

# St. John of God Catholic Church

Serving the UCSF Medical Center Community

Since 1967

Welcome!



May you go often to the Bethlehem of your heart  
and visit the One who offers you peace.

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## Office Hours:

Monday – Friday: 10:00 AM - 1:30 PM  
At other times: Please call the office.

## MASS TIMES

### At the Church:

Saturday Vigil: 4:15 PM

Sunday: 9:30 AM, 11:30 AM

Monday – Friday: 12:10 PM (followed by  
Adoration of Blessed Sacrament on first  
Fridays)

Holy Days: As announced

### At the UCSF Medical Center:

Sunday: 12:10 PM (in Moffitt Room  
1015)

## Preparation for Christmas

Dec. 21 Thursday, 4:00 – 7:00 PM  
Reconciliation Services

## Faith Formation

Religious Education for Youth (grades  
K-9): Sundays during 9:30 AM Mass

## Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Adults seeking Baptism, Confirmation,  
Holy Communion, or membership in the  
Catholic Church should contact the  
Parish Office.

December 17, 2023

# Third Sunday of Advent

John 1:6-8, 19-28

“A man named John was sent from God.”



## OUR MISSION

Following the dedication of Saint John of God to healthcare workers caring for the poor and the sick, we walk the same path to minister to patients and their families, hospital staff and faculty in the University of California San Francisco Medical Center to help meet Jesus Christ through our actions, charity, transparency, social justice and inclusiveness.

**Fr. Narcis Kabipi**, Administrator and Hospital Chaplain

**Fr. Te Van Nguyen**, Parochial Vicar and Hospital Chaplain

## Administration Support:

- Parish Admin Assistant: Tracy Thompson
- Parish Custodian: Phil Thurman
- Pastoral Council: Lynette Castiglione, Debbie Feliz, Chuck Witherell, Gilda Witherell
- Liturgy: Lynette Castiglione, Bob Gajewski
- Music: Paul Riofski
- Finance Council: Bill Becker, Susan Fox, Dave Freitas, Bob Gajewski
- Webmaster: Joe Humphreys



## SACRAMENTS

Anointing of the Sick

Baptism

Reconciliation (*by appointment*)

Holy Communion

Marriage (*at St. John of God Church; requires six months advance notice*)

## Fellowship / Hospitality

Sundays after Mass 9:30 and 11:30  
(*meet in the hall for refreshments*)

**Welcome** parishioners, visitors, and new neighbors. If interested in volunteering your time or talents, please call the Parish Office.

## SJOG Choir

The Music Liturgy Group invites you to join the choir. All are welcome, regardless of age or experience. For more details, please call Paul Riofski at (415) 517-4647.

## Ways to Give:

- + Monetary offerings during Mass
- + Automatic donations via the website at [www.sjog.net](http://www.sjog.net) (*requires signup; if you need help in this, we can assist*)
- + Extra gifts on special days (*birthdays, anniversaries, in memory of loved ones, blessings, get well, etc.*)

## THANK YOU SO MUCH...

to those that have taken part in the *2023 Archbishop Annual Appeal*. Your generosity is a way to share blessings in life and to help support pastoral and social ministries. *We have until December 31st to receive contributions. Any amount is greatly appreciated.* God bless you!

## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — The spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me (**Isaiah 61:1-2A, 10-11**).

**Psalm** — The Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his Name (**Luke 1:46-48, 49-50, 53-54**).

**Second Reading** — Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing. In all circumstances give thanks, for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus (**1 Thessalonians 5:16-24**).

**Gospel** — A man named John was sent from God. He came for testimony, to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him (**John 1:6-8, 19-28**).

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**18 Mon:** Jer 23:5-8 | Ps 72:1-2, 12-13 | 18-19; Mt 1:18-25

**19 Tues:** Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a | Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17 | Lk 1:5-25

**20 Wed:** Is 7:10-14 | Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 | Lk 1:26-38

**21 Thurs:** Sg 2:8-14 | Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21 | Lk 1:39-45

**22 Fri:** 1 Sm 1:24-28 | 1 Samuel 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd | Lk 1:46-56

**23 Sat:** Mal 3:1-4, 23-24 | Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14 | Lk 1:57-66

**24 Sun:** 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16 | Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29 | Rom 16:25-27 | Lk 1:26-38

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES** - None for this week.

## MASS INTENTIONS - Please pray:

- For the special intentions of our parishioners and their families.
- For the sick, homebound and deceased, especially for those we know and have moved into care facilities.
- For the recently deceased and their grieving families and friends.

## THE PRAYER CORNER

**St. John of God** (by Rev. Thomas L. Seagrave)

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 a revelation of Christ's love. Amen.

