

September 25-October 1, 2016
Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reflections for the Week
All God's angels come to us disguised.
—James Russell Lowell

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Today's Readings

First Reading — Woe to the complacent. Their wanton revelry shall be done away with (Amos 6:1a, 4-7).

Psalm — Praise the Lord, my soul! (Psalm 146).

Second Reading — Compete well for the faith. Keep the commandment until the appearance of the Lord Jesus (1 Timothy 6:11-16).

Gospel — The parable of Lazarus and the rich man (Luke 16:19-31).

Readings this Week

Monday: Jb 1:6-22; Ps 17:1bcd-3, 6-7;
Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday: Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23; Ps 88:2-8;
Lk 9:51-56

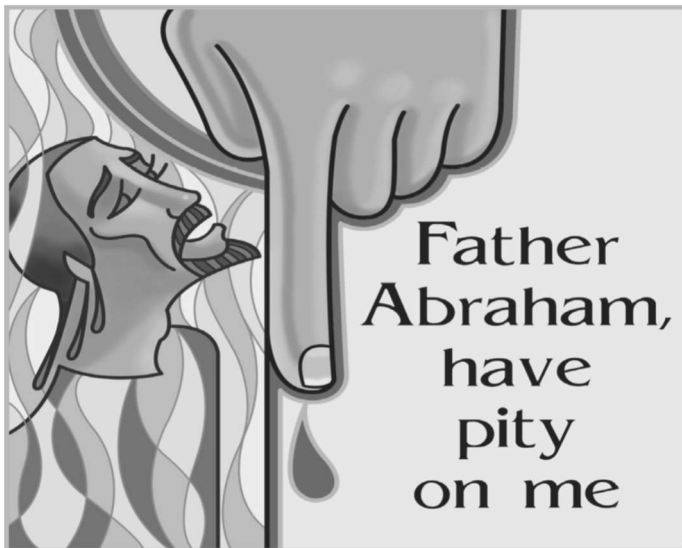
Wednesday: Jb 9:1-12, 14-16; Ps 88:10bc-15;
Lk 9:57-62

Thursday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a;
Ps 138:1-5; Jn 1:47-51

Friday: Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5;
Ps 139:1-3, 7-10,
13-14ab; Lk 10:13-16

Saturday: Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; Ps 119:66,
71, 75,

91, 125, 130; Lk 10:17-24
Sunday: Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9;
2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14; Lk 17:5-10



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Mass Intentions:

September 23-29, 2016 (Fri-Thurs.)

Fri. Marie Hannon (Rest in Peace) 12:10pm
Sat. Tom Hannon (Rest in Peace) 4:15pm
Sun. Judy Litkey (Rest in Peace) 10:30am
Mon. Rose Wallace (Healing) 12:10pm
Tues Evelyn Rull (RIP) 12:10pm
Weds. Cassidy/Carew (Family Blessing) 12:10pm
Thurs. Michael DeSouza (RIP Anniver) 12:10pm

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

Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: Ss. Cosmas and Damian
Tuesday: St. Vincent de Paul
Wednesday: St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions;
St. Wenceslaus
Thursday: Ss. Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael,
Archangels
Friday: St. Jerome
Saturday: St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus;
First Saturday

Social Media

The great thing about Facebook is that it's free and easy to use ~ also allowing our audience to like, comment and share our posts to your personal pages. SJOG uses Facebook to communicate with you and visitors where they're at, online. Please **LIKE** us on Facebook and keep in touch!

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

Fr. Tom Burns, Msgr. Labib Kabti, Fr. Bill Brady,
Msgr. Mickey McCormick (former Pastors at SJOG)
Pat Hoffman, Maureen and Don Francis, Mary Dunn,
Mike Marty, Patrick Lee, Charlie Liteky, Jim and
Nancy McDonald, Josephine Small, Teresa Hyatt,
Dalia & Estela Becerra and all our members who
reside in assisted living & care facilities.

Gracious God, You have given us many healing remedies that are a benefit to us when we are sick. Through the miraculous intercession of St. Anthony, we ask Your blessing upon the medication prescribed for those above (or add a name) so that they may experience healing, and be restored to full health in mind and body.
Amen.

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

LOOKING BEYOND OURSELVES

The message found in today's readings is an oft-told story. Citizen Kane, Daddy Warbucks, and King Midas are only a few of the familiar fictional characters who thought enormous wealth could buy happiness and fulfillment. Daddy Warbucks admitted stepping on a few people in his climb to the top. Kane tried to buy the printed word and stardom for his young wife, while King Midas conjured immense wealth and tragedy by his very touch.

We learn clearly in today's readings that none of this is really possible. True happiness comes from caring for someone other than ourselves. It comes from the pursuit of the virtues Paul described to Timothy: faith, love, gentleness, godliness, righteousness, and endurance. The Gospel reminds us that we dare not ignore the needs of others, acting as though we don't notice their suffering. God's call to us is much too clear to disregard for even one more day.

SJOG will celebrate the International Day of Peace with a prayer service at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Sep. 21. "Peace Day," set up by United Nations resolutions in 1981 and 2001, is celebrated throughout the world. If you can't attend the service, please join us in praying for world peace on that day! You can also check out some related websites: www.un.org/peaceday and www.peaceday.org.

Come Support Fr. Kabipi !!

The Archdiocese of San Francisco presents the 2016

Clericus Classic Basketball Game

featuring
Priests of the Archdiocese
vs.
St. Patrick's Seminarians

Bring family and friends
to root for your favorite
priest or seminarian!

Friday, October 21, 7:00 pm
Archbishop Riordan High School
175 Phelan Ave., San Francisco

Limited number of
tickets available
in select parishes or at
SFArch.org/basketball

\$10 general | \$5 students

Vocations Office 415-614-5684

THERE WILL BE ONE MASS ONLY THIS SUNDAY 9/25 10:30 AM

The St John of God Sanctuary Committee will mark it's 30th anniversary and pay tribute to one of its founding members, Judy Liteky.

There will be only 2 masses that weekend.:

Saturday 9/24 at 4:15

Sunday 9/25/16 at 10:30

We will have a special liturgy and speaker at both Masses. This will also be Sanctuary's annual fundraiser to support our work.

We encourage all to attend either of the 2 Masses to acknowledge our 30 years of service to immigrants, refugees and communities in Central America and to celebrate the life and spirit of our beloved Judy who gave so much to St. John of God.

There will be a finger foods pot luck after the Sunday Mass. **Please contact Judy to help with food, setup and clean up : judithfl@aol.com**

**We expect a full house on Sunday
so arrive early.**

Sr. Lilly is BACK! Come and say "hello" **October 30!** Immaculate Conception Academy, an all-girls, College Prep Catholic High School located in the Mission District in San Francisco 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 West, UCSF, Jones Day Law Firm, Heffernan Insurance Brokers, etc. Nationwide this program is already succeeding in 30 other cities coast to coast. A team of 4 students works at an organization to cover one full-time position, rotating work days.

*The organization receives an entry-level, clerical staff position filled without the hassle of hiring, benefits and other HR concerns. The students are employees of the ICA Corporate Work Study Program.

*The organization's sponsorship helps lower the tuition cost of their college preparatory education, making it as essentially a small, outsourcing staff agency, affordable for more working class families.

Operating ICA enables the organization to fill needed clerical or entry-level positions. The students are on site 36 weeks a year, 40 hours a week adding diversity, enthusiasm and a willingness to learn and succeed.

For more information please contact Sister Lilly at (415) 824 2052 ext 28 and/or visit ICA's website at www.icacademy.org

Community Meetings & Collections

Sanctuary Sunday
Hospital Ministry

Sept 24-25
Oct 1-2

‡ ST. JOHN OF GOD SANCTUARY COMMUNITY ‡

1986-2016: Thirty Years of Immigrant Advocacy and El Salvador Support

In 1985 the members of the St. John of God community embarked on an eight-month course of prayer and discernment 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 their stories, and informed themselves about moral and legal issues regarding political asylum. In January 1986, over 90% of the parishioners voted in favor of Sanctuary. Since Palm Sunday 1986, our community has reaffirmed the covenant, which articulates the vision of faith taught by our brothers and sisters of El Salvador and Guatemala.

Christ's call is to reach out to our brothers and sisters in need. In response to this call, the members of the St. John of God Community enter into this covenant to provide sanctuary -- support, protection, and advocacy -- to Salvadoran and Guatemalan refugees who request haven out of well-founded fear of persecution and possibly death if they are returned to their homeland. We do this out of concern for the welfare of these refugees, regardless of their official immigration status. . .

St. John of God Covenant of Public Sanctuary, Palm Sunday, 1986

As in the early years, Sanctuary work focuses on immigrant advocacy and emergency aid to immigrants in San Francisco and the Bay Area and support of development projects in El Salvador.

☀ Report on Projects ☀

Guided by the Spirit, we have continued the Sanctuary commitment to solidarity through:

Direct Support: In the past year funds were given to the Central American Resource Center (CARECEN) for legal and social services for local immigrants. This nonprofit has taken leadership in mobilizing our city's response to the needs of recently-arrived undocumented children.

Development: Funds were given to anti-gang efforts at Santa Rosa of Lima Church in San Salvador. The funds enable parish teens to continue their high school education in a collaborative project with the Ministry of Education. The teens study in a supportive environment that is safe from gang-related threats and intimidation. Funds given to Voices on the Border were used to support education in El Salvador through the purchase of badly-needed school supplies.

Protection and Human Rights Advocacy: Members of the parish participated in workshops to assist immigrants to obtain U.S. citizenship. Committee members are part of a citywide interfaith coalition supporting immigrant rights locally and nationally. Funds were given to the Interfaith Movement for Human Integrity to sustain regional advocacy work for immigrants and refugees.

☀ Please Support SJOG Sanctuary Work in 2016-2017 ☀

Please make checks payable to **St. John of God (in memo line put "C.A.R. Fund")**

Sanctuary Committee Members – Dagbevi Akpawu, Theresa Cameranesi, Joe and Joan Humphreys, Rich Lang, Judy Liteky (in memory), Sherri Maurin, Roberta and Jim McLaughlin, Adrienne and Shaolin Plasse, Mark Reedy, Tessa Rouverol Callejo, Linda Vossler Swan.

We invite community members to join us. Email Adrienne at aplasseadrienne@gmail.com.