

January 17, 2021
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reflection for the Week

WORRIES

The greatest of worries can't pay the smallest of debts. Anonymous

Today's Readings

First Reading — Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening
(1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19).

Psalm — Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will
(Psalm 40).

Second Reading — Your bodies are members of Christ;
glorify God in your body
(1 Corinthians 6:13c-15a, 17-20).

Gospel — The first disciples saw where Jesus was staying
and they stayed with him (John 1:35-42).

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Readings for the Week

Monday: Heb 5:1-10; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: Heb 6:10-20; Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9, 10c;
Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: Heb 7:25 — 8:6; Ps 40:7-10, 17; Mk 3:7-12

Friday: Heb 8:6-13; Ps 85:8, 10-14; Mk 3:13-19, *or any of a number of readings for the Day of Prayer*

Saturday: Heb 9:2-3, 11-14; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9;
Mk 3:20-21

Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10; Ps 25:4-9; 1 Cor 7:29-31;
Mk 1:14-20

Please pray for our parishioners & extended family: Rest in Peace:

Judy Laxen, Dorle & Paul Gross, Josephine Small, Martha Araj Ayoub, David Desch, Ethel Friedrichs, Charlie & Dodie Vaszko, Father Kirk, Bill Lum, Father Ken Westray of St. Vincent De Paul –SF, & Father P. Gerard O'Rourke

For Healing: Edith Bucoy, Pat Hoffman, Tom Johnson, Maureen Francis, Joe Humphreys, Mike Marty, Patrick Lee, Teresa Hyatt, Estela Becerra, Shirley Dela Cuz, Lynette Castiglione. & **all our parishioners that are sick...and a special reminder to pray for those we know now living in care facilities.**

Mass Intentions

January 15 thru January 21, 2021 (Fri. thru Thur.)

Fri.	(RIP+)	12:10 p.m.
Sat. REMI VILLANUEVA-	BIRTHDAY	4:15 p.m.
Sun. LARRY BAKER	(RIP+)	9:30 a. m.
Sun. Dr. PHIL JIMENEZ	(RIP+)	11:30 a. m.
Mon. RICHARD MEDINA WILSON	(RIP+)	12:10 p. m.
Tues.	(RIP+)	12:10 p. m.
Weds.	(RIP+)	12:10 p. m.
Thurs.	(RIP+)	12:10 p. m.

*Give the gift of a Mass Intention.
Intention for Birthdays, Memorials, RIP,
Blessings, Marriage, and Get Well.*

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: Martin Luther King, Jr. Day;
Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins
Tuesday: Julian Calendar Theophany (Epiphany)
Wednesday: St. Fabian; St. Sebastian
Thursday: St. Agnes
Friday: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children
Saturday: St. Vincent; St. Marianne Cope

SPEAK, LORD, WE ARE LISTENING

In today's first reading God keeps calling out in the night to a sleeping boy. Neither the boy, Samuel, nor his teacher, Eli, understands who is calling. But God's persistence convinces them. Samuel is then ready—not ready yet to do anything, but ready to listen. "Speak, for your servant is listening" (1 Samuel 3:10).

In the Gospel Jesus is out teaching. Various people notice him and begin to gather around. They soon become disciples and, like the young Samuel, are ready—not ready yet to do anything, but ready to listen. "Speak," they say, "we are listening."

God's voice is always with us, awake or asleep. It swirls around us like fog on a waterfront, enveloping us, gently urging us to wake up, to listen. Awareness of the voice comes first; then willingness to listen; then, in time, the decision to act, to live according to God's word. Let's ask today for the ability to keep our ears open so we don't miss God's voice.

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Earlier this year, the Pastoral Council of St. John of God published our goals for the year. Among those goals: the creation of an out reach ministry to use telephone calls to reach out to the sick and/or those who are experiencing a long term absence from the liturgy at St. John of God. As we enter a new year, we would like to put words into action. Please contact Pat Hoffman at astropah@aol.com, or other parish members: Cindy Conway, Lynette Castiglione, Gilda Weatherall, Chuck Withereil or any other member of the Pastoral Council. Your requests will remain confidential.. We are also looking for a name for this outreach group. Anyone who comes up with a clever name for the ministry will be awarded a \$50 Amazon Gift Card. The winning name will be judged by the Pastoral Council. All entries must be submitted to any member of the Council by January 17, 2021. Good Luck!!

Livestreams of Liturgies

Those who are unable to attend Mass in person during the pandemic are encouraged to maintain their spiritual life in other ways. In particular the Cathedral and many other parishes are livestreaming Masses. Information concerning livestreams from the cathedral and other Bay Area parishes can be found at <https://sfarch.org/livestreams>

WEDNESDAY EVENING ZOOM BIBLE STUDY ON ISAIAH

Our Adult Faith Formation Team invites you to participate in an interactive Bible Study on the Book of Isaiah, to be held on Wednesday evenings from 5:30 to 7:00 PM on Zoom, starting January 6th, 2021, led by Pat Hoffman and Paul Rioski. We will be using the New Collegeville Bible Commentary (the volume on Isaiah contains commentary by Leslie J. Hoppe, OFM, Adjunct Professor at Catholic Theological Union). Our meetings will be interactive, with participants reading the Scripture along with the commentary, to discuss the meaning of the texts. Please contact Paul Rioski (sjogmusic@aol.com, 415-517-4647) to participate and arrange to receive the book (\$12.95 suggested donation). Please provide your name and e-mail address (or telephone number if you will access the sessions via phone). Zoom instructions will be sent prior to each session.

THE HOLY STAR

**O Father, may that holy star
Grow every year more bright
And send its glorious beams afar
To fill the world with light.**

—William Cullen Bryant

COVID-19 symptoms including fever, chills, cough, congestion, sore throat, difficulty breathing, headache, fatigue, vomiting, diarrhea, or new loss of taste or smell.

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

Pastoral Council

The Pastoral Council would like you to know what we've been doing this past year. If you are interested in planning for the coming year and in assisting Fr. Kabipi to help decide what issues are facing the parish, please join us on a Zoom Conference. In the past, we have worked on bringing the parish into compliance with the Archdiocese safety guidelines. We have brought in an epidemiology expert from UCSF to speak to us so that we can safely open the church. We invited parishioners to speak before the council to address issues that were important to them. The Department of Religious Education spoke to us regarding future catechetical programs in preparation for the holy sacraments. We also have a meeting with the finance committee to discuss the impact of COVID on revenues and future needs of St. John of God. We published a list of Pastoral Council members so that other parishioners can seek them out for topics of concern. We have established a policy of responding to inquiries and comments within 24 hours. We have a correspondence file available which can be found in the parish office. We also keep minutes to our meetings that can be easily accessed on the google news group. They are also kept in a binder in the Parish Secretary Office for viewing. We would like our mission statement to align with the goals of SJOG. Please feel free to contact Pat Hoffman at astropah@aol.com.

Masses resume outdoors again!!

I want to reach out to you as we continue to deal with Covid-19. Please know that you have been in my daily prayers & Masses even as we have been unable to be together in person. I am here for you and I am available to bring Communion to you at your home at your request. Please call the Parish Office and leave your name and phone number so we can schedule a time for me to bring you Communion. You are a valued member of our St. John of God Community and I thank God for you! Masses will return to the outside courtyard pending further direction from the City and County. This includes Saturday 4:15 p.m., Sunday 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Weekday Mass has been suspended. For individual prayer, the Chapel will maintain the Christmas environment until January 10th. Please follow the (now) normal requirements listed below:

- *A face mask covering your nose and mouth is required.
- *Physical Distancing will be observed.
- *Please place your Offertory gift at the end of Mass in the basket as you leave the courtyard.
- *Hand sanitizer is available for your use. Those of you who are elderly or who have pre-existing conditions that make you more vulnerable to infection, PLEASE STAY HOME. The same applies if you are exhibiting symptoms of illness.

I look forward to celebrating Mass with you. May the Peace of Christ be with you! Fr. Kabipi

JOY

**The fullness of joy is to behold God in every-
thing.**

—St. Julian

Gift Date: December 18, 2020

Mr. Robert Gajewski
340 Irving St
San Francisco, CA 94122-2607

Dear Mr. Gajewski,

You are the reason we are able to provide food, clothing, shelter, medical care, addiction recovery services, job training, access to technology, and other critical resources. Your gift will be put to immediate, direct use in providing a lifeline to San Franciscans experiencing extreme poverty and homelessness.

Thank you for your gift of 16 bags of clothing.

Through your generosity, you are now joined in community with us to honor the dignity and humanity of every person who comes through our doors. We couldn't do it without the compassionate support of caring people like you. Thank you!

Peace and All Good,



Suzie Sheedy
Director of Development

Be personally involved in doing good. You will find fulfillment and peace.
- Fr. Alfred Boeddeker, OFM

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Mass (or Masses) you usually attend _____

Check this box to be added to the St. John of God email list (SJoG-News).

This information will only be used for parish communications so we may better serve you.

Peace in Christ,

Fr Kabipi

Fill out, print, and mail this form to St. John of God Parish, 1290 5th Ave, S.F. 94122 or you can submit the information by email or online at sjog.net/contactinfo.php