

November 17, 2019

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reflections for the Week

Sing praise to the LORD with the harp,
with the harp and melodious song.
— *Psalm 98:5*

Today's Readings

First Reading — For those who fear the name of the Lord, the sun of justice will arise (Malachi 3:19-20a).

Psalm — The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice (Psalm 98).

Second Reading — Those who are living in idleness are urged to earn their own living (2 Thessalonians 3:7-12).

Gospel — Jesus foretells the destruction of Jerusalem, the persecution of his followers (Luke 21:5-19).

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Readings for the Week

Monday: 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63;
Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158;
Lk 18:35-43 or (for the memorial of the
Dedication) Acts 28:11-16, 30-31;
Ps 98:1-6; Mt 14:22-33

Tuesday: 2 Mc 6:18-31; Ps 3:2-7; Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday: 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b, 15;
Lk 19:11-28

Thursday: 1 Mc 2:15-29; Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15;
Lk 19:41-44

Friday: 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; 1 Chr 29:10bcd,
11-12; Lk 19:45-48

Saturday: 1 Mc 6:1-13; Ps 9:2-4, 6, 16, 19;
Lk 20:27-40

Sunday: 2 Sm 5:1-3; Ps 122:1-5; Col 1:12-20;
Lk 23:35-43

Please pray for our parishioners & extended family:

Rest in Peace:

Judy Laxen, Dorle & Paul Gross, Josephine Small,
Martha Araj Ayoub & David Desch

For Healing:

Edith Bucoy, Pat Hoffman, Tom Johnson,
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

November 15 – 21, 2019 (Fri. thru Thur.)

Fri.	Rosa Bologna (RIP+)	12:10pm
Sat.	Ken Hird (RIP+)	4:15pm
Sun.	Josephine Small (RIP+ & Birthday)	9:30am
Sun.	(RIP+)	11:30am
Mon.	Peter Looney (RIP+)	12:10pm
Tues.	Reno & Donald Tonegato	12:10pm
Weds.	Paul Tran (RIP+)	12:10pm
Thurs.	Lowing Family (RIP+)	12:10pm

Give the gift of a Mass Intention.

Intention for Birthdays, Memorials, RIP, Blessings,
Marriage, and Get Well.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: The Dedication of the Basilicas of Ss. Peter
and Paul; St. Rose Philippine Duchesne
Thursday: The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Friday: St. Cecilia
Saturday: St. Clement I; St. Columban; Blessed
Miguel Agustín Pro; Blessed Virgin Mary

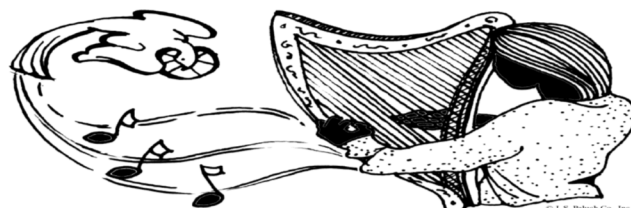
TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

We are faced with strong and disturbing readings today that hold a certain fascination, since they seem at first glance to be blueprints for future inevitable wars and hardship. A fundamentalist interpretation focuses on this aspect. Yet we hear them at our Sunday celebration of the Eucharist, which infuses them with hope and optimism. Rather than dreading the future, today's liturgy assures us that God is with us in all of life's inevitable trials, and that we have a role in shaping the outcome of human history. Occasionally, some Christians have attempted to decode these readings for an exact measure of the world's end, but they have thus far been disappointed.

"Nothing lasts forever" is a lyric from a Broadway show. Stars fall from the sky, leaves wither and fall, mountains wash into the sea, human projects and governments totter and collapse with great regularity.

Today's liturgy opposes this idea as incomplete, reminding us that Christ has made a permanent change in human history, and that life in him is life forever. Rather than inviting us to throw in the towel, today's liturgy strengthens us for acts of goodness and grace in our families, communities, and world.

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ONE MASS SUNDAY

November 24, 2019 @ 10:30 AM, CONCLUDING MASS OF THE CENTENNIAL YEAR OF CELEBRATION OF OUR CHURCH AT FIFTH AVENUE AND IRVING STREET, 1919-2019—(Please note: This special mass replaces the usual 9:30 & 11:30 AM masses). As part of this liturgy, we will honor our departed members who remembered and designated bequests to St John of God Chapel. We will memorialize the following as we bless new vessels that will be used in our liturgies that bear the following engravings:

1. A Chalice & Paten - in memory of Dorle & Paul Gross 2019
2. A Ciborium-in memory of Jeanne Huffman 2019
3. An Altar Double Corpus Crucifix - in memory of Martha Ayoub 2019

These will be displayed at the 4:15 PM Saturday Mass, blessed at the 10:30 AM Mass & displayed at the 12:10 PM Mass on Tuesday, November 25.

Protecting God's Children: If you believe you are victim of sexual abuse, please call the Archdiocesan Clergy Abuse Hotline 415-614-5506. Clergy Abuse is very serious and a priority in our church for more information visit: www.usccb.org

Marriage Preparation Programs For The Engaged

A Program to Prepare Couples for the Sacrament of Marriage at St. Vincent's Marinwood, San Rafael, CA are having 4 -One day Sessions for Fall & inter the fee is \$325. The Saturday Dates for the different Sessions are: Dec. 7th, and Jan. 4th, and the time is 8:45am to 5:15pm. Contact (415-699-8348 or Email fcath@gmail.com.

FRIDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

7:00 TO 8:30 PM, **340 Irving St. Meeting Room** -The Book of Revelation – See Paul Riofski to get your copy of the Commentary.

THE BOOK OF REVELATION

Father Tom's Series on The Book of Revelation
Thursday Evenings, 6:30 TO 8:30 PM, Collins Hall
November 21, 2019 – The Heavenly Visions: The Call to Praise (Part 3 of 7) December 5, 2019 – The Pattern of Seven – the Cosmic Liturgy: The Vision of Heaven and the Nightmare (Part 4 of 7).

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.

St Anthony's Corner

Thank you for your on-going contributions of clothing & non-perishable food items for the poor & homeless served by St. Anthony's. Because of you, we delivered 25 large plastic bags of men's suits, dress shirts, shoes, assorted clothes for women & men as well as a variety of non-perishable food items & small size toiletries.
Thank YOU!!!

Kitchen at Raphael House:

After nearly 25 years, we're at a critical junction in our ministry of volunteering in the kitchen at Raphael House, a long-time San Francisco shelter for homeless families. Our volunteer participation has shrunk and we may not continue in 2020 if we don't get more folks to sign up soon. This is a manageable commitment-volunteering 3 to 4 Sundays a year is enough. Also a great opportunity for families with older kids. Interested? Come once and try it out!
Contact Mark Reedy (408) 733-3734, Markr2121@aol.com.

The Program For The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults -(RCIA) begins next Thursday, November 14, 2019. This is intended for adults who wish to be baptized in the Christian faith, as well as Christians already baptized in other traditions who wish to be received into full communion with the Catholic Church, and unconfirmed Catholic adults who wish to complete their initiation. Please contact Paul Riofski for more information at: (415-517-4647)

Religious Education Classes

Confirmation Classes for High School

Confirmation: St. John of God is currently underway **each Sunday** during the 11:30 AM Mass. It is not too late for additional students to join the class. Please contact **Kathy Ohm (415-902-5022) email: kathhohm@gmail.com** for more information.

Pre-K and First Communion Classes These Classes will begin again starting Sun. Sept. 8, 2019 at the 9:30am mass. The Religious Ed Team is expanding and looking for instructors for the program who enjoy working with grades Pre-K - 6th grades. Commitment would be hour classes per week, preparation time, Sept.8, 2019 - May 24, 2020. Catechist training through the Archdiocese is available.
Contact Beverlie Leano at torreano82@gmail.com



Please join us for coffee, tea, hot chocolate and pastries after the 9:30 Mass on Sundays. Janice, Coco and their friends welcome you with love and fellowship. Also Join the 11:30 Mass for their Coffee Hour with Coffee, Tea & Snacks. **Also be sure to Give Donation in the Tins marked Donation because these money helps pay for your Refreshments.**

Second Collections- Up-Coming:

November 23/24 - Campaign for Human Development

THE BOOK OF REVELATION

ST. JOHN OF GOD – SAN FRANCISCO, CA

SEVEN THURSDAYS NIGHTS

6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

October 10, 2019

PART I

**THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF REVELATION
THE INAUGURAL EXPERIENCE OF THE COSMIC CHRIST**

October 24, 2019

PART II

**THE SEVEN EPISTLES
THE SEER ADDRESSES THE CHURCHES**

November 21, 2019

PART III

**THE HEAVENLY VISIONS
THE CALL TO PRAISE**

December 5, 2019

PART IV

**THE PATTEN OF SEVEN – THE COSMIC LITURGY
THE VISION OF HEAVEN AND THE NIGHTMARE**

January 16, 2020

PART V

**THE INTERLUDES
INSIGHTS INTO UNIVERSAL SALVATION?**

January 30, 2020

PART VI

**THE COSMIC BATTLE
SUDDENLY I SAW THE LAMB**

February 13, 2020

PART VII

**BEHOLD I SAW THE NEW JERUSALEM
THE MARRIAGE OF THE LAMB**

THE BOOK OF REVELATION

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The Book of Revelation (The Apocalypse) sets the standard for the liturgical praise of God as Cosmic event with Global implications. In the midst of conflict and division, the Seer of Revelation experiences the peaceful dominion of God in a time of Imperial wrath. Often feared for its violence and harsh imagery, the Book of Revelation is ultimately a Book of Comfort rallying the Community of Disciples to follow the Lamb whose death is our life. We are called to stand for what is right and just in the midst of oppression and fear. Revelation is our definitive invitation to the wedding of the Lamb who comes to marry us in the fullness of time. This is a Book of Prayer, Praise, Comfort, and Vision.