STEWARDSHIP BY THE BOOK / ADMINISTRACIÓN SEGÚN “EL LIBRO”

The blind man was willing to let Jesus minister to him and willingly did all Jesus asked of him. The Pharisees were more resistant to His message, spending their time and energy to disprove the miracle. Which am I more like, the man born blind or the Pharisees?

El ciego estaba dispuesto a dejar que Jesús lo ayudara y de buena voluntad hizo todo lo que Jesús le pidió. Los Fariseos se resistieron más a Su mensaje, desperdiciando su tiempo y energía en refutar el milagro. ¿A quién me parezco más yo, al hombre que nació ciego o a los Fariseos?

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Tues. Rosary/Martes Rosario: 5:30 pm
March 22, 2020

Masses for the week

SAT 03/21 4:00 pm  Harrison Clay Ouano-Dodd (L, B-Day)  Benito A. Ouano (D, B-Day)  Charlie Borg (D)  Fred Pieretti (D, Anniv.)  
SUN 03/22 8:00 am  Federico & Leila Andres & Family (L)  
 9:30 am  Lea L. Carnero (L, B-Day)  Carlito Mati Imperial (L, B-Day)  
Brisbane 9:30 am  For the Parishioners  
Spanish 11:00 am  Jesus & Jose Razo (D)  
 12:30 pm  Zenaida Ecarma Palacio (L, B-Day)  Norman & Gary Yates (D)  Charles Micallef Family (D)  Lolita Arellano (D)  
MON 03/23 7:00 am  Joseph Hai (D)  
TUE 03/24 7:00 am  For the Parishioners  
WED 03/25 7:00 am  Joseph Tinh Nguyen (D)  
 5:30 pm  For the Parishioners  
THUR 03/26 7:00 am  Al & Grace Cinti (D)  
FRI 03/27 7:00 am  For the Parishioners  
SAT 03/28 7:30 am  Deceased Members of Mothers’ Club  
 4:00 pm  Dolores Espinas (D, B-Day)  Edda Leonetti (D)  
SUN 03/29 8:00 am  Josefina & Jessie Myers & Family (L)  
 9:30 am  John R. Dacanay (D, Anniv.)  Francis Barretto (D, Anniv.)  
Brisbane 9:30 am  For the Parishioners  
Spanish 11:00 am  Feliciano Partida (D, Anniv.)  
 12:30 pm  Mina Immediate & Extended Families  
  COV Parishioners

March 29, 2020

Masses

ATTENTION: Due to the citywide Shelter-In-Place Order, all parish activities have been canceled until Tuesday, April 7th or until further notice. This includes all scheduled weekday and weekend masses. The Parish Office will remain open. However, Archbishop Cordileone had asked that pastors or their delegates should celebrate the “Mass at which only one minister participates” (GIRM, nn. 252-259) in their parish churches every day. This mass, known before as the private mass or mass without a congregation, will be only the priest and one altar server. In this way, Mass will continue to be celebrated in every parish while respecting the social distancing that is being urged on us. In addition, Archbishop Cordileone had asked that this designated Mass be livestreamed.

ATENCIÓN: Debido a la Orden de Refugio en toda la ciudad, todas las actividades parroquiales han sido canceladas hasta el martes 7 de abril o hasta nuevo aviso. Esto incluye todas las misas programadas entre semana y fin de semana. La oficina parroquial permanecerá abierta. Sin embargo, el Arzobispo Cordileone había pedido que los pastores o sus delegados celebraran la “Misa en la que solo participa un ministro” (GIRM, nn. 252-259) en sus iglesias parroquiales todos los días. Esta misa, antes conocida como misa privada o misa sin congregación, será solo el sacerdote y un monaguillo. De esta manera, se seguirá celebrando misa en todas las parroquias, respetando el distanciamiento social que se nos insta. Además, el Arzobispo Cordileone había pedido que esta misa designada se transmitiera en vivo.

LIVESTREAM SCHEDULE:

MONDAY-FRIDAY:  
7:00 a.m. Morning Mass

WEDNESDAY:  
THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD  
5:30 p.m. Mass and OLPH Devotion  
8:00 p.m. Vietnamese Mass

FRIDAY:  
7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY:  
7:30 a.m. Morning Mass

SUNDAY:  
FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT  
9:30 a.m. English Mass  
5:00 p.m. Vietnamese Mass

REGARDING MASS INTENTIONS:  
Please be advised that despite the suspension of public masses, our priest will continue to offer mass for the faithful’s intentions. Masses will be livestreamed via Facebook Live at www.facebook.com/sfvisitacion. If you are not a Facebook user and are prompted to log in or open an account, simply tap on “Not Now” to continue to the page.

Tenga en cuenta que a pesar de la suspensión de las misas públicas, nuestro sacerdote continuará ofreciendo misa por las intenciones de los fieles. Las misas se transmitirán en vivo a través de Facebook Live en www.facebook.com/sfvisitacion. Si no es un usuario de Facebook y se le solicita que inicie sesión o abra una cuenta, simplemente toque “No ahora” para continuar a la pagina.

Fourth Sunday of Lent  
March 22, 2020

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TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — As the prophet Samuel anointed David with oil, the spirit of the LORD rushed upon David (1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a).

Psalms — The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want (Psalm 23).

Second Reading — You who were once darkness are now light in the Lord (Ephesians 5:8-14).

Gospel — The man who had been blind from birth proclaimed: The one called Jesus made clay with his saliva, anointed my eyes with it, and told me to wash (John 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]).


HUMILITY AND ACTION

“Not as man sees does God see, because man sees the appearance, but the LORD looks into the heart.” In our first reading, Samuel draws conclusions about who God will choose as king based on his assumptions of what a proper king looks like. But God sees a deeper reality.

How easy it is to miss our own blindness. How frequently we are unaware of our own flawed assumptions about others and about ourselves. We often need a deeper humility about the limitations of our perceptions and our convictions. Yet, as the letter to the Ephesians encourages, there are times to expose the “fruitless works of darkness,” to speak out, especially when persons or groups are suffering from abuse or oppression. We are called to live within a tension that these scripture passages convey. We are to seek God’s guidance in prayer with genuine openness. We are then to speak and act forcefully against wrongdoing, even as we maintain humility about how much we know, or what is the best action to take. We are called to bring God’s wisdom and mercy to all.

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COVID-19 AND FLU INFORMATION

The Archdiocesan website offers information regarding flu and Covid-19, and how to keep our congregations healthy. There are memoranda and letters from Archdiocesan leadership, and links to resources from government and medical authorities. This information will be updated as new recommendations are received. Please check the site often and follow our social media accounts for the most timely news related to Archdiocesan events and alerts.

- Archdiocese Website: sfarch.org/health-alerts
- Schools: schools.sfarch.org
- Facebook: facebook.com/RomanCatholicArchdioceseofSanFrancisco/
- Twitter: twitter.com/ArchdioceseSF

WALKING WITH MOMS IN NEED

In honor of the 25th anniversary of St. John Paul’s encyclical Evangelium Vitae (The Gospel of Life) and in answer to St. John Paul’s call, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops Committee on Pro-Life Activities has launched a yearlong nationwide program entitled “Walking with Moms in Need: A Year of Service.” Parishes are invited to join this effort to increase the Church’s outreach and support to pregnant women facing difficult or unexpected pregnancies. It begins on the solemnity of the Annunciation, March 25, 2020, and continues until March 25, 2021.

Archbishop Salvatore J. Cordileone has written a letter to our pastors: “No matter what lawmakers or courts decide in the coming years, we as Catholic Christians must continue to focus on the needs of pregnant and parenting moms in our parishes and neighborhoods. As Pope Francis reminds us, our parishes need to be ‘islands of mercy in the midst of a sea of indifference.’ Prayers, and an effort at each parish to inventory resources, will be key components of this effort. Learn more at the website, walking-withmoms.com. To participate, contact Maria Martinez-Mont, Respect Life Coordinator, at prolife@sfarch.org.

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire you with all my heart. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I ask you to come spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself to you completely. Never permit me to be separated from you.

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PROTECTING THE HOMELESS
What about COVID-19 and the more than 8,000 homeless people in San Francisco? Both charity and government are taking steps. St. Anthony’s Foundation has closed its dining room and instead is distributing meals in to-go containers at the door. Phone help is substituted for in-person social work and other appointments. At the Winter Shelter, guests will have their temperature taken and be screened before entry. San Francisco Mayor London Breed has allocated $5 million to expand cleaning services in shelters, homeless resource centers, and residential hotels, and to provide meals and expand shelter hours for shelters that do not already operate 24/7. City officials are planning to allocate RVs at the Presidio and to offer other shelters, homeless resource centers, and residential hotels that do not already operate 24/7. City officials are planning to allocate RVs at the Presidio and to offer other shelters for homeless who need a shelter to quarantine.

The Archdiocesan Office of Human Life and Dignity encourages us to pray for this vulnerable population and for the volunteers who support these efforts.

EARLY RESULTS OF PARISHIONER SURVEY

Thank you to everyone at our parishes who helped in implementing the Archdiocesan-wide Parishioner Survey. Thank you especially to the many parishioners who took the time to share their thoughts on these important matters. Here is a brief update:

- More than 11,000 surveys have been returned thus far! This spectacular response represents about 3/4 of our parishes, so this number will continue to grow. Full results are still to be compiled.
- Some preliminary feedback: Foremost among the reasons people attend Mass are to hear the Word of God and receive the Eucharist. People appreciate the supportive, reverent, and spiritual environments of their parishes, which allow people of all ages and walks of life to connect with God.
- Some respondents expressed the desire for opportunities to more deeply learn our Catholic faith. There is also a concern about diminishing faith in many people, leading to a general decrease in Mass attendance. This is attributed to a perception that others believe the church lacks applicability to their lives and the existence of a lessened sense of obligation.

The goal is to finish tabulating the surveys in April and then provide each parish with a summary of its responses.

CHARITY

If you truly want to help the soul of your neighbor, you should approach God first with all your heart. Ask him simply to fill you with charity, the greatest of all virtues; with it you can accomplish what you desire.
— St. Vincent Ferrer

“TAKING CARE OF GOD’S HOUSE” RAFFLE

To build up our parish community, please participate in the “Taking Care of God’s House” Raffle. This raffle will benefit maintenance and repair work for our parish facilities. Tickets are $100 each and can be purchased in the Church on weekends or in the Office during the week. There are 5 Cash Prizes: $2,500; $1,000; $500; $500; $500. We hope every family will participate by purchasing at least one raffle ticket. We have sold 85 tickets so far.

Our goal was to sell 300 tickets by May 31st, which is the Parish Feast Day. Due to the current situation, it is likely we will not meet this goal. A new drawing date will be selected once all 300 tickets are sold.