St. John of God Catholic Church

Serving the UCSF Medical Center Community Since 1967

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Parish Office Open: Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. (closed on Holidays)

Daily Mass: Monday to Friday 12:10 PM (followed by Holy Rosary)
First Fridays (following Mass): Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Vigil Mass Saturday 4:15 p.m.
Sunday Mass 9:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.
Reconciliation (as requested or by appointment)

November 22, 2026
Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
(Thirty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time)



Thanksgiving Day – November 24th



The Mission of St. John of God Church

Following the dedication of Saint John of God to healthcare workers caring for the poor and the sick, we walk the same path to minister to patients and their families, hospital staff and faculty in the UC San Francisco Medical Center to help meet Jesus Christ through our actions, charity, transparency, social justice, and inclusiveness.

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Sacraments

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) – for adults seeking Baptism, First Communion and/or Confirmation or wanting to be a Catholic.

Contact: Debra Feliz at dafeliz50@gmail.com, 415-819-9093.

Baptism

Contact: Parish Office at stjohnofgod-sf@sbcglobal.net, 415-566-5610.

Reconciliation/Confession

Contact: Celebrant Priest or call Parish Office at stjohnofgod-sf@sbcglobal.net, 415-566-5610.

First Communion & Confirmation

Contact: Debra Feliz at dafeliz50@gmail.com, 415-819-9093.

Weddings

Contact: Parish Office at stjohnofgod-sf@sbcglobal.net, 415-566-5610. Six months advance notice for preparation.

Anointing of the Sick

Contact: Fr. Narcis Kabipi or Parish Office at stjohnofgod-sf@sbcglobal.net, 415-566-5610.

Funerals or Memorials

Contact: Parish Office at stjohnofgod-sf@sbcglobal.net, 415-566-5610.

Today we honor and thank Fr. Te for his years of devoted service to St. John of God Church. After the concelebrated Mass, please join us in the hall to wish him a long, happy retirement.

PRAYER BEFORE MASS:

Dear Father in heaven, I come before your sacred altar to assist the divine sacrifice of your Son Jesus. Fix my mind on you and with his precious blood wash away all my sins as I repent of having offended you. Grant that we may celebrate this holy mystery with strong faith and devotion. Send us the Holy Spirit of love to ignite our hearts to receive devoutly the Holy Eucharist. Bless our family, our parish, and our community. We ask this through Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you forever and ever. Amen.

Today's Readings:

First Reading - As for you, my flock, I will judge between one sheep and another. (Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17)

Psalm - The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. (23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6)

Second Reading – Christ will hand over the kingdom to his God and Father so that God may be all in all. (1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28)

Gospel – The Son of Man will sit upon his glorious throne, and he will separate them one from another. (Matthew 25:31-46)

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Reflections on today's Readings:

This is the last Sunday of the Church year, which is different from the calendar year. Next week we will begin the new year, starting with Advent, our waiting for the birth of Jesus into the world. On this last Sunday of the year, the Church appropriately celebrates the feast of Christ the King.

God has always pursued his people, inviting them into covenant. God's care is the foundation of our belief, and he shepherds us the same way today. People sometimes remember God's love and sometimes forget it. Those who forget fill their lives with other gods, called idols.

The Gospel parable tells who will receive this light and peace. Not everyone is among God's sheep; some are goats.

How do you know which you are? The standard is clear: Have you fed the hungry, given water to the thirsty, welcomed the stranger, clothed the naked, visited the imprisoned? God did this in the First Reading, and Jesus did it on earth. He has entrusted this duty to us, his body and band of shepherds. Last week's parable of the talents taught that our gifts are meant for the service of others, especially the least among us. We will be judged not only on how we used these gifts, but on how we served the least ones. This is how a real King acts: he honors his subjects' needs and desires. We must freely ask which side we are on now. (Summarized from SLU Spirituality of the Readings by John Foley, S. J.)

Welcome to St. John of God Church



A warm welcome to those visiting.
Join us after Sunday Mass in the Hall.

Noteworthy Dates:

1. Nov. 22, 11:00am – Only one Mass this day.
Concelebrated Mass for Fr. Te Van Nguyen's retirement, followed by a potluck party for in the Church Hall.

2. Until Nov. 28: Exhibition of the Holy Relics of St. Francis of Assisi at Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption 9-5pm.

Admission is free! Encounter the sacred heritage of St. Francis in San Francisco!

3. Nov. 28-29 Saturday-Sunday after each Mass:

- Orientation for Eucharistic Ministers,

- 1st Week of Advent,

- Introduction to Gubbio Project.

4. Nov. 29 at 11:10 AM – Blessing of the garden, the new statue of Mary, and the gardeners.

4. Dec. 5 at 3:00 PM – Advent Reflection: A Journey Toward Christmas by Fr. Thomas Hall.

Saints of the Week

Nov. 23 Blessed Miguel Agustín Pro
Nov. 24 Sts. Andrew Dũng Lạc, and his companions, Martyrs
Nov. 25 St. Catherine of Alexandria
Nov. 26 St. Siricius, Pope
Nov. 27 St. Vergilius, Bishop of Salzburg
Nov. 28 St. James of the Marches, Franciscan

Mass Intentions this Week

Date & Time	Dedicated Intentions	Celebrants
Sat. Nov. 21 4:15 PM	Pilar Lim - RIP	Fr. Narcis Kabipi
Sun. Nov. 22 11:00 AM (No other Mass)	Fr. Te Van Nguyen - Retirement	Concelebration: Fr. Narcis Kabipi Fr. Te Van Nguyen
Mon. Nov. 23 12:10 PM		Fr. Te Van Nguyen
Tues. Nov. 24 12:10 PM	Joe Marceline – RIP	Fr. Te Van Nguyen
Wed. Nov. 25 12:10 PM	Diana Lu – RIP	Fr. Narcis Kabipi
Thurs. Nov. 26 10:00 AM Thanksgiving Day	Stephen Lim – RIP	Fr. Narcis Kabipi
Fri. Nov. 27 12:10 PM	People of the Parish	Fr. Narcis Kabipi
Sat. Nov. 28 4:15 PM	Yvette Labiaga – Personal intention	Fr. Narcis Kabipi

To request a Mass dedication, please contact the office either by phone at (415.566.5610), visit the Parish Office during office hours (Monday-Tuesday-Thursday 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM), drop off your request in the mailbox (next to the rectory door) or send an email to stjohnofgod-sf@sbcglobal.net. Please include your name, phone number, name for whom the Mass is for, the intention for the Mass (RIP, birthday, etc.) and preferred date(s).

The St. John of God Prayer (by Rev. Thomas L. Seagrave)

Dear God,

Through the intercession of St John of God, patron of the poor and the sick, grant me the grace this day to greet every person that I meet with understanding and compassion. Reveal to me their needs and give me the means and inspire in my heart the humility and generosity of St. John so that I might be to them a revelation of Christ's love. Amen.

Ways to Donate to SJOG Church

1. Monetary offerings during Mass.
2. Electronic transfer (convenient way to make a one-time or recurring donation) via: https://www.stjohnofgod-sf.org/donate.
3. Scan the QR image below with a mobile/smart phone.

Either #2 or #3 will open the Vanco SJOG donation page. If you have questions, please send an email to stjohnofgod-sf@sbcglobal.net.

Pastoral Staff:

- Rev. Narcis Kabipi, Administrator and Hospital Chaplain
- Rev. Te Van Nguyen (in active retirement)
- Liturgy Committee: Fr. Narcis Kabipi, Bob Gajewski, Paul Riofski, Lynette Castiglione, Jacob Campbell.
- Pastoral Committee: Debbie Feliz, Lynette Castiglione, Chuck Witherell, Gilda Witherell
- Marriage Preparation: Susan Collins

Administrative Staff:

- Finance Committee: Bob Gajewski, Dave Freitas, Susan Fox
- Bookkeeper: Jessica Flores
- Bulletin Editor: Marilu I.
- Secretary: Marilu I.
- Web Administrator: Bryan Anderson
- Web Assistant Pro Tem: Joe Humphreys

Opportunities to Help This Season

Catholic Charities https://catholiccharitiessf.org. All gifts directly support their programs and services in the community. Food and toys are appreciated, especially this holiday season.

Catholic Relief Services https://crs.org. Mission to assist impoverished and disadvantaged people overseas, working in the spirit of Catholic social teaching to promote the sacredness of human life and the dignity of the human person regardless of their race, religion, or ethnicity.

Gabriel Project Advent – to help support pregnant women in need. Donate here sfarch.org/advent-giving-tree.

Prolife Healthcare Resources and Pregnancy Centers such as Bella Primary Care https://bellaprimarycar.org.

St. Anthony's https://stanthonysf.org/services/ Dining room, free clothing program, resource center, medical clinic, addiction recovery, companionship, women's, and children's services, more.

St. Vincent de Paul Society San Francisco https://svdp-sf.org. Programs provide essential shelter, support, and services designed to meet the diverse needs of individuals and families experiencing homelessness, domestic violence, and poverty in San Francisco.