

# St. John of God Catholic Church

Serving the UCSF Medical Center Community

Since 1967

*Unless a grain of wheat  
falls to the ground and dies,  
it remains just a grain of  
wheat; but if it dies, it  
produces much fruit.*

John 12:20-23

Fifth Sunday of Lent

March 17, 2024

**Feast of St. Patrick**



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## Office Hours:

Please call or send an email to

[stjohnofgod-sf@sbcglobal.net](mailto:stjohnofgod-sf@sbcglobal.net).

Monday - Friday: 10:00 AM-1:30 PM

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## MASS TIMES

### At Church:

Saturday Vigil: 4:15 PM

Sunday: 9:30 AM, 11:30 AM

Monday – Friday: 12:10 PM

First Fridays: Adoration of the Blessed  
Sacrament (following Mass).

Holy Days: As announced.

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## Lenten Schedule

### Stations of the Cross

**Fridays of Lent to March 22, 7:00 PM**

### Communal Reconciliation Service

**March 20, 7:00 PM** (followed by  
individual reconciliation)

**Holy Week begins** - Palm Sunday of  
the Lord's Passion - March 23-24

### Easter Triduum:

**1. Holy Thursday** - March 28

**No 12:10 PM Mass**

6:00 PM Soup Supper in the Hall

7:00 PM Evening Mass of the Lord's  
Supper

**2. Good Friday** - March 29

**No 12:10 PM Mass**

7:00 PM Good Friday of the Lord's  
Passion

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## 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 and surrounding community to help meet Jesus Christ through our actions, charity, transparency, social justice, and inclusiveness.

## A Note From Your Pastor:

As the most important holy day of the year approaches for Catholics, as it is for all Christians, the full celebration of Easter truly begins during the Paschal Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday), ending the evening of Easter Sunday. Please journey with us in preparation for a joyful Easter by availing yourself of the opportunities provided in our Parish during this Lenten Season.

We encourage everyone to focus (most especially), starting on Palm Sunday, to mindfully allow time for prayer, almsgiving, to engage in charitable acts, and to fast from anything (that pulls us away from God's love). We wish you a fruitful and blessed Lenten season!

## The Prayer Corner

### Mass Intentions – Please remember and pray:

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

### 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.

**3. Holy Saturday at the Easter Vigil in the Holy Night of Easter - March 30, 8:00 PM**

**Easter Sunday the Resurrection of the Lord**

March 31, 9:30 AM, 11:30 AM



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**Fellowship/Getting to Know You**

Sundays after Mass 9:30 and 11:30

**Welcome** parishioners, visitors, friends, neighbors. *Please introduce yourselves to one another.* If you are interested in volunteering your time, talent and/or treasure, please send an email to [stjohnofgod-sf@sbcglobal.net](mailto:stjohnofgod-sf@sbcglobal.net) or call the Parish Office.

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**Faith Formation**

➡ Need volunteer(s) to share in the ministry of religious education for the youth, grades K-9. Training to be provided. Please discern and consider this *important mission*.

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**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)**

Adults seeking Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Communion, or membership in the Catholic Church, please contact the Parish Office (email is preferred).

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Today's Readings (Year B)

**First Reading** — I will make a new covenant and remember their sin no more. (Jer 31:31-34).

**Psalm** — Create a clean heart in me, O God. (Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15).

**Second Reading** — Christ learned obedience and became the source of eternal salvation. (Heb 5:7-9)

**Gospel** — If a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it produces much fruit. (Jn 12:20-33)

Readings / Saints for the Week (Year B)

**18 Mon:** Monday of the Fifth Week of Lent / St. Cyril of Jerusalem  
Dn 13:41c-62 | Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 | Jn 8:1-11

**19 Tues: St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Solemnity**  
2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16 | Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29 | Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22 | Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a

**20 Wed:** Wednesday of the Fifth Week of Lent / St. Alexandra and Companions

Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95 | Ps Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56 | Jn 8:31-42

**21 Thurs:** Thursday of the Fifth Week of Lent / St. Arcangelo Tadini  
Gn 17:3-9 | Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 | Jn 8:51-59

**22 Fri:** Friday of the Fifth Week of Lent / St. Basil of Ancyra  
Jer 20:10-13 | Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7 | Jn 10:31-42

**23 Sat:** Saturday of the Fifth Week of Lent / St. Benedict of Campania  
Ez 37:21-28 | Ps Jeremiah 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13 | Jn 11:45-56

**24 Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion**

At Procession with Palms – Gospel Mk 11:1-10 | At Mass Is 50:4-7 | Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 | Phil 2:6-11 | Phil 2:6-11 | Mk 14:1—15:47

**Archdiocesan Annual Appeal 2024**

Participating in and donating to the AAA is vital to the mission we have been entrusted (that is, to spread the Gospel and make Jesus known and loved). *Our generosity is integral* to the health and growth of our Catholic family in the Archdiocese of San Francisco, and the funds given to the AAA support these ministries and services:

- Parish Ministry and Schools (27%),
- Social Ministry (21%),
- Clergy Support (35%), and
- Universal Church & Communications (17%).

The Annual Appeal is a *unique opportunity* to come together as one and provide critical assistance to those who need and depend on us. It unites us in mission and ministry. Thank you for your support!

## Sacraments

Anointing of the Sick

\* **Baptism**

Reconciliation

Holy Communion

Marriage (at SJOG Church)

\* For parents that want their children baptized, we are happy to do so on Easter. Please contact the parish office.

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## 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.

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## Ways to Give:

- Monetary offerings during Mass.
- Automatic donations via one of these websites:  
<https://www.sjog.net/> or in  
<https://secure.myvanco.com/L-ZHQH/home>.
  - **Note:** If you donate to the church, please sign up to be a parishioner (or update your information), so that we may account for your donations for your tax letter. If you have questions, please call, or send an email to the parish office.
- Extra gifts on special days
- Participate in fundraising and parish appeals.

**Your generosity makes a difference!**

Details to the ministries and how to donate can be found in this link, <https://sfarch.org/aaa/#aaa-donate-form>. If you have further questions, please contact Fr. Narcis Kabipi.

## Pastoral Staff:

- Fr. Narcis Kabipi, Administrator and Hospital Chaplain
- Fr. Te Van Nguyen, Parochial Vicar and Hospital Chaplain
- Liturgy Committee: Lynette Castiglione, Caroline Forrester, Bob Gajewski, Paul Riofski (Music)

## Administration Support:

- Secretary: Tracy Thompson
- Office Support: Caroline Forrester
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- Bulletin Editor: Marilu Illenberger
- Pastoral Committee: Lynette Castiglione, Debbie Feliz, Chuck Witherell, Gilda Witherell
- Finance Committee: Bill Becker, Susan Fox, Dave Freitas, Bob Gajewski
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