

*July 26-August 1, 2015*  
*Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*Reflections for the Week*

*"GO FORTH and set the world on fire.."*

*— St. Ignatius of Loyola*

**Today's Readings**

**First Reading** — Elisha feeds a hundred people with twenty barley loaves (2 Kings 4:42-44).

**Psalm** — The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs (Psalm 145).

**Second Reading** — Paul urges the Ephesians to live in a manner worthy of the call they received (Ephesians 4:1-6).

**Gospel** — Jesus feeds a large crowd with five barley loaves and two fish (John 6:1-15).

**Readings this Week**

- Monday: Ex 32:15-24, 30-34; Ps 106:19-23; Mt 13:31-35
- Tuesday: Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28; Ps 103:6-13; Mt 13:36-43
- Wednesday: Ex 34:29-35; Ps 99:5-7, 9; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
- Thursday: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Ps 84:3-6a, 8a, 11; Mt 13:47-53
- Friday: Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37; Ps 81:3-6, 10-11ab; Mt 13:54-58
- Saturday: Lv 25:1, 8-17; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8; Mt 14:1-12

**Please pray for the healing of  
Our parishioners and extended family:**

Fr. Tom Seagrave, Maureen and Don Francis, Mary Dunn, Mike and Gabriel Marty, Patrick Lee, Judy and Charlie Liteky, Jim and Nancy McDonald, Josephine Small, Alice and George Yavorsky, Teresa Hyatt, Pat Hoffman, Dorla Gross and all our 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](http://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](mailto:judithfl@aol.com)

*It's always great to hear from friends ~ why not send a card or place a call to let them know you're thinking and praying for God's healing. Mass requests also available.*

**Mass Intentions:  
July 24 ~ 30, 2015 (Fri-Thurs.)**

Fri.	12:10pm
Sat . Antonio Medina (Rest in Peace)	4:15pm
Sun. Rito Capili (Rest in Peace)	9:30am
Sun. Barbara Graves (Rest in Peace)	11:30am
Mon. Margaret Negri (Happy Retirement!)	12:10pm
Tues.	12:10pm
Weds. Teresa Cafferkey (Rest in Peace)	12:10pm
Thurs.	12:10pm

*Give the gift of a Mass Intention ~Life Blessings, RIP, Anniversary, Happy Birthday! Contact the office.*

**Saints and Special Observances**

- Sunday: Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Wednesday: St. Martha
- Thursday: St. Peter Chrysologus
- Friday: St. Ignatius of Loyola
- Saturday: St. Alphonsus Liguori; First Saturday

**Martha**

As Jesus and his disciples were on their way, he came to a village where a woman named Martha opened her home to him. She had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet listening to what he said. But Martha was distracted by all the preparations that had to be made. She came to him and asked, "Lord, don't you care that my sister has left me to do the work by myself? Tell her to help me!" "Martha, Martha," the Lord answered, "you are worried and upset about many things, but only one thing is needed. Mary has chosen what is better, and it will not be taken away from her."- (Luke 10:38-42,



**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 the Bay

### The Saint who inspires Pope Francis: St. Ignatius of Loyola

The path to friendship with Christ begins on the solid rock of repentance and faith; as Jesus told His first disciples (Mk 1:15), **“Repent, and believe in the Gospel.”** Knowing that this is a gift completely unearned, St. Ignatius, like St. Francis of Assisi and St. Paul of Tarsus before them, urges us to have the courage to confess our sins and to put all our trust in the mercy of God found in Jesus Christ. Once we are rooted in the truth of who we are before God, i.e. sinners for whom Christ died on the Cross, then we are ready to dedicate ourselves as did St. Ignatius and Jesuits ever since “ad maiorem Dei Gloriam,” to the greater glory of God.

### FEEDING THE WORLD

With today’s two accounts of feeding miracles and the psalm response about the Lord’s hand feeding us, it is easy to gloss over the marvelous hymn in Ephesians. It is built around the most potent biblical numbers: one, three, and seven. The core of it is the word “one” expressed seven times. Three of these describe the church: one body, one Spirit, one hope; the next three are the foundations of the church: one Lord [Jesus], one faith, one baptism. All of these are bound up together in the one Father of all. While we might feel daunted by the prospect of duplicating the wonders worked by Elisha and Jesus in the feeding of multitudes, Ephesians gives us a more realistic way to live and “feed” others as the church: by living in humility and gentleness, by acting with patience, bearing with each other in love, and always seeking and striving to preserve unity through peace. Who among us cannot increase the way we “feed” the church and the world by living this way? We are always called upon to “feed” the world in the literal sense; but our mission as church tells us that others are also fed by the way we live and act each moment of each day.



**Sundays after 9:30 and 11:30 mass  
approx. 10:30 in Collins Hall  
approx. 12:30 in Ben’s Room  
coffee, pastry and friendship**

**Bring a Friend ~ or two!**

At St. John of God, we all meet each other with compassion and respect.

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*Look around you. The world is constantly grappling with crisis and war. People are weary from the dysfunction of their own lives.  
The chaos is crying out for order.  
The complexity is crying out for simplicity.  
At every level in society, from the beggar on the street to the leaders of nations, we are all looking for something to solve the crisis of our lives and of our times.  
It is time to stop looking for something and start looking to someone—  
Jesus of Nazareth.*

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**People in Plazas FREE public concert series** will bring live music to thousands of workers, residents and visitors to San Francisco. We have added two new venues, Embarcadero Square near the Golden Gateway and Civic Center / Joseph Alioto Performing Arts Plaza across from City Hall. The summer music festival promises more than 130 concerts. **Concerts begin at noon!** In addition we also program McCoppin Hub Plaza where we will have music, movies, dance, artisans and more! Join us!

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Le Jazz Hot August 27      Citizen Jazz Sept 15  
October 2 Bistro Moustache      ..AND MANY MORE!

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**From the Archdiocese of San Francisco:  
Office of Public Policy and Social Concern**  
Our Archdiocesan Bioethics Working Group — composed of local physicians and nurses, theologians and philosophers—is interested in hearing about your recent experiences, and responding to your questions and ethical concerns, on issues related to death and dying. Please contact us through the Archdiocesan Respect Life Program  
By calling 415-614-5533  
Or emailing [evansv@sfarchdiocese](mailto:evansv@sfarchdiocese).  
Or writing to : Respect Life Program  
Archdiocese of San Francisco  
One Peter Yorke Way, SF 94109      *Thank you!*

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**Community Calendar  
ALL ARE WELCOME!**

**HAPPY SUMMER!**

**UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS:  
September 20, 2015      Priest’s Retirement Fund**