

*August 13-19, 2017*  
*Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**Reflections for the Week**

*Each person marvels to find in the divine scriptures truths which they themselves have thought out.*

—St. Thomas Aquinas

**Today's Readings** [click here](#)

**First Reading** — Elijah waits on the mountain for the LORD to pass by (1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a).

**Psalm** — Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation (Psalm 85).

**Second Reading** — From the Israelites, with their law and the prophets, comes the Christ (Romans 9:1-5).

**Gospel** — As Jesus walked on the sea, the disciples were terrified (Matthew 14:22-33).

**Readings for this Week**

- Monday: Dt 10:12-22; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Mt 17:22-27
- Tuesday: Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2; Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14; 1 Cor 15:54b-57; Lk 11:27-28  
Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45:10-12, 16; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56
- Wednesday: Dt 34:1-2; Ps 66:1-3a, 5, 8, 16-17; Mt 18:15-20
- Thursday: Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17; Ps 114:1-6; Mt 18:21 — 19:1
- Friday: Jos 24:1-13; Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22, 24; Mt 19:3-12
- Saturday: Jos 24:14-29; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-8, 11; Mt 19:13-15

**Please pray for our parishioners & extended family**

**Full Recovery for Elizabeth Wilson**  
**Bob Donjacour, Special prayers**  
**Rest in Peace: Judy Laxen**

Msgr. Labib Kabti, Fr. Bill Brady,  
Msgr Mickey McCormick (former Pastors at SJOG)  
Pat Hoffman, Joe Humphreys, , Maureen Francis,  
Ethel Friedrichs , Mary Dunn, Mike Marty,  
Martha Ayoub, Patrick Lee, Josephine Small and her  
daughters Sheila and Mary;  
Teresa Hyatt, Dalia & Estela Becerra.  
Blessings to all our members who reside in  
assisted living & care facilities.

**Mass Intentions**  
**August 11-17, 2017 (Fri thru Thur)**

Fri. Anne Arcelo (Healing Blessing)	12:10pm
Sat. Antonio Cruz (RIP+)	4:15pm
Sun. Ellen Donnellan (RIP +)	9:30am
Sun.	11:30am
Mon. Benny Cassidy (RIP+)	12:10pm
Tues. Benny Cassidy (RIP +)	12:10pm
Weds. Jim Spillane (RIP+)	12:10pm
Thurs. Antonio Cruz (RIP +)	12:10pm

**Give the gift of a Mass Intention.**

Birthday, RIP, Blessings, Marriage, Get Well  
(contact the office)

**Saints and Special Observances**

- Sunday: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Monday: St. Maximilian Kolbe  
Tuesday: The Assumption  
of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
Wednesday: St. Stephen of Hungary  
Saturday: St. John Eudes; Blessed Virgin Mary

**NOTHING TO FEAR**

A rabbi was asked why God sends trials and troubles into human lives. "Because God gets lonely for his people" was the reply. There is some resonance with this wisdom in today's Gospel, as Jesus makes his disciples get into a boat without him and goes off alone while they venture into stormy waters. Of course, neither Jews nor Christians believe that the Almighty plays this sort of whimsical game with them, but there is some truth in the statement that we don't turn to God for saving help until we're in a bind. Peter's role today, as it is throughout the New Testament, is to be a sign or to represent each member of the church and the whole church. Our story is the tale told about Peter's faith today. What can bolster our faith is that even when Christ calls us to face bravely the tempests of life, if we are walking through them with our eyes fixed on him in faith, we have nothing to fear. Even when we falter or sink, simply crying "Lord, save me!" is enough to help us know the steady grasp of God's hand. Then, sheltered inside the walls of faith, the storms we endure lose their power over us.

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Please sign up to HELP with coffee!

Jan and Judy have been setting up and serving coffee, tea and pastries for many years. Everyone enjoys this time together. With Judy's passing Jan needs your help. Jan will also be leaving for a family visit back east.

You can sign up for one month at a time or one Sunday at a time. You will need to arrive at 8:15 am to prepare bagels and coffee.

It takes a village to replace Judy's contribution. Please volunteer and sign up after the 9:30 am Mass. Marleen Olivencia is coordinating this effort. moliven@hotmail.com

(UCAN) Religious leaders have called for a peace accord between the two Koreas during an event commemorating the truce that ended the Korean War in 1953. Catholic, Protestant, Won Buddhist and native Korean religion Cheondogyo leaders called for an accord during a jointly organized peace prayer at the Won Buddhist Seongju Shrine on July 26. The event was organized to commemorate the 64th anniversary of the truce which ended the Korean War (1950-1953). The truce went into effect on July 27, 1953. It was originally seen only as a temporary measure before a peace accord could be agreed upon. Since the war, the North and South have remained bitter enemies and in recent months, tensions have been high over North Korea's nuclear weapon and missile development program. "If peace in the Korean peninsula is not settled, the peace of Northeast Asia will collapse, thus the Korean peninsula will be the powder keg for another war," said Archbishop Hyginus Kim Hee-joong of Kwangju, president of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of Korea at the event. "For the peace in this land, we need a peace accord, not a truce," he said.

### ***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 to  
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

### **St. Patrick's Gala**

Fr. Kabipi is asking for your support for this year's St. Patrick's Seminary & University 10th Annual Gala dinner on September 9, 2017.

All proceeds from the 2017 Gala will help St. Patrick's form the next generation of priests who will bring the light of Christ to our parishes, dioceses, and the world.

Fr. Kabipi has a limited amount of raffle tickets for the 2017 Lexus IS200t automobile as the grand prize and/or reservation cards if you are interested in purchasing a table of 8 to share with your friends, family or SJOG community.

Raffle Tickets are \$50. [www.stpsa.edu](http://www.stpsa.edu)

### **Student's Prayer for a New School Year**

May you be blessed as you step forth on this wonderful new journey of learning and discovery.

May God open your mind to the treasure of your studies.

May God open your heart to the gifts that your teachers and classmates offer.

May God open your soul to the many blessings He has prepared for you this school year.

May you be blessed on this day of new beginnings with wisdom, faith, hope and love. Amen.

## **Community & Collections**

### **Sanctuary Meeting**

Continue to be a part of SJOG's mission of understanding immigration and justice.

Saturday, 8/12/17 at 5:15 pm

Priest Retirement Fund 2nd Collection Sept. 16-17

Green Mass to honor Mother Earth Sept 30-Oct 1

ONE MASS October 15 10:30am

St. John of God Anniversary

*Planning is underway for our  
Fiftieth Anniversary liturgies and  
celebrations the weekend of  
October 14-15, 2017 (following the Feast of  
Saint Pope John XXIII on October 11).*

*If you would like to be involved  
in the planning process,  
please contact Paul Rioski  
(415-517-4647, [sjogmusic@aol.com](mailto:sjogmusic@aol.com))*

**Sanctuary Weekend (October 28-29)**