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PARISH OFFICE HOURS Monday-Thursday

9:15am - noon & 1:00pm - 5:00pm Friday 9:15am - noon Other times by appointment

Website: www.christourlight.org

SUNDAY EUCHARIST

Saturday Vigil: 6:00pm Sunday: (English) 8:00am Sunday: (Spanish) 1:00pm

WEEKDAY EUCHARIST

First Saturday 9am Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 8:30am Tuesday 6:00pm (English) Thursday 6:00pm (Spanish)

ROSARY PRAYED IN COMMON

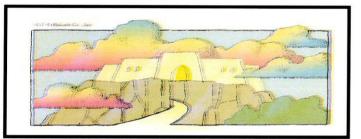
Tuesday & Thursday: 5:40pm Wednesday & Friday: 8:10am Saturday: 5:15pm Sunday: 7:15am & 12:15pm

RECONCILIATION/CONFESSION

Tuesday, Thursday and 2nd & 4th Saturdays 5:00-5:45pm and by appointment 936-825-3920

RECONCILIACION/CONFESIONES

Los Martes, jueves y el segundo y cuarto sábado a las 5:00-5:45pm y por cita 936-825-3920



BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

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



PLEASE PRAY FOR VOCA-TIONS

to the Priesthood and Religious Life especially in our

Archdiocese.

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.

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LA SOCIEDAD DE SAN VICENTE DE PAÙL CRISTO EL BUEN PASTOR NAVASOTA/ANDERSON

Somos una organización religiosa, sin ánimo de lucro, que presta servicios sociales a personas necesitadas. Nuestro numero de teléfono es 936-873-5002

Gracias por su continua generosidad, oraciones y apoyo a nuestros vecinos que necesitan ayuda.

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time August 28, 2022

You have approached Mount Zion and the city of the living God.

—Hebrews 12:22a

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:

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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

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time — "Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you." One of the main principles of living a stewardship lifestyle is to give without expecting anything in return. This is difficult for some to comprehend in our "consumerist" culture that we live in. This is even difficult for many parish communities that have become heavily dependent on parish fundraising events to support the mission and ministry of their local parish. Generally speaking, at a parish fundraiser, you pay money and receive something in return, it's just a financial transaction. This is opposed to our parish offertory at Holy Mass, where you unite your sacrifice with Jesus', renewing our covenant relationship with Him.

"REFLEXIONES DEL BOLETIN DE CORRESPONSA-BILIDAD.

<u>Domingo 22º del Tiempo Ordinario</u> —"Lo mejor es que cuando des un banquete, invies a los pobres, a los inválidos, a los cojos y a los ciegos. Así serás dichoso, pues ellos no tienen con qué recompensarte" Lucas 14:13-14 Uno de los principios más importantes de vivir un estilo de vida de corresponsabilidad es dar sin esperar nada a cambio. Para algunos es difícil comprender la cultura de "consumismo" en la que vivimos. Esto es aún más difícil para muchas comunidades parroquiales que se han vuelto en gran manera dependientes de los eventos de recaudación de fondos para apoyar las misiones y ministerios de su parroquia local. En términos generales, en una recaudación de fondos parroquiales, se paga dinero y se recibe algo a cambio, es solo una transacción financiera. Esto se opone a nuestro ofertorio parroquial en la Santa Misa, donde unimos nuestro sacrificio con el de Jesús, renovando nuestra relación de alianza con Él

THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CHRIST THE GOOD SHEPHERD NAVASOTA/ANDERSON

We are a non-profit, faith-based organization providing social services to people in need. We can be reached at 936-873-5002.

Thank you for your continued generosity, prayer, and support of our neighbors in need.

IGNITE

Ignite Parish Goal \$208,632.00 Gifts Amount Received \$79,138.82 39 Donors

2022 DIOCESAN SERVICE FUND

DSF Goal 26,200.00 Gifts Received Gifts Received \$18,317.00 53 Doner

A Church Bazaar meeting is scheduled for September 01, 08, 15 and 22, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at the Parish Hall. All Committee Chairpersons are encouraged to attend all meetings. You may invite any team members of your committee. If you are interested in participating as a volunteer, please contact Kathy Baldobino at mkbaldobino@ymail.com)please note on subject line: Church Bazaar Volunteer or contact by text or call 936-870-7294. Only one Mass on Sunday, September 25. It will be a Bilingual Mass at 9:00 AM.

UPCOMING FALL BIBLE STUDY

THE BOOKS OF JAMES, PEARLS for WISE LIVING. The Great Adventure. A Journey Through the Bible.

Monday, August 29 — November 07, 2022

6:00 PM — 8:00 PM in St. Patrick Hall, 510 Manley Street, Navasota, TX To register and reserve your study guide, please contact Helen Kimball, 832-771 -3001, or helen.kimball@outlook.com. The cost for the study guide, and one year of online access to the course videos is \$27.00. (Cash or check, no credit cards)

CCE NEWS: We are in need of CCE Aids and subs for the upcoming year. If you are willing to help, please contact Carolynn at the RE Office at 825-1869 or email to reboard@christourlight.org.

ST. MARY' CATHOLIC CHURCH

Homecoming & Country Bazaar Sunday, September 4, 2022 at 8227 CR 205 Plantersville, TX. The Church is located on FM 1774, 2 1/2 miles north of Hwy. 105 on CR 205. For more information, cal the parish office at 936-894-2223 or visit our website at www.smsj.org.

PRAYER OF THE WEEK — Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

God of might, giver of every good gift, put into our hearts the love of your name, so that, by deepening our sense of reverence, you may nurture in us what is good and, by your watchful care, keep safe what you have nurtured. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.





Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29 | Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a | Lk 14:1, 7-14

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

Pope St. John XXIII, one of the most influential figures of the 20th century, had a wonderful sense of humor. In stories recalled by Fr. Greg Friedman, OFM, Good Pope John would say, "God knew from all eternity I was going to be pope. Couldn't God have made me more handsome?" He also had a deep devotion to St. Joseph. In his writings, he talks about the humble and overlooked role that Joseph played in the life of Christ. He promoted an increased devotion to the humble, loyal saint who stayed quietly in the background and provided a home for Christ and his mother. St. Joseph is a model for the humility that our readings speak of today. Being humble doesn't mean being embarrassed or ashamed of the talents and abilities we have. It means acknowledging that these are gifts from God. God does not give us these gifts so we can place ourselves above others, as Jesus observed people doing at the home of the Pharisee. They are to be used to glorify God. By being humble, we "will be loved more than a giver of gifts ... and find favor with God."

GO EVANGELIZE

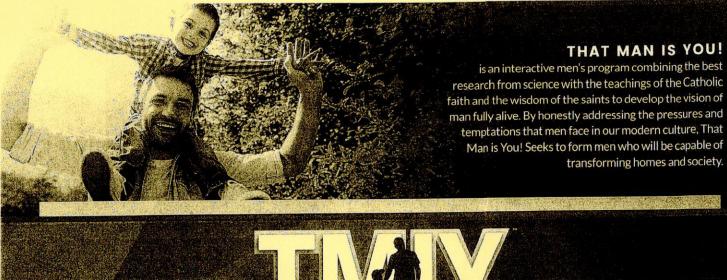
PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

I always remember what I was told in a volunteer training when preparing to serve hospice patients and their families: sit at eye level or lower when meeting with the patient or their family members. Being "at the same level" not only "lifted up" the patient but also brought the volunteer "down" to their level. This not only made listening easier and showed respect for the dignity of the patient; it also helped the volunteer see things from the patient's perspective. Jesus tells us in the Gospel today that being his disciples is not about elevating ourselves, but about lowering ourselves. He calls us to invite, welcome, and accept those who are least able to repay us. When we forget about ourselves and our place in the world and instead lift up others, he tells us we "will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

ACT One of the greatest acts of humility is to acknowledge when we are wrong, apologize, and ask forgiveness. Is there someone you can reconcile with by admitting you were wrong? Allowing God to forgive you in the sacrament of reconciliation will help you grow in humility.







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DCN. RICHARD GRANT

PROGRAM INFORMATION:

We meet FRIDAY mornings SEPT 9 thru DEC 9, 2022

at Christ Our Light Catholic Parish in the St. Patrick Hall at 510 Manley St., Navasota

SCHEDULE:

6:00am - Breakfast & fellowship

6:30am - Presentation

7:00am - Small Group Discussions

7:30am - Conclusion & Final Prayer

Note start date: SEPTEMBER 9th!

REGISTRATION:

For more information, or to register, please contact Mike Kimball at 281-923-8314 or C.H. Prihoda at 936-825-4525

Walk-ins welcome any Friday!

Sunday Connection



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.

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle C

Sunday, August 28, 2022

Gospel Reading Luke 14:1,7-14

When you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind.

Background on the Gospel Reading

Meals played an important role in the society in which Jesus lived. More than a time for sharing nourishment, they were a time to share ideas and to model different aspects of social relationships. In Luke's Gospel, the places that a person ate (at the home of a tax collector, 5:29), the people with whom a person ate (sinners, 5:30), whether a person washed before eating (11:38), and, as is the case here, the place that a person sits while eating are all important. The narrator says Jesus tells a parable, but it is really wise advice to both guests and hosts about finding true happiness at the heavenly banquet.

Jesus warns guests to wait before taking their places at the table lest they be asked to move if someone more important arrives. This is more than just a lesson about dinner etiquette. It is advice on how to find your true place in the Kingdom of God. Jesus advises hosts not to invite people who would be expected to repay them to dinner but to invite those who could not repay: the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. This is where real blessings can be found.

In these sayings, Luke gives us not only advice on how to approach the end times but also on how to live according to Jesus' vision of a good society. Luke's Gospel also advises us how the Church must be part of bringing about this society. It is yet another example in Luke's Gospel of the reversal the kingdom brings about.

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The Deceitfulness of Money

From beginning to end, the Bible emphasizes God's ownership of all things. "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth" (Genesis 1:1). God is the creator and owner of the universe. He has created us and owns us. Not only has he created us, he has also redeemed us from our sins. Because of whom God is and what God has done and continues to do, he deserves to be honored and glorified. Even though he is almighty God, he seeks a loving relationship with each one of us.

That relationship is greatly jeopardized by a common attitude toward money: greed. Wanting more money and possessions and holding on to them tightly can become such an obsession that life exists only for the purpose of acquiring more and more. In the Parable of the Sower, Jesus described the various kinds of people who respond to the Gospel. Jesus stated that some "seed fell among thorns, which grew up and choked the plants" (Matthew 13:7). He explained, "The one who received the seed that fell among the thorns is the man who hears the Word, but the worries of this life and the deceitfulness of wealth choke it, making it unfruitful" (Matthew 13:22).



Money and possessions can deceive us into believing that nothing is more important than to own things and to enjoy the things money can buy. Of all the things that Satan can use to separate us from our relationship with Jesus, money may be his most effective tool.

The fact that Jesus referred to money and possessions in more than 2,100 Bible verses indicates that he is very concerned about our attitudes toward and our relationships with money. Jesus spoke often about money and possessions because he knew the influence and power money can have over our lives. He was very interested in helping people understand that money can never provide us with real satisfaction in life. Richard Halverson wrote, "Jesus Christ said more about money than any other single thing because money is of first importance when it comes to a person's real nature. Money is an exact index to our true character. Throughout Scripture we find an intimate correlation between the development of a person's character and how he or she handles money."

"Give me five minutes with a person's checkbook, and I will tell you where his heart is."

Billy Graham

The Joy of Contentment

In contrast to materialism, contentment is a state of mind that does not desire more than what one has. A contented person is satisfied with what he has. The goal of a Christian is to be content regardless of his financial condition. Discontentment is a spiritual problem. It affects rich and poor and everyone in between. Discontentment can eat away at our souls and rob us of the joy the Lord wants us to have in Christ. A contented person sees the world from

a different perspective than a materialistic person views it.

In the "have it now and enjoy life" society in which we live, contentment is no longer a goal. In this culture, the goal in life is self-gratification. Our society strives after material things that provide temporary happiness. Comfort is more of a goal than is contentment. Unfortunately, when all we care about is ourselves, we are never satisfied, because we keep telling ourselves we need and deserve more. We convince ourselves we should have more cars, bigger houses, better clothes, a classier neighborhood, a higher salary.

The writer of Hebrews wrote, "Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because God has said, 'Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you' " (Hebrews 13:5). If we love money and the things of this world, we will never be content. Money and possessions can't buy contentment. Only in Christ can we find lasting contentment. The Apostle Paul's contentment came from knowing and trusting in Jesus. "I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. I can do everything through him who gives me strength" (Philippians 4:12-13).

Paul had learned the secret of contentment. Paul was in prison when he wrote those words in Philippians, and he had been at the point of death several times. If anyone could have said he was in need or want, it was Paul. In fact, Paul's message on contentment should make many of us uncomfortable.

How could our circumstances be as bleak as his? We know that Paul suffered from a physical problem, was stoned, beaten, and went without food. Yet he gave God thanks for everything. He was content whether he had abundance or nothing. Because Paul was content regardless of his circumstances, he is a magnificent example of contentment. Through Paul, we see that, when we depend on Christ for everything, we can accept any situation here on earth, knowing that God won't abandon us.



What was Paul's secret? How did he find contentment in all those circumstances? His contentment came from Christ Jesus himself. He found contentment in the fact that he was forgiven all of his sins and sinful behavior. He was assured that Christ was with him constantly. He knew that God was always there to see him through and that God would never give him more than he could handle. He knew that Christ Jesus died on the cross for him to give him life every day on earth and eternal life in heaven. He knew that Christ would rescue him from every trouble and sustain him in every trial along the way. He experienced Christ's promise, "My grace is sufficient for you!" (2 Corinthians 12:9).

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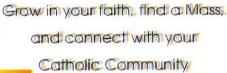
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