

SAINT ANNE PARISH

20 Boston Road Southborough, MA 01772

ST. ANNE PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We, the people of St. Anne Parish, Southborough, in the Diocese of Worcester are called through Baptism to become one faith family. We commit ourselves to embody the presence of Christ in Word and Sacrament; by using our ministries to welcome all who are seeking Jesus and to share in the life and work of our Catholic faith. In the spirit and truth of the Holy Trinity, we will use our time, talents and treasure to answer God's command to love one another as He has loved us, in holy worship, prayer, Catechetical formation for all, evangelization and service to others.

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time, C October 30, 2022

Lord's Day Mass Schedule:

Saturday ~ 5:00 p.m. Sunday ~ 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., & 5:30 p.m.

<u>Daily Mass Schedule:</u> Monday-Thursday: 9:00 a.m. First Fridays: 9:00 a.m.

Healing Mass: First Wednesday of every month at 7:00 p.m.

Confessions:

Saturday ~ 4:15 p.m., First Wednesday of each month ~ 6:30 - 7:00 p.m., or anytime on request

Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Wednesdays: 9:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Sacrament of Baptism
Call the Parish Office to
schedule a Baptism.
Baptisms are celebrated
during a scheduled Mass.

Sacrament of Marriage
Arrangements with a priest required at least one year prior to the wedding date.

Visitation of the Sick
Fr. Albert is pleased to bring
Holy Communion to
parishioners who are unable
to join us for weekly worship.
Call the Parish Office to
arrange a time.

"But Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, 'Behold, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor, and if I extorted anything from anyone I shall repay it four times over."

(Luke 19:8)

We are all called to gratefully give back to the Lord in proportion to the gifts we have been given.

This means everyone isn't called to give the same amount, but everyone is called to give equal sacrifice.

Open your heart and talk to God about how you use your money.

How is God calling you to be more generous with your financial resources and possessions? Office Hours:

Monday ~ Thursday 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Friday ~ 9:30 a.m. to noon Telephone 508-485-0141 Fax 508-460-0181 PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

E-mail: stanne403@stannesouthborough.org Web: www.stannesouthborough.org

<u>Pastor:</u> Fr. Albert Irudayasamy fralbert@stannesouthborough.org

Parish Council: Monica Shay ~ Chair

Finance Committee: Rich Flathers ~ Chair

<u>Director of Religious Education:</u> Rachelle Carmony rachelle@stannesouthborough.org

Office hours available, by appointment

<u>Parish Office Manager:</u> George Stagno stanne403@stannesouthborough.org

<u>Bookkeeper:</u> Nancy Denardo nancy@stannesouthborough.org

Music Ministry

Choir Director: Paul Crivello 508-366-0821 pcrivello04@gmail.com

Saturday 5:00: John Arnold Sunday 8:30 and 10:30: Paul Crivello

Sunday 5:30: Kathy & Matt Bernier

<u>Maintenance:</u> Matt Bernier mbern@stannesouthborough.org

<u>Webmaster:</u> Amy Buttiglieri webmaster@stannesouthborough.org

Would you like to receive a copy of the bulletin via email every week?
Please send an email to: stanne403@stannesouthborough.org with "St. Anne Bulletin List" in the subject line.



We welcome all visitors to St. Anne Parish. If you would like to join our faith community, please call

the Parish Office to register: 508-485-0141

PARISH MASS INFORMATION AND MINISTRIES

St. Anne Parish Livestreamed Daily and Weekend Masses

Livestreamed St. Anne Masses (subject to change):

ALL St. Anne Mass offerings will now be livestreamed: 5:00 p.m. Saturday, 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Sunday, and 9:00 a.m. daily Masses through website!

- Go to parish webpage: www.stannesouthborough.org.
- Scroll down and click on "Watch Live!" box.
- Scroll down to "eCatholic Live" box.
- Click on the arrow in the middle of the logo at 5:00 p.m. for Saturday evening Mass, 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. or 5:30 p.m. for Sunday Mass, and 9:00 a.m. for daily Masses Monday through Thursday.





Laura Schroeder

Liturgical Minister Schedule

To be trained, please call the Parish Office

October 29 & 30 -	- Thirty-first Sunday in OT, C
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Sat	5:00 pm	Lector	Debbie Simon
		Communion Minister	Laura Schroeder
Sun	8:30 am	Lector	Ellen Kluge
		Communion Minister	Fran Schiebe
Sun	10:30 am	Lector	Pat Draper
		Communion Minister	Joe Cruciani
Sun	5:30 pm	Lector	MaryBeth Philbin
		Communion Minister	Beth McGonagle
		Collection Counting	Draper/Raymond

November 5 & 6 - Thirty-second Sunday in OT, C

Communion Minister Dobbie Simon

		Communion Minister	Debbie Sillion
Sun	8:30 am	Lector	Elaine Yetman
		Communion Minister	Fran Schiebe
Sun	10:30 am	Lector	Joe Cruciani
		Communion Minister	Pat Draper
Sun	5:30 pm	Lector	RE Students

Sat 5:00 pm Lector

Communion Minister RE Students

Collection Counting Raymond/Draper

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,

I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

October 22 & 23, 2022		
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WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE				
with	MASS INTENTIONS	(October 29 to November 6)		

WIGHT WELDED HATELITATION (OCCORDED 20 TO NOVEMBER O)			
SATURDAY 29	5:00 pm	For Brendan Philbin-Hannigan (birthday) by Mom and Dad	
SUNDAY 30	8:30 am	For St. Anne Parishioners	
	10:30 am	For St. Anne Parishioners	
	5:30 pm	For Paul Brodeur by family	
MONDAY 31	9:00 am	For John and Donna Philbin by MaryBeth Philbin- Hannigan	
	7:00 pm	Vigil Mass - All Saints Day	
TUESDAY 1	9:00 am	For St. Anne Parishioners	
WEDNESDAY 2	9:00 am	For St. Joseph by Garden family	
	7:00 pm	Remembrance Mass for All Souls	
THURSDAY 3	9:00 am	For Michael Philbin Pellard by Mom and Dad	
FRIDAY 4	9:00 am	For Marguerite Donnelly by MaryBeth Philbin-Hannigan	
SATURDAY 5	5:00 pm	For St. Anne Parishioners	
SUNDAY 6	8:30 am	For Jack Hester by Hannigan family	
	10:30 am	For Evelyn Lehaye by family	
	5:30 pm	For Paul Brodeur by family	

Choir Resumes

The choir rehearses in the church choir loft on Sundays between the two morning Masses in preparation for All Souls Day, Advent, and Christmas.

All music lovers are welcome!

TEXT/EMAIL SCAM ALERT!

Be aware of fake email address and text messaging scam attempts. The sender poses as Father Albert to request the purchase of gift cards or to ask a favor.



DO NOT FALL VICTIM TO THE SCAM.

If in doubt about an email/text message, please call the Parish Office at 508-485-0141 or email Father directly at fralbert@stannesouthborough.org to confirm its validity.

PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND STEWARDSHIP

St. Anne Parish Pre-K through Grade 10+ Religious Education Classes



NOVEMBER RE Classes

Pre-K through Grade 5 November 6 & 20 in the Parish Hall 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Grades 6 through Confirmation (Grades 9-10) November 6 & 20 in the Parish Hall 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.



Inscription Masses for First Communion and Confirmation Candidates

There will be Inscription Masses on **Sunday, November 6** during which the

young parishioners of St. Anne Church **preparing to receive** the Sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Communion, and Confirmation in 2023 and their parents commit themselves to preparing for these great sacraments.

First Communion candidates during the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Confirmation candidates during the 5:30 p.m. Mass. All parishioners are welcome at these Masses.

Prayer Sponsorship

Become a prayer sponsor for a St. Anne RE student preparing to receive the sacrament of First Communion or Confirmation this spring.



Prayer sponsors pray for their candidate throughout the year and send them notes of encouragement.

Prayer sponsorship envelopes will be available in the church foyer starting November 6.

Vocation Talks

Middle and High School RE Class, St. Anne Parish

Local seminarian, Dan Morrissey, and Pallottine Sisters from New Jersey will be talking to the middle and high school Religious Education classes in the Parish Hall at St. Anne Parish on **Sunday, November 6 from 4:30 to** 5:30 p.m.



An invitation to these talks is open to all those who discerning vocations.





Altar Servers Need

Both students (Grade 5 and higher) and adults are welcome to serve.

If you are interested in being an altar server, please call the Parish Office.

Capital Campaign Update

Phase One



Total Goal: \$2,000,000.00
Total Pledges to Date: \$1,994,966.00
Payments Received to Date: \$856,981.25

Number of Families Pledging: 162 families (35%)

Thank you again for your ongoing support!

PARISH STEWARDSHIP REPORTS FOR Through October 23, 2022

Regular Weekly Offering:	\$3	,225.00
Capital Improvement:	\$	35.00
Fuel and Maintenance:	\$	25.00
All Souls Day:	\$	20.00
World Mission:		
Haiti Twinning-Sister Parish:	\$	50.00
Mass Intentions:	\$	20.00
Blue Pay: Regular thru 10/23:	.\$	945.00
RE Fees thru 10/23:	\$	180.00
WeShare: Regular thru 10/23:	\$	85.00

Online Giving: WeShare allows both onetime gifts, as well as regular, scheduled donations. Please visit our Parish website www.stannesouthborough.org for the link to WeShare.com or call 1-800-950-9952 and use option 1 to answer any questions.

St. Anne's Website: We have an additional resource for online giving and online CE registration. St. Anne Parish partners with eCatholic and BluePay for easy on-line giving. Our one-step on-line form allows both one-time

gifts, as well as regular, scheduled donations.

Please visit our Parish website

Please visit our Parish website www.stannesouthborough.org and select the Quick Link to the BluePay On-Line Giving page.



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PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Sr. Yvette, Fr. Thirburse F. Millot, Tom Livingstone, Bob Seariac, Pat Fitzgerald, Annie Lonzoria, Janet Mattioli, Jane & Miles Gray, Zara Daniel, Julie Flanders, Fr. Ed, Mrs. Wallace, Reverend Deogratis Rwegassima, Colby Morgan, Jeannine

Godbout, Thomas Chemmanur, Tim and Diane Higgins, Eamon Connaughton, Trudy DiBello, Dave Lemoine, Declan O'Conner, Elizabeth MacKenzie, Jason MacKenzie, Kelley, Brandon, and Nia Houston, Marie Martin, those who tested positive for Covid especially friends and family members, Laval "Val" Provencher; Father Conrad Pecevich, Stephen Gelman, Kate Geisinger, Laura Salinas, Nancy Durkin, Dolores Champion, John Patrick, Gennon, Irudayasamy Savarimuthu (Father Albert's father), Gracie Z., Lupita Estrada, Michael Philbin -Pelland, Jamie Farley, Amelia, Jim Garden, Brookie Sullivan, Beth Stephens, Susane Crioppa, Peter Bradstreet

PARISH RELIGIOUS NEWS AND EVENTS

Remembrance Mass

A Remembrance Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday, **November 2 at 7:00 p.m.** to remember loved ones who have died during the past year from St. Anne Parish.

If there is a family member or friend you wish to remember, please contact the Parish Office with their name(s).

We will remember and honor them.



Christmas Giving Tree

The Christmas Giving Tree will be up with tags on Saturday, November 5.

Parishioners will be asked to return gifts to the church by Sunday, December 3 as the three participating charity organizations will pick up the gifts on Monday, December 4.

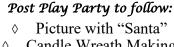


The Giving Tree will support Southborough United Parishes, Southborough Youth and Family Services, and Urban Missionaries of Our Lady of Hope Center in Worcester.

Staged Reading

You are cordially invited to come watch a staged reading play of "The True Story of Santa Claus"

Sunday, December 4 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. St. Anne Southborough Parish Stage



- Candle Wreath Making
- Stockings for Jesus Jesse Trees
 - O'Antiphon Ornaments

For more information or to RSVP, please contact: rachelle@stannesouthborough.org

Christmas Rosary Breakfast

Come to the annual Christmas Rosary Breakfast and Victorian Ornament Swap!

Saturday, December 10, 2022 9:00 -11:30 a.m. in St. Anne Parish Hall

Opening Prayer ~ Scrumptious Breakfast ~ Prayerful Rosary~Festivities and Ornament Swap

> Victorian ornaments are \$5.00 and under and come in all shapes and sizes.



United Parishes of Southborough Food Pantry

c/o Pilgrim Church P.O. Box 281, 15 Common Street Southborough, MA 01772

southboroughfoodpantry@gmail.com 508-485-4847

A big THANK YOU for all Food Pantry donations. Our current needs are:

Food and Drink Items

- Coffee regular and decaf (non-flavored)
- Cranberry juice
- Capri Sun pouches
- Barbeque sauce
- Miracle Whip
- Mayonnaise

- Salsa
- Boil-in-Bag Rice

Household & Health Items

- Laundry detergent, especially skin sensitive
- Dish detergent
- Baggies gallon & quart sizes

As most food items are date sensitive, please be sure that your donation is not out of date. Donations may be left in the foyer of the parish hall. If you know of anyone who could benefit from the Food Pantry, please encourage them to come. Pantry hours (located at Pilgrim Church) are Thursdays from 6:00-7:00 p.m. and Fridays from 9:00-10:00 a.m. Again, thank you for your continued

generosity to the Southborough Food Pantry. Pat Draper, St. Anne Coordinator



Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting

Do you or someone you know need a prayer shawl? Stop by the Parish Office during office hours to select a shawl. Free will donations collected for shawls are sent to our sister parish in Haiti to aid their rebuilding.

Prayer Shawl meets Mondays from 10:00 to noon in the Parish Hall to knit/crochet/weave for anyone who is ill or suffering who might welcome a blessed prayer shawl.

The Rosary portion of the Prayer Shawl Monday meetings is live streamed via the parish website starting at 10:30 a.m. Password: shawls



Baby Crib Quilts

Beautiful baby quilts blessed by Father Albert and sewn by Sandy Callinan are available in the Parish Office for sick infants and children in need of healing prayers.



Collection Counting Ministry

Collection Counting follows the 10:30 a.m. Sunday Mass.

If interested in participating in this ministry, please contact the Parish Office at 508-485-0141.

Preventing Child Abuse is Everyone's Responsibility It is every adult's moral responsibility to protect possible victims (any age) by reporting suspected abuse or neglect to the responsible authorities. For help you may call: The Office for Healing and Prevention, Diocese of Worcester, at 508-929-4363. The Diocese of Worcester requires Safe Environment training for all staff and volunteers.

PARISH AND DIOCESAN INFORMATION AND EVENTS



New Local Catholic Magazine

A beautiful new monthly color Catholic magazine for local Southborough parishioners called *Marlborough & Southborough Parish Neighbors* is available for free home delivery. It includes St. Anne Parish news, local events, Gospel readings, pastor letters, and more.

If you would like to be on the mailing list or would like your local business to become a sponsor, please call Cindy R. Dorsey at 774-222-2566 or email cdorsey@decidedexcellence.com.

Saint John's HS Open House

378 Main Street, Shrewsbury, MA



Admissions Tests for Grades 7 & 9

Saturday, November 19 at 8:30 a.m. & Saturday, December 10 at 8:30 a.m. To learn more, visit stjohnshigh.org/admissions/admissions-tests

Pre-registration is required. Contact the Admissions Office with any questions at (508) 842-8934 ext. 266 or admissions@stjohnshigh.org.

Celebrate the Priesthood Thank You

Bishop McManus and the Celebrate the Priesthood Planning Committee extend their deepest appreciation to the thousands of people who donated, sent in tributes or memorials, posted comments online, or attended this year's 9th Annual *Celebrate Priesthood - a Taste of the Diocese*.

If you missed the event, please visit <u>worcesterdiocese.org/celebrate-priesthood</u> to watch the video, learn more about it, or to make a donation in support of retired priests' care.



From Massachusetts Catholic Conference: Support Question 4 on Massachusetts Ballot

In June of this year the Massachusetts legislature overwhelmingly passed into law a bill which provides a path for Massachusetts residents without immigration status the ability to obtain a driver's license.

That bill was not only supported by the Roman Catholic Bishops of Massachusetts, but also by the majority of the state's sheriffs, district attorneys, as well as the Major City Chiefs of Police Association.

The law has numerous identification and safety provisions which will make our roads safer for all operators of motor vehicles. It will also finally provide immigrants, who are too often marginalized, the opportunity to legally drive to work, the grocery store, medical appointments, childcare, school

YES ON 4

and other essential tasks without the fear of violating the law. The Bishops of the four Dioceses in Massachusetts urge voters to join thirteen other states and

vote Yes on Question 4



The Origins of Hallowe'en Youth Essay Contest

The holiday of Hallowe'en -Old English for "Holy Evening" - began in Medieval

Europe to celebrate the evening before All Saints Day.

All Christians at this time celebrated special feasts to remember the Heavenly "birthday" of men and women who strived to follow the will of God in their lives, whose heroic lives of virtue were deemed good examples to follow. The feast of all canonized saints is celebrated on November 1st, with the vigil celebration beginning on October 31st.

Essay Contest Directions: Pick one or more canonized saint listed at holidayhistory.org, and write an essay about how their lifestyle choices provide good examples for us to emulate today.

Contest Specifics: The Essay Contest is open to youth grades four through twelve. All entries must be postmarked or emailed by **January 6**, **2023**. Entries may be emailed as a .pdf to rachelle@stannesouthborough, or postmailed as a hard copy to St. Anne Faith Formation, 20 Boston Road, Southborough, MA 01772.

Essays will be judged by a panel of language arts teachers and theologians. A \$100 prize will be awarded for each winning essay. An award winning essay will be chosen in each of the following grades:

- * One winner from grades 4-6
- * One winner from grades 7-9
- * One winner from grades 10-12

For more information, please contact rachelle@stannesouthborough.org

48 Hours of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Worcester, MA

St. Joseph Church and St. Stephen Church will be the locales of 48 Hours of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament starting on **Friday, October 28 at 7:00 p.m.** The Adoration will begin with Mass at St. Stephen Church followed by a candlelight procession with the Holy Eucharist to St.

Overnight Adoration until Saturday, 5:30 pm. at St. Joseph Church followed by Benediction at 6:00 p.m. and a Mass in Portuguese.

Joseph Church.

On Sunday, October 30 at 2:30 p.m. will be an Exposition until 5:00 p.m., then a procession with the Blessed Sacrament to St. Stephen Church followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament and a 6:00 p.m. Closing Mass in Spanish and Portuguese.

DIOCESAN OPPORTUNITIES, NEWS, AND EVENTS

Novena to St. Joseph

The 11th Annual Novena to St. Joseph will take place at Christ the King Parish in Worcester on Monday evenings this fall.



There will be prayer for the seriously ill, for improvements in palliative care, for the end of the pandemic, and to raise awareness about all attempts to end human life unnaturally as in the case of physician assisted suicide or euthanasia.

The Novena will be celebrated nine consecutive Mondays beginning **September 12** from 7:15 to 8:00 p.m.

This year's dates and homilists are:

- September 12: Msgr. Thomas Sullivan
- September 19: Bishop Robert J. McManus
- September 26: Fr. James Mazzone
- October 3: Fr. Stephen Lundrigan
- October 10: Fr. John Gavin, SJ
- October 17: Fr. Ronald Falco
- October 24: Fr. Anthony Mpagi
- October 31: Msgr. Thomas Sullivan (Novena and Vigil Mass for the Feast of All Saints)
- November 7: Fr. Alfredo Porras

The names of those people who are terminally or critically ill, and who will be prayed for during the Novena, can be mailed to our rectory office, or called in to 508-754-5361, or emailed to Msgr. Sullivan at tsullivan5@mac.com.

Miraculous Medal Novena in Worcester

The Annual Miraculous Medal Novena at Our Lady of Loreto Church (33 Massasoit Rd, Worcester) will take place on Tuesdays from **September 6 to November 1 at 7:00 p.m.**



Our speakers will be:

- September 6 Bishop Robert J. McManus
- September 13 Rev. Paul T. O'Connell
- September 20 Rev. Juan Echavarria
- September 27 Rev. Frederick Fraini
- October 4 Rev. Kenneth Cardinale
- October 11 Deacon Donald Pegg
- October 18 Rev. Richard Trainor
- October 25 Rev. J. Sebastian Sanchez
- October 23 Nev. 3. Sebastian Sanchez
- November 1 Rev. Msgr. Francis Scollen

Religious Life Interest?

"This brother of yours was dead and has come to life."

Do you want to bring others to life in Christ as a priest, deacon, religious sister or brother?

Contact the Vocation Office at (508) 630-4473 or email: donato.infante@gmail.com.





World Youth Day 2023

All young adults are invited to join the Diocese of Worcester for World Youth Day in Lisbon, Portugal in the summer of 2023!

The trip is open to young adults ages 18+ (at the time of the trip in 2023). Youth ages 16/17 (at the time of the trip in 2023) are welcome, but must attend with a parent.

Our Diocesan trip will run from **Thursday**, **July 28** - **Sunday**, **August 7**, **2023** (optional 2-day extension available) and will include the World Youth Day festivities as well as a trip to Fatima and a couple free days to explore Lisbon!

For all the details and to sign up, go to <u>neworcester.org/</u> world-youth-day-2023.

Executive Director of Visitation House

Visitation House, Inc. is a privately funded 501(c)(3) organization which promotes the emotional and physical well-being of displaced pregnant women in need and/or in crisis through a Catholic faith-based spiritual and religious approach.

Position Overview: The Executive Director as mission steward oversees the management of a 12-room residential housing program for pregnant mothers and their babies. The Executive Director is the leader responsible for all aspects of the administration and operations of the organization, including finance, operations, marketing, fundraising, clinical and residential programs, human resources, and facilities located at 119 Endicott Street, Worcester.

A more detailed job description is available upon request and further interest. All interested candidates should submit a cover letter and resume to the Board of Directors at jbowman@visitationhouse.org.



Visitation House, Inc.

Musician Opening in Leominster

Musician needed for Sunday 6:00 p.m. Mass at Our Lady of the Lake Parish (OLotL) in Leominster. This particular



liturgy is directed toward high school students.

OLotL Parish is looking for someone with enthusiasm about our faith and a willingness to witness to that faith!

Keyboard and/or guitar experience and a knowledge of the music for the Roman Catholic liturgy is essential.

Inquiries can be directed to Fr. Michael Broderick at 978-342-2978 ext. 111 or cmb@ourladylake.org.

READINGS FOR THE THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, C

READING I Wisdom 11:22-12:2

A reading from the Book of Wisdom

Before the LORD the whole universe is as a grain from a balance

or a drop of morning dew come down upon the earth. But you have mercy on all, because you can do all things;

and you overlook people's sins that they may repent. For you love all things that are

and loathe nothing that you have made;

for what you hated, you would not have fashioned.

And how could a thing remain, unless you willed it; or be preserved, had it not been called forth by you?

But you spare all things, because they are yours,

O LORD and lover of souls,

for your imperishable spirit is in all things!

Therefore you rebuke offenders little by little,

warn them and remind them of the sins they are committing,

that they may abandon their wickedness and believe in you, O LORD!

The Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13, 14

R. I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

I will extol you, O my God and King,

and I will bless your name forever and ever.

Every day will I bless you,

and I will praise your name forever and ever.

R. I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

The LORD is gracious and merciful,

slow to anger and of great kindness.

The LORD is good to all

and compassionate toward all his works.

R. I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

Let all your works give you thanks, O LORD,

and let your faithful ones bless you.

Let them discourse of the glory of your kingdom and speak of your might.

R. I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

The LORD is faithful in all his words and holy in all his works.

The LORD lifts up all who are falling and raises up all who are bowed down.

R. I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

READING II 2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2

A reading from Second Letter of Saint Paul to Thessalonians

Brothers and sisters:

We always pray for you,

that our God may make you worthy of his calling and powerfully bring to fulfillment every good purpose

and every effort of faith,

that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you,

and you in him,

in accord with the grace of our God and Lord Jesus Christ.

We ask you, brothers and sisters,

with regard to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our assembling with him,

not to be shaken out of your minds suddenly, or to be alarmed

either by a "spirit," or by an oral statement, or by a letter allegedly from us

to the effect that the day of the Lord is at hand.

The Word of the Lord.

John 3:16

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might have eternal life.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.



GOSPEL FOR THE THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, C



GOSPEL Luke 19:1-10

A reading from the Gospel according to Luke

At that time, Jesus came to Jericho and intended to pass through the town.

Now a man there named Zacchaeus,

who was a chief tax collector and also a wealthy man,

was seeking to see who Jesus was;

but he could not see him because of the crowd,

for he was short in stature.

So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree in order to see Jesus, who was about to pass that way.

When he reached the place, Jesus looked up and said,

"Zacchaeus, come down quickly,

for today I must stay at your house."

And he came down quickly and received him with joy.

When they all saw this, they began to grumble, saying,

"He has gone to stay at the house of a sinner."

But Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord,

"Behold, half of my possessions, Lord, I shall give to the poor,

and if I have extorted anything from anyone

I shall repay it four times over."

And Jesus said to him,

"Today salvation has come to this house

because this man too is a descendant of Abraham.

For the Son of Man has come to seek

and to save what was lost."

The Gospel of the Lord.



Jesus Changed Plans

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time, C October 30, 2022

Reading I: Wisdom 11:22-12:2
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13, 14
Reading II: 2 Thessalonians 11:1-2:2
Gospel: Luke 19:1-10

Jesus is a great model for us in how to be flexible and change our plans according to the movement of the Spirit in the moment. As the passage begins, Jesus is passing through Jericho, presumably intending to stay on the road to Jerusalem. Then he stops, changes his plans, and decides he "must stay" at Zacchaeus' house today when he spots the curious tax collector in the tree above the crowd. Had Jesus been told about

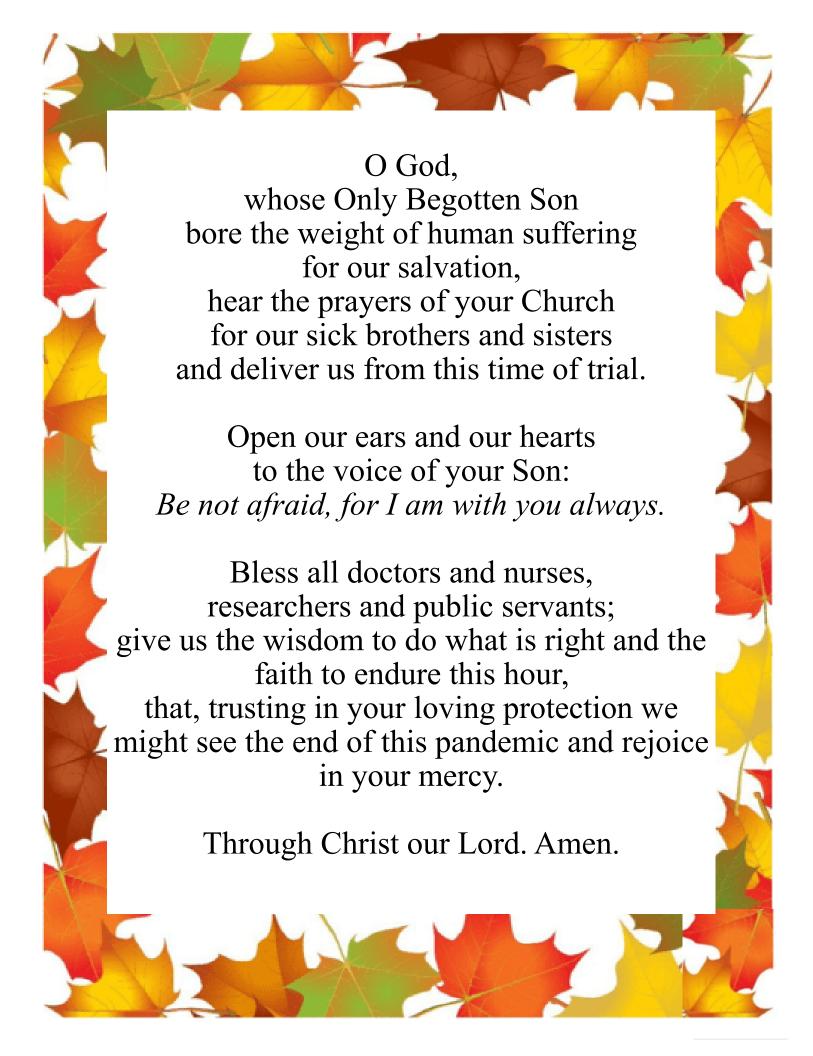
Zacchaeus previously? Did he know his reputation as a chief tax collector, which to the Jews was synonymous with "extortioner, cheater, and sinner"? Did Jesus know anything about the man's personal life, history, wealth, or family? If so, Jesus' friends shouldn't have been surprised that Jesus sought out the company of such a person; he had been doing that all along in his ministry. Clearly, the people who grumbled "he has gone to stay at the house of a sinner" didn't know Jesus well.

Maybe Jesus' ability to read into the hearts of people signaled him to engage this man who had the guts to climb a tree like a child to get a glimpse of him. Whatever it was that made Jesus change his plans, he was willing to make time for someone ready to talk, and it paid off. Zacchaeus was willing to admit his former sinfulness and was prepared to make amends and change his life. If Jesus has passed on through Jericho or didn't have the boldness to invite himself to Zacchaeus' house, Zacchaeus may not have changed. He may have remained lost; those whom he cheated wouldn't have been compensated; and the poor wouldn't have received half of his possessions.

Plenty of stories show us that Jesus was a driven man, but this story and many others show us that Jesus was always willing to stop, slow down, or change direction when people needed him - or were just curious to meet him. Fortunately for Zacchaeus, Jesus wasn't in so much of a rush to get to Jerusalem that he wouldn't make time for him.

Questions of the Week

- 1. When has someone who was busy or in high demand changed plans to be available for you or a loved one?
- 2. Is there an area in your life where you feel particularly driven or pressured but perhaps God is inviting you to slow down, change directions, or reconsider your path? Please share.



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What did Jesus say

to Zacchaeus?

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Jesus said, "Today









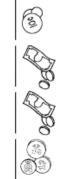




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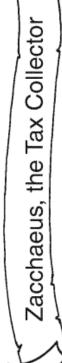


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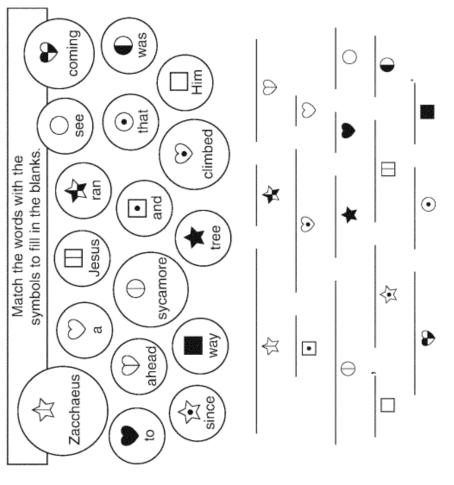








Zacchaeus was a short man and couldn't see over the crowd. What did Zacchaeus do? Jericho, Zacchaeus wanted to see Him. As Jesus passed through



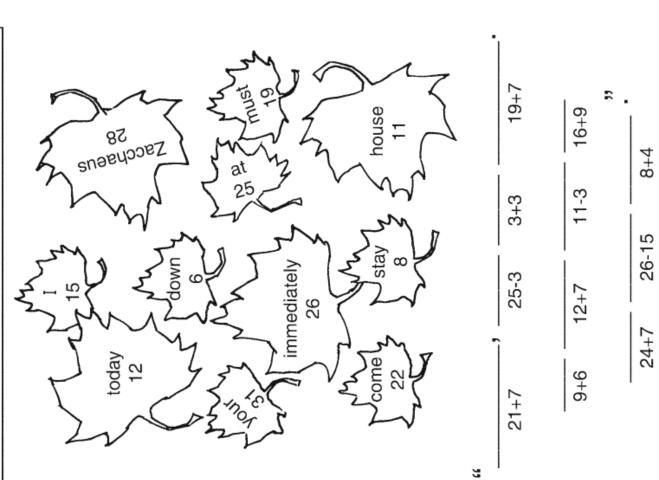
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Jesus reached the sycamore tree and looked up. What did He say?

Solve the math problems below, and use the answers to find the correct word for each blank.



The people couldn't believe that Jesus would go to the house of a tax collector – a sinner! What did Zacchaeus say to Jesus?

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Write a word to fit each definition. Transfer the letters to the numbered lines below.

1. coins & paper bills

2. the cost of an item

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3. a required amount of money for the government added onto the price

4. a present

5. the worth of an object

6. amount paid to a worker

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7. nice, caring

8. doing something the same way every time

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Some people grumbled, but what did Jesus say





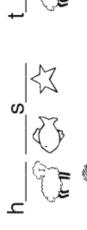
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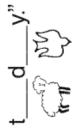
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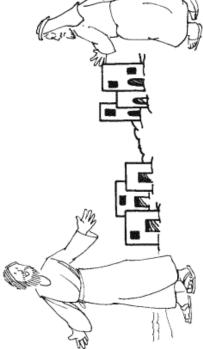












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Crowds of people came to see Jesus.

Follow the maze through the crowd.

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Jesus called him, so he came down and

welcomed Jesus into his house.

Zacchaeus climbed into a tree so he could see Jesus.

234567891011121314 Connect the dots.

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Circle) 5 bags of money hidden in the picture. Zacchaeus promised to pay back



