## Website:www.holycrossaustin.org Email: holycross@holycrossaustin.org October 16, 2022 ~ HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH AUSTIN, TX. TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**INVEST JUST FIVE MINUTES A DAY.** AND YOUR FAITH WILL DEEPEN AND GROW, A DAY AT A TIME.

#### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2022 TWENTY-**NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME;** YES, THERE'S A DAY FOR THAT

Mealtime arrives three times daily. Most of us are glad to sit down and dig in. Yet for 800 million people worldwide, there isn't enough to eat. Nearly 40 percent of the world community can only afford nutrient-poor diets. The medical costs associated with unhealthy diets will soon exceed \$1.3 trillion annually. The problem isn't growing enough food. Fourteen percent of each harvest is lost to bad handling, storage, and transit methods. Another 17 percent is lost at the consumer end; it simply goes bad or gets thrown away. World hunger is solvable. Find out more at World Food Day.

TODAY'S READINGS: Exodus 17:8-13; 2 Timothy 3:14-4:2; Luke 18:1-8 (147). "Proclaim the word . . . convince, reprimand, encourage through all patience and teaching.

**OCTOBER** MONDAY, 17, MEMORIAL OF IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH, BISHOP, MARTYR FOLLOW THE LEAD OF THOSE IN NEED: The United Nations, which declared today Poverty Eradication Day, proposed that the world work to "build forward," which "means not only that no one is left behind, but that people living in poverty are actively encouraged and supported to be in the front." The Catholic Church has a very similar teaching called the "preferential option for the poor." The Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches that "those who are oppressed by poverty are the object of a preferential love on the part of the Church which, since her origin and in spite of the failings of many of her members, has not ceased to work for their relief, defense, and liberation through numerous works of charity which remain indispensable always and everywhere." Do your part to create a society where the needs of the poor are always considered first.

TODAY'S READINGS: Ephesians 2:1-10; Luke 12:13-21 (473). "Thus will it be for the one who stores up treasure for himself but is not rich in what matters to God.'

#### **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2022 FEAST OF LUKE, EVANGELIST**

PAGING DR. LUKE: Thanks to scripture scholarship, we know that Saint Luke authored not only the Gospel of Luke, but also the Acts of the Apostles. Thanks to Saint Paul, and later Saint Jerome, we likewise know that Luke was a physician. Little wonder, then, that Luke's description of Jesus' life contains more accounts of physical healing than the other New Testament books. Luke's writing is famous for honoring the full humanity of everyone

Jesus encountered. How can you be a person who does the same? TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Timothy 4:10-17b; Luke 10:1-9 (661). "Say to them, 'The Kingdom of God is at hand for you."

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2022: MEMORIAL OF JOHN DE BRÉBEUF AND ISAAC JOGUES, JESUIT PRIESTS, AND COMPANIONS, MARTYRS **HEALING PAST WRONGS IS A** 

MISSION OF LOVE: Today the church celebrates the feast of the North American Martyrs, a group of eight French Jesuit missionaries killed in the 17th century by members of the Mohawk people in Canada. One of the best-known martyrs is Saint Isaac Jogues, who after originally being ransomed by Dutch colonists—including a Protestant pastor-in 1642, was one of two Jesuits who returned to the Mohawk region in an (unsuccessful) attempt to broker peace. As relations between the church hierarchy and First Nations people remain fraught, and following Pope Francis' recent visit to Canada to apologize for injustices at the hands of Catholics, may the saints we remember today inspire us to serve without prejudice or fear.

**TODAY'S READINGS** Ephesians 3:2-12: Luke 12:39-48 (475). "God indeed is my savior; I am confident and unafraid. My strength and my courage is the LORD, and he has been my savior "

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2022 MEMORIAL OF PAUL OF THE CROSS, PRIEST, FOUNDER WE ALL

STRUGGLE AT TIMES: Saint Paul of the Cross became the founder of the Passionists, a worldwide religious community. In his day (the 1700s) he was a famous preacher who drew large crowds. But as a young man still considering his path in life, he was beset with doubts: "The very sound of the church bells became hateful to me," he wrote about this period. His life reminds us that confusion and doubt have long affected the faithful. If you've experienced this kind of anguish, you are not alone. "Lord, I believe. Help my unbelief," (Mark 9:23) is a prayer many turn to.

TODAY'S READINGS Ephesians 3:14-21; Luke 12:49-53 (476). "I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing!"

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2022 RIGHT

**RELATIONSHIP:** Following Jesus the Christ means living in right relationship—with others, with the Earth and all God's creatures, and perhaps most important, with your own self. The backbone of right relationships is love. Such love, Saint Thomas Aquinas says, is "willing the good of the other." For Catholics, this idea of right

relationship has two key components. First, it means upholding the dignity of all persons, especially when we encounter differences and conflict. Second, it means working for justice. Justice is something we can practice daily in our choices of how we live and how we treat others. It also means being aware of and active in transforming unjust structures and institutions. What helps you nurture right relationships?

TODAY'S READINGS: Ephesians 4:1-6; Luke 12:54-59 (477). "Why do you not judge for yourselves what is right?"

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2022 MEMORIAL OF JOHN PAUL II, POPE,

LOSS LEADS TO LIFE Pope Saint John Paul II, canonized in 2014, was revered for his many accomplishments during his long pontificate. What is less well known about the beloved pontiff is that he experienced tremendous loss early in life. The future pope lost his mother when he was only 9, his eldest brother when he was 12, and his father when he was just 21. Perhaps this is why Saint John Paul II made the "culture of life" a focus on his pontificate: the "church counters the culture of death with the culture of life," he said as he advocated for all life issues, in statements such as this: "May the death penalty, an unworthy punishment still used in some countries, be abolished throughout the world." Let loss lead to life. TODAY'S READINGS: Ephesians 4:7-16; Luke 13:1-9 (478). "Sir, leave it for this year also, and

I shall cultivate the ground around it and fertilize it; it may bear fruit in the future."

## Next Sunday

Sunday, Oct. 23, 2022

Share some good news. THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

TODAY'S READINGS: Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18; 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18; Luke 18:9-14 (150). "The Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the proclamation might be completed."

Oct. 15-16, 29th Sunday in Ordinary In today's readings we are encouraged to persevere in prayer - not because God needs our prayer, but because we do! In prayer we recognize our dependence upon God and that God brings us into relationship with each other. Prayer draws us out of ourselves and helps us to be mindful of the needs of others. For whom do we need to pray today? Who is the brother or sister of the Lord whose needs are hidden from us? On this Mission Sunday, we can pray especially for the Church's missionary work, especially among the poor and forgotten.

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## **MASS INTENTIONS** SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16, 8:00AM

Healing Graces for Gene Sistrunk

Happy Birthday Blessings for Gregory Brooks Jr. and Alice Javey Linton requested by Jenifer Brooks.

45th Wedding Anniversary for Bernie and Vanessa Little.

#### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16. 10:00AM

For the repose of the soul of Frances Brown requested by Brent Brown

Happy Birthday in Heaven to Mrs. Ella Collins. Rest in peace. Requested by Ron & Carolyn Collins Family.

For the repose of the souls of the Deceased members of Assiongbon Family requested by Jeanette Assiongbon.

Happy Birthday Blessings to our prayer warrior, Dr. Lawrence Baye from Nweke and Raney Families.

#### **CALENDAR OF WEEKLY EVENTS**

**SUNDAY MASS** 

8:00AM - 10:00AM

IGBO - 1:30PM (Last Sunday of Month)

**FAMILY ROSARY ZOOM** SUNDAY - 8:30PM

12:00 Noon Mass, Tuesday - Friday

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MSP	\$0.00
MSP (E-GIVE)	\$55.05
HOLIDAY TICKETS	\$200.00
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CCD/RE	\$70.00
ALL SAINTS	\$55.00
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#### Today is

The Twenty-Eight Sunday in Ordinary Time Found in our gray hardback, "Word of The Lord", Lectionary, Year C, page 604

## PRAY FOR THE SICK

Ella Adams Charles Olivier Mary Anthony Ella Pease Bernadette Phifer Troy Anthony Evelyn Battle Betty Ridley Tina Frank Mary Sobers Mildred Carter Mary Waters Moffet Waters Jim Castro Pearl Cox Marion Welch B.J. Dukes Dr. Joe Ouander Jude Ekpe Monica Godsey Gloria Harris Jonathan Bryan Lester Johnson Naomi White Vonnve Rice-Gardner Jerry Wallace Mr. Lima Galega Jackie Wallace

## NATIONAL BLACK CATHOLIC **MEN'S CONFERENCE**

Several Holy Cross men are attending the National Black Catholic Men's Conference in Indianapolis, IN and they are requesting your prayers for a safe and productive Conference as they bring back their experience to be shared with all men.

## **HOLY CROSS WOMEN'S MINISTRY**

All Holy Cross Women are invited to attend the upcoming Prayer Breakfast on Saturday, October 22, 2022 from 9:00am - 10:30am in the Family Life Center. The theme is "Mary Our Mother" RSVPs will be collected via email and sign up sheets. The last day to RSVP is October 16, 2022.

#### **MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST**

Men of Holy Cross, this is an invitation for you to attend the next Men's Prayer Breakfast on Saturday, October 29, 2022 -9am to 10:30am in the Family Life Center. If you plan to attend, please sign the Men's Prayer Breakfast sign-up sheet in the Family Life Center or advise the Men's Ministry Co-Chairs, Johnnie Dorsey or Sam King.



Early voting for the November 8 election begins October 24 and runs through November 4, 2022. Please ensure that you exercise the precious right to vote and also encourage others to vote. You will need an ID to vote.

## **CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL**

The weekend of October 29-30, 2022 is Services Appeal (CSA) Catholic Commitment Weekend, during which you can support the more than 100 ministries and programs of the Diocese of Austin. This year's CSA theme, "This is My Body...This is My Blood", tells us that we all become one through the Eucharist, which leads us to serving our brothers and sisters in need. Please prayerfully consider making a gift that will impact the lives of thousands throughout Central through your abundant generosity.

Registered parishioners should have already received their CSA packet in the mail from the Diocese of Austin. To learn more and make your gift today, visit austindiocese.org/csa/give. If you have any questions about the CSA, please contact Lena Brown-Owens (via text at 512-789-2203 email

at labrowno@austin.rr.com).

## WHO NEEDS TO BE EIM **COMPLIANT?**

Individuals who serve in any ministry, programs, or organization that provides services to or at which minors, elderly adults, or adults with disabilities may be present.

# **Family Life Center Now Available for Renting**

For all your events like:

**Wedding Party Birthday Party Graduation Party** Wakes **Coporate Events Ministry Events** Meetings **ETC** 

