



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, September 21
 9:00am *SJE Parishioners*
 4:30pm *YMI Brothers*
Sunday, September 22
 7:30am † *Perfecto Hierro Jr.*
 9:30am
 11:00am *Ana Laura Sandoval (bday)*
 12:30pm † *Blanca de Trinidad*
Monday, September 23
 9:00am † *Nelly Velazquez*
Tuesday, September 24
 9:00am *Gloria Pedro (thnksgvng)*
Wednesday, September 25
 9:00am *Laurence Dolan*
Thursday, September 26
 9:00am *Luke Lowery (bday)*
Friday, September 27
 9:00am *Zenaida Mosquera (bday)*
Saturday, September 28
 9:00am † *Patrick Murphy*
 4:30pm *Ivan Cayabyab (bday)*

From the Desk of the Pastor

This Sunday's parable centers on the shrewdness of the steward whose creative bookkeeping gets him out of a tight squeeze caused by his squandering 'high end expensive property'. Now that his master was about to fire him, he tried to ingratiate himself with the tenants, yes, with those very tenants whom up to now he had cruelly oppressed. He discovered that they were too vulnerable.

He was dishonest. He is characterized as belonging to the "children of darkness":

One sees here the steward's sleek manipulation of the debts at three levels as he eases his way out:

- He was making hay while the sun shines: He reduced the debts by fifty percent; He has set himself up as the tenant's advocate.
- He is turning a sticky situation into a win-win situation in which the tenants, the steward, and the master all get something.
- He impresses the master.

By the time the master catches on to the steward's plan with its goals and objectives, it is too late to do anything about it. If the master invalidates the new contracts, he will anger and alienate the tenants and probably the whole village. The debtors praise the master for such unheard generosity. To forgive a portion of a debt is wonderful, but to forgive fifty percent is more than any one person could ever wish for.

Jesus says that however much the steward has been a scoundrel, there is something one can learn from him. If only "the children of light" would show the same dedication and resolve in the pursuit of goodness.....

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. We will soon 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

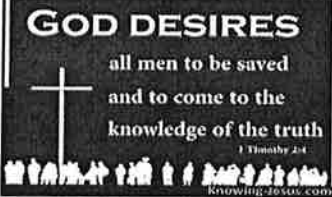
Children's Liturgy of the Word is conducted during the 9:30 am and 12:30 pm masses. All school age children are invited to participate. Parents are urged to consider supporting this ministry to help our children to understand the Sunday Mass Readings better at their own level. If you would like your 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.

Save the date for the "San Lorenzo Ruiz dinner and dance"

The FPC (Filipino Pastoral Council) of St. John the Evangelist will have their annual dinner and dance to celebrate the Feast of San Lorenzo Ruiz. The 'dinner and dance' is scheduled for September 28, 2019 in the school gymnasium from 6:00pm to 10:00pm. Dinner will be served, followed by a raffle and dancing. Tickets are \$25 per person, and will be sold after each Mass.

FORMED Highlights

At the end of Mass, the priest says, "**Go forth, the Mass has ended.**" Do you ever wonder what that means ? Our mission as Catholics is to share the Good News through Evangelization, but sometimes we can get overwhelmed with the state of our world and how to truly bring Christ into it. Catholics are challenged to carry their faith after the celebration of the Holy Eucharist from the Church building out into the world: outside the parish doors. With our real stories from real Catholics sharing the beauty of the Church in their communities, inspire you to be the 'salt of the earth' and the 'light of the world' to take our Catholic Faith and live it out beyond Sundays.



SECOND COLLECTION

Today's second collection is for the **Priest's Retirement Fund**. Support of the Fund helps alleviate the financial burden of living, healthcare, and extended care expenses, and ensures that clergy and religious can spend retirement in continued engagement with their communities. The Priests Retirement Fund is an expression of gratitude to these men for a lifetime of ministry and service. Thank you for your generous support.

**LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION
 COLECTA DE LA SEMANA PASADA**

September 9th - September 15th, 2019
 Tuesday's Spec coll.\$ 104.00
 Tues. On-line giving\$ 5.00
 Weekend Offering.....\$ 2,750.50
 Weekend On-line giving.\$ 840.00