THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN

IS LIKE A LANDOWNER WHO WENT OUT AT DAWN TO HIRE LABORERS FOR HIS VINEYARD.

~ Matthew 20:1
Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Turn to the LORD for mercy; to our God, who is generous in forgiving.— Isaiah 55:7b

TODAY’S READINGS
First Reading — Turn to the LORD, who is generous in forgiving (Isaiah 55:6-9).
Psalm — The Lord is near to all who call upon him (Psalm 145).
Second Reading — Live your lives in a way worthy of the gospel of Christ (Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a).
Gospel — The last will be first, and the first will be last (Matthew 20:1-16a).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK
Monday: Ezr 1:1-6; Ps 126:1b-6; Lk 8:16-18
Tuesday: Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Ps 122:1-5; Lk 8:19-21
Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9; Tb:13:2, 3-4abefghn, 7-8; Lk 9:1-6
Thursday: Hg 1:1-8; Ps 149:1b-5; Lk 9:7-9
Friday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a; Ps 138:1b; Jn 1:47-51
Saturday: St. Jerome
Sunday: Ez 18:25-28; Ps 25:4-9; Phil 2:1-11 [1-5]; Mt 21:28-32

READ THE CATHOLIC BIBLE FOR ONE YEAR

[ ] September 24 Tobit 12-14, Micah 5, 2 Cor 8:12-9:15; Ps 107:29–35
[ ] September 25 Jdth 1-2, Micah 6, 2 Cor 10, Ps 107:36–43
[ ] September 26 Jdth 3-5, Micah 7, 2 Cor 11:1–19, Ps 108:title–5
[ ] September 27 Jdth 6-7, Nah 1-2, 2 Cor 11:20–33, Ps 108:6–13
[ ] September 28 Jdth 8, Nah 3, 2 Cor 12–13, Ps 109:title–5
[ ] September 29 Jdth 9–11, Hab 1, Gal 1, Ps 109:6–12
[ ] September 30 Jdth 12–13, Hab 2, Gal 2, Ps 109:13–19

Readings are based on the Bible book arrangement as found in the Revised Standard Version, Catholic Edition, but can be used with any Catholic Bible with full canon of Scripture (this is different from the liturgical readings of the Mass/Readings for the week). A link to a complete reading chart for a year is also available on our website: www.holynamesf.org

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES
Sunday: Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Tuesday: Ss. Cosmas and Damian
Wednesday: St. Vincent de Paul
Thursday: St. Wenceslaus; St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions
Friday: Ss. Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, Archangels; Yom Kippur (Jewish day of atonement) begins at sunset
Saturday: St. Jerome

Mass Intention

We pray for the Sick ...that they may experience God’s Love and Healing.
Tom Abdella, Evangeline Agbunag, Nick Aguila, Lennie Aguirre, Sofia Aguirre, Rosa Maria Alonso, Laura Andrade, Gina Arenas, Eunice Ausman, Julianne Beach, Joan Boke, Dalmacio Briones, Jr., Dorothy Briones, Monica Briones, Pauline Boffi, Janet Cariganai, Remedios Cachupin, Joseph Chu, Ron de la Cruz, Kathy Doherty, Jean-Noel Etchelet, Kitty Ignacio, Max Kirkham, Richie Kreps, Steven Lee, Dimple Lim, Amelia Lippi, Leny Lopez, Flor Ma– ga, George Maloof, M. McCullagh, Pat McGuigan, Tom Miller, Amy McNally, Mary Medina, Ann Murphy, Jeffrey Ng, Inge Nordstrom, Neil O’Sullivan, Susan Somaylo, Manuel Pacheco, Josefina Palarca, Mar– yanne Piwowar, Soledad Rico, Maria Salas, Michael Joseph Suntar, Maureen Sweeney, Lawrence Tan, Rose Tang, Dodie Teague, Victori– ana Tolentino, Aurora Urmeneta, Lauretta Venenciano, Mona Wageck, John Xavier
We pray for those who have Died…that they may be granted a home in heaven. Joanne Marie Stone, Rosie O’Shea Basso, Lois Maher

We are a welcoming multicultural and liturgical community that celebrates our Christian Faith.
In the spirit of the “Joy of the Gospel” we work together promoting Catholic values and teachings.
Our parish encourages a strong devotion to our Blessed Mother Mary, who gives us an example of faithful discipleship and a generous stewardship way of life.
This Tuesday, September 26th at 6:30 PM, we will have a Neighborhood Watch meeting at the Flanagan Center. A representative from sfsafe.org will be coming to speak to us on how to create a safer and more vibrant neighborhood. I also like the idea of neighbors watching neighbors and our neighborhood. If you are interested to learn from this Neighborhood Watch, you are welcome to attend this very important meeting.

This Tuesday, September 26th at 6:30 PM, we will have a Neighborhood Watch meeting at the Flanagan Center. A representative from sfsafe.org will be coming to speak to us on how to create a safer and more vibrant neighborhood. I also like the idea of neighbors watching neighbors and our neighborhood. If you are interested to learn from this Neighborhood Watch, you are welcome to attend this very important meeting.

It is good to know that even though our parish is located in the outskirts of the city and in the outer Sunset district, we have become a center for Archdiocesan and City wide meetings.

Trials, difficulties, and problems are common to our everyday life but solutions to it are always provided by our Good Lord. We only need patience, perseverance and faith in Him. Trust in God and ask Him for strength to endure all our troubles.

Smile and feel calm....

God never leaves those who cling to Him in perilous times.
HOLY NAME WEEKLY CALENDAR  Week of Sept 24, 2017

Sunday, September 24, 2017
10:00 AM Choir Practice  Flanagan Center
10:30 AM Religious Education  Pastoral Center
6 PM San Lorenzo Ruiz Novena chapel

Monday, September 25, 2017
10 AM Monday Exercise Group  Flanagan Center
1 PM Sewing Group  Pastoral Center
6 PM San Lorenzo Ruiz Novena chapel
7:30 AM SVDP Meeting  Pastoral Center

Tuesday, September 26, 2017
9:30 AM C/E Class  Pastoral Center
10 AM Lectio Divina  Pastoral Center
11 AM Sick & Homebound Ministry  Pastoral Center
6 PM San Lorenzo Ruiz Novena chapel
6:30 PM Neighborhood Watch Meeting  Flanagan Center
7:30 PM Legion of Mary  Pastoral Center

Wednesday, September 27, 2017
6 PM San Lorenzo Ruiz Novena chapel
6 PM HN Choir  Pastoral Center
7 PM RCIA  Pastoral Center
7:30 PM Chinese Bible Study  Flanagan Center

Thursday, September 28, 2017
11 AM Senior Club  Flanagan Center
4 PM Taekwondo  Flanagan Center
6 PM San Lorenzo Ruiz Novena & reception chapel

Friday, September 29, 2017
5 PM Preschool Meeting  Flanagan Center

Saturday, September 30, 2017
10 AM Altar Server Training  Church
10 AM Arch Fall Training II  Flanagan Center
1 PM Chinese RCIA  Green Room
1 PM Lector Training  Church
2:30 PM Chinese Social  Flanagan Center
3 PM Chinese Mass  Church
5 PM Youth Ministry with Mass  Flanagan Center

ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL
Thank you to all who have already sent in their generous donation to the 2017 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal. I humbly ask those of you who have yet to participate in the Annual Appeal to do so soon. You may want to consider a donation of $600 (or more) which qualifies you for the 1% Club. All 1% Club donors for the 2017 Annual Appeal will be treated to a catered Thank You Dinner (date to be announced). For about the cost of a specialty coffee per day, you could contribute $600 per year or more to the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal to aid the work of the Church and to minister to all those supported by these services and agencies.

Simply send in your donation check (made payable to AAA 2017), and mail or drop off to Holy Name of Jesus Parish, 1555 39th Ave. San Francisco, CA 94122. Credit card donations may also be made by logging onto sfarch.org - please designate Holy Name of Jesus as your Parish.

For more information regarding the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal, please contact the Archdiocesan Office of Development at (415) 614-5580 or our Parish office (415) 664-8590.

2017 ANNUAL APPEAL UPDATE:
As of 9/19/2017 we have received: $48,669.00
We still need: $14,215.00 to complete our goal of $62,884.00

SAN LORENZO RUIZ NOVENA
There will be a Novena to San Lorenzo Ruiz in the Chapel at 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM, from September 19, 2017 to September 27, 2017. The Feast Day celebration will be on Thursday, September 28, 2017 starting with a Mass at 6 PM in the Chapel and a POTLUCK in the Pastoral Center Dining Room at 7 PM.

BUILDING & MAINTENANCE FUND
Today’s Second Collection is for our Building & Maintenance Fund. Your generosity allows us to take care of our Parish plant.

ACE COLLECTION
Next Sunday’s Second Collection is the ACE Collection for the benefit of our Parish School. Your generosity is always appreciated by our school children.

ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL
Thank you to all who have already sent in their generous donation to the 2017 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal. I humbly ask those of you who have yet to participate in the Annual Appeal to do so soon. You may want to consider a donation of $600 (or more) which qualifies you for the 1% Club. All 1% Club donors for the 2017 Annual Appeal will be treated to a catered Thank You Dinner (date to be announced). For about the cost of a specialty coffee per day, you could contribute $600 per year or more to the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal to aid the work of the Church and to minister to all those supported by these services and agencies.

Simply send in your donation check (made payable to AAA 2017), and mail or drop off to Holy Name of Jesus Parish, 1555 39th Ave. San Francisco, CA 94122. Credit card donations may also be made by logging onto sfarch.org - please designate Holy Name of Jesus as your Parish.

For more information regarding the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal, please contact the Archdiocesan Office of Development at (415) 614-5580 or our Parish office (415) 664-8590.

2017 ANNUAL APPEAL UPDATE:
As of 9/19/2017 we have received: $48,669.00
We still need: $14,215.00 to complete our goal of $62,884.00

FRIENDS OF THE POOR WALK
Please join Holy Name of Jesus, St. Vincent de Paul Society for the 10th annual, Friends of the Poor walk/run to benefit those in need and living in poverty in San Francisco.

Date: Saturday September 30th 2017; 9:30am registration/blessing 10am walk/run

Where: Lake Merced; start/finish Lake Merced Blvd/Sunset Blvd., San Francisco
Refresments provided at finish
Registration or Donations: https://www.fopwalk.org/eventlisting/eventdetail?eventid=1854 or Register morning of event, any donation accepted. All proceeds to Saint Vincent de Paul

2018 MASS BOOK
The 2018 Mass Intentions book is now ready. Please mail your requests with (1) the Name of the person you wish to have the Mass said for, (2) please indicate if the person is (L) Living or (D) Deceased, (3) your name, address and phone number (4) enclose a check payment. The cost is $10 for each Mass offering and send to 2018 Mass Requests Holy Name of Jesus Church 1555 39th Ave. San Francisco, CA 94122.

WEEKLY COLLECTION SUMMARY

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th></th>
<th></th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>No. of Envelopes</td>
<td>156</td>
<td>198</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sunday Collection total</td>
<td>$4,263.20</td>
<td>$4,866.55</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>YTD Ordinary Income</td>
<td>$209,848.57</td>
<td>$219,737.68</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Surplus/(Deficit)</td>
<td>($9,889.11)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

FilAm Club Thunder Valley Casino Trip
Monday October 30, 2017  9:00AM Sharp Departure
$35.00 per Person
$15.00 Machine Play
$12.00 Food Coupon

Payment Guarantees Seat
For Reservations please call:
Sylvia King..............415-335-3760
Benny Capuyan......415-863-6576
The film *Forrest Gump* was once described as the "battler's triumph." On one level it was about how the last will be first. This story picks up where the film left off.

Forrest Gump dies and goes to heaven. On arrival St Peter informs him that there are three questions he has to answer before he can enter.

1) What days of the week begin with the letter T?
2) How many seconds are there in a year?
3) What is God's first name?

Forrest answers straight away, "Shucks, there are two days in the week beginning with the letter T—Today and Tomorrow." St Peter replies,

"That's not what I was thinking, but you have a point. How about the next one?" "I think the only answer can be twelve."

"Twelve?" St Peter asked. "Shucks, there's gotta be twelve: January 2nd, February 2nd, March 2nd..." "Hold it," interrupts St Peter, "I see where you're going with this. Let's go to the final question." "Sure," says Forrest. "It's Andy!" "Andy?" exclaims an exasperated St Peter. "OK, I can understand how you came up with your answers to my first two questions, but just how in the world did you come up with Andy as God's first name?" "Shucks, that was the easiest one of all," Forrest replies. "I learned it from the hymn... ANDY walks with me, ANDY talks with me, ANDY tells me I am his own." St Peter opened the pearly gates and yelled, "Run Forrest, run!"

In today's Gospel, in which the first laborers are paid the same wage as the afternoon workers, what the early birds didn't reckon on was that they could have come much later and got the same deal.

We would cynically call the afternoon workers, "Johnny-come-latelies" and chances are if we were confronted with the same situation we would be with the complainers.

This story was important to the early Church because generations of Jews waited and longed for the Messiah and, like the first workers, they were the first to respond to the call of Jesus and to work in the field of his Kingdom. For some of the early Jewish-Christians, including St Peter, it came as a surprise that the Lord was calling Gentiles to the life and work of Jesus' Kingdom as well.

We can imagine that it rankled some of the early birds to see these Johnny-come-latelies taking charge of the Christian mission. This wasn't how it was supposed to be!

This story, then, is a wonderful commentary on how fickle we are and, luckily for us, how extraordinarily generous God is. What we see in ourselves and others is only a glimpse of what God is like. God is so much more: more loving; more forgiving; more compassionate; and more just.

And because God is so much greater than anything we could ask or imagine, we are constantly surprised at how he turns our expectations, our fears and predictions upside down. We constantly look for God in the big and spectacular and he comes to us poor, naked, sick, in prison, and hungry. God speaks through the most surprising people at the most surprising times. That's why those people who have decided that God can only work in certain ways, places, people, institutions and times so often end up at the end of the line when it comes to religious wisdom.

Michael McGirr in his excellent book, *Things You Get for Free* argues that there is a crisis of belief today, but that it's not the way we often think. In a brilliant turning of the tables, McGirr says that the crisis of belief is that people inside the Church sometimes cannot believe that people outside its traditional structures can experience the love of Jesus. God loves and guides the Church, but is not bound by it. God is busy about making sure those who might be last have a chance to come in first.

Rather than resent this, however, let's thank God for being bigger than we are and for being just to all of us, no matter when, or how, we get the Word.

© Richard Leonard SJ.
Holy Name Parish

Business Office:
1555 39th Ave. San Francisco, CA 94122
Phone: (415) 664-8590  Fax: (415) 759-4293
www.holynamesf.org  E-MAIL: hparishsecretary@gmail.com

Rev. Arnold E. Zamora, Pastor
Rev. Xishou “Simon” Jin, Parochial Vicar
Most Rev. Ignatius C. Wang, Auxiliary
Bishop Emeritus of San Francisco, In Residence
Sr. Cristina Ovejera, FdCC, Pastoral Associate
Jackie C. Alcaraz, Parish Manager
Director/Holy Name Conservatory of Music
Colleen A. Durkin, Parish Secretary
Holy Name School Alumni Coordinator
Carol Elliott Maloof RN, Parish Nurse

HOLY NAME SCHOOL: (415) 731-4077
Website: www.holynamesf.com
Natalie Cirigliano Brosnan, Principal
1560 40th Ave. San Francisco, CA 94122
HOLY NAME PRESCHOOL: (415) 664-4753
Alice Ho Seher, Preschool Director
Website: www.holynamesf.com & click on Preschool

Holy Name CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC
Private lessons are offered in piano, voice, guitar, violin and viola. To register or more information please contact Jackie at (415) 664-8590.

RECTORY: 3240 Lawton St. San Francisco, CA 94122 (415) 759-4295  Priest on Duty: (415)806-3315
FLANAGAN CENTER: (415) 564-2632
PARISH NURSE PROGRAM: Carol, R.N. (415) 664-8590 ext. 109

Parish Leadership
Parish Pastoral Council
Paul Roscelli
Finance Council
Jim Regan
Stewardship Council
Bruce McKie
Liturgical Ministries
Eucharistic Ministers & Children’s Liturgy
Roberta Beach
Lectors
Leo Nascimento
Altar Servers
Tri Nguyen
Music Ministry
Carl Vengco
Sacristans
Ramsey Ramos
Environment
Cres Payumo
Linens
Maria Lee
Faith Formation & Catechesis
Hilda Dela Cruz
Religious Education
Rite of Christian Initiation
Terry Flaherty & Lucy Jacinto
Youth Ministry
Vince Nguyen, Alejandra Brito & Julie Quock
Pastoral Outreach
Sick & Homebound Ministry
Susan Logan
Senior Club
Pat Relampagos
Holy Name Ladies Aid
Letty Palpalatoc
Grief & Consolation Ministry
Valerie Toy
Knights of Holy Name
Bill Flaherty
Hospitality
Linda & Tony Sideco, Noreen McEllistrim, Mary Dunne
Chinese Ministry
Nelson Lao
FIL-Am Club
Ramsey Ramos
St. Vincent De Paul Conference
Carol Elliott Maloof
Marian Shrine
Ester Aure & Marisa Reyes
Legion of Mary
Ray Frost
Gabriel Project
Rose Tang

Stewardship
IS NOT A PROGRAM
NOT A FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN
NOT AN EMPTY BUZZWORD BUT A Way of Life
“LIFE IS NOT GIVEN TO US TO BE JEALOUSLY GUARDED FOR OURSELVES BUT IS GIVEN TO US SO THAT WE MAY GIVE IT IN TURN”—Pope Francis

SCHEDULE OF MASSES
Sunday: 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM (Family Mass), 11:30 AM, Saturday
7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 3:00 PM (Chinese), 5:00 PM (Vigil)
Weekdays 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM
Holy Days 7:30 AM, 9:00AM, and 7:00 PM
Confessions: 15 minutes before 9:30 and 11:30 AM Masses
on Sunday & 4:30 - 5:00 PM Saturday or by appointment
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Every Wednesday—9:30 AM—12 Noon
Sacred Heart of Jesus Devotions:
Friday after 9:00 AM Mass
Perpetual Help Devotions:
Saturday after 9:00 AM Mass
First Saturday Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary
begins at 8:30 AM with the Rosary, then Mass & Benediction
Baptisms by appointment
Baptismal Preparation—Every 1st Saturday of the month in the Pastoral Center - 2 PM—You need to register for the class ahead of time.
Baptism Ministry (Sewing Group): Every Monday 1-3 PM in the Pastoral Center Event Room
Marriages:
Contact Pastoral Center 6 months in advance.
Sundays 12:30-2:30 PM, Flanagan Center
R.C.I.A. (Chinese):
Every Saturday—Green Room—1:30 PM
Lectio Divina: Tuesday 10—11 AM (Pastoral Center)
Bible Study Group (Chinese):
Every Wednesday—7:30 PM — Flanagan Center
Parish Pastoral Council: contact Fr. Arnold Zamora
St. Vincent de Paul Society meeting—every Monday at 7:30 PM
(in the Pastoral Center)
Holy Name Ladies Aid: every 1st Wednesday of the Month at 11:45 AM (Pastoral Center)
Senior Club: every Thursday at 10:30 AM (Flanagan Ctr.)
FIL-Am Club: Every 3rd Friday of the month, 7pm
in the Flanagan Center.
HOLY NAME Choir Practice: every WEDNESDAY at 6:00 PM in the Pastoral Center
The Gabriel Project: Contact Rose Tang (415)793-0967
Youth Ministry: One designated Saturday a month 5 PM—7:30 PM
including Mass. Contact person: Sr. Cristina & Team (415)664-8590
Blood Pressure Screening: every 2nd Wednesday from after the 7:30 AM Mass until 11 AM (Pastoral Center)
Except July & August
Hospitality: Every Wednesday after the 7:30 AM and 9 AM Masses
in the Pastoral Center except July & August