

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Love is the foundation of all giving.
Christian life by the power of the Holy Spirit within us.

*“For God so loved the world
that he gave his one and only Son . . .” (John 3:16).*

FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 5:12-15

Observe the sabbath day and keep it holy, as the Lord your God commanded you. Six days you shall labor and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, or your son or your daughter, or your male or female slave, or your ox or your donkey, or any of your livestock, or the resident alien in your towns, so that your male and female slave may rest as well as you. Remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the Lord your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; therefore the Lord your God commanded you to keep the sabbath day.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

PSALM 81:1-10

Sing with joy to God our strength *
and raise a loud shout to the God of Jacob.
Raise a song and sound the timbrel, *
the merry harp, and the lyre.

Blow the ram's-horn at the new moon, *
and at the full moon, the day of our feast.

For this is a statute for Israel, *
a law of the God of Jacob.

He laid it as a solemn charge upon Joseph, *
when he came out of the land of Egypt.

I heard an unfamiliar voice saying *
"I eased his shoulder from the burden;
his hands were set free from bearing the load."

You called on me in trouble, and I saved you; *
I answered you from the secret place of thunder
and tested you at the waters of Meribah.

Hear, O my people, and I will admonish you: *
O Israel, if you would but listen to me!

There shall be no strange god among you; *
you shall not worship a foreign god.

I am the Lord your God,
who brought you out of the land of Egypt and said, *
"Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it."

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 4:5-12

We do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. For while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh. So death is at work in us, but life in you.

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THE HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 2:23-3:6

One sabbath Jesus and his disciples were going through the grainfields; and as they made their way his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. The Pharisees said to him, "Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the sabbath?" And he said to them, "Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need of food? He entered the house of God, when Abiathar was high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and he gave some to his companions." Then he said to them, "The sabbath was made for humankind, and not humankind for the sabbath; so the Son of Man is lord even of the sabbath." Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there who had a withered hand. They watched him to see whether he would cure him on the sabbath, so that they might accuse him. And he said to the man who had the withered hand, "Come forward." Then he said to them, "Is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the sabbath, to save life or to kill?" But they were silent. He looked around at them with anger; he was grieved at their hardness of heart and said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. The Pharisees went out and immediately conspired with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.

**WE REMEMBER BEFORE GOD ALL PEOPLE
THROUGHOUT THE WORLD WHOSE LIVES HAVE BEEN
DISRUPTED BY VIOLENCE OR WAR.**

**WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO WORK FOR PEACE
AND FOR NEW BEGINNINGS.**

✧ As we pray, let us remember Sarah; Pat; Kerry Jo; Rebecca & Ben; Alan; Rebecca; Natasha & Ben; Phylliss; Kate; Kyle; Mae; Sherrill; Richard; Lori; Pat; Gabriela; Ruthie; Sarah; Dana & her husband; Shoney; Robin; Anna; Bob ; Jim; HT; John; Robert; Randall; Lori; Keira .

Our altar flowers are given
in memory of Joseph Seminara

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SOUP KITCHEN DAY IS THIS AFTERNOON! Try to let Dan know you are coming so he can be prepared. It's best if you get there about 4p.m. – and bring your chocolate milk. Be sure to speak with Dan if you have any questions or problems. Hope you can join us. Thanks!

TUESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY We continue our study of the Gospel of Luke — 6 PM in the Parish Hall.

REGISTRATION CONTINUES FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL! Camp is June 25-29, 5:30-7:30PM for ages 4-12 yrs. A child friendly meal will be served. The children will enjoy Bible stories, crafts, music, and games. If you have questions, please see Peggy Diaz after each service. You can also call the church or email her peggy@stjohnsaz.org.

THRIFT SHOP NEWS Announcing summer hours in our Thrift Store, Friday and Saturday 8-12. Remember our special 25% Off Sale every 1st Saturday and 3rd Friday. We have new items daily. Please sign up to work in June. There is a signup sheet in the parish hall at the Vestry Table. While Sherrill and Mae are on the mend, contact Frank Pastula or Shirley Thake to help. Thanks for your continued support.

FOOD PANTRY

mac and cheese boxes, soup, green beans,
shampoo & conditioner

BLESSING BAGS

Travel size or individually wrapped please
Cheezits, snack size Gold Fish, fruit chewies

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Today	Nursery care	7:45–11:15 AM
	Healing Litany / Holy Eucharist Rite I	8 AM
	Healing Litany / Holy Eucharist Rite II	10 AM
	Praise Band Practice	11:30 AM
	Chris Becker Dining Hall	4:10 PM
Tue.	Tuesday Night Bible Study	6 PM
	Joyful Noise practice	7 PM
Wed.	Holy Eucharist Rite II	6:30 PM
	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	7:15 PM
Thu.	Women's Bible Study (MR)	6 PM
Fri.	Thrift Shop (CH7)	8 AM—12 Noon
Sat.	Thrift Shop (CH7)	8 AM—12 Noon
	Strategic Planning Ministry (CH3)	9 AM
	Crafters Ministry (PH)	10 AM
Sun.	Nursery care	7:45–11:15 AM
	Holy Eucharist Rite I	8 AM
	Holy Eucharist Rite II	10 AM
	Praise Band Practice	11:30 AM