

November 25-December 1, 2018
Our Lord of Jesus Christ
King of the Universe

Reflections for the Week
I rejoiced because they said to me,
"We will go up to the house of the LORD."
— Psalm 122:1

Readings for the Day

First Reading: Daniel 7: 13-14

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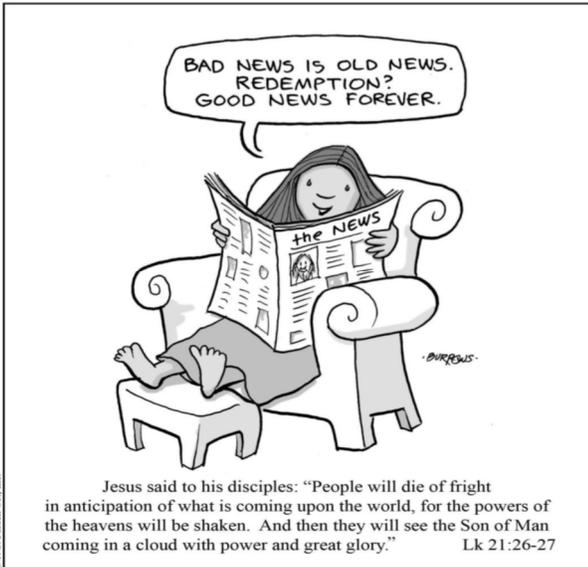
Psalms: Psalms 93:1

Second Reading: Revelation 1:5-8

Gospel: John 18 : 33b-37

The Little Ones

Jim Burrows



Mass Intentions

November 23-29, 2018 (Fri thru Thur)

Fri.	12:10pm
Sat. Elizabeth Wilson (Healing)	4:15am
Sun. Judy Laxen (RIP)	9:30am
Sun.	11:30am
Mon.	12:10pm
Tues. The Mc Nicholas Family	12:10pm
Weds.	12:10pm
Thurs. Pat Tognetti (1st Annv. RIP)	12:10pm

Give the gift of a Mass Intention.

Birthday, RIP, Blessings, Marriage, Get Well
(Contact the Office)

Saints and Observances

Nov 25: St. Catherine

Nov. 26. St. Alypius

Nov. 27. St. Fergus

Nov. 28 St. James of the Marches

Niv 30 St. Andrew

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Today's solemnity, the final feast of the Church year, is a youngster as feasts go. In 1925, Pope Pius XI was distressed by global political upheaval and the de-Christianizing of society. That year was a "Holy Year," keyed to the sixteen hundredth anniversary of the Council of Nicaea, when the words "and of his kingdom there will be no end" were added to the Creed. The Pope explained that although most feasts had developed over many centuries, the Church sometimes provided a new feast to address new needs. He pointed to the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, showing Christ's love and compassion in a time when many people embraced a cold and gloomy spirituality. Originally on the last Sunday of October, in the late 1960s the solemnity of Christ the King was moved to the last Sunday of the year.

Fresh from baptism's waters, we are anointed with chrisam "as Christ was anointed priest, prophet, and king." This feast is a key to our identity. On this feast, we recognize Christ as a king who breaks the usual mold of kingship, and who shapes his kingdom with our hands, our words, our deeds of love and service. —James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

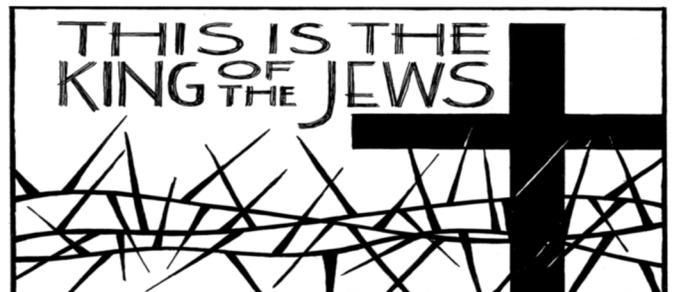
Remember in your Prayers our Parishioners:

Judy Laxen Martha Araj Ayoub
Josephine Small Dalia Becerra

For Healing For:

Edith Bucoy, Elizabeth Wilson, Pat Hoffman,
Joe Humphreys, Maureen Francis,
Ethel Friedrichs, Mike Marty, Martha Ayoub,
Patrick Lee, Teresa Hyatt, Estela Becerra,
Shirley Dela Cuz.

...and a special reminder to pray for those we know now living in care facilities.



ANNUAL FUNDRAISER NEWS

IT'S TIME FOR THE ST. JOHN OF GOD RAFFLE! WILL YOU PLEASE HELP?

We will distribute tickets the weekend before Thanksgiving drawing will be held **December 23.**

The parish counts on this income from the annual fundraiser to end the year in the black – especially this year with extra expenses due to sewer line replacement.

Would you like to help underwrite the cash prizes and other expenses for the raffle?

All underwriters will be acknowledged,

unless you let us know you want your contribution to be anonymous.

Any contributions in excess of the amount needed to cover raffle expenses will increase the net gain for St.

John of God. Please send your check (payable to St. John of God Church and marked "for raffle underwriting") to Susan Fox, 684 4th Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94118 or drop it in the collection basket at church. ***If you prefer, you may make your underwriting gift online at www.sjog.net.***

Just click on "Donate Now" and choose "raffle underwriting."

If you would like to help distribute tickets to parishioners or make announcements at Masses,

contact Carrie LaBriola at mclabriola@aol.com.

Abundance of Opportunities: Catholic Charities

Join Catholic Charities in providing holiday cheer to those in need. To volunteer for any of the opportunities below, contact Carol Laughlin, Volunteer Services Manager, at claughlin@CatholicCharitiesSF.org, 415.972.1236; or Nina Taggart, Volunteer Coordinator, at ntaggart@CatholicCharitiesSF.org, 415.972.1246.

*The glory of Christianity
is to conquer by forgiveness.—William Blake*



Please sign up to HELP with coffee!

Janice has been setting up & serving coffee, tea and pastries for many years. Everyone enjoys this time together. Janice needs your help to prepare bagels and coffees. Please volunteer and sign up after the 9:30 am Mass in the hall.

Marleen Olivencia is coordinating this effort. *moliv-*

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 a revelation of God's Love. Amen.-
Rev. Fr. Thomas L. Seagrave*

Please Register with St. John of God

In a continuing effort to keep our community informed, if you have moved or changed your address/phone since the publication of The People Finder in 2014 please send a quick note to the office with your new contact information:
stjohnofgod-sf@sbcglobal.net

Choir rehearsal schedule

November-December:

Monday, November 26 (usual fourth Monday)
Monday, December 10 (usual second Monday)
Monday, December 17
(NONE on December 24)

Adult Faith Formation

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

sessions: Thursdays, 6:30 to 8:30 PM, 340 Irving
Bible Study: Fridays, 6:30 to 8:00 PM, 340 Irving

Collections

Second Collection:

Dec. 2, 2019 Hospital Ministry
(first weekend of month)

THE BIRTH OF JESUS IN OUR TIME

Our four-part series on the Birth of Jesus will be more than simply an exploration of the celebrated texts related to the Christmas Season. These core texts will provide the framework for probing the meaning of Jesus and the Christ-event in our everyday lives as human beings and disciples of Jesus. The birth stories of great persons are legendary inspiring us to great transformation of thought, heart, and life. The Story of Old is forever new and we are responsible, as disciples of Jesus, to discover the call to justice inherent in that story. What day is not Christmas Day?

Four Thursday Evenings at St. John of God
San Francisco, CA

6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

November 29, December 13, December 27, 2018, and January 10, 2019

November 29, 2018

WHAT IS THE TRUE DATE OF CHRISTMAS?
WHEN CAESAR AUGUSTUS WAS EMPEROR ...

December 13, 2018

IS CHRISTMAS PAGAN?
BEHOLD THE STAR AT ITS RISING

December 27, 2018

IS CHRISTMAS A HOLY DAY OR A HOLIDAY?
I BRING YOU GLAD TIDINGS OF GREAT JOY

JANUARY 10, 2019

WHERE WAS JESUS BORN?
AND YOU, O BETHLEHEM AND BY NO MEANS LEAST

Each session is independent of one another. All are welcome as the emphasis explores the universal significant of the Birth of Jesus for the World. Various religious, theological, and secular interpretations only serve to enhance the significant of the birth as an event in human history.

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