

January 20, 2019
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reflections for the Week

*Nations shall behold your vindication,
and all the kings your glory. ~ Isaiah*

Today's Readings [Click Here](#)

First Reading — As a bridegroom rejoices in his bride, so God rejoices in the chosen ones (Isaiah 62:1-5).

Psalms — Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations (Psalm 96).

Second Reading — All the varied gifts in the Christian community are from one Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:4-11).

Gospel — Rejoicing at a wedding celebration in Cana, Jesus replenishes the wine supply (John 2:1-11).

Readings for the 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, *or any of a number of readings for the Day of Prayer*
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: Acts 22:3-16 or 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Mk 16:15-18
Saturday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9 or Ps 96:1-3, 7-8a, 10; Mk 3:20-21
Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Ps 19:8-10, 15; 1 Cor 12:12-30 [12-14, 27]; Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

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

Rest in Peace:

Judy Laxen, Mildred Biesty, Josephine Small,
Martha Araj Ayoub & Mary Dunn

For Healing For:

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

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

Mass Intentions

January 18-24, 2019 (Fri thru Thur)

Fri.	Richard Medina Wilson (RIP)	12:10pm
Sat.	Eleanor Gind Cragen (RIP+)	1:00pm
Sat.	Elizabeth Wilson (Healing)	4:15pm
Sun.	Edith Bucoy (Blessings)	9:30am
Sun.		11:30am
Mon.	All Creatures Great and Small	12:10pm
Tues.	The Poor in our Neighborhood	12:10pm
Weds.		12:10pm
Thurs.	Alice Yavorski (Blessings!)	12:10pm

Give the gift of a Mass Intention.

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

Saints and Observances

Sunday: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Agnes; Martin Luther King Jr. Day
OFFICE CLOSED IN OBSERVATION OF MLK
Tuesday: Day of Prayer for
the Legal Protection of Unborn Children;
World Youth Day
Wednesday: St. Vincent; St. Marianne Cope
Thursday: St. Francis de Sales
Friday: The Conversion of St. Paul
the Apostle;
Week of Prayer for Christian Unity ends

A VISIBLE GOD

We find it difficult to convey ideas to people unless we can actually show them something, demonstrate what we mean. God, who is invisible and truly beyond human understanding, apparently faces the same difficulty. People want to see, not just listen to an idea. So God gave us Jesus Christ, God made visible in the world.

During these past weeks we have seen how Jesus was revealed as an infant to the shepherds and the magi, and then began his adult "public life" at his baptism by John. Today's Gospel reading tells us of his "first sign," providing wine for the wedding guests at Cana.

Of course, even Jesus, God made visible, was not always easily understood in his own day, nor is he even now. So we have to ponder what we see: the poverty and simplicity of his birth, his humility and openness before John the Baptist, his kindness and compassion toward people in their ordinary problems, such as running short of wine at a wedding. Yet it is in coming to know Jesus that we come to know God.



Walk for Life Walk for Life Mass at Cathedral Saturday, January 26

9:30 am: Mass with Archbishop Cordileone at St. Mary's Cathedral, 1111 Gough St., San Francisco
10:45 am – 12:15 pm: "Silent No More" Awareness Campaign (Civic Center Plaza)
11:00 am – 12:30 pm: Info Faire (Civic Center Plaza)
12:30 – 1:30 pm: Rally at Civic Center Plaza 1:30 pm: Walk from Civic Center Plaza to Justin Herman Plaza
walkforlifewc.com

The 15th annual Walk for Life West Coast, which draws 50,000 participants each year, takes place on January 26. Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone begins the day with Mass at St. Mary's Cathedral at 9:30 am. Events at Civic Center Plaza follow; and the walk to Justin Herman Plaza begins at 1:30 pm. This year's speakers include Abby Johnson, Patricia Sandoval, Fr. Shenan Boquet, and Walter Hoye. The Walk for Life Committee says: The Mission is to change the perceptions of a society that thinks abortion is an answer, because abortion does violence to women and to their children. The goal is to be a vocal and visual message, to reach out to women harmed by abortion, and to inform society of the damage done to women by abortion. Visit the Walk for Life West Coast website, above, for resources, updates, and complete information.

Treasures from our Tradition

The call of this week is to be mindful of the diversity of our traditions and customs while treasuring what we hold in common. The old advice to "lighten up" is good medicine, because sometimes our differences are delightful and amusing. If someone says, "Let us pray," a Catholic might close the eyes, bow the head and fold hands; a Protestant reach out and clasp hands with the person in the next chair; and someone belonging to an Orthodox tradition might stand up with eyes wide open. Each has taken a different path, but the goal is always the same. This is a week not for focusing on the well-worn paths of divergence, but for mutual delight in a common goal.

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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

Conversation on Catholic Arts and Artists Today

Sunday, January 27, 10:30 am – 1:00 pm
Fromm Hall, 2497 Golden Gate Ave., San Francisco
(on USF campus) benedictinstitute.org/featured-events
The Benedict XVI Institute and St. Ignatius Parish invite you to an extraordinary event: "René Girard and the Catholic Artist: A Conversation." At 10:30 – 11:00 am will be coffee and doughnuts and the opening of an art installation (paintings by Brooklyn painter Alfonse Borysewicz will be on display until February 28). From 11:00 am – 1:00 pm will be a conversation with Borysewicz, poet James Matthew Wilson, writer Joseph Bottum, and writer Cynthia Haven. These Catholic artists and critics will discuss the insights of the late René Girard, Catholic thinker, literary critic, and Stanford professor. Admission is free but registration is requested. To register, visit the website, above

Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women Annual Luncheon

Sunday, January 27, 11:00 am
Olympic Club Lakeside, 599 Skyline Blvd.,
San Francisco
Cathy Mibach 415-753-0234 dcmibach@aol.com
The San Francisco Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women requests the honor of your presence at their annual fundraising luncheon on Sunday, January 27, at the Olympic Club, Lakeside. The theme is "Carnival!" and the program includes "Fashions by Simi's." 11:00 am is no-host cocktails and silent auction; at 12:30 pm luncheon is served. Cost is \$85 per person; reservations are due by January 16. For more information or to make reservations, contact Cathy Mibach, above.



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Faith Formation

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) sessions:

Bible Study: Fridays, 6:30 to 8:00 PM,

340 Irving Street Entrance.

Religious Education classes every Sunday :

there's still time for all kids to join in!

We are looking to start a Confirmation preparation class - a year and a half program with Kathleen Ohm starting in January. If you know students (7th-10th grades) who are interested in beginning this journey, please contact us!