

Do This in Remembrance of Me, A Step by Step walk through the Mass  
Part 60: The Lord’s Prayer, Part 2

We continue diving into the great treasure of the Our Father. I once met a priest who was giving a week-long retreat focusing on the Lord’s Prayer. He had prepared to give two or three conferences a day over the course of a week. As he prepared his notes from meditations in prayer, he only got to the first two words: “Our Father.” As Edward Sri says, “The word Our in this prayer also is significant. It points to the deep unity we have together by virtue of our common heavenly Father. All who are united in Christ are truly brothers and sisters in him. In Christ, Jesus’ Father has become our Father and we all are the Father’s children in the covenant family of God” (A Biblical Walk Through the Mass, p. 124). Sit back and think for even a few minutes about what that means. God is our Father; we are his children. Amazing! If you ever need a meditation or find yourself with a few extra minutes to think and pray, just think about those two special words: “Our Father.”

Three Prayers in One

As for the rest of the Lord’s Prayer, according to the Catholic Encyclopedia, “Essentially, it consists of three prayers for the glory of God (hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done) and an expression of the extent of that glory (on earth as it is in heaven), followed by three requests (for food, forgiveness, and freedom from temptation) and a final plea for deliverance from evil, that is, moral evil” (Catholic Encyclopedia, p. 358). Focusing on the petition for food, The General Instruction of the Roman Missal states, “In the Lord’s Prayer a petition is made for daily bread, which for Christians means principally the Eucharistic Bread, and entreating also purification from sin, so that what is holy may, in truth, be given to the holy” (GIRM, 81).

The Seven Petitions of the Lord’s Prayer

- While so much could be said about each of the seven petitions, Charles Belmonte gives us a brief overview of each one:
1. Hallowed by thy name. “It is not that we think to make God holy by our prayers; rather we are asking God that his name be made holy in us... [W]e desire to give glory to God: that he may be loved and feared by all; that his holiness, his goodness, and his wisdom may be acknowledged everywhere.”
  2. Thy kingdom come. “In the second petition, we desire that God may reign in everybody’s will. We ask that we all may happily reach our destination in his Kingdom. We pray that the Kingdom promised to us by God will come, the kingdom won by Christ’s Blood and passion...”
  3. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. “In the third petition, we pray that all men serve and obey God on earth as he is served by the angels in heaven; and that all may always avoid sin and do what is pleasing to God...”
  4. Give us this day our daily bread. “In the fourth petition, we ask for whatever is necessary for nourishment, clothing, and other temporal needs; for our daily food, which for a Christian means also the Body of Christ, and for the forgiveness of sins. Thus, we can understand this petition in a spiritual and in a literal sense...”
  5. Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. “Once we requested the needed sustenance from God’s magnanimity, we ask him pardon for our sins. To be reminded that we are sinners and forced to ask forgiveness for our faults is prudent and sound...”
  6. Lead us not into temptation. “In the sixth petition, we ask God to keep us from falling into temptations. We should not trust our own strength; we should fear our malice and lack of constancy, lest these induce us to wander away from his grace and friendship.”
  7. Deliver us from evil. “In the seventh petition, we ask for deliverance from the evils which afflict us and may set us away from his fatherly love... We ask to be liberated from the guilt and punishment of sin, from all snares of the devil and the world set up against us.” (Understanding the Mass, pp. 170-172).

There can be no doubt that this is the greatest prayer. Jesus himself gave it to us. It reveals our special relationship with God. It thoroughly covers so many aspects of our lives. It prepares us with a healthy and real longing for union with God, through Holy Communion on earth and eternally in heaven! No wonder this prayer is found at the heart of the Mass!

For Reflection:

1. Using a prayer journal or other medium, pray with and write or draw your response to each of the petitions in the “Our Father.” Allow this way of prayer to integrate your own experiences and intentions with those of all who are united in praying, “Our Father...”
2. Deepen your appreciation of this central prayer by studying, individually or with others, the Catechism of the Catholic Church on the “Our Father” (CCC 2759–2865).

This article was written by Fr. Luke Spannagel and published on the National Eucharistic Revival Blog Webpage.

Baptisms:	Reconciliation	Marriage	Quincerañeras	Anointing of the Sick	Communion to the Sick / Homebound
By Appointment only  Contact Parish office for more information	Confessions are heard on Saturdays from 4-5pm and on request	By appointment only:  Contact parish office at least 6 months prior to proposed date.	Must be enrolled and actively participating in Religious Education Classes	Anytime: contact the parish office	Pastoral Visit: 1st Friday of the Month / Contact the parish office



Twenty-Eighth  
Sunday in  
Ordinary Time

October 13, 2024



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Roman Catholic Diocese of Corpus Christi



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WEEKEND MASSES

SATURDAY (Vigil) 5:30PM  
SUNDAY (en Español) 8:00AM  
10:00AM & 12:00PM

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday (en Español) 5:30PM  
Wednesday –Friday 8:30AM  
First Friday of the Month  
Eucharistic Adoration 5:30PM  
Friday Daily Mass 6:30PM

WEEKLY PARISH  
ACTIVITIES

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET  
Daily 3:00 pm Chapel

ST. JUDE NOVENA  
Tuesdays 6:00 pm

BIBLE STUDY  
Tuesdays 7:00PM (Español)  
Thursdays 7:00PM (English)  
R.E. building

LA HORA DE DIOS  
PRAYER GROUP  
Fridays 6:00 pm Church

NEW TO THE PARISH?  
Interested in registering with us?  
Ask the ushers for a registration  
form, welcome to the parish.  
If you would like to become  
involved with one of the  
ministries or organizations here,  
you can find contact numbers on  
this bulletin

MASS INTENTIONS  
ALL Mass intention requests should  
be submitted to the parish office.  
For Intentions to appear in the  
Bulletin they must be submitted  
by 4:00pm Tuesday.

Donation of \$5 per intention is suggested.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION  
CHAPEL

The Chapel is available to anyone 24/7  
if you would like to spend time to visit  
with Jesus in the Eucharist. To get the  
door code contact the parish office or  
Fr. Andrew.

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Go, sell what you have, and give to the poor  
and you will have treasure in heaven; then come,  
follow me.  
Mark 10:21



Mass Intentions For The Week

**SATURDAY October 12, 2024**  
**5:30PM:** Souls in Purgatory  
†Guadalupe V Moreno (Rudy Moreno & Family)  
†Estefana Menchaca (M/M Manuel Menchaca)  
†Brigida Sabedra (Solis Family)  
†Lydia Lopez (Jesse & Pat Solis)  
†Margarito, †Alejandra Guerrero, †David Sanchez  
†Johnny & †Alejandro Lopez (Minerva Lopez)  
Special Intentions for Erasmo & Susie Escamilla  
Special Intentions for Fr. Andrew (Rose De La Cruz)

**SUNDAY October 13, 2024**  
**8:00AM:** †Richard Ortiz (Family)  
†Jose Javier Mendoza (Family)  
†Clyde Rosalez (Family)  
†Miguel & †Wences Ortiz (Janie Ortiz)  
†Martin & †Gloria Rodriguez (Rodriguez Family)

**10:00AM:** †Estefana Menchaca (Menchaca Family)  
†Santos Garcia (Family)  
†Eddie Perez (Family)  
†Ernest, Roy & Meisha Hinojosa (Family)

**12:00PM:** †Janie Galvan (Family)  
†Lelia Guzman (Family)  
†Adrian G Flores (Family)  
†Juan C Flores Jr. (Family)  
†Maria Oralia Cavazos (Cavazos Family)

**TUESDAY October 15, 2024**  
**5:30PM:** †Andrew C Reyna (Christine Maxwell)

**WEDNESDAY October 16, 2024**  
**8:30AM:** †Rick Rodriguez (Christine Maxwell)

**THURSDAY October 17, 2024**  
**8:30AM:** †Tony Fernacola (Christine Maxwell)

**FRIDAY October 18, 2024**  
**8:30AM:** †Andrew W Droege (Christine Maxwell)

**SATURDAY October 19, 2024**  
**5:30PM:** Souls in Purgatory  
†Guadalupe V Moreno (Rudy Moreno & Family)  
†Eva Corona (M/M Manuel Menchaca)  
†George Seeley (Rose De La Cruz)  
†Diana Schicker (Family)  
†Margarito, †Alejandra Guerrero, †David Sanchez  
†Jesse Guerrero, †Leonor Martinez (Family)  
†Esteban & †Candelaria Ortiz (Esteban & Lydia)

**SUNDAY October 20, 2024**  
**8:00AM:** †Richard Ortiz (Family)  
†Juan Maunel Lozano [1 yr ann.] (Family)  
†Estefana Menchaca (M/M Manuel Menchaca)  
†Delia Gonzales (Jesse Gonzales)

**10:00AM:** †Estefana Menchaca (Menchaca Family)  
†Santos Garcia (Family)  
†Eddie Perez (Family)

**12:00PM:** †Janie Galvan (Family)  
†Lelia Guzman (Family)  
†Adrian G Flores (Family)  
†Juan C Flores Jr. (Family)


WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP	
Envelope Collection	\$1,720.00
Loose Collection	\$1,522.00
Children’s Offering	\$22.00
Building Maintenance Fund	\$170.00
Online Giving	\$470.00
Collection Total - Oct. 5/6	\$3,904.00
Respect Life Collection	\$424.00

Thank you for your faithfulness, your generous support, and sharing of your gifts with Immaculate Conception Church.  
May God bless you now and forever.

Special Collections for the Month of October

12/13 - Building Maintenance Fund

19/20 - World Mission Sunday



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† Belief - Trust - Faith †

Prayer is the most powerful against trials, the most effective medicine against sickness and the most valuable gift to someone we care for.

Please pray for the sick of the parish, especially:

Names remain on the prayer list for two (2) months; after which they are removed, to add/remove a name contact the parish office.

Valerie Aleman,	Luis Flores,	Yolanda G. Rodriguez,
Victoria Arredondo,	Esmeralda Hernandez,	San Juanita Saenz,
Paula Avila,	Jorge Hernandez,	Bernice Sanchez,
Rafael Baez	San Juanita Hinojosa,	Adan Salazar,
Rosa Barrera,	Jaime Jimenez,	Gracie Salazar,
Elisa Claudio,	Adolfo Menchaca Jr.,	Raymond Smith,
Johnny Cruz,	Alejandro Mora,	B Solis,
Sandra Davila,	Anastacio Mora,	Dora Tagle,
Adela Escobedo,	Noemilio Mora,	Gloria Treviño,
Aurora Flores,	Angie Ochoa,	Joe Treviño,
Chris Flores,	Anita Peña,	Sara Treviño,
Eudelia Flores,	Jerry Rivera Sr.,	Gerri Zambrano
Guadalupe Flores,	Julia Rodriguez,	
Juanita Flores,	Sergio Rodriguez,	

NEXT WEEK’S MINISTERS SCHEDULE		
Sat. Oct. 19 Sun. Oct. 20	Lector 	Extra Ordinary Ministers 
5:30PM	David	Louis
8:00AM	Esteban	Amparo
10:00AM	Brenda	Ophelia A
12:00PM	Alma	Lupe A

THANK YOU FOR JOINING US THIS WEEKEND

**GIFTS**

In today’s readings, we discover that material wealth alone does not keep us from discipleship. We will see that there are other gifts more important than material wealth, but even so, it is how we use our gifts that matters most.

Today’s scriptures point to the value of the gifts of wisdom, trusting in God, and letting our actions reflect the love of God from within. It is not gold that causes us to fall, but rather the desire for gold above all other things. From the readings in Wisdom and Hebrews, we find the source of God’s gifts in our lives. Wisdom is more valuable than worldly possessions. In Hebrews, we are challenged to look at our own values and admit honestly what controls our lives.

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday: St. Callistus I**  
Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31 — 5:1; Ps 113:1b-5a, 6-7; Lk 11:29-32

**Tuesday: St. Teresa of Jesus**  
Gal 5:1-6; Ps 119:41, 43-45, 47-48; Lk 11:37-41

**Wednesday: St. Hedwig; St. Margaret Mary Alacoque**  
Gal 5:18-25; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 11:42-46

**Thursday: St. Ignatius of Antioch**  
Eph 1: 1-10; Ps 98:1-6; Lk 11:47-54

**Friday: St. Luke**  
2 Tm 4:10-17b; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Lk 10:1-9

**Saturday: Ss. John de Brébeuf, Isaac Jogues, and Companions**  
Eph 1:15-23; Ps 8:2-3ab, 4-7; Lk 12:8-12

**Sunday: Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
Is 53:10-11; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; Heb 4:14-16; Mk 10:35-45 [42-45]

**PRAYER FOR THE WEEK**


Lord, your Word is good and true, your Word is everlasting. It is in your Word that I find the inspiration to live a moral life. Help me to follow your commands, especially to love and honor those around me. I pray, God that I can reflect your love in every conversation, every thought, and every action of my day. Amen.

**CHALLENGE OF THE WEEK**

Wisdom is found in the Word of God, so spend some time this week reading sacred scripture. Wake up fifteen minutes earlier than you usually do each morning to read the scripture passage for that day. Before reading, pray that God will grant you the wisdom to understand his Word.

**Special Prayer Intention of Pope Francis for October**  
*For a shared mission*

We pray that the Church continue to sustain in all ways a Synodal lifestyle, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, the communion and the mission shared among priests, religious and lay people.



**DONES**

En las lecturas de hoy, se descubre que la riqueza material por sí sola no nos impide ser discípulos. Veremos que hay otros dones más importantes que la riqueza material, pero aún así, es cómo usamos nuestros dones lo que más importa.

Las Escrituras de hoy señalan el valor de los dones de la sabiduría, la confianza en Dios y dejando que nuestras acciones reflejen el amor de Dios desde nuestro interior. No es el oro lo que nos hace caer, sino más bien el deseo del oro por encima de todas las demás cosas. De las lecturas de la Sabiduría y de la Carta a los Hebreos, encontramos la fuente de los dones de Dios en nuestras vidas. La sabiduría es más valiosa que las posesiones mundanas. En Hebreos se nos reta a examinar nuestros valores y admitir honestamente lo que controla nuestras vidas.

**TRAVELING IMAGE OF DIVINE MERCY**

In preparation for our centennial celebration in 2026, we have a image of Divine Mercy that will be traveling from home to home over the next several years. The mission of this is to pray for all our parish families. If you would like to have this image visit your home, see the sign-up book in the entry of the church. You are welcomed to sign up for it more than once. The sign-up sheet is currently listed through December. Currently the image is scheduled to be picked up at the church on Saturday or Sunday and dropped off back at the church by Saturday (around the time of confessions).

*Pray for the following families that will be hosting the Traveling Divine Image this week*

**Tim & Cres Swindler**

**ALL SAINTS AND ALL SOULS DAYS**

The Feast days of All Saint’s & All Souls’ are approaching, below you will find the Mass times for both days. Please take the time to mark these days in your calendar.

**All Saint’s Day - Friday, November 1st**  
**8:30AM & 6:30PM**

**All Souls’ Day - Saturday, November 2nd**  
**9:30AM** Rosary at Gregory Cemetery  
Followed by  
**10:00AM** Mass at Gregory Cemetery

The All Souls Novena will be from November 2nd - 10th *(Mass will be celebrated on Mondays also)*  
Envelopes for the Novena are in your offering envelope mail-out and in the entry of the church.

**LAS POSADAS**

We have begun our search for “Yes” homes for our “Las Posadas” held on Monday, December 16th thru Monday, December 23rd. If you would like to host one of these nights please contact the parish office. So we can make arrangements.

