

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 24, 2017

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



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CALL UPON THE LORD

The very first line of today's first reading summons us to seek the Lord and to call upon God. This sentiment is echoed in the refrain for today's responsorial psalm: "The Lord is near to all who call upon him" (Psalm 145:18a). Saint Paul is the embodiment of someone who constantly sought the Lord. In the excerpt we read today from his letter to the Philippians, we find Saint Paul toward the end of his life, a life he describes as completely consonant with Christ. He writes, "For to me life is Christ" (Philippians 1:21). To find out what it means to live life completely in accord with Christ we need look no further than today's Gospel. There we find that God's love and mercy are immeasurable for all those who seek and call upon the Lord.

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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*).

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday

8:00 am

September 25

† Oriana Simonetti

Tuesday

8:00 am

September 26

† Eileen Fanning

Wednesday

8:00 am

September 27

7:00 pm

† Lee Manansala

Thursday

8:00 am

† Milagros Macaspac

Friday

8:00 am

† Maria Dolores Oropeza

Saturday

8:00 am

† Saturnina Cadelina

Sunday

4:30 pm

† Gregorio Cadelina

September 28

† Jesus "Jesse" Quinonez

September 29

† Garibaldi Family

September 30

† Ronald Mirkovich

† Froreino and † Delia Gemignani

October 1

People of the Parish

† Alberto Salvi

† Jim Perata

† Rufino and † Carmen Lazo

† Denotes deceased – (L) Living

Sunday Collection Sept 17, 2017

Weekly Need: \$ 5,000.00

Sunday Collection: \$ 3,476.00

Over/Under: \$ 1,524.00

Priest Retirement: \$ 534.00

If you make your offertory donation by check, without using parishioner envelopes, it would be most helpful if you placed your parishioner/envelope # in the "memo" section of the check.

This helps us input your donation to the offertory data system. **We will not be responsible for donations not credited due to missing envelope numbers (or not having a Sunday collection envelope.)**

SAINT ELIZABETH CANDLES

There is a limited supply of Saint Elizabeth candles that are still available. Price is \$5.00 each. Get them while they are still available, we will not be reordering them. Proceeds from the sale of the candles will go towards the Feast of Saint Elizabeth celebration in October.

Archdiocesan Annual Appeal

Our goal is \$48,470.00. To date our generous parishioners have pledged **\$44,516.00** leaving a balance of **\$3,954.00**.

Beginning the first weekend of October, the ushers will be counting the number of parishioners attending our Sunday Masses for the October count required by the Archdiocese.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

The Parish office will be closed on Monday, October 9th in observance of the Columbus Day Holiday.

The next Parish Support Group meeting will be on October 11th at 2:00 pm in the Rectory.

Save the Date: On October 29th at the 11:30 am Mass we will be celebrating the Feast of Saint Elizabeth. Reception immediately following the Mass. More information to follow.

CHANCERY ANNOUNCEMENTS



Resources for Consecration Preparation in the Coming Weeks Saturday, October 7, 9:00 am – Noon St. Mary's Cathedral, 1111 Gough St., San Francisco sfarch.org/IHM October 7 is an unprecedented and unique moment in archdiocesan history. We will hold the annual Rosary Rally, celebrate the centenary of the miraculous apparitions at Fatima, and join Archbishop Cordileone as he consecrates the archdiocese to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. All are welcome. And there is still time to prepare, with the array of Marian resources at sfarch.org/IHM. Watch Pope Francis's pilgrimage to Fatima; hear Mozart's setting of the Litany of the Blessed Virgin; select from more than a hundred prayers to Mary; learn how, and why, to pray the Rosary; see dozens of great paintings of the Virgin and Child; read the amazing story of the Fatima apparitions; engage in Marian meditations; and get the latest news about and reflections on Mary.