



29th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Sunday, October 18, 2020

Gospel Reflection

In the Gospel Reading, the Pharisees are trying to trap Jesus into saying something that can be construed as sedition against the Romans. "Shall we give tribute to the Romans," they ask Jesus. Jesus' answer calls attention to the fact that the common currency of the time was Roman and so had Caesar's image stamped on it. The image of Caesar on the coin is an indication that the money is Caesar's. Give to Caesar what is Caesar's, Jesus says, and give to God what is God's.

But the point of Jesus' line is also that each one of us is God's because each of us bears stamped in his soul the image of God.

It is an honor and a glory to us that each one of us without exception is in the image of God.

But it is also an awesome responsibility. When the face of a body is disfigured by self-indulgence in food or drinking or smoking, when the face of a soul is twisted by envy or hatred or narcissistic possessiveness, the image of God in that person is warped. When others look at the face of that person they will see only a distortion of God's image.

And so our sins ought to grieve us. Who wants to be a person whose soul shows a distorted image of God?

But the same line of Christ's that leads to this worry and sorrow also gives the consolation for it. Just as Caesar's money belongs to Caesar, so we belong to God. We are his own. The God who made us in his image will not leave us in our sins. Through the redemption of Christ, God will make his image lovely in each one of us.

That is why Scripture says (Romans.8:29, 1 John 3:2) that when Christ comes again, each one of the faithful will be found in the image of Christ. We wait in hope for that time.

~ Eleonore Stump

Temporary Mass Schedule

Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday - Saturday, 9:00 AM

Sunday Mass Schedule

Saturday (Vigil), 5:00 PM

Sunday, 9:30 AM & 11:30 AM

Due to the current public health emergency, Church capacity is limited to a maximum of 100 persons. To attend Mass, a signed waiver is required, and masks and social distancing must be maintained at all times.

Please see our contact tracing form below if you choose to fill it out prior to attending Mass. All Masses will continue to be livestreamed.

The Church remains open from 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM Monday thru Saturday for personal prayer.

Livestream of Daily Mass: <https://player.audiovideoweb.com/8c3flslive2083>

Contact Tracing Form: <https://www.stcecilia.com/documents/contact-tracing-form>

Formed Picks of the Week

<https://leaders.formed.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/POTW-Vert-oct-18.pdf>

Combatting Racism

A new webpage sfarchdiocese.org/combating-racism on the Archdiocesan website provides Catholic statements on the current crisis in race relations, a video "Stations of the Cross" produced by the Catholic bishops of California as a prayer against racism, and links to various resources.

40 Days for Life Campaign

Defend life and bring peace to San Francisco by signing up for a weekly hour of prayer, or more! To sign or get more information go to the 40 Days for Life website at <https://www.40daysforlife.com/san-francisco> or email them with your hours of availability at sf40daysforlife@gmail.com.

Locations: Planned Parenthood at 1650 Valencia Street from Mondays to Saturdays, and the soon-to-open Planned Parenthood at 1522 Bush Street on Sundays.

Hours: The schedule is based on the hours that Planned Parenthood's clinic is open. The schedule:

Monday: 11:00 AM to 7:00 PM

Tuesday: 8:00 AM to 7:00 PM

Wednesday: 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Thursday: 8:00 AM to 7:00 PM

Friday: 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Saturday: 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Sunday (at Bush Street): 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Join Saint Cecilia Parish

Cub Scout Pack 0108

In our 26th year, join our growing Saint Cecilia Cub Scout Pack. Your son or daughter will learn life skills, camp, become emergency prepared, build a pinewood derby car, adventure on a variety of monthly hikes, and meet new friends. For ages kindergarten through fifth grade. For more information email Cub Master Nick Powell at sf.pack108@gmail.com.

Men of St. Cecilia (MOSC)

The Men of St. Cecilia eventually anticipates the ability to run limited and modified MOSC events. The Men of St. Cecilia is seeking a new head of the Crab Feed. Please email mosc.president1917@gmail.com if you are interested. Traditionally, the mandatory dues are \$100 but this year, MOSC is bringing it down to \$60 to help all of our community as we work our way through this pandemic. If you haven't already, please pay the 2020-2021 MOSC dues online here <https://scssf.ejoinme.org/mosc>.

Mass Intentions

Monday, October 19

Mary McNally

Mary McEntee

John O'Neill

Tuesday, October 20

Anthony Dito

Gerald Greenfeild

Lisa Leese, Living

Wednesday, October 21

William Grange

Frances D. Herrera

Liam L. Stewart, Living

Thursday, October 22

Robert J. Mulcrevy

Benjamin Fabi

Eily Dowley

Friday, October 23

Richard Bartholome
Pedro Fabi
Catherine & John Ring

Saturday, October 24

Philip C. & Patricia Kwan
Alberto Manalac
Patrick & Elizabeth Durkin

Sunday, October 25

James Mandac
Caroline McCarthy



I PLEAD WITH YOU--NEVER EVER GIVE
UP ON HOPE, NEVER DOUBT, NEVER
TIRE, AND NEVER BECOME
DISCOURAGED. BE NOT AFRAID.

ST. POPE JOHN PAUL II