

October 4—10, 2015
Twenty—Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reflections for the Week
As vital as oxygen is to the body,
so is encouragement to the soul.
—Anonymous

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Today's Readings

First Reading — The man said, "This one is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called 'woman' " (Genesis 2:18-24).

Psalm — May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives (Psalm 128).

Second Reading — He who consecrates and those who are being consecrated all have one origin (Hebrews 2:9-11).

Gospel — Whoever does not accept the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it (Mark 10:2-16 [2-12]).

Readings this Week

Monday: Jon 1:1 — 2:2, 11; Jon 2:3-5, 8;
Lk 10:25-37
Tuesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 130:1b-4ab, 7-8;
Lk 10:38-42
Wednesday: Jon 4:1-11; Ps 86:3-6, 9-10; Lk 11:1-4
Thursday: Mal 3:13-20b; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 11:5-13
Friday: Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Ps 9:2-3, 6, 16, 8-9;
Lk 11:15-26
Saturday: Jl 4:12-21; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12;
Lk 11:27-28
Sunday: Wis 7:7-11; Ps 90:12-17; Heb 4:12-13;
Mk 10:17-30 [17-27]

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, Jose-
phine Small, , Teresa Hyatt, Pat Hoffman, Dorla
Gross, Dalia & Estela Becerra 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; 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

*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: October 2-8, 2015 (Fri-Thurs.)

Fri. Ann McNally (Get Well Blessing)	12:10pm
Sat .	4:15pm
Sun. Laura Enrile Felk (Rest in Peace)	9:30am
Sun. Josefa Luna	11:30am
Mon.	12:10pm
Tues. Noel Scott (Rest in Peace)	12:10pm
Weds. Patrick Dean	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: Twenty-seventh Sunday
in Ordinary Time;
Respect Life Sunday
Monday: Simhat Torah (Jewish observance)
begins at sunset
Tuesday: St. Bruno;
Blessed Marie-Rose Durocher
Wednesday: Our Lady of the Rosary
Friday: St. Denis and Companions;
St. John Leonardi

*And the Lord said to him, "This is the land of which I
swore to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, 'I will assign it to
your offspring.' I have let you see it with your own eyes,
but you shall not cross there."
So Moses the servant of the Lord died there, in the land
of Moab, at the command of the Lord.*



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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 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*

Around the Community, City and the Bay

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND! FOOD BANK

WORK DAY October 17 – St. John of God parishioners will once again have an opportunity to make a difference for the hungry in our City. On Saturday, October 17 from 9 a.m. to noon we will be working at the Food Bank's warehouse. Possible projects include sorting donated food, repackaging food, labeling cans and/or packing food boxes for distribution to the poor. Please call Liz Heaney at 415-596-0591 or e-mail her at Heaney.liz@gmail.com if you are interested in volunteering.

The Green Mass for the Care of the Earth, Our Common Home ; Blessing of Pets

The Green Mass will be on the Feast of St. Francis, Sunday October 4th (all Masses and Saturday October 3rd). Anne Donjacour will be speaking after Communion and will have a short presentation "Acting in Faith on Climate Change" during the social hours associated with each Mass.

People are invited to bring animals on leashes or in carriers for a blessing in the courtyard after the 4:15 Mass on Saturday, October 3 (time approximate 5:15 PM), and between the morning masses on Sunday, October 4 (time approximate 11:00 AM).

It takes much effort just to make ends meet in our world today. Do you wish you could talk about something besides all the stresses in your life? A **World-wide Marriage Encounter** Weekend gives you the time and tools to revitalize romance, deepen communication, and nourish the spirituality in your marriage. For more information go to www.sanfranciscowwme.org or call David & Karen at 650.350.1469. **2015 San Francisco/Santa Rosa Weekends: Nov 20-22** Vallombrosa Retreat Center, Menlo Park: . Space is limited; apply early.

Community Calendar

October 4	YRE begins	9:30AM
October 5	Liturgy Committee	6PM
October 19	Parish Council	7PM

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS:

October 4	Hospital Ministry
October 18	World Mission Sunday



**After Masses on Sunday.
Join us ! All are Welcome!**

The Youth Religious Education Program 2015 – 2016

The religious education program for the children of St. John of God Church will begin on **October 4 at the 9:30 Mass.**

Fr. Norman and the community will bless our efforts.

REGULAR CLASSES

First Communion Preparation Class and Third Grade Class [last year's First Communicants] will meet during 9:30 Mass.

We need a Third Grade Teacher or Teaching Team!

Fourth Grade Class [Reconciliation Preparation] will have a mixed format of workshop and liturgies. Regular classes in preparation for the Sacrament are tentatively set to **begin February 6, 2016.**

Fifth/ Sixth Grade –*Liturgies and workshops will be coordinated by volunteer families.*

NEW Pre-K/Kindergarten Drop-In – To be held during 9:30 Mass – to be held 1-2 Sundays/month depending on parent/ older youth volunteer availability.

We will also have a password protected website for volunteer scheduling and other useful information.

OUR FIRST WORK SHOP WILL BE IN THE AFTER-NOON OCTOBER 18TH

THE TOPIC WILL BE **THE CHURCH.** FR. NORMAN WILL LEAD A **MAGICAL MYSTERY TOUR OF THE CHURCH,** INCLUDING THE SANCTUARY, SACRISTY, VESTMENTS AND SACRED VESSELS. THERE WILL BE AN ACTIVITY AND A SNACK FOLLOWING THE TOUR. ALL CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES ARE INVITED.

Lights and Shadows



I was able to have a peep at the super blood moon a while ago with my naked eye. It was a spectacle to behold. Seeing both a pale of red and dark shade on the moon.

The last time such a phenomenon occurred was in 1982. It won't happen again until 2033. I even feel lucky because I did not miss it.

There are occasions in our lives, when people and even relationships occur that do not happen every day. They come around once in a lifetime. How lucky are we when we don't miss the chance of really encountering and not losing them.

The most important comes with a wink an eye. Once you look past by it, you lose it. Please don't. When the super blood moon happens again in 2033, I will already be 61! Hopefully, I may be able to reach that age. But I am not too much concerned about that. I am more excited to catch, watch and not miss the good, the true and the most beautiful...

~ Fr. Norman