

September 30-October 6, 2018  
Twenty—sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

*Reflections for the Week*

*Start by doing what's necessary;  
then do what's possible; and suddenly  
you are doing the impossible. ~Francis of Assisi*

**Readings for the Day** [Click Here](#)

**First Reading** — Moses said, “Would that all the people of the LORD were prophets!” (Numbers 11:25-29).

**Psalm** — The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart (Psalm 19)

**Second Reading** — Come now, you rich. The wages you withheld from the workers who harvested your fields are crying aloud (Jason 5:1-6).

**Gospel** — Whoever is not against us is for us (Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48).

**Readings for the 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;  
Mt 18:1-5, 10
- Wednesday: Jb 9:1-12, 14-16; Ps 88:10bc-15;  
Lk 9:57-62
- Thursday: Jb 19:21-27; Ps 27:7-9abc, 13-14;  
Lk 10:1-12
- 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: Gn 2:18-24; Ps 128:1-6; Heb 2:9-11;  
Mk 10:2-16 [2-12]

**Please pray for our parishioners  
& extended family:**

**Rest in Peace: Judy Laxen &  
Josephine Small  
For Healing For:**

Edith Bucoy, Elizabeth Wilson, Pat Hoffman,  
Joe Humphreys, Maureen Francis, Ethel Friedrichs,  
Mike Marty, Martha Ayoub, Patrick Lee,  
Teresa Hyatt, Dalia & Estela Becerra &  
Shirley Dela Cuz.

**Blessings to all our members who  
reside in assisted living & care facilities.**

**Mass Intentions  
Sept 28-October 4, 2018  
(Fri thru Thur)**

Fri.	Agnes Monaghan (RIP)	12:10pm
Sat.	Sherman Leung (Rest in Peace)	4:15pm
Sun.	Miguel Enrique (RIP 7 years)	9:30am
Sun.	Amy Morris (Blessings)	11:30am
Mon.	Miguel Enrique (RIP 7 years)	12:10pm
Tues.	Jose Cardinez (RIP 1 year)	12:10pm
Weds.	Lani Meneses (Healing)	12:10pm
Thurs.	Pat Keiter (Blessings)	

***Give the gift of a Mass Intention.***

Birthday, RIP, Blessings, Marriage, Get Well  
(Contact the Office)

**Saints and Observances**

- Sunday: Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Monday: St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus  
Tuesday: The Holy Guardian Angels  
Thursday: St. Francis of Assisi  
Friday: Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos;  
First Friday  
Saturday: St. Bruno; Blessea Virgin Mary  
Blessed Marie-Rose Durocher; 1st. Saturday

**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

From its earliest days, the Church has had an interest in the education of young people. In ancient Rome, teachers of boys had to resign their posts in order to become catechumens, since the education of boys was so keyed to the lore and worship of the gods. In other ages, public education has been so attuned to other values that creative solutions have arisen.

In late eighteenth- and early nineteenth-century Ireland, government schools had a goal of “Anglicizing” the Irish in culture and religion. Most Irish Catholics opted out in favor of “hedge schools.” In these largely secret schools, meeting not just in the shadow of hedges but also in cottages and barns throughout Ireland, schoolmasters provided eager students with a classical education grounded in Greek and Latin, Irish literature, the banned Gaelic language, and the catechism of the Church. The so-called penal laws forbade Catholics from teaching young people publicly or privately, and “civil disobedience” ruled the day. In 1826, a British government study showed that of half a million Irish children enrolled in schools, 403,000 were in hedge schools! A woman named Nano Nagle defied the law by opening schools for the poor. Eventually her companions became the Presentation Sisters. A layman named Edmund Rice, inspired by her courage, founded the Irish Christian Brothers for the same purpose. By 1820, the situation eased, since Irish Catholics had shown that they would defy any law that diminished their love of learning and threatened their faith.

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**Catholic Charities and JCRC Partner  
to Promote Voter Registration**  
**High School and Adult Volunteers Needed  
to Help with Nov 6th General Election –  
Sign Up Now!**

In the spirit of faithful citizenship, social equity, and solidarity with the poor and vulnerable, Catholic Charities and the Jewish Community Relations Council (JCRC) are partnering to promote voter registration for the November 6<sup>th</sup> General Election. In this first of a three-part series, we highlight poll worker opportunities with the San Francisco Department of Elections for both high school students and adults. Serving as a poll worker for the City on Election Day is an exceptional opportunity to learn about the election process and serve your community while earning a stipend from \$142 for high school students up to \$195 for adults, depending on responsibilities. Poll workers who are bilingual in English and Chinese, Spanish, Filipino, Japanese, Korean, and Vietnamese also are especially needed.

**For further information about voting or to sign up to be a poll worker, visit <https://sfelections.sfgov.org/>**

**REMINDER: The deadline to register to vote is October 22.**

**RCIA sessions (in preparation for the Rite of Christian Initials of Adults) will begin on Thursday Evening, October 11, from 6:30 to 8:30PM in 340 Irving Street.**

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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 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.-  
Rev. Fr. Thomas L. Seagrave*



**COLLINS HALL BE WILL CLOSED UNTIL FURTER NOTICE FOR SEWER REPLACEMENT AND CLEANING OF DEBRIS FOUND DURING THE CONSTRUCTION PROCESS. THERE IS NO FIRM DATE FOR THE REOPENING, BUT WILL KEEP YOU UP TO DATE AS TO THE PROGRESS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE AND PRAYERS!**

**Celebrate Fr. Narcis Kabipi's Ordination Anniversary and Birthday**

St John Of God will celebrate Father Kabipi's 20th Anniversary and Birthday with a Mass and Celebration beginning Sunday, October 28 at 10:30 AM. **There will be only one Mass 10/28 Sunday at 10:30am.** Food and Fun in the Hall afterwards! POTLUCK  
*Father request no gifts -  
but cards are welcomed.*  
There will be a sign-up sheet in the Hall OR you can contact Janice at [Jmorteson48@gmail.com](mailto:Jmorteson48@gmail.com).  
**All are Welcome!**

**St. John Vianney Luncheon  
Honoring Retired Priests**

[Click Here](#)

**Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption  
Friday October 26, at 11:30am.**

**Fr. Kabipi has individual tickets for you to purchase \$150  
OR a seating for 5 plus 3 retired Priests: \$1500.**

The Sanctuary Committee thanks the SJOG community for your generous support of our Sanctuary Weekend celebration  
**September 22~23**

We will continue to do the work in your name.  
**JOIN US!**

Adrienne Plasse, Chair, [plaseadrienne@gmail.com](mailto:plaseadrienne@gmail.com)

**Please join us for a very special  
First Saturday of October!  
October 6, 2018 ALL MASSES**

**Green Mass** : for our beautiful Earth and the Protection of our Environment  
**Blessing of all Animals and Pets**  
after the Saturday Mass at 5:15PM  
and Sunday at 11AM  
in the Courtyard.

Animals must be on leash or in carriers.  
Special St. Francis of Assisi Holy Cards  
will be on hand for you to share!