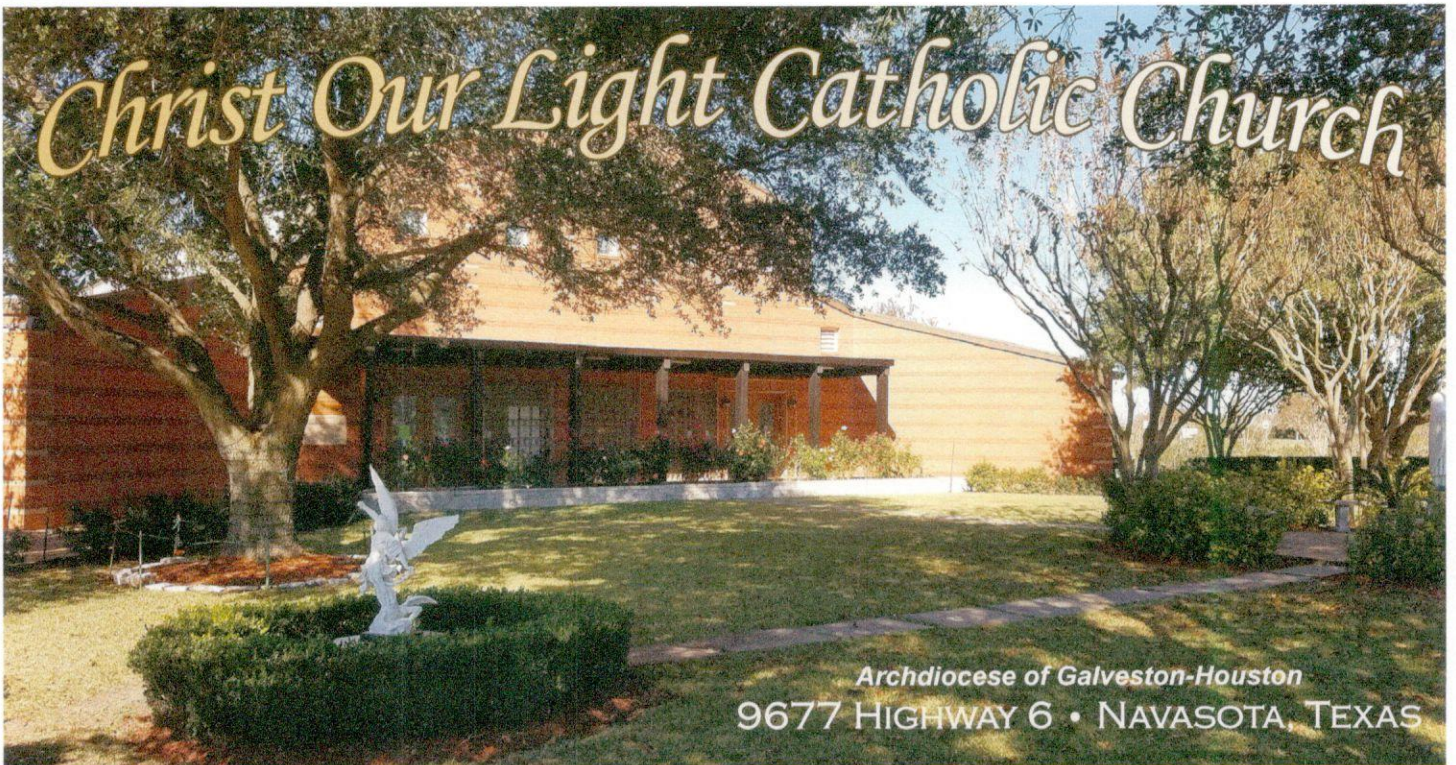


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Sunday: (Spanish) 1:00pm

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Thursday 6:00pm (Spanish)

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Wednesday & Friday: 8:10am

Saturday: 5:15pm

Sunday: 7:15am & 12:15pm

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October 17, 2021 - 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Christ Our Light Catholic Church • Navasota, Texas

October 16 & 17, 2021

Under the Patronage of St. Patrick and Our Lady of Guadalupe

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTION

MONDAY, OCTOBER 18

No Mass

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19

No Mass

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20

No Mass

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21

8:30 AM Shannon Hetmaniak †

6:00 PM* Rebeca Perales Gutierrez †

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22

8:30 AM Abandoned Souls in Purgatory

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23

6:00 PM Cecil Wilde †

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24

8:00 AM Victoria Nowak †

1:00 PM* People of the Parish

*Spanish

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

MONDAY, OCTOBER 18

6:00 PM Spanish Bible Class, Cry room, CH

6:00 PM Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible, SPH

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19

7:00 PM English Choir Practice, CH

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20

6:00 PM CCE, 1st-5th Grades, SPCC

6:00 PM RCIC, SPCC

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21

11:30 AM Finance Council Meeting, SPH

12:00 PM English, Legion Mary, Cry room CH

5:00 PM to 5:45 PM Confession, CH

7:00 PM Spanish Choir Practice, CH

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22

5:30 AM TMIY Men's Group, SPH

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23

11:30 AM English Baptism Class, CH

5:00 PM to 5:45 PM Confession, CH

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24

10:15 AM CCE 6-12th Grades

3:30 PM Spanish Baptism Class, CH

Christ Our Light Catholic Church



The Architecture of Guadalupe - Houston

The Church is open every day from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. for people to come stop by and Pray.

Words Worth Noting

The roots of education are bitter, but the fruit is sweet.
— Aristotle

E-Mail Addresses for the Parish

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Christ Our Light web-site: www.christourlight.org

BULLETIN DEADLINE TUESDAY 12:00 NOON

Announcements and or articles are to be submitted in writing to the Parish Office, or faxed to 825-7612 or e-mailed nelda@christourlight.org.

Events, meeting etc. for the Parish Calendar are to be submitted in writing to the Parish Office in advance.

AFTER MASS WEEKLY PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENTS

Deadline Tuesday, 12:00 Noon. Announcements are to be submitted in writing to the Parish Office. The Pastor reserves the right to pick and choose which announcements are made in this forum as there is a need to keep these to a minimum.

Todos los anuncios deben ser presentados por escrito en la oficina de la parroquia no mas tarde que los martes al mediodía. El Pastor decidirá si las noticias son de importancia para ser pronuncia das.

PARISH REGISTRATION

To our new parishioner, we welcome you to Christ Our Light Parish. Please register at the parish office or ask one of the Hospitality Ministers to help you. For parishioners moving out of the parish or changing your address or phone number, **please** notify the parish office, 825-3920.



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Sacrament of Baptism Schedule

English Baptism Class Schedule for 2021: 8:30 AM to 10:30 AM, & October 9th **PARTICIPANTS MUST REGISTER AT LEAST 1 WEEK PRIOR TO CLASS.** To register please contact Deacon Grant Holt at 936-825-6448 or Lucy Coronilla at 936-419-9296.

Spanish Baptism Class Schedule for 2021: 3:30 PM to 5:30 PM, October 24th. For Information, call Rosa Torres at 936-419-8974

ALL DOCUMENTS AND FORMS must be completed and turned in before Baptism Date. **SCHEDULED** Baptism will be celebrated once a month at 11:30 AM in English every 3rd Saturday and every 4th Saturday at 11:30 AM in Spanish following completion of the baptismal classes the prior month **and Fr. Eli has been informed in advance.** The Sacrament of Baptism is a communal celebration. Therefore, private baptisms are not celebrated here.



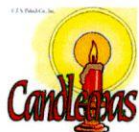
**PRAY for THE CONTINUING
RECOVERY OR COMFORT OF
the infirmed and homebound
members of our community.**

Sarafina Alo, Andrew Castillo, Jo Ann Clepper, Frank Crouch, Elizabeth Culmer, Herman Culmer, Eva Estrada, Liz Estrada, Lois Finke, Fabryna Hitchcock, Liz Johnson, Rachel Kammel, Mary Ann Knowles, Liz Kubricht, Glenda Lawrence, John Lawrence, Nancy Lopez, Ramon Mendez, Christian Mills, Leslie Mills, France Munoz, Delia Nunez, Anita Olguin, Leona Pasket, Cecelia Pearson, Angelina Peterson, Wallace Peterson, Irene Ramirez, Lucila Rivera, Zek Rueda, Rosalinda Salazar, Josh Sechelski, Sherrie Shiflett, Dana Sowell, Lydia Torres, Jessie Torres, Robert Mario Torres, Jessie Valadez, III, Crystal Winkler.

Call the parish office when a member of our community has a need to be remembered in prayer, 825-3920.

Also, if you have added a name to the prayer list, **please call to let us know when to remove the name from the list.**

Thank you.



New Memorial Candles

The new Candle Stands are electrical. Anyone wanting to light a candle may do so by pressing the red button and give an offering. The candle will burn for 12 hours. Memorial Candles burning for one year are \$150.00 each. Come by the parish office to schedule and pay your offering of \$150.00 for your Memorial candle.



**YOUR PARISH
SUPPORT
SU APOYO
PARROQUIAL**

TRESASURE YOU HAVE SHARED:

GIFTS FOR GOD — YOUR TITHE REPONDS

October 09 & 10, 2021

(76) Offertory Envelopes/Loose Checks, On Line Giving,	
Mail Ins, Drop Ins	4,128.00
Children Offering	30.00
Maintenance	1,127.00

Thank you thank you for Mailing, Bringing in, and On Line Giving your Offertory. Baskets will be passed during the Offertory. Baskets will also be passed when we have a II Collection.



The Altar Flowers this past Weekend were in Memory of France Langley and Virginia Carver. The Parish thanks Ann Clark.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

That we may change our attitude of wanting more to being grateful and sharing more generously.

In Our Prayers

We remember in prayer our friends and loved ones in active military duty, both in and out of harms way, in the service of their our country. Pray for peace in the world and for our leaders.

SSG Jorge Aguilar, Jr., Alexander Cortez, Jesus Cortez, Spec. SFC Antinia Franco, 1SG, Jason Malek, Antonio Magallon, Jose Rene Milan, Christopher Munoz, Javier Salinas, Shelby Seale, SSgt Allen Thane

**OUR HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS
FOR OCTOBER**

Intention for Evangelization — We pray that every baptized person may be engaged in evangelization, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavor of the Gospel



**P.E.R.A. (Perpetual Eucharistic
Reparative Adoration)**

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament has resumed on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. following the 8:30 AM Masses and will be reposed at 9:00 PM on Wednesdays and Friday and Thursdays at 5:45 PM before the 6:00 PM Spanish Mass.

The "Church and the world have a great need for Eucharistic worship. Jesus awaits us in this sacrament of love. Let us not refuse the time to go to meet him in adoration, in contemplation full of faith, and open to make amends for the serious offenses and crimes of the world. Let our adoration never cease."

Please call Mary Rangel @ 936-419-9024 to sign up for a time slot on Thursdays.

**THE CATHOLIC FAITH ON DEMAND
Web site is FORMED.ORG**

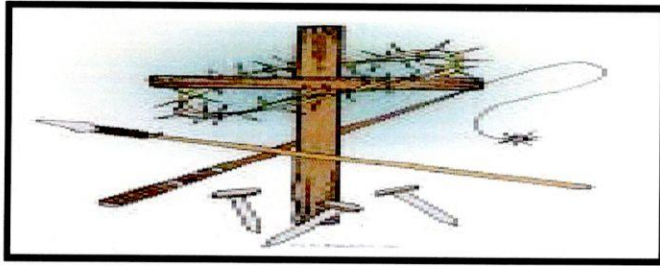
The Parish Code to access the website is
MVMZKF

Then register to create an account.

**There are 2 easy ways to connect to
FLOCKNOTE (pick one):**

NOTE: Do not use Mozilla Firefox browser.

1. Visit our church at: www.flocknote.com/christourlightchurch
2. Text SPOLG to 84576 from your phone to subscribe to updates.



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Through his suffering, my servant shall justify many.
—Isaiah 53:11b

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Every 1st weekend of the month (Saturday Vigil and Sunday Masses) blessing of all who have a birthday or Wedding Anniversary during the month.

MONTHLY REFRESHMENTS AFTER MASSES

Refreshment will be served after Masses the first Sunday of each month. The refreshments and service will be provided by the following:

Altar Society—January and July
Pastoral Council—February and October
Finance Council—March and September
R.E. Board—April and August
Stewardship—May and November
Choir—June and December

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time — “For the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for Many.”
Mark 10:45 If you held a mirror up to your life, would it reflect God’s love and mercy? If you are struggling with this, try changing your attitude from “I want more” to “thank you God for everything you have given me, I have enough to share”. This change in perspective will bring you joy through service to others. Pray daily to become less self-centered and to become more God Centered.

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REFLEXIONES DEL BOLETIN DE CORRESPONSABILIDAD

29º Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario — “El Hijo del Hombre no vino para que le sirvieran sino para servir y dar su vida para rescatarnos: **Marcos 10:45** Si sostuviera un espejo frente a su vida, ¿reflejaría el amor y la misericordia de Dios? Si está teniendo dificultades con eso, trate de cambiar su actitud de “quiero más” a gracias a Dios por todo lo que me has dado, tengo suficiente para compartir”. Este cambio en perspectivas le traerá alegría a través del servicio a los demás. Ore diariamente para ser menos egoísta y más centrado en Dios.

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ORACIÓN DE LOS FIELES

Que podamos cambiar nuestra actitud de querer más a ser mas agradecidos y a compartir más generosamente.

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October 17, 2021—Hearts & Songs, A Concert of Sisters, 2:00 PM, St. Stanislaus Parish Hall.

All Concerts are free of charge.
For more information, Contact Susan Russell
@ russellharp@outlook.com

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**Pray for
Vocations**

PLEASE PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

to the Priesthood and Religious Life especially in our

Archdiocese.

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MEMORIALIZING THE SANCTUARY CANDLE

If you are interested in memorializing the Sanctuary candle, in memory of, in personal reverence and petition or Special Intention for the week, stop by the parish office for more information.

ParishSOFT
Giving

SIGN UP NOW

Sign Up for Christ Our Light
Online Giving Now

Christ Our Light now accepts online giving. Parish Soft is our parish’s online giving program. Enroll at the link the below. It is secure and easy to use. You will be able to use Parish Soft for normal tithing and special collections throughout the year. Apps are available, so your cell phones/tablets can be used for online giving.

<https://giving.parishsoft.com/dl?uid=chri510191>

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II Collections in October

October 16th & 17th — DSF Shortfall of our
Assigned Goal

October 23rd & 24th — Propagation of the Faith

October 30th & 31st — Black Bag, Local St.
Vincent de Paul

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ACHIEVING SANCTITY — Let us throw ourselves into the ocean of God’s goodness, where every failing will be cancelled and anxiety turned into love.
—St. Paul of the Cross.

DIOCESAN SERVICES FUND 2021

DSF Goal \$25,000.00
Gifts Received \$14,751.00
54 Donors

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IGNITE

Ignite Parish Goal \$208,632.00
Gifts Amount Received \$69,733.00
38 Donors

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THE HUMANITY OF JESUS CHRIST

All three readings today support—each in its own way, of course—a reflection on the humanity of Jesus Christ and how that humanity played a key role in the drama of our salvation. Although not chosen specifically to coordinate with the other two readings, today's second reading does in fact carry forward the theme of Christ's humanity in a remarkable way. The author of the Letter to the Hebrews highlights the solidarity that exists between Jesus and us, precisely because in his human nature Jesus has known the same sufferings and testing that are our own experience. Because he can "sympathize with our weaknesses," we can "approach the throne of grace to receive mercy." For the author of Hebrews, the humanity of Jesus was an essential requirement for his redemptive death, as well as an invitation to us to find in Jesus someone with whom we can identify in our daily struggles.

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LA HUMANIDAD DE JESUCRISTO

Las tres lecturas de hoy apoyan —cada una a su manera, por supuesto— una reflexión sobre la humanidad de Jesucristo y la forma en que la humanidad tuvo un papel clave en el drama de nuestra salvación. Aunque no fue seleccionada específicamente para coordinar con las otras dos lecturas, la segunda lectura de hoy, de hecho, continúa el tema de la humanidad de Cristo de una manera notable. El autor de la Carta a los Hebreos pone de relieve la solidaridad que existe entre Jesús y nosotros, precisamente porque en su naturaleza humana Jesús ha conocido los mismos sufrimientos y las pruebas que son parte de nuestra experiencia. Debido a que puede "compadecerse de nuestros sufrimientos" podemos "acercarnos al trono de la gracia para recibir misericordia". Para el autor de Hebreos, la humanidad de Jesús era un requisito esencial para su muerte redentora, así como una invitación a que veamos en Jesús a alguien con el que podemos identificarnos en nuestras luchas diarias.

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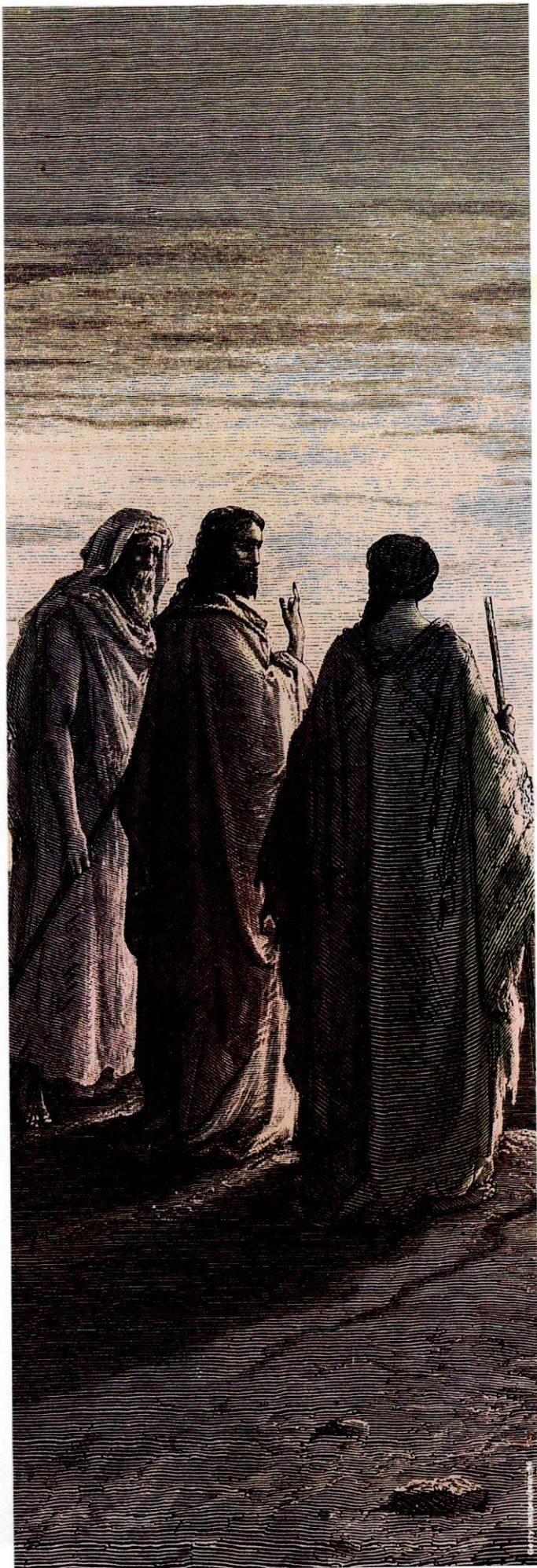
SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Luke
Tuesday: Ss. John de Brébeuf, Isaac Jogues, and Companions
Wednesday: St. Paul of the Cross
Friday: St. John Paul II
Saturday: St. John of Capistrano; Blessed Virgin Mary

Vigésimo Noveno Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

LOS SANTOS Y OTRAS CELEBRACIONES

Domingo: Vigésimo Noveno Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario
Lunes: San Lucas
Martes: San Juan de Brébeuf, San Isaac Jogues y compañeros
Miércoles: San Pablo de la Cruz
Viernes: Papa San Juan Pablo II
Sábado: San Juan de Capistrano; Santa María Virgen



October 17, 2021

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 53:10-11 | Heb 4:14-16 | Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-45

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

What do we do best? Some of us might be math whizzes, others can send a golf ball exactly where we intend. How do we get there? Practice, natural talent, and a good coach or teacher. Following Jesus, though, is another matter entirely. As today's readings remind us, we grow as Christians not by building ourselves up but by giving ourselves away. In Isaiah, we hear about the suffering servant who "did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many." That suffering servant is Jesus, who admonishes the Apostles as they jostle for position as his right-hand man. Ultimately, the greatest among them will be "a slave of all," Jesus reminds them. His words challenge us to put as much energy and prayer into finding ways to better serve others as we do other areas of our lives. We can look to Jesus, Mary, St. Joseph, and all the saints as role models.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

I bet most of us can think of a friend who seems like a natural "giver." He shovels the neighbor's walk without being asked. She sends flowers or a meal during a difficult time. Serving others can take so many forms, from a simple hug or phone call to volunteering at a soup kitchen. In today's readings, Jesus invites us to bear witness to his sacrifice through humble service. It may not come naturally for all of us all the time, but that's where God's grace and the Holy Spirit come in. We can ask for the strength, creativity, flexibility – whatever we may lack – to recognize the needs around us and respond. Before we know it, our generosity will overflow and encourage others as they, too, seek to grow in Christian service.

ACTION Watching the news or even scrolling through your social-media feed can be overwhelming at times. Instead of tuning out, find a small way to help – through prayer, a donation to a Catholic organization, or a phone call or card to a friend going through a difficult time.

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle B

Sunday, October 17, 2021



God speaks to us in many ways, including through the Sunday Scripture readings. The Sunday Connection provides useful background and activities to better understand the upcoming Sunday's Scripture readings, helping you to connect the Scripture to daily life in a meaningful way.

Background on the Gospel Reading

In this Sunday's Gospel, we continue to read from the section of Mark's Gospel that reports Jesus' journey to Jerusalem. Last Sunday we heard Jesus lament the particular challenges those with many possessions face in order to enter the Kingdom of God. Jesus then predicts his passion to the Twelve, who are amazed and afraid. In this part of Mark's Gospel, Jesus' words to his closest disciples seem to be intended to prepare them for the events that will occur in Jerusalem.

In today's Gospel, James and John ask to be given seats of honor when Jesus enters into his glory. Once again, the disciples seem to be selective in what they hear Jesus say. They want to share Jesus' glory, but do not appear to understand that his glory will be preceded by his suffering. Jesus notes their lack of understanding and predicts the suffering they will endure for the sake of the Gospel. Jesus says that the honor they seek is not his to give. When the other ten hear what James and John have asked, Mark reports that they are indignant. Jesus takes the opportunity to teach them.

Jesus explains the importance of service and sacrifice in the life of a disciple. In particular, he seems to be preparing the Twelve for their leadership roles in the emerging Christian community. Echoing the Gospel we heard several weeks ago (on the [25th Sunday in Ordinary Time](#), Mark 9:33-37), Jesus acknowledges that his teaching is countercultural. In today's Gospel, Jesus contrasts the dynamics within the community of disciples with those shown by the rulers of the Gentiles.

Following Jesus' example of sacrificial love continues to be countercultural in our day as well. We might take this opportunity to consider our models of authority and examine our own exercise of authority. On whose example do we model our leadership?

Graceful Generosity

Published to help you grow as a steward of God's grace.

**"Everything
comes from
You, and we
have given
You only what
comes from
Your hand."**

1 Chronicles 29:14

Over-Spending, Over-Saving, and Under-Giving Our Money

God has provided the members of this congregation with more than enough resources to carry out the Lord's Great Commission to make more and better disciples of Jesus Christ. Compared with most of the world we are rich!

So why are we often short of the finances we need for our church's mission and ministry? The answer is: because of three problems.

- † Some of us **Over-Spend**. We escalate luxuries into necessities. We don't "live within our harvest" (Persian proverb.) Living beyond our means is poor stewardship of God-given resources. It leads to financial disaster and many other resultant sins and problems. Overspending, often through credit cards, also limits our ability to share. Someone once said, "To become a person of means, one has to live within one's means."
- † Others of us **Over-Save**. We're so afraid of material insecurity that we hoard vast sums

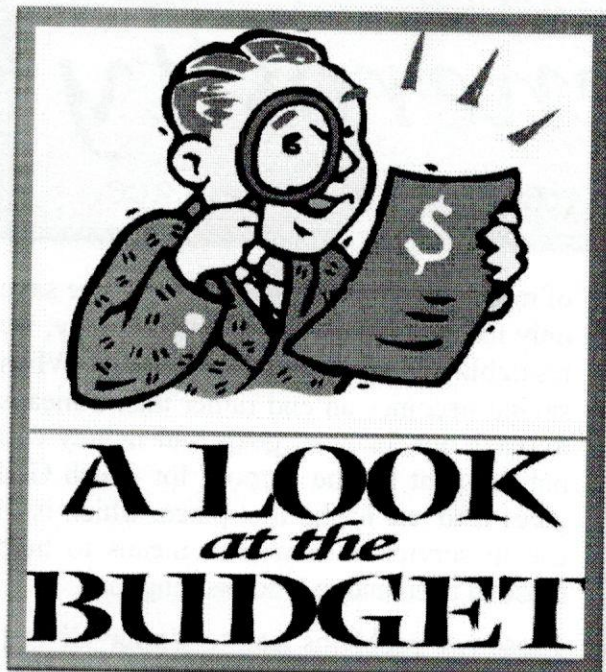
of money and hate to part with it. If we save only for the purpose of amassing money, we resemble the "Rich Fool" of Luke 12. When saving becomes an end rather than a means to reach our financial goals, our money will not be spent for the purpose for which God gives it to use in the first place, which is to use in service to him as a means to help those in need and extend his kingdom.

- † Those two problems lead to **Under-Giving**, and God's work languishes from lack of funds. It's a good thing God does not under-give. We are saved for all eternity because he "*loved the world so much that he gave his only Son . . .*" (John 3:16.) When we give money away, we break its power over us, meet the needs of others, and glorify God. We can be certain that we cannot be fulfilled unless we are giving of our time, talent, and treasure. We were designed by God to give as he gives, and he is more willing to give us what he can give through us.

God's Word addresses the problems of Over-Spending, Over-Saving and Under-Giving!

Over-Spending

- † "*In the house of the wise are stores of choice food and oil, but a foolish man devours all he has*" (Proverbs 21:20).
- † "*The rich rule over the poor, and the borrower is servant to the lender.*" (Proverbs 22:7)
- † "*Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal*" (Matthew 6:19).
- † "*Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; a man's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions*" (Luke 12:15).



Over-Saving

† *"But godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that. People who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge men into ruin and destruction.*

For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs" (1 Timothy 6:6-10).

† *"Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth . . ." (1 Timothy 6:17)*

Under-Giving

† *"'Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in My House. Test me in this,' says the Lord Almighty, 'and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough to contain it' "* (Malachi 3:10).

† Jesus said, *"Freely you have received, freely give" (Matthew 10:8).*

† *"But just as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in your love for us—see that you also excel in this grace of giving" (2 Corinthians 8:7).*

On the Lighter Side

After starting a new diet I altered my drive to work to avoid passing my favorite bakery. I accidentally drove by the bakery this morning and as I approached, there in the window were a host of goodies.

I felt this was no accident, so I prayed . . .

"Lord It's up to you, if you want me to have any of those delicious goodies, create a parking place for me directly in front of the bakery." And sure enough, on the eighth time around the block, there it was! God is so good!

Blessings on Your Stewardship Journey!

ONE SUNDAY FOR THE WHOLE WORLD

EVERY YEAR, SOMETHING SPECIAL HAPPENS on the next-to-last Sunday of October. **WORLD MISSION SUNDAY** joins all Catholics of the world into one community of faith. At Mass that Sunday, we recommit ourselves to our common vocation, through Baptism to be missionaries, *through prayer, participation in the Eucharist, and by giving generously to the collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.*

Pope Francis' message for World Mission Sunday this year reflects on the theme: **"We cannot but speak about what we have seen and heard"** (Acts 4:20). He reminds us that, "as Christians, we cannot keep the Lord to ourselves," as we "recall with gratitude all those men and women who by their testimony of life help us to renew our baptismal commitment to be generous and joyful apostles of the Gospel."

On World Mission Sunday, we join our Holy Father in supporting his missions. As we pray and respond here at home, we share in those celebrations taking place in every parish and school throughout the world. Together, through our prayers and financial support, we bring the Lord's mercy and concrete help to the most vulnerable communities in the Pope's missions.

In a world where so much divides us, World Mission Sunday rejoices in our unity as missionaries by our Baptism, as it offers each one of us an opportunity to support the life-giving presence of the Church among the poor and marginalized in more than 1,111 mission dioceses.

**WITH GRATEFUL HEARTS FOR
YOUR MISSION SOLIDARITY!**

UN DOMINGO PARA TODO EL MUNDO

TODOS LOS AÑOS SUCEDE ALGO ESPECIAL en el penúltimo domingo de octubre. **EL DOMINGO MUNDIAL DE LAS MISIONES** une a todos los católicos del mundo, en una sola comunidad de fe. En la misa de ese Domingo, nos comprometemos nuevamente con nuestra vocación común, mediante el bautizo, a ser misioneros *a través de la oración, participación en la Eucaristía y aportando generosamente* a la colecta para la Sociedad para la Propagación de la Fe.

El mensaje del Papa Francisco para el Domingo Mundial de las Misiones de este año reflexiona sobre el tema: **"No podemos dejar de hablar de lo que hemos visto y oído"** (Hechos 4:20). Nos recuerda que "como cristianos, no podemos guardarnos al Señor para nosotros", como "recordamos con gratitud a todos aquellos hombres y mujeres que con su testimonio de vida nos ayudan a renovar nuestro compromiso bautismal de ser apóstoles generosos y gozosos del Evangelio."

En el Domingo Mundial de las Misiones, nos unimos a nuestro Santo Padre para apoyar sus misiones. Al orar y responder aquí en casa, compartimos esas celebraciones que tienen lugar en todas las parroquias y escuelas de todo el mundo. Juntos, a través de nuestras oraciones y apoyo financiero, llevamos la misericordia del Señor y ayuda concreta a las comunidades más vulnerables en las misiones del Papa.


En un mundo donde tantas cosas nos dividen, el Domingo Mundial de las Misiones se regocija en nuestra unidad como misioneros por nuestro bautismo, ya que nos ofrece a cada uno de nosotros la oportunidad de apoyar la presencia vivificadora de la Iglesia entre los pobres y marginados en más de 1,111 diócesis misioneras.

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