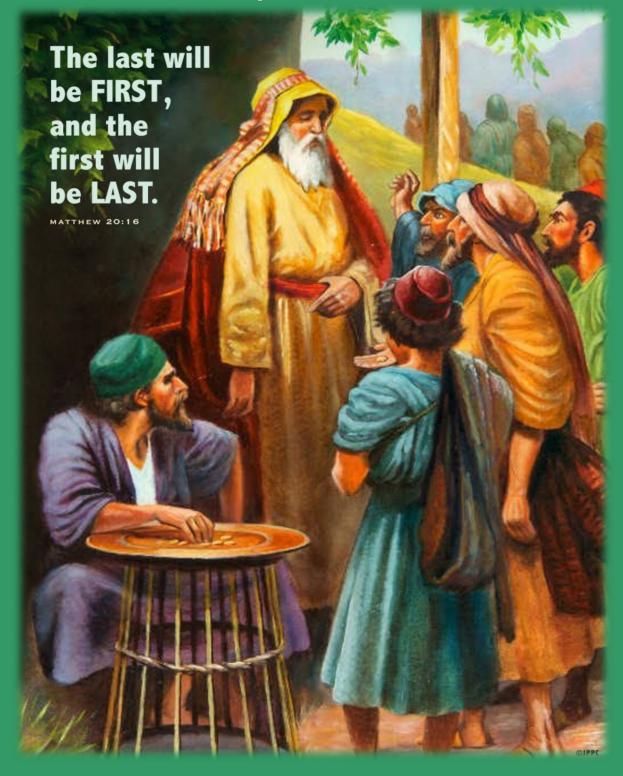
Saint Andrew

Roman Catholic Church

September 24, 2023



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Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm Sunday: 7:30, 9:00 & 10:30am Monday-Friday 7:30am

Holy Days

Vigil 4:00pm 7:30am & 6:00pm

Confession

Saturday: 2:30pm-3:30pm Those wishing to receive the sacrament should be here no later than 3:00pm

First Friday

7:30am Mass followed by confessions

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Pastor

Reverend John Barrow

Office Hours:

Sunday-Friday 9am-12Noon Saturday 2-4pm



DRE: Mrs. Donna Hernandez 772-781-4415 Ext. 214



Divine Mercy Chaplet



on Mondays and in the church the rest of the week. We pray for our Country, our Priests and for the Sanctity of Life.



Sept.	23	Sat.	4:00pm	Norah Bruther+
Sept.	24	Sun.	7:30am	Filo Family
Sept.	24	Sun.	9:00pm	Richard Malone+
Sept.	24	Sun.	10:30am	Kaleda Family+
Sept.	25	Mon.	7:30am	Stampinato Family
Sept.	26	Tues.	7:30am	John Frock+
Sept.	27	Wed.	7:30am	Mekulsia Family+
Sept.	28	Thurs.	7:30am	Michaelian Family
Sept.	29	Fri.	7:30am	John Mc Carthy+
Sept.	30	Sat.	4:00pm	Rita Zablocki+
Oct.	1	Sun.	7:30am	Zobie Family
Oct.	1	Sun.	9:00pm	Kitty Miller+
Oct.	1	Sun.	10:30am	Souls in Purgatory

EXTRA HOLY HOURS IN THE ADORATION CHAPEL

Adoration is now open on Tuesdays & Wednesdays from 4:00 until 8:00pm.



Eucharistic Adoration

In the Chapel M-F 8:00am –12:00noon Tues & Wed. 4pm-8pm

An Hour of Paradise

The object of Eucharistic adoration is the Divine Person of our Lord Jesus Christ present in the most Blessed Sacrament. He is living there. He wants us to speak to Him,

and He will speak to us. This conversation between the soul and our Lord is true Eucharistic adoration.

Look upon the hour of adoration assigned to you as an hour in Paradise. Go to your adoration as one would go to Heaven, to the divine banquet. You will then long for that hour and hail it with Joy. Take delight in fostering a longing for it in your heart. Tell yourself, "In four hours, in two hours, in one hour, our Lord will give me an audience of grace and love. He has invited me; He is waiting for me; He is longing for me."

When an hour is particularly difficult, rejoice all the more; your love will be greater for its suffering more. It is a privileged hour that will count for two....GO TO OUR LORD JUST AS YOUR

ARE. Be natural in your meditation... You can be sure our Lord wants your heart and not that of someone else.

May you come and spend time with the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

Parish Ministry

Please call office for all Parish Ministries

Adult Education (OCIA)

Deacon Andre & Lisa Boucher Thursday 6:30pm-8:00pm

Lectors

Christine Michaelian

Adoration

M - F 8:00am - 12:00pm Tues & Wed. 4pm - 8pm Susanna Page

Servants of the Eucharist & Care of the Sick

Kathleen Sullivan

Annulments John Ginnetti

Bible Study

Tuesday 10:00am Melanie Gallagher Tuesday 6:30pm Bob Greeson

Ignatian Spirituality Prayer Group Gerri Murray

Disciples of Prayer

Camille Lascari qtcatccl@gmail.com &

Bob Greeson cobra12220@aol.com

Parish Website

saintandrewcatholic.org Webmaster: Michael Brennan

Community Outreach APOSTLES OF JOHN PAUL II

Please call for an appointment 772-291-0002

Rosary Maker Ministry

Kathleen Sullivan Wednesday 10:00am

Ushers

Jane Engelbrecht

Pray the Latin Mass Jim Reynolds

Men of Saint Joseph Dave Olio 772-919-2555

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Nancee Jon & Elaine Wach 1st Wednesday of month at 10am Classroom A

Religious Education

Grade:1,2,3,4,5 Sunday 9:00-10:15am Grade:6,7,8,9 Wednesday 6:30-8:00pm

September & October Schedule

Sept. 24 CCD Priesthood Sunday Sun.

Wed. Sept. 27 **CCD** Grade: 6,7,8,9

Sun. Oct. 1 **CCD** Grade: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

Wed. Oct. 4 CCD Grade: 6,7,8,9



First Responders, Paramedics, and Safety Personnel who continue to keep our communities safe.

> The Most Reverend Gerald M. Barbarito, Bishop of the Diocese of Palm Beach, will be the celebrant of this special Mass in honor of your service to our community.

Friday, September 29, 2023 8:30 a.m. Cathedral of St. Ignatius Loyola 9999 North Military Trail Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410



A Catholic Men's Retreat is an extended time you can spend with God.

ATTENTION Men of St. Andrew parish.

Consider joining fellow male parishioners at this year's Our Lady of Florida Spiritual Center men's weekend retreat. The dates for St. Andrew's Parish this year is Oct 6-8. In response to loss of faith in today's culture, this year's retreat theme is "Go Deeper and Cast Your Nets". Location is at 1300 US Hwy 1 in North Palm Beach. For details, call the retreat house at 561 626-1300. Usual offering for standard weekend retreat is \$250.

Do Not Be Afraid

"Do not be afraid; just have faith" (Mark 5:36). These four words, "Do not be afraid," are spoken countless times throughout the Scripture. We should pay attention to them. Fear can paralyze us and lead us into many forms of foolish thinking and acting. The person who acts out of fear truly acts like a fool. That may seem harsh at first, but it's not if you understand what it means. It simply means that a person acting out of fear cannot act rationally. Fear does great damage to a person's ability to stay calm, remain focused and think clearly. That's why the Scriptures speak so directly regarding this important spiritual point. Fear must give way to faith and trust in God (See *Diary* #626-627).

What is it that causes you the most anxiety, worry and fear? It's a struggle we all deal with. There is no shame in admitting it. So what is it? Identify that which overwhelms you the most and you will identify that which God wants you to surrender in trust the most. Go to the heart of the struggle. Sincerely place that worry and fear into the Hands of God and trust. Trust that God is All-Powerful and capable of handling every situation. He may not change things the way you think they should be changed, but He will lift your burden and enable you to move forward without the fear that can easily paralyze and confuse you. Do not let fear dominate your life. Trust in God and let that trust transform you.

Jesus, I do want to trust You and to entrust all my many burdens to You. I especially turn to You with (pause and state that which causes the most fear and anxiety). Please enter into this burden and lift it by Your gentle hand, replacing it with peace and great inner calm. Jesus, I trust in You, https://divinemercv.life/2023/05/08/ reflection-129-do-not-be-afraid/

St. Andrew Catholic Church Rosary Maker's Ministry

Please join us to learn how to make rosaries. We provide all supplies needed and will show you how easy it is to make a beautiful rosary. We meet in Classroom C at 10am on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month. Hablamos Español Questions: Call the Office 772-781-4415 Please come & take a look



"No prayer is more meritorious for the soul and more glorious for Jesus and Mary than a well recited Rosary." - Saint Louis de Montfort

Q. Why People go to Purgatory

Q. What would be a reason for me to get into purgatory?

A. Let's start with the painful truth. The only way to enter into the full glory and splendor of the Beatific Vision, thus seeing God face-to-face and being in perfect communion with Him, is to be forgiven of every sin AND to be purified of every attachment to sin. This is a glorious invitation and a demanding endeavor!

Purgation of all sin and all attachment to sin is not an option. Only when we are perfect in every way will we be ready to enter into what the saints have called "Divine Union" or "Mystical Marriage." Think of it this way: If you are attached to sin in your life, even the smallest imperfection, that attachment cannot enter into the presence of God. God is all holy and pure love. God wants you to be in union with Him, but He will not accept your sinful attachments.

The first step is forgiveness, but that's the easy part. God, in His mercy, will forgive us of our sins if we are sorry and ask for forgiveness. The second step is to become completely detached from all remnants of sin. For example, if you have a habit of being critical of others in your speech and you confess this, then you can be assured you are forgiven of all past sins of being critical. But forgiveness does not mean you have been purified of the "attachment" you have to that sin. In this case, an attachment to the sin of being critical is the disordered tendency to find fault with others. An attachment is different from a temptation. An attachment is a habit you voluntarily formed.

Purgation is the process of breaking every sinful habit you have and detaching from all habitual sins and even imperfections so that you can be attached to God and His holy will alone. But how on Earth do you do this? In the end, you don't do it by yourself. Instead, you allow God to come into your soul and purify it of all sinful habits and attachments. And that will hurt! But it will be a purifying hurt that will be freeing.

Purgatory refers to the purification process of all attachments we still have when we die. Ideally, we would go through the process of purification here on Earth, before death, so as to enjoy Divine Union here and now. But when we do not complete the process here on Earth, Purgatory will complete this process after death.

If that sounds gloomy, it's not. It's beautiful when understood and embraced. For more on this, you might be interested in the following book on this site: <u>The Mystical Journey to Divine Union: Spiritual Wisdom from Saint John of the Cross.</u> https://mycatholic.life/catholic-question-and-answer/q-what-would-be-a-reason-for-me-to-get-into-purgatory/

Weekly Announcements





The Candles at the Shrine of Our Lady of Perpetual Help are for

Slatter & Trotto Families





The Candle burning during Adoration in the Chapel of the Two Hearts is for

Bob Thomas

Please join us by praying the Joyful, Sorrowful & Glorious Mysteries of the Holy Rosary every Saturday at 6:30pm on the walkway by the Statue of the Holy Family.

Please bring a folding chair if you wish to be seated.



Desiring the Fullness of Grace for All

"When it was evening the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Summon the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and ending with the first.' When those who had started about five o'clock came, each received the usual daily wage. So when the first came, they thought that they would receive more, but each of them also got the usual wage." Matthew 20:8–10

Is life always fair? It would seem not. We have all experienced situations in life when we felt as though we were cheated. Children are especially sensitive to this and will often complain to a parent when they feel as though they have been treated unjustly. From an earthly perspective, it is true that life is not always fair. But we ought not live by an earthly perspective. We are called to live according to the divine perspective. From

that perspective, everything is fair in the end, and true justice is meted out to everyone.

When we consider the question of whether or not life is fair, we should always begin with the Son of God. Jesus was certainly not treated fairly. In fact, it is hard to conclude that anyone who has ever lived received a more unjust treatment than Jesus, at least from an earthly perspective. He was perfect in every way. He treated everyone throughout His life with perfect virtue. He never lied, cheated.

stole, etc. Yet we all know what happened to Him. He was falsely accused, dishonestly judged, brutally abused, and murdered on a cross. From an earthly perspective, it is clear that this was not fair.

Jesus' life, along with ours, must not be evaluated from the perspective of earthly justice. It's not that treating others unjustly is permissible by the will of God. Each of us has a moral responsibility to act in justice as a minimum requirement. But we are also called to exceed earthly justice and live by the new standard of supernatural grace. From that perspective, Jesus' suffering and death was not tragic; it was glorious. His Cross was not an instrument of injustice, it was His throne upon which He established His new Kingdom. Once grace enters the picture, all apparent injustice is turned upside down and must be looked at from a different perspective.

The parable we read today presents to us the scenario in which God has chosen to bestow His grace and mercy in abundance to all who turn to Him. We can never earn the right to His mercy. Nothing we can do will ever give us the right to the gift of eternal salvation. Therefore, this parable especially challenges us to look at Heaven and the life of grace on earth from the perspective of "gift." All is a gift from God. Whether

we convert at the end of our lives, after living sinful lives, or whether we have spent our whole lives serving the will of God, all is a gift in the end, all is grace.

Only when we comprehend God's goodness and infinite generosity will we be able to overcome our temptations toward jealousy and selfishness. Those who have dedicated their entire lives to the love of God, if it is a genuine love and service of God, will, as a result, take on the perspective of the mind and heart of God. Part of that perspective is the burning desire to generously bestow God's infinite grace and mercy upon everyone who turns to Him. Even the most hardened sinner who has been the source of much hurt in life is a candidate for the fullness of God's grace if they repent. This must be our desire. We must be like the landowner in this parable who rejoices when laborers show up in the last hour and then lavishes a full day's wages upon them. Not only is this fair from the divine perspective, it must become our personal desire as we labor through

life.

Reflect, today, upon how deeply you desire to see those who have not yet given their lives to God to come to Him and receive the fullness of grace. Look at them within the context of this parable. Examine how you feel about those laborers who have not yet begun their service of God. Examine, also, your feelings toward those who seem undeserving of the fullness of God's grace.

If you find that you have jealousy, or judge others from the perspective of earthly justice, work to eliminate that perspective so that your heart's deepest desire is to see God bestow the fullness of mercy upon everyone in this world when they turn to Him with a contrite heart.

Most merciful Lord, You are generous beyond comprehension. You bestow mercy upon those who turn to You from their sin and seek to serve Your holy will. May I be among those who labor in Your vineyard, and may I also be among those who desire to see everyone accept the invitation to receive the fullness of Your grace.

Jesus, I trust in You. https://mycatholic.life/books/catholic-daily-reflections-series-two/ordinary-time-week-18-34-series-two/twenty-fifth-week-in-ordinary-time/#Sun-A

Learn Latin"Pray the Latin Mass"

Please contact the Parish office & leave a message for Jim Reynolds.

