

**Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
August 2, 2020**

All you who are thirsty, come to the water!  
— *Isaiah 55:1a*



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**OUR DEEPEST NEEDS**

The word of God serves up a tremendous feast for us today. Isaiah beckons all who hunger and thirst to come to the Lord for satisfaction. The psalmist cries out, “The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs” (Psalm 145:16). Saint Paul tells us that nothing can separate us from the love of God. Finally, in the Gospel, we hear the story of the miraculous feeding of over five thousand people from a mere five loaves and two fish. Most of us have our material needs met on a day-to-day basis. These scriptures, nevertheless, have much to say to the contemporary believer. We must ask ourselves, “Where are my deepest hungers? Where are my thirsts?” After material needs are satisfied and, in some cases, over-satisfied, many people still experience a deep longing for spiritual balance and well-being. As the loaves and fish are multiplied in today’s Gospel, perhaps our prayer can be a longing for the satisfaction of the deepest needs that only God can fill.

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**TODAY’S READINGS**

**First Reading** — All you who thirst, come to the water! You without money, come to the feast! (Isaiah 55:1-3).

**Psalm** — The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs (Psalm 145).

**Second Reading** — Nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ (Romans 8:35, 37-39).

**Gospel** — All ate until satisfied; they collected twelve baskets of what was left over (Matthew 14:13-21).

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**MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>Monday</b> 8:00 am	<b>August 3</b> † Tina, † Pierina and † Emilia Delfino
<b>Tuesday</b> 8:00 am	<b>August 4</b> † Joseph I. & † Michelina Bosso
<b>Wednesday</b> 8:00 am 7:00 pm	<b>August 5</b> Communal Service † Jovito I. Cruz
<b>Thursday</b> 8:00 am	<b>August 6</b> † Marcelo Ramos
<b>Friday</b> 8:00 am	<b>August 7</b> † Luis Lara
<b>Saturday</b> 8:00 am	<b>August 8</b> † John Buckley † James and † Marta Muscat and Family
4:30 pm	† Maria Moretto
<b>Sunday</b> 7:30 am	<b>August 9</b> † Juanita D. Mendoza † Cenen J. Songco † Franco Simonetti People of the Parish † Leontina A. Doromal
9:30 am 11:30 am	

†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 12, 2020**

<b>Weekly Need:</b>	<b>\$ 5,000.00</b>
<b>Sunday Collection</b>	<b>\$ 2,552.00</b>
<b>Donation</b>	<b>\$ 5,000.00</b>

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 100<sup>th</sup> 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](http://GSG2020.givesmart.com) which you will be able to access, beginning **September 8<sup>th</sup>**

For more info: [sr.marguerite@gsgracenter.org](mailto:sr.marguerite@gsgracenter.org) [www.gsgracenter.org](http://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](http://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.)