

September 13, 2020 ~ The 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Mission Statement

We, the Roman Catholic
community of St. Francis
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are called to live the Gospel
message of Jesus through
Hospitality, Worship, Faith
Formation, and Service to
others.

St. Francis of Assisi Church

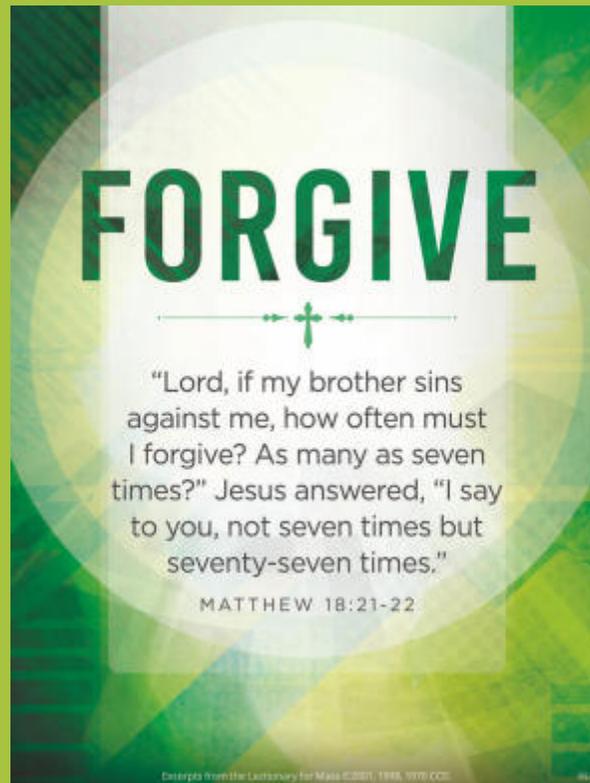
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PASTORAL STAFF:

Rev. Jun Segura, Pastor

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Jim Ryan, Facilities Manager

Remember in your prayers all those affected by the coronavirus throughout the world

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday, 3:15-3:45 pm at SJ; Sunday 7:30 am at SF; Sacrament of Baptism: Contact parish office; Sacrament of Marriage: Contact parish office at least 6 mos prior to the proposed marriage date; Sacrament of the Sick: Contact parish office during office hours. Emergencies call anytime; Pastoral Care and Bereavement Ministry: Peggy Piazza (SF), Wanda Smith (SJ) Pastoral Care Coordinators; Works of Mercy: Kitty Ingalls (SF), Mary Ann Losee (SJ); Parish Outreach Ministry: Contact parish office; Prayer Chain: (SF) Call Cathy 863-6271 or Katy 863-2734 (SJ) Call Erin 224-8811 Thrift Shop, St. Joseph's Closet: temporarily closed

St. Joseph Mass Intentions**Sat (12) 4:00 pm**Eric Jones + George & Carol Pifko
Bob Montenaro + B & L Spencer**Sun (13) 10:30 am**Anna Mae Gibbons + SJ's Thrift Store
Greg Wittemeyer + B & L Spencer**Monday (14) 8:30 am**

Rev. George Lize

Friday (18) 8:30 amRev. JA Schneller
Msgs WH Raaffe & T Loughlin**Sat (19) 4:00 pm**

Eric Jones + Joe & Pat Cardone

Sun (20) 10:30 amVito Ottati + B & L Spencer
Stanley Person + B & L Spencer**St. Francis Mass Intentions****Sun (13) 8 am**Zoila Estrella Polo
+ Jim & Diane Pertell**Tuesday (15) 8:30 am**Thanksgiving for the gift of life of
Denorah Segura**Thursday (17) 8:30 am**Roy & Esther Edwards
+ Willimam & Cynthia Cromie**Sun (20) 8 am**Aithya Ganaden + Myrna Lyons
Sidney Junquera + Jackie & family
Matt Driscoll + Ginger Driscoll

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day ~ We gather each weekend with family, friends, and neighbors to worship God, a God of mercy, a God of healing, a God always willing to forgive. We are called to do the same. We are called to reconcile with our family member, our friend, our neighbor, just as God reconciles with us when we turn away. May the nourishment we receive at the Lord's table strengthen us as we face the challenge of forgiving each other.

RESPECT LIFE ~ "By our baptism, we are members of Christ's body and sharers in his mission. Imitating Christ, we must care for all members of our communities, honoring each person as unique, sacred, and created in the image of God." USCCB, "Open Wide Our Hearts"

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE ~ Unable to forgive another means we are holding onto a past wrong and hoping for a better past. That is not going to happen. We must move on with our life by accepting we were unjustly treated and it will not be corrected. We aren't condoning the injustice. We just don't let it control our lives any longer. Forgiveness is critical to living a healthy life in the present.

GOSPEL MEDITATION ~ What right do we have to limit the amount and degree of forgiveness we show to others when we are so desperately in need of it ourselves? In not wanting someone who hurt us to downplay or forget the gravity of their wrong, we cling to anger, resentment, and wrath as a way of maintaining control. It is a way to acknowledge & express our deep hurt. We fail to realize that in doing so we hold ourselves hostage to these destructive feelings and actually become mired in the bondage of sin. All we gain is further alienation from ourselves, others, and especially God. We are no longer free but tethered to all of this unresolved negativity. Don't we really want to let it go? The fact is that we need to.

A good self-reflective posture will quickly show us that when the shoe is on the other foot and we are the ones in need of forgiveness, we desire it above anything else. This is especially true with our relationship with God. It is hypocritical to want one thing for ourselves and something else for another. Yet, many act in precisely this way.

Perhaps we think that in offering forgiveness, even for the most grievous of wrongs, somehow excuses the person of their wrong and makes it almost acceptable. This is what makes revenge, retaliation, and punishment so attractive. We see forgiveness as being an eraser that easily wipes away the offense without consequence. Or, we may believe that in offering forgiveness I must somehow forget the wrong and open myself as a victim of even greater possible hurts in the future. In fact, forgiving my sister or brother of their wrongful actions or attitudes involves none of this. It does not erase anything or position me vulnerably as a doormat to be walked on.

Forgiveness is an act of freedom that restores honest dialogue, shares true, and heartfelt feelings and acknowledges the consequences of an action. It admits that the wrong has caused a hurt that must be healed & squarely positions responsibility on the offender. The act of forgiveness recognizes our sinfulness and brokenness. It also admits that the most saintly among us is capable of doing very grave and deep harm to another person. It sees that we all can be victims of our passions and works in progress that deserve unlimited chances to get it right. With forgiveness, I release myself from the bonds of negativity & pursue a path of restoration, wholeness & healing. I do not forget the wrong nor do I dismiss it. Sometimes, we have to stay far away from the one who hurt us. But we can still heal internally & be free

For the one who wants to be forgiven and the one who needs offer forgiveness, the journey can be an adventure in learning what brought us to this place and what is needed to move forward. This is exactly how God treats us. Why would we not want to do the same for others? ©LPI

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK ~ Deciding to travel the challenging road of forgiveness is choosing a journey toward greater freedom. Resentment, anger, and clinging to past hurts not only keep open wounds that long for healing but bring us down paths that are eventually self-destructive. Harboring grudges and withholding forgiveness not only shut down relationships with others, but with God and myself as well. To choose to forgive another person, regardless of how grave the wrong, is a choice to be released from bondage to past wounds and scars and to pursue the gift of life and love again. Who among us has not wrong or sinned against another? We certainly would want God to understand, forgive, and show mercy upon us. It is hypocritical of us to not extend that same grace to our neighbor. ©LPI

Readings for the week of September 13, 2020 ~ Sunday: Sir 27:30—28:7/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 [8]/Rom 14:7-9/Mt 18:21-35; Monday: Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38 [cf. 7b]/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17; Tuesday: 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a/Ps 31:2 and 3b, 3cd-4, 5-6, 15-16, 20 [17]/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35; Wednesday: 1 Cor 12:31—13:13/Ps 33:2-3, 4-5, 12 and 22 [12]/Lk 7:31-35; Thursday: 1 Cor 15:1-11/Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17, 28 [1]/Lk 7:36-50; Friday: 1 Cor 15:12-20/Ps 17:1bcd, 6-7, 8b and 15 [15b]/Lk 8:1-3; Saturday: 1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49/Ps 56:10c-12, 13-14 [14]/Lk 8:4-15; Next Sunday: Is 55:6-9/Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18 [18a]/Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/Mt 20:1-16a

SJ Lector: 9/19: D Walendziak

SF Lector:

9/20: M Doyle

9/20: B Flynn

MASS SCHEDULE

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CHURCH Sunday 8:00 AM
ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH Saturday 4:00 PM Sunday 10:30 AM

The dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains in place, so those who are vulnerable or even simply uncomfortable attending a public liturgy are encouraged to remain at home and view Mass via livestream, which will continue as scheduled.

Parishioners should bring/wear their own masks and, if possible, a bottle of hand sanitizer for use upon entering, before receiving Communion, after receiving Communion, and after exiting the church. Catholics should plan on restricted seating, a change in the reception of Communion in order to ensure social distancing, exit strategies to ensure social distancing, etc. Visit <http://rcda.org/coronavirus> and follow diocesan social media pages on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter for the latest updates on the return to public Masses and other COVID-related information.

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines. The wars, unrest and instability have been especially hard on Christians. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection provides humanitarian aid to refugees. When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. PLEASE BE GENEROUS! For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit www.myfranciscan.org/good-friday.

St. Joseph's parishioners: If you are interested in the latest "Living Faith" booklet, please come to the office during regular office hours.

Your Parish needs your support more than ever during this challenging time. Please send your offertory by mail or drop it in the office. Thank you for your generosity.

ST. JOSEPH'S THANKSGIVING DAY RAFFLE
 \$1,000 Grand Prize; One \$500 Prize; Two \$250 Prizes; Ten \$100 Prizes
 Drawing November 26, 2020 after 10:30 am Mass
 For the benefit of St. Joseph's Church
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REQUEST A MASS INTENTION:
 Those wishing to honor a loved one during the celebration of Mass may do so by calling the office. Mass cards are available for the living & deceased and provide opportunities for prayerful remembrance of anniversaries, birthdays or other special occasions.

You're Invited to Be a Catechist!
 We need volunteer catechists and helpers for the 2020-2021 school year!
 Please contact Katy Ryan for more information

Fr. Jun is live streaming Masses:
<https://www.facebook.com/tas.yo.9>
 8:30 am Mass
 Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri
 Wednesday 8:30am Exposition/
 Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
 8 am Sunday Mass

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION
 My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

PIOCESAN APPEAL
 July 1, 2020- July 30, 2021
 St. Joseph's Goal \$21,882.00

For we walk by **faith**, not by sight.

Total Rec'd: \$1,532

Please remember when wearing a mask that it should cover your nose and your mouth. Continue to wash your hands, practice social distancing & don't touch your face.

PIOCESAN APPEAL
 July 1, 2020- July 30, 2021
 St. Francis Goal \$24,699.00

For we walk by **faith**, not by sight.

Total Rec'd: \$3,240

OUR GIVING

To meet expenses, the following amounts are needed weekly:
\$2,516.00 at St. Joseph's; \$2,612.00 at St. Francis.

	Attend	8/30/20	Mailed in	Candles	Poor Box
SJ 4pm	35	\$835		n/a	n/a
SF 6:30	20	\$239		n/a	n/a
SF 8am	36	\$1,296		\$4	\$5
SJ 10:30	32	\$556	\$1,777	n/a	n/a

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