb 8:6-13; Ps 85:8, 10-14; Mk 3:13-19  
Saturday: Heb 9:2-3, 11-14; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9;  
Mk 3:20-21  
Sunday: Is 8:23 — 9:3; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14;  
1 Cor 1:10-13, 17; Mt 4:12-23 [12-17]

**Please....'LIKE' US ON FACEBOOK.**

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

Bob Donjacour~ special prayers for healing!  
Fr. Tom Burns, Msgr. Labib Kabti, Fr. Bill Brady,  
Msgr. Mickey McCormick (former Pastors at SJOG)  
Martha Araj Ayoub, Joe Humphreys, Pat Hoffman,  
Maureen and Don Francis, Mary Dunn, Mike Marty,  
Patrick Lee, Charlie Liteky, Jim McDonald, Josephine  
Small, Teresa Hyatt, Dalia & Estela Becerra and all  
our members who reside in assisted living & care fa-  
cilities.

*Gracious God, Please help the  
people hurting with any kind of  
emotional, spiritual or family issues .  
Amen.*

### Mass Intentions January 13-19, 2017 (Friday to Thursday)

Fri	12:10pm
Sat.	4:15pm
Sun.	9:30am
Sun	11:30am
Mon.	12:10pm
Tues. Dolores Murphy (Rest in Peace)	12:10pm
Weds. Richard Medina Wilson	12:10pm
Thurs. Seamus Carolan (Rest in Peace)	12:10pm

Prayers for a Blessed New Year !

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

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Monday: Martin Luther King Jr. Day  
Tuesday: St. Anthony  
Wednesday: Christian Unity:  
Week of Prayer begins  
Thursday: Julian Calendar Theophany  
(Epiphany)  
Friday: St. Fabian; St. Sebastian  
Saturday: St. Agnes

### THREE MISSIONS

*Today we begin with one of the  
"servant songs" from the book of Isaiah,  
a song prophetic of Jesus' ministry of service.  
Isaiah's mission is not only to bring back the  
children of Jacob to gather in Israel; it is also to be  
"a light to the nations" (Isaiah 49:6).*

Jesus Christ, as servant, will be the fulfillment of the ancient prophecy and the basis of the new. This Sunday we begin a series of readings from Paul's letter to the Corinthians. Here Paul is identified by his mission: he is an apostle of Jesus Christ. The church at Corinth to whom he addresses this letter is also identified: it is part of the universal church of God. The Corinthians are called to holiness, as are all Christians.

Though the feast of the Baptism of the Lord was celebrated last Monday, today's Gospel also alludes to the importance of that event. The reading emphasizes that Jesus "out-ranks" John: his baptism in the Spirit will eradicate sin. Jesus accepts John's baptism, even though it is he himself who is the Lamb of God.

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# Stand with Immigrants

St John of God Sanctuary Committee invites you to learn how to accompany and help protect our immigrant friends and neighbors.

***Please come to our meeting***

Sunday, Jan. 15, 2017 11 AM

Ben's Room : 390 Irving Street

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*The Chapel was beautiful this Christmas! Thank You to Bill Becker and Bob Gajewski for a wonderful environment of Peace and Love. Paul Riofski, Choir and musicians for the spiritual blending of music.*

*Thank you to Carie Condran LaBriola, Kathleen Rawlins, Joe and Joan Humphries for their generous donations for Christmas Poinsettias. Love, St. John of God Community*

## **Merger of St. Monica and St. Thomas the Apostle Parishes**

The Archdiocese of San Francisco has announced that two parishes in San Francisco's Richmond District are now merging into a single parish, effective January 1, 2017. Saint Monica Parish and Saint Thomas the Apostle Parish will now be Saint Monica-Saint Thomas the Apostle Parish. The Decree effecting this merger cites a significant decline in number of parishioners, which calls into question the viability of two parishes. It is hoped that the merger will foster a viable and more vibrant Catholic presence in the area currently served by both parishes.



**Anniversary Mass at Cathedral for National Marriage Week** Saturday, February 4, 10:00 am St Mary's Cathedral, 1111 Gough St., San Francisco Ed Hopfner HopfnerE@SFArch.org 415-614-5680 anniversary-mass.info

The Archdiocese of San Francisco will offer its annual Wedding Anniversary Mass on February 4, at the Cathedral of Saint Mary of the Assumption, at 10:00 am. We will honor wedding anniversaries for those celebrating sacramental marriages reaching "5-year" milestones (5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, or more) in 2017. The principal celebrant will be the Most Reverend Carlos Sevilla, Bishop Emeritus of Yakima, Washington, and formerly a Bishop of San Francisco.

**Registration is required by January 27** at anniversarymass.info, and a donation of \$20 is requested. For more information, use the email or phone above.

***For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the powers, against the world forces of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of wickedness in the heavenly places."***

—St. Paul the Apostle

## **UCSF Eucharist Ministers Needed**

This is the ministry that defines the St. John of God Community. To be the one, non-medical person many patients see each day, to say a prayer and offer the Holy Eucharist. This is a win-win! Training and guidance are offered. If you are interested, contact Pat O'Connor or Bob Gajewski for a guided tour. 415-564-0249

**THANK YOU for the gift cards for our immigrant friends and neighbors!**  
**The response was unbelievable and awesome!**

**MARRIED COUPLES.** How would you like to spend a weekend away with your spouse – just the two of you? Away from everything: the kids, job, phone, bills and house? Plan to get away to a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Marriage Encounter Weekend is March 17-19, 2017 in Mountain View. For more information visit our website at: [sanjosewwme.org](http://sanjosewwme.org) or contact Ken & Claranne at [applications@sanjosewwme.org](mailto:applications@sanjosewwme.org) or 408-782-1413.

## **Community & Collections**

St. Patrick's Seminary and University Jan 21-22, 2017

*Please join in our committee meetings!*

The **Liturgy Committee** meets the First Monday of the month through May/June, with dinner at 6:30 followed by the meeting proper at 7:15 PM

The **Parish Council** meets monthly on the third Monday at 7 PM, October through May/June.