

SCRIPTURE READINGS

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Exodus 17:8-13

Amalek and his people attacked the Israelites, so Moses instructed Joshua to lead some of the Israelites into battle the next day.

While Moses kept his hands raised in prayer, the Israelites were winning. But when he put his hands down, they would begin to lose. So two others helped him keep his hands raised, and Joshua and the Israelites won the battle.



Second Reading: 2 Timothy 3:14-4:2

Paul tells Timothy that the Scriptures are inspired by God and are an excellent tool in teaching others about God's expectations of his people. Knowledge of the Scriptures, coupled with faith in Jesus, will lead many people to salvation. Paul urges Timothy to continue preaching the gospel, although this will sometimes be a difficult task.

Gospel: Luke 18:1-8

Jesus speaks about a corrupt judge who lacked respect for either God or man. A widow repeatedly asked him to settle a case in her favor. He finally settled the case, only because he grew weary of listening to her requests. Jesus points out that if even this corrupt judge eventually listened, then God, who is just, will certainly answer the pleas of his people.



For the Week of October 20th through
October 27th

Sunday

Ex 17:8-13; 2 Tm 3:14-4:2; Lk 18:1-8

Monday

Rom 4:20-25; Lk 12:13-21

Tuesday

Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21; Lk 12:35-38

Wednesday

Rom 6:12-18; Lk 12:39-48

Thursday

Rom 6:19-23; Lk 12:49-53

Friday

Rom 7:18-25a; Lk 12:54-59

Saturday

Rom 8:1-11; Lk 13:1-9

Sunday

Sir 35:12-14, 16-18; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18; Lk 18:9-14

The US Council of Catholic Bishops (USCCB)
provides a full listing of the Sunday and Daily
Readings, in print and audio format, on its website,
<http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings>.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 19th

4:00 p.m. Matthew Leslie

Sunday, October 20th

8:00 a.m. The Castellano Family

10:00 a.m. Lewis Moon

Monday, October 21st

8:30 a.m. Eleanor Marie Pearson

Tuesday, October 22nd

8:30 a.m. James Schaubert

Wednesday, October 23rd

8:30 a.m. Peggy Donnelly

Saturday, October 26th

4:00 p.m. Marie Gruber

Sunday, October 27th

8:00 a.m. Pierson W. Bigelow, Jr.

10:00 a.m. Manuel Yuson



**REMEMBERING
THE SICK OF THE
PARISH: Remember
in your prayers the
sick of the parish:
John Troffo, Valerie
Lindyberg, Patricia
Dana, Angela Wilmer,
Faith King, Rosemary Keating, Eugenia Brooks,
Alicia Bourne, Tom Blum, Michael and Lena Yirka
and all those whose names appear in the PARISH
BOOK OF INTENTIONS.**

NEW TO THE PARISH: Please be sure to register with the Parish Office and introduce yourself to Father Grasing after Mass. Registration forms are available at the doors of the Church, the Parish Office, or online. For additional information, please call 410-778-3160, or go to sacredparish.org.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY: Today is World Mission Sunday. We celebrate this day by remembering our baptismal call – to bring the Gospel to all! The collection today for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith ensures the work and service of the Mission Church, as it supports priests, religious and lay leaders who offer the Lord's mercy and concrete help to the most vulnerable communities in the Pope's missions. Thank you for your generosity.



Bringing the Gospel Home

29th Sunday of Ordinary Time – Luke 18:1-8

Reflection for Parents

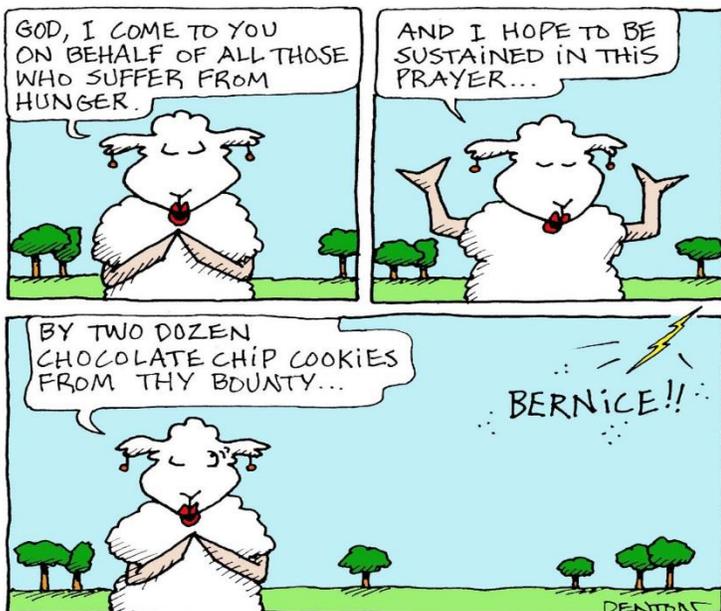
What happens when our children pester us long enough for something? If it's not life threatening and they've bugged us long enough, we usually find a way of giving in without losing face. We know just how the judge in Luke's Gospel felt! Let the story of the persistent widow strengthen your prayers. Even if they are not answered in just the way we ask, God hears our prayers and cares for us.

Bringing the Gospel into Your Family

Be faithful praying with your children. Teach them simple prayers for starting their day, grace before meals, and prayers at bedtime. Say prayers every day. For a collection of rituals, blessings, prayers, and traditions meant to encourage and inspire Catholic families to keep prayer at the heart of their home, check out Our Family Prays.

Discussion Starters

1. God answered my prayer in a way that totally surprised me when . . .
2. The best part of praying with my family is . . .
3. I have never given up asking for . . .

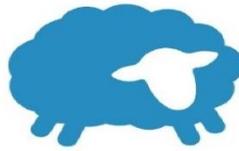


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“Proclaim the word; be persistent whether it is convenient or inconvenient.”

Sheepish Question:

What do I seek to sustain my commitment to the Gospel?



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Text STOP to 84576 to stop text notifications at any time. Text HELP for help. There is no charge for this service, but your carrier message and data rates may apply. View privacy policy and conditions at www.flocknote.com/txt.

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OCTOBER SAINTS

OCTOBER 21 - LAURA MONTOYA Y UPEGUI

One of the strongest role models for girls in South America in the last few decades has been Laura Montoya, a Colombian nun who was canonized by Pope Francis on May 12, 2013.



Maria Laura Montoya Upegui was born in Jerico in Colombia in 1874, just before the start of the Colombian Civil War in which her father was killed. This left her family with no one to provide for them. Laura was sent to live with her grandmother, where she was very lonely and felt abandoned by her family. She spent much time in prayer and in reading Scripture to overcome this loneliness.

As the girl grew older, her mother needed financial help and wanted her daughter to train as a school teacher to earn money. She was sent to teach the indigenous peoples of Colombia and eventually began working as a missionary to them by teaching about the Catholic faith as well.

By the time she reached her early 20s, Laura very much wanted to become a cloistered Carmelite nun, but her experience as a missionary left her with a desire to spread the Gospel to others, particularly people who were discriminated against such as the native groups she had worked with. In 1914 she founded the Congregation of Missionary Sisters of Immaculate Mary and Saint Catherine of Siena, and traveled to the jungles by mule to live among the native people who were the poorest and most discriminated against in society. Today, the sisters of her order work in 21 countries in the Americas, Africa, and Europe.

At her canonization ceremony, Pope Francis praised Saint Laura for “instilling hope” in the indigenous people of her nation and for teaching in a way that respected their culture. She was Colombia's first saint and the patron saint of orphans and people who suffer from racial discrimination.

PARISH NEWS

Offertory – Week Ending October 13th Week 16

Thank you for your offering. It is with your continued support and the sharing of your time and talent that the ministries, programs and activities at Sacred Heart and St. John's are made possible. "Whatever you give to the Lord, He will return to you a hundred fold."

	Received	ACH	Budgeted	Diff.
Offertory 10/13 Wk. 16	\$3,885	\$864	\$6,635	-\$1,886
YTD Wk. 16	\$71,935	\$ 27,150	\$106,160	-\$7,075



The goal of Rise Against HungerSM is to end hunger worldwide by the year 2030. Sacred Heart Parish, in partnership with Christ United Methodist Church and

First United Methodist Church, will be hosting our **2019 Meal Packaging Event on Saturday, October 26, 2019** at the CUMC church hall at 401 High Street here in Chestertown. The event begins at 9am with fellowship and donut holes and a few words of instruction. Meal packaging commences at about 9:30 a.m. We will be packaging a little over 15,000 meals this year and should be finished by about 11:00 a.m. Come and stay until the job is done or drop in and see what is going on. It is an amazing experience! All of the money to pay for the meals has already been donated --- Thank you for your generosity.

For more information or to volunteer, contact Ann Anderson at 410-778-4243 or wmandersonfamily@verizon.net.

For more info about Rise Against Hunger, check out their website: www.riseagainsthunger.org. Together we can do great things!

REMINDER TO ALL LITURGICAL MINISTERS AT SACRED HEART:

Thank you to the ministers who volunteer to serve weekly at our liturgies. Please remember to "check in" before mass in the foyer of the church. Simply highlight your name on the schedule so that we know in advance if we need to fill positions or make changes. All ministers should check in: Lectors, Greeters, Cantors, Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers, and Ushers. Thank you for your attention to this request.

HELP NEEDED: Help is needed with washing and ironing the Mass linens. It would only require doing this task one weekend a month and it takes approximately a half hour of time. Please contact Becky at the church office at 410-778-3160 if you can help.



SPAGHETTI DINNER: Please join your parish family for a spaghetti dinner on **Saturday, November**

9th at 5:30 p.m. in the Sacred Heart Parish Hall. *This event is free to all parishioners, but anyone wishing to attend must RSVP to Becky in the Church office – 410-778-3160.* Space is limited. We will provide non-alcoholic beverages and you are welcome to bring your own wine.

DIOCESAN NEWS

The Immaculate Conception Parish 45th Annual Christmas Bazaar:

Mark your calendars for the 45th annual Parish Christmas Bazaar to be held at Immaculate Conception School, 452 Bow St. Elkton, MD 21921 on **November 9th from 9am – 5pm and November 10th from 8am – 2pm**. Join us to shop at over 60 crafters and vendor tables including jewelry, toys, décor, beauty products, clothing, scented candles, natural oils, handmade crafts, doll clothes, and much, much more! You will also enjoy raffles, silent auctions, kid's crafts, food, and, of course, Santa!! For more information, visit www.iccparish.org or contact office@iccparish.org.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER – It's HOT, HOT, HOT!! If you enjoy the warmth of summer, why not sign up for the Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend and bring some more warmth and intimacy to your marriage! The next Marriage Encounter weekend will be **November 1-3** in Rehoboth Beach, DE. For more information visit our website at www.wvme-delmar.org or to register for the weekend, please call Tony and Linda Massino at 302-220-9833.

BOY SCOUTS: Any scout who is interested in earning their Catholic religious award should contact the Diocese of Wilmington's Catholic Committee on Scouting. Our committee can help get the process started and will supply the award, once earned. Each year the Bishop will present the awards to the scouts of our Diocese at our annual Scout Mass. The Scout Awards Mass will be held in June. For further information please contact either Bob Murray, Committee Chair at (302) 993-6290 or Deacon Tommy Watts, Boy Scout Chaplain (302) 218-1415.

