October 19-25

"Tuus totus ego sum, et omnia mea tua sunt."
"I am all Yours, and all that I have is Yours."

Reflections for the Week

The 29th week in Ordinary Time

Today's Readings

First Reading — The LORD said to Cyrus, his anointed, "I am the LORD, there is no other" (Isaiah 45:1, 4-6).
Psalm — Give the Lord glory and honor (Psalm 96).
Second Reading — Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy to the church of the Thessalonians: We thank God always for all of you (1 Thessalonians 1:1-5b).
Gospel — Give to Caesar what is Caesar's, and to God what is God's (Matthew 22:15-21).

Readings for the Week

Monday: Eph 2:1-10; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 12:13-21
Tuesday: Eph 2:12-22; Ps 85:9ab-14; Lk 12:35-38
Wednesday: Eph 3:2-12; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Lk 12:39-48
Thursday: Eph 3:14-21; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19; Lk 12:49-53
Friday: Eph 4:1-6; Ps 24:1-4ab, 5-6; Lk 12:54-59
Saturday: Eph 4:7-16; Ps 122:1-5; Lk 13:1-9
Sunday: Ex 22:20-26; Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51; 1 Thes 1:5c-10; Mt 22:34-40

EVERYTHING BELONGS TO GOD

The first reading from the prophet Isaiah concerns the Persian King Cyrus, called the Lord's "anointed." Cyrusde serves this title because he ended the Babylonian captivity of the Jews. However, Isaiah reminds us that it was God who gave Cyrus his power. He may be a great king, but "I am the LORD and there is no other," says God (Isaiah 45:5).
Today's Gospel is also concerned with worldly power. In the passage from Matthew, the Pharisees try to trick Jesus into speaking against the emperor. His famous answer is the perfect reply. Like the kings of old, Caesar can be given the respect due his position, but everything belongs to God.

Please pray for the sick of the parish and our extended family:

Msgr. Labib Kobti, Fr. Tom Seagrave, Jerry O'Leary, Dalia Becerra, Maureen and Don Francis, Mary Dunn, Mike and Gabriel Marty, Patrick Lee, Judy and Charlie Liteky, Jim and Nancy McDonald, Chuck Witherell, Mary Purpura, Josephine Small, Teresa Hyatt, Mary Donnelly, and all our community members who reside in assisted living and care facilities.
This list and additional prayer requests may be found on the "Circle of Prayer" link on our Website www.sjog.net; it is also available through email.
To request prayers for someone and/or receive the "Circle of Prayer" by email please contact Judy Laxen at judithfl@aol.com.

Mass Intentions:
October 17-23 (Fri-Thurs.)

Fri.	Gerald Rowley (RIP)	12:10pm
Sat	Lucille Carson (Blessings)	4:15pm
Sun.	Paul Gross (RIP)	9:30am
Sun	Paul Gross (RIP)	11:30am
Mon.	Sr. Feliciana Surtido, CHS (Birthday)	12:10pm
Tues.	Clare Hackett (Healing)	12:10pm
Wed.	Monica Duffy (Healing)	12:10pm
Thurs	Mary Moylan (Healing)	12:10pm

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time;
World Mission Sunday SECOND COLLECTION
Monday: St. Paul of the Cross
Wednesday: Blessed John Paul II
Thurs: St. John of Capistrano
Friday: St. Anthony Mary Claret
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

Small Steps of Love

How can we choose love when we have experienced so little of it? We choose love by taking small steps of love every time there is an opportunity. A smile, a handshake, a word of encouragement, a phone call, a card, an embrace, a kind greeting, a gesture of support, a moment of attention, a helping hand, a present, a financial contribution, a visit ... all these are little steps toward love.

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Bring a Friend ~ ALL ARE WELCOME !

At St. John of God, we follow the example of our Patron Saint who opened his doors to all in need. We ask that all who come to seek God's Grace honor Universal Diversity when we come together to worship as a community. A special time is during the prayers of the faithful : We all meet each other with compassion and respect.

If you have a desire to join a community of wonderful friends who accept all,

PLEASE COME JOIN US!

2014-2015 Date	RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SCHEDULE: Event
October 12	No Class – Columbus/ Indigenous People's Day holiday
November 2	No regular YRE Class – Children's Liturgy 9:30 Mass Confirmation class does meet on this date
November 30	No Class – Thanksgiving holiday
December 24	Christmas Vigil 4:15 Mass – Children's liturgy
December 28	No Class – Christmas holiday
January 4	No Class – Christmas holiday
January 18	No Class – Martin Luther King Jr. holiday
February 15	No regular YRE Class – Children's liturgy 9:30 Mass Confirmation class does meet on this date
February 22	No Class - President's Day holiday
March 29	No regular YRE Class – Cesar Chavez Day holiday Confirmation class does meet on this date
April 5	No Class – Easter
May 3	**First Eucharist** – Children's liturgy - No regular YRE classes and YRE year ends except for Confirmation Class
May 25	No Confirmation Class - Memorial Day federal holiday - 3 day weekend
June 1	**LAST CONFIRMATION CLASS**

Please save this schedule and check back for changes in the Bulletin. If you have any questions please contact the office: 415-566-5610.

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 and 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

Around the Community City and SF Bay

Good News from the Adult Faith Formation Team ~ *Scripture Discussion Group*:
Session #3: Continue with the Gospel of Mark **Friday, 6:30 - 8 p.m. in Ben's Room (390 Irving Street),** using the New Collegeville commentary. All sessions are separate (need not attend every week). Join us as we discuss the earliest of the four Gospels!

RCIA (Religious Christian Initiation of Adults):
We're resuming this program for adults seeking information about baptism, confirmation, Eucharist or membership in the Catholic Church. Meeting time to be decided on by participants. If you're interested, please contact Pat Hoffman (415-584-0218) or the parish office (Kay at 415-566-5610) with your contact info so we can include you in this process. This is a great way to meet new people!

Raphael House is asking for your volunteering help!
Interested in serving the needy? The longest-running family shelter in San Francisco is seeking help in their spacious and modern kitchen, to cook and serve the residents in a family style dining room.
Please contact Mark Reedy (408)-733-3734

Sister Lilly of Immaculate Conception Academy
October 19: Sunday Masses 9:30 and 11:30
Sr. Lilly will be speaking of this all-girls, college Prep Catholic High School located in the Mission District in San Francisco. ICA has implemented a work-study program and is looking for organizations to sponsor their students. Currently, just to cite a few, the girls are working at companies such as GAP, Bank of the Wet and UCSF. If you would like more information Sr. Lilly will be available after the masses or you can call her at (415) 824-2052 ext. 28.

Special Mass on All Souls Day, Nov. 2, 9:30
Children and youth and your families are invited to actively participate in the liturgy for All Souls Day Nov. 2nd. Arrive at Mass at 9:20 to rehearse the Psalm response. Wear your Halloween costume. We will recess as a group with Fr. Norman at the end of Mass for cupcakes and juice in the Hall. Questions? Call Judy Grady, 415-566-0163 or email: Judithgrady19@gmail.com

Sanctuary Sunday October 26 9:30 & 11:30 Masses
Sister Maire Sullivan is a mainstay of the Presentation Sisters' Lantern Hospitality Center. The sign of the Center reads, " All are Welcome BIENVIENDIOS'. The Center offers free English, computer and citizenship classes. New volunteers are welcome at the Center of Cesar Chavez St. **There will be a second collection.**

History of SJOG Sanctuary Covenant
In 1985 the members of the St. John of God community embarked on an eight month course of prayer regarding the plight of the Central American refugees coming to the Bay Area. Members studied Archbishop John R. Quinn's 1983 Pastoral Letter on Central America, participated in house meetings in which refugees shared stories and informed themselves about the moral and legal issues regarding political asylum.In January 1986, over 90% of the parishioners voted in favor of Sanctuary.
We wear red in honor of Archbishop Oscar Romero of El Salvador and those who have died working for a world of justice and peace.