

**Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 12, 2020**

You have crowned the year with your bounty,
and your paths overflow with a rich harvest.
— *Psalm 65:12*



GOD'S WORDS

Each day we are bombarded with thousands of words. From the moment our clock radios click on in the morning, until the last moment of the day when the television is turned off or someone bids us “good-night,” our life is filled with words. Some words that we hear bring news that leaves us feeling low. Some words lift our spirits. Many of the words we hear are trying to get us to buy something. Some words are hurtful. Today the Church focuses our attention on hearing the word of God. Are God’s words just more of the same—part of the endless stream of words that flow into our ears each day? The challenge today is to allow God’s word to inspire us in new ways so that our outlook and attitudes align themselves more closely with the heart and mind of Christ Jesus.

Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — My word will achieve the end for which it was sent (Isaiah 55:10-11).

Psalm — The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest (Psalm 65).

Second Reading — We, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan within ourselves awaiting the redemption of our bodies (Romans 8:18-23).

Gospel — Some seed fell on rich soil and produced fruit (Matthew 13:1-23 [1-9]).

The English translation of the Psalm Responses from *Lectionary for Mass* © 1969, 1981, 1997, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved.

MASS INTENTIONS

<u>Monday</u> 8:00 am	<u>July 13</u> † Theresa Abela
<u>Tuesday</u> 8:00 am	<u>July 14</u> † Gloria Austria
<u>Wednesday</u> 8:00 am	<u>July 15</u> Communal Service
<u>Thursday</u> 8:00 am	<u>July 16</u> † Vincent Gagliardo Sr. † Maria and † Giuseppe Mazafferro
<u>Friday</u> 8:00 am	<u>July 17</u> Aleja Mandani (L)
<u>Saturday</u> 8:00 am	<u>July 18</u> † Arthur Ghiglieri † George Aquilina
4:30 pm	† Prusso Family
<u>Sunday</u> 7:30 am	<u>July 19</u> People of the Parish
9:30 am	† Remo Pierinelli
11:30 am	The Maltese Society

†Denotes deceased – (L) Living

For any available Masses listed above please see the priest before Mass with your written intention and stipend.

Sunday Collection July 5, 2020

Weekly Need:	\$ 5,000.00
Sunday Collection	\$ 2,189.00
Over/Under	\$ 2,811.00

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.)**

As directed by the Archdiocese of San Francisco and the City and County of San Francisco: No public Masses until further notice including all weekend and weekday Masses.

Save the date!!

Good Shepherd Gracenter invites you to

**Imagine Having
2020 Vision**

Focusing on Recovery

Our Imaginative Luncheon

no tablecloths required! —viewed from the comfort of your home, during September,

National Recovery Month!

Featuring videos, silent auction, raffle and a special tribute—in which you can participate—to our outstanding volunteer,

Pat Ryan who in 1961, as a professional carpenter, volunteered, at the request of the Carpenters’ Union Local #22 to help build Gracenter, and has continued to be a much-valued friend, supporter and very outstanding volunteer over almost 60 years! He is celebrating his 100th birthday on October 10, 2020.

Our Outstanding Graduate is Robin

Boyer because of her long-standing and whole-hearted commitment to recovery. She is a role model for her daughters who are also in recovery and for all women seeking to break free from drug and alcohol addiction to create a hopeful <http://www.gsgracenter.org> for themselves and others.

Stay tuned!! Information will follow in mid-August with more details and will direct you to our on-line platform: GSG2020.givesmart.com which you will be able to access, beginning **September 8th**

For more

info: sr.marguerite@gsgracenter.org www.gsgracenter.org

See you there

Parish Office

Our parish office is reopened with limited contact with the public. We ask you to please first call the parish office at 415-468-0820 as we can handle most requests over the telephone. If a visit is necessary, we will be asking that all visitors to the office wear face coverings while in the building and maintain social distancing protocols – as will our parish staff members. We will take your temperature before entry and we will have hand sanitizer available for your use. If you are feeling ill, please call the office rather than come in person.

Dispensation from the Archbishop

The dispensation to attend Sunday Mass will remain in place, and so those who fear becoming infected may remain at home in good conscience. The usual advisories also remain in place for those who should remain at home and avoid exposure to any public gathering, including worship: the elderly, those with pre-existing health conditions making them especially vulnerable to infection, those who have recently had contact with someone tested to be COVID-19 positive, etc. Sunday, of course, is still the Christian Sabbath and so must be kept holy, even if in-person attendance at Mass is not possible. You may attend any livestreamed Mass in the Archdiocese remotely via the Archdiocesan website. You will also find there an Act of Spiritual Communion and other resources

sfarch.org/keeping-the-sabbath).

Volunteers Needed

Do you love the Lord and are you willing to share His message? Do you believe you can make a difference? Our Parish Family Needs You! School of Religious Education needs teachers/teacher aides for the 2020-2021 school year. Please consider volunteering to be a teacher at our weekly Religious Education classes. Classes are 1.5 hours a week. Jesus needs you to share His love for his children! Our students need you. For more information, please Lily Codd at 650-771-3176. (During Covid the projected start date is on hold.)