

August 20-26, 2017
Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reflections for the Week

*A good prayer, though often used, is still fresh
and fair in the eyes and ears of heaven.*

—Thomas Fuller

Today's Readings

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First Reading — Thus says the LORD: "Stand firm in justice; do what is right" (Isaiah 56:1, 6-7).

Psalm — O God, let all the nations praise you! (Psalm 67).

Second Reading — The gifts and the calling of God are unable to be revoked (Romans 11:13-15, 29-32).

Gospel — Jesus told the Canaanite woman of great faith, "It shall be done as you wish" (Matthew 15:21-28).

Readings for this Week

Monday: Jgs 2:11-19; Ps 106:34-37, 39-40, 43ab, 44; Mt 19:16-22
Tuesday: Jgs 6:11-24a; Ps 85:9, 11-14; Mt 19:23-30
Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15; Ps 21:2-7; Mt 20:1-16
Thursday: Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51
Friday: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Ps 146:5-10; Mt 22:34-40
Saturday: Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17; Ps 128:1b-5; Mt 23:1-12
Sunday: Is 22:19-23; Ps 138:1-3, 6, 8; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20

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 18-24, 2017 (Fri thru Thur)

Fri. Victoria Garcia Quinn (RIP+)	12:10pm
Sat. Patsy Keane (RIP+)	4:15pm
Sun. Judy Laxen (RIP +)	9:30am
Sun.	11:30am
Mon. John Shanley (RIP+)	12:10pm
Tues. Matthew Finn (RIP +)	12:10pm
Weds.	12:10pm
Thurs. Karen Fitzgerald (RIP +)	12:10pm

Give the gift of a Mass Intention.

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

Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Pius X
Tuesday: The Queenship of the
Blessed Virgin Mary
Wednesday: St. Rose of Lima
Thursday: St. Bartholomew
Friday: St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Once the way was cleared for additional Eucharistic Prayers, those who were appointed to compose them had to look deep within the tradition for sources. One of the prescriptions for new prayers was that they be "unencumbered by useless repetition." From the start, therefore, the writers knew that the old Roman Canon, which had the priest bowing and crossing himself many times in a long, complex prayer, was not a model of simplicity.

Aside from the prayers treasured by Eastern Christians, there is an obvious model from ancient Rome. For about a hundred years now, the historical text "Apostolic Tradition" has shed some light for us on the shadowy shape of worship in the early church. In it, its author, Hippolytus, took care to record the actual texts of worship used at the time. He himself has a shadow side, since he was so ardently conservative in his tastes that he broke ties with the Bishop of Rome and became first in the line of history's anti-popes. At the eleventh hour, however, he reconciled with his enemies and actually died a martyr. In fact, he was shipped off to the Sardinian mines as a slave with the true pope as his companion in chains. Because his tussle with the pope was over theological innovations and not liturgical texts, we are sure that his account of the style of Eucharistic Prayer in the third century is accurate. It forms the core of today's Eucharistic Prayer II.

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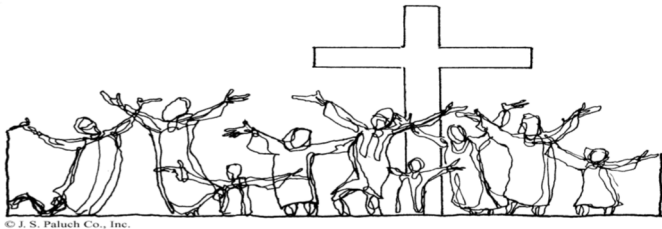
Please sign up to HELP with coffee!
Jan and Judy have been setting up and serving coffee, tea and pastries for many years. Everyone enjoys this time together. With Judy's passing Jan needs your help. Jan will also be leaving for a family visit back east.

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

**Turn on the Light:
Help Stop Human Trafficking**

Carolina Parrales, Office of Human Life and Dignity 415-614-5570 parrallesc@sarch.org
Pope Francis has called human trafficking "a crime against humanity." Catholic Relief Services and the USCCB have a special website, Catholics Confront Global Poverty, where all are welcome to learn more about this issue and to find practical ways to help to "Turn on the Light" and stop human trafficking. Visit the website, and consider adding some information from it to your parish's Sunday bulletin. Questions? Contact Carolina Parrales, above.



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*

Religious Education

The religious education program at SJOG is a small program of families with children Pre-K to 6th grade. Students meet weekly in small group sessions during the Sunday 9:30am mass. We are beginning the recruitment of families who are interested in having their children join us. If your family is interested or you know of families who may be interested, please contact me through the contact information below. Last year, we grew to having a wider span of age groups which would have benefitted in having another teacher / volunteer to help lead activities and discussions.

If YOU are interested in working with children with curious minds (and developing their own identity in their faith), please think about helping us lead a small group.

Volunteers to help lead the Pre-K group (teens or otherwise!) are also welcome.

We hope to begin the program after Labor Day on Sunday September 10, 2017.

Thank you for your consideration,

Beverlie Leano-Torres

(mom to Ariana (9) and Aden (6))

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Contact Kay in the office with your questions and interest (415) 566-5610

Community & Collections

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)*

Sanctuary Weekend (October 28-29)