

October 6th 2019 - Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, October 5

9:00am † *Rafaela Mendoza*
4:30pm † *Rose Estrada*

Sunday, October 6

7:30am *YMI Brothers*
9:30am † *Francisco Ochoa*
11:00am † *Rafaela Mendoza*
12:30pm *St. John Parishioners*

Monday, October 7

9:00am † *Ananias, Primitiva, Benito M. & Soledad Falcon*

Tuesday, October 8

9:00am † *Eduardo Genoves*

Wednesday, October 9

9:00am † *Lourdes Ubaldo Wilcox*

Thursday, October 10

9:00am † *Anthony Martinez*

Friday, October 11

9:00am † *Catalina Tabilog*

Saturday, October 12

9:00am † *Marie Hong Tran*
4:30pm † *Rufino Labari*

Thank you, Salamat, Gracias

The FPC of St. John the Evangelist wishes to thank everyone who bought tickets, participated and volunteered at the dinner-dance of San Lorenzo Ruiz. Your support and cooperation made this even a great success. See you next year!

SECOND COLLECTION

Today's Second Collection is for the **Reserve Fund** of St. John the Evangelist. This account was established to help fund the on-going major maintenance and needs of the Parish of St. John. Thank you for your continued generous support.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION COLECTA DE LA SEMANA PASADA

September 23^d - September 29th, 2019

Tuesday's Spec coll.\$ 130.00
Tues. On-line giving\$ 5.00
Weekend Offering.....\$ 2,823.10
Weekend On-line giving.\$ 305.00
St. Vincent de Paul.....\$1,176.00
St. Vincent On-line giving..\$ 140.00

From the Desk of the Pastor

Perhaps it is true to say that the most generous and heroic deeds in life are those performed, not in the line of duty or in the hope of monetary or other rewards, but out of pure love. And yet it is amazing how many of us are tempted to think that God owes us something. Those true and sincere people who take religion seriously, and who try as best they can to live God's commandments: what could we be thinking... even though we may never say in words: 'I have kept my side of the bargain; now it's up to God to keep his side of it.'

Could it be possible that sometimes we imagine God as being like the typical employer:

- If you do the work then as a matter of justice, your employer owes you your wages. Does not this attitude reduce the service of God to a bargain or a contract – something for something?

The interpretation of Judaism at that time, was dominated by the idea of merit: as if God owed salvation to those who kept the Law of Moses.

Jesus says that salvation cannot be earned. It is a gift from God. We can never put God in our debt. He is our Father and we are his children. Children do not do the will of the Father for the sake of rewards. Do they...?

PARISH COMMUNITY NEWS

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

The Parish Council prayerfully discerns on how to harness resources and coordinate God's Blessings upon us. Among other considerations, given the fact that we have only one Priest now serving in our Parish, the immediate plan is to invite you, to reflect together as a Parish Family on how to address and assimilate our Sunday schedule of four Masses. This weekend we have a survey going out and invite you as Parish stewards to give us your valuable input in this endeavor.

R.C.I.A.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a year-round process available to any adult who wishes to inquire into Catholicism. It is also an invitation for adults who have not received and would wish to receive all the three sacraments of initiation: Baptism, Holy Communion and Confirmation. R.C.I.A. is a journey of faith, filled with Hope and fired by love. This time is spent in discovering Jesus, to listen to his call as he says: "Have Courage, It is I, do not be afraid". If you are interested in learning more about the Catholic Church or in sponsoring someone who is in the process of being initiated into the Church, please call the Parish office at 415-334-4646.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Children's Liturgy of the Word is conducted during the 9:30 am and 12:30 pm masses. All school age children are invited to participate. Parents are urged to consider supporting this ministry to help our children to understand the Sunday Mass Readings better at their own level. If you would like your child to participate in the Children's Liturgy on Sundays, please arrive 15 minutes before the mass starts to sign up your child and for the children to stand in line at the front of the church ready to be part of the procession. The sign up material will be supplied to you before the Mass.

To sign up please talk to Sonia Urquilla, the person in charge of the program.

White Mass for Catholic Medical Professionals

Archbishop Salvatore J. Cordileone invites all faithful to attend a Mass invoking the Holy Spirit to provide His guidance and protection on the caring hands of medical professionals. After Mass, the archbishop will also impart a special apostolic blessing to all medical professionals in attendance. **The mass will be on Friday October 18th at 6 p.m. at Mater Dolorosa Church, 307 Willow Ave. South San Francisco, CA.** All are invited to come.

Mass Intentions Book 2020

The Mass Intentions Book for the New Year 2019 is now open.

You are invited to come to the Parish office beginning this Monday with your request for Mass intentions. Please bring a written list with all the names, mass dates and times that you would like to request along with the stipend. The process is on a "first come, first serve basis".

The Archdiocese of San Francisco has traditionally regulated Mass stipends for announced and unannounced mass intentions. The suggested donation for an announced mass is \$10.00; for an unannounced intention it is \$5.00.

Mass intentions are published in the Parish bulletin with the deadline for printing on Monday afternoon. The Parish Office is open for business from Monday to Friday from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm.

October Mass Count

Starting this weekend ushers and greeters will conduct the annual count during all masses. Each October the Archdiocese of San Francisco instructs its parishes to count and report the number of people attending Sunday masses.