Guardian Angel Catholic Church

Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston

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Grotto Open: 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

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WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE
Saturday Mass: 6:30 pm
Sunday Masses: 9:30 am
11:00 am

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE
Wednesday Mass: 1st & 3rd 9:00 am
2nd & 4th 11:00 am
Friday Masss: 9:00 am

Eucharistic Adoration: Following Friday 9:00 am Mass until 10:30 am

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION:

Baptism: Please pick up guidelines & form in the Parish Office.

Marriage: Contact pastor at least six months prior to the wedding.

Confession: Friday 9:30 am during Eucharistic Holy Hour.
Saturday 6:15 pm or by Appointment

Weekly Mass Schedule

Sat,, Oct 9 6:30 pm Mary Ann Vacek+ (D & R Solarczk)

Sun, Oct 10 9:30 am Marek & Hluchan Families+ (Alvin & Ann Marek)

11:00 am Charles Tuminello+ (Family)

Mon, Oct.11 & Tues., Oct. 12 - No Mass

Wed, Oct 13 11 am Robert Kerr+ (Clarence & Sharon Venables)

Thurs, Oct 14 - No Mass

Fri., Oct 15 9:00 am Cecil Verm+ (Virginia Verm)

Sat,, Oct 16 6:30 pm Watthuber & Pechanec Families+ (Family)

Sun, Oct 17 7:30 am Parish Family

9:30 am George Bohacek, Jr.+ (Vernon & Kellye Bohacek)

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SANCTUARY LITE: In Celebration of 17 Years of Marriage for David & Erin Kulhanek

KEEP THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS
THOSE at HOME, in SENIOR SERVICES, NURSING HOMES & ASSISTED LIVING

Consuelo Aguilar, Lupe Aguilar, Thomas Aguilar, Jr, Viviano Aguilar, Lupe Alvarado, Ruben Alvarado, Julie Andersen, Mikah Applin, Allan Areys, Leslie Argueta, Mary Arredondo, Gus Arteaga, Caleb Avila, Anna Sorenson Baldwin, Orion Baldwin, Harold Barber,Roddy Barr, Charlie Barta, Lorna Berger, Maddie Bexley, Dr. Michael Bishop, Louis Blazek, Dennis Bloomberg, Bary Bradshaw, Steve Brown, Brad Bryson, Sienna Buchanan, Lucy Butler, James Cabrera, Justin Cain, Bobbie Carroll, Don Carter, Ann Cartesio, Christine Cassada, Jeffrey Cerny, Renee Chaffin, Nancy Chastain, Virgil Chastain, Aileen Chumchal, Pam Cliburn, ***Tillie Connelly,*** Johnathan Conner, Jason Cook, Sally Coolidge, Sam Cribbs, Jr., Jan Daenen, Margie David, Joseph Distefano, Mike Doerge, Shawn Dolezal, Homer Charles Doty, Jr., Scott Dougherty, Emma Dusek, Gladys Dusek, Kenneth Dusek, David Emswiler, Kenneth Ermis, ***Justin Eschenberg,*** Theresa Evans, Frank Fee, Larry Foltz, Father Thomas Hanus, Steve Ferrell, Ken Filip, Angie Flores, Anna Forsythe, Emily Forsythe, Jenny Fowler, David Frayard, Lori Gagne, Ann Gallagher, Jake Garcia, Racquel Garcia, Jacko Garrett, Dan Gertson, Jim Gibson, Gabi Gray, Albert Grigar, Victor Gutierrez, Margaret Gwosdz, Stephen Haas, Joe Hake, Jim & Lee Hansen, Levin Hanzelka, Pat Hanzelka, Gloria Havemann, Edmund Hedge, Henrietta Heiman, Sharon Heimann, Linda Heinta, Josie Helton, Gladys Henrichsen, Eulalio Hernandez, Mary Hernandez, Racheal Hicks, Irene Hodges, Talmage Hodges, Wanda Hoelscher, Gene Hoot, Pat Horak, Ellen Hrnicko, Sheryl Hubart, Eugene Hubenak, Amado Iglesias, Lilly Jaloway, Levi Janecek, Terry Jenkins, Leslie Jez, Mark Johnson, Diane Jones, Katherine Jones, Peggy Jones, Kenneth Jordan, Vlasta Jurek, Kelly Kaluza, Rachel Kellner, Evelyn Kieke, Allison King, Carolyn King, Judy Kolafa, Bessie Kosik, Annette Kovar, Tina Kovar, Geraldine Krampota, Eleanor Alvarado-Krosen, Lisa Kruger, Dale Lafley, Joyce LaFleur, Gil Lazo, Robert & Roxy Long, Frank Longoria, Mark Longoria, Elvira Luna, Kelly Macha, Karen Main, Laken Manna, Alvin Marek, Ann Marek, Bonnie Marek, James Mark, Catalina Martinez, Edgar Martinez, Lila Martinez, Ann Merry Alexia Marquez, Michael Martini, Michele Martini, MeKenna McCormick, Bob McDonald, Mary McDonald, Sarah McDonald, Travis McDonald, Lance McLean, James McMann, Jose Luis Martinez, Matthew Medina, Linda Melnar, Lenell Michalsky, Alvin Minarcik, Charlie Minks, Cheryl Minks, Aggie Mosley, Daniel Montalvo, Mary Montalvo, Larry Morris, Hilda Morris, Joe Morse, Glendon Murray, Bill & Delores Mussey, Bobby Musso, Jesse Nanes, Jr., Dave Nicholson, Karen Noblitt, Janie Norris, Larry Norris, Lawrence Novak, Charlene Nowak, Sherry Nowak, Buddy Oldag, Frank Orsak, Jesse Ortega, Ricky Padilla, Jason Park, Michael Pateman, David Pavlock, Ronnie Peters, Jerome Petrosky, Mark Phillips, Eric Pierce, Susan Plowman, Joan Poenitzsch, Carolyn Rash, Kelly Reznicek, Roy Reznicek, Janet Richards, Doris Ritter, Karen Robinson, Isaac Rodriquez, Riley Rodriquez, Carter Rogers, Nardina Russo,,Yandel Salgado, Katy Sciba, Terra Schooler, Cherrel Scott, Maxine Sherman, Michael Sherman, Georgie Sliva, Roman Sliva, Ed Smith, John Smith, Cynthia Smyth, Cynthia Sodolak, Curt Sorenson, Amanda Sowa, Doug Spinks, Dolores Stavena, Jerry Stavena, Robert Stone, Hailey Svoboda, Irene Svoboda, Weston Svoboda, Shauna Teague, Herbert Thamm, Riley Thomas, Melissa Trahan, Kelly Trevino, Joy Turman, Ben Uhyrek, Gene Valenta, Ed Vavricka, Virginia Verm, Connie Vest, Larry Vitek, Nancy Walker, Robert & Janaee Walston, Marilyn Wardenburg, Paul Watthuber, Bonnie Wilcox, Evelyn Wilke, David Wilson, Bethany Wines, Roberta Wishon, Melinda Witte, Lindsay Zalesak

GUARDIAN ANGEL PRAYER BLANKET RECIPIENTS
To make arrangements for a blanket, contact: Tommy Hammermiller 979-478-6307

"The response of faith demands that we be active in our love for God and in our love of neighbor."
~ Pope Francis

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time: October 10

That we are generous with all our gifts, especially those that mean the most to us.

"It is easier for a camel to pass through an eye of a needle than for one who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." Mark 10:25

Jesus uses tough language that we may not want to hear. But, we are all called to be generous with all of our gifts. Not just the ones we pick and choose, but all our gifts, and especially the one that means the most t us! That includes our time in prayer to God, our talent in participating in parish ministries and our treasure supporting our local parish and other charities.

OUT-OF-SEQUENCE CLASS

This is a one-year class that is structured to prepare children who are behind in their sacraments at the usual age for whatever reason. This includes the sacrament of Baptism, First Reconciliation, and First Communion. If you have a child or know of a child that needs classes, please contact the Parish Office at (979)478-6532. Those needing Baptism will be baptized prior to reception of the other sacraments. Thereafter, these children will be able to and **expected to attend weekly religion classes appropriate for their ages.**

Students MUST REGISTER PRIOR TO THE FIRST CLASS so that books can be ordered. Contact the Parish Office at the above number for registration forms/information.

Guardian Angel Catholic Church
OUT-OF-SEQUENCE CLASS CALENDAR DATES
6:45 pm - 8:00 pm TUESDAY EVENINGS
5th Grade Room - #3

October 12, 19, 26, 2021
November 2, 9, 16, 30, 2021
December 7, 14, 2021
January 4, 11, 18, 25, 2022
February 1, 8, 15, 22, 2022
March 1, 8, 22, 29, 2022
April 7, 12, 19, 26, 2022
May 3, 10, 2022

GUARDIAN ANGEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.)
6:00 pm to 7:30 pm, White House located at 5627 Demel Street

October 10, 24, 2021
November 7, 14, 21, 2021; December 5, 12, 19, 2021

January 16, 23, 30, 2022; February 13, 20, 27, 2022
March 6, 20, 27, 2022; April 3, 10, 2022

Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston

Office of the Cardinal

October 1, 2021

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

World Mission Sunday – the annual, worldwide Eucharistic celebration for the Missions of the Church – will be on **October 24** this year. This important day in the life of the Church universal fortifies our understanding of our shared call to mission, bestowed upon us at Baptism.

Pope Francis' message for World Mission Sunday reflects on the theme: **"We cannot but speak about what we have seen and heard"** (Acts 4:20). The Holy Father shares his zeal, reminding 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." He invites us to speak of our faith!

World Mission Sunday provides us with that very opportunity. We can speak about our faith and respond to our missionary call – through prayer, participation in the Eucharist, and giving generously to the second collection for the **Society for the Propagation of the Faith** on that special day. Your gifts support and sustain priests, religious and lay pastoral leaders in more than 1,100 mission dioceses in Asia, Africa, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe as they proclaim the Gospel, build the Church, serve the poor – and speak of our shared faith in all corners of the world.

"The global pandemic has brought to the fore and amplified the pain, the solitude, the poverty, and the injustices experienced by so many people," reminds Pope Francis. This year, as the world recovers from the loss and the challenges that resulted, let us respond with reciprocal generosity to the fullest extent that we are able.

In this spirit, I offer my sincere personal gratitude for your kind missionary heart, reaching out in love throughout Mission Month.

Gratefully in the Lord,

+Daniel Cardinal DiNardo

Daniel Cardinal DiNardo
Archbishop of Galveston-Houston

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For more about World Mission Sunday, please visit missio.org/resources for additional materials.

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CFF Corner

Sunday; October 3, 2021

Pre-Kindergarten	**The Rosary**
Kindergarten	**God gives us the land**
First Grade	**We care for the gifts of God's creation**
Second Grade	**Sins and Reconciliation**
Third Grade	**Christ will come again**
Fourth Grade	**Sins in our world**
Fifth Grade	**Baptism**

Wednesday; October 6, 2021

Sixth Grade	**Cain and Abel, Noah, Tower of Babel**
Seventh Grade	**Completed Chapter 4. Introduced the class to the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, also, the Novena to the Divine Mercy**
Eighth Grade	**The Great Commandment, The two-fold message of Jesus**

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October & November 2021 CFF Class Schedule

Sunday Classes – October 10, 24, 31 and November 7, 14, 21
Wednesday Classes – October 13, 20, 27 and November 3, 10, 17

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MASSES

From the Catholic Daughters of the Americas - *Court Queen of Angels #1538.* Acknowledging your friends and loved ones with mass cards *for their birthdays, Wedding Anniversaries and/or for the deceased,* COST is $2.50.

The Texas State Court Memorial Scholarship Fund will enroll your loved ones who will be remembered for the period of one year in the Holy Mass offered the First Friday of each month by the State Chaplain Reverend Justin Victor Perez of Houston, Texas. Funds are used for scholarships awarded to graduating seniors who are JCDA members or who are related to CDA members.

For mass cards, please contact one of the following:
DOROTHY BODLE (281)346-1243; GLADYS JURECEK (281)923-5849;
JOAN JUREK (979)478-6310

Guardian Angel Catholic Church
PRE-BAPTISMAL CLASSES
For Infants

October 24, 2021;
January 23, 2022; April 24, 2022; July 24, 2022
Classes will begin at 2:00 pm at the White House located at 5627 Demel Street.

This approximately two-hour class is designed to help attendees develop a deeper understanding of the sacrament and an awareness of the responsibilities that come with it. Both parents and godparents should attend. **Pre-baptismal catechesis is required by our Archdiocese.**

Parents seeking Baptism for their child should contact the Parish Office during the fourth or fifth month of pregnancy. **Please call 979-478-6532 for registration information.** You will be provided with requirements for the sacrament, guidelines for godparent selection, and a registration form. The registration form must be completed and returned to the office prior to scheduling Baptism.

Due to the volume of information to be covered in class, parents and godparents will be allowed. **There will be no babysitting available.** Please make other arrangements for children.

CONFIRMATION

I - YRC
II - Father Richard's Bldg.

FALL SEMESTER CLASSES

October 20; November 3, 17; December 1, 15, 2021
6:45 to 8 pm

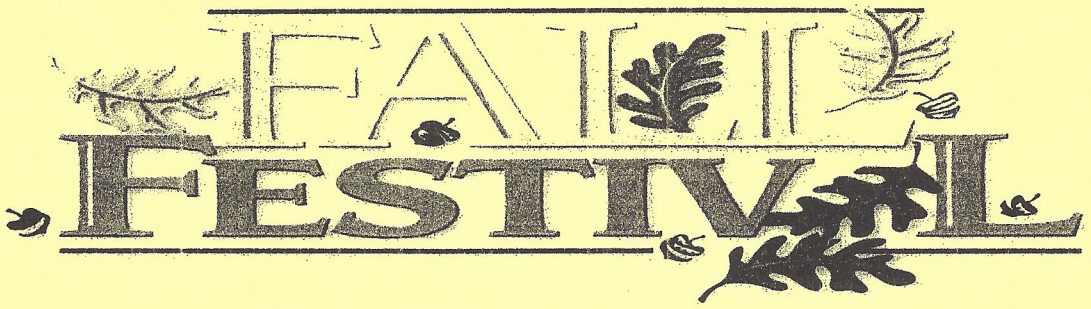
LIFE TEEN

FALL SEMESTER CLASSES

October 27; November 10; December 8, 2021
6:45 to 8 pm

Baptism Class for Parents & Godparents

Will be presented by Deacon Paul Franek at St. Mary's Church, Frydek, TX, on December 12, 4:00 pm, in the Faith Formation Building. Registration must be made with the Parish Office, 979-885-3131.



NEXT WEEKEND---OUR CHURCH BAZAAR
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2021

Raffle tickets can be found in the Narthex of the church or
come by the Parish Office, Monday - Friday 9 am to 1 pm

We are now accepting donations for:
2-LITER BOTTLE DRINKS, BOTTLED WATER, CANNED SODA
STUFFED ANIMALS
COUNTRY STORE ITEMS:
Canned goods, pickles, sauces, fresh vegetables, noodles, bread, etc.

Boxes are located in the Narthex of the church for your convenience

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REGULAR AUCTION ITEMS ARE NEEDED.
Regular auction items, please bring to the Parish Office.
Oversized items, call 979-478-6532 to make arrangements.

Plants for the PLANT STAND can be brought
Friday, Saturday & Sunday morning ---bazaar weekend.

Ladies of the Parish---
please bring a cake for the CAKE WALK and PASTRY STAND

For information/questions, call Erin Kulhanek 979-478-6811 OR 281-682-2826

Next Bazaar Meeting: Tuesday, October 12th, 6:30 pm.

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October 2021

Guardian Angel Church

Fr. Thuy Quang Nguyen

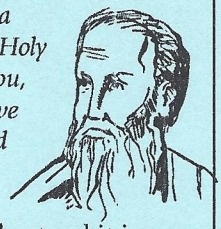
One Minute Meditations

God is Love

God is the creator of the universe, who made everything from nothing. Yet, He is not a remote, uninvolved God. Nor is He an unforgiving judge waiting for us to mess up. Rather, God is our Father who loves us more than we could ask to be loved.

His temple

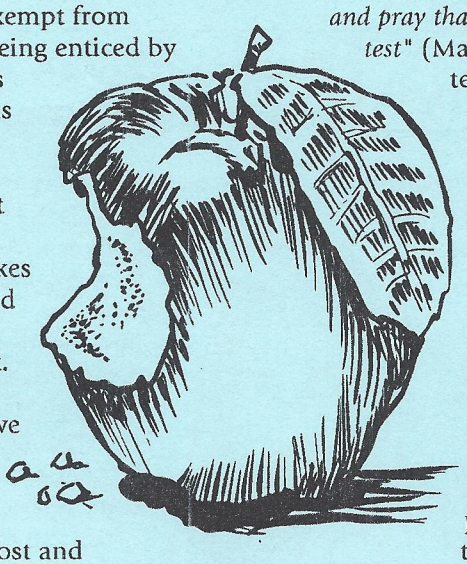
St. Paul teaches that *"your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God, and that you are not your own."* We understand it is unhealthy to overeat or abuse drugs or alcohol. Yet, we don't always acknowledge the harm of watching movies and television shows with violence or sex, or listening to music with profane lyrics. God's temple deserves respect. *"Therefore, glorify God in your body"* (1 Corinthians 6:19-20).



"Daily prayer is the foundation of sanctity. Some prefer it in the morning. Some late at night. However, whenever, wherever, it's a must!" Timothy Cardinal Dolan

"Lead us not into temptation ..."

No one is exempt from temptation. Being enticed by the attractions of this world is part of our human condition, but successfully fighting it makes us stronger and holier.



Watch for it. Temptation strikes when we are least able to fight it. Identify what tempts you most and try to anticipate when you are weakest. Then devise a plan of action – not just a resolution – to help you resist.

Pray through it. When Jesus caught His disciples sleeping in the garden instead of praying, He said, *"Watch and pray that you may not undergo the test"* (Matthew 26:41). Overcome temptation by being alert to it and praying instead of indulging in it.

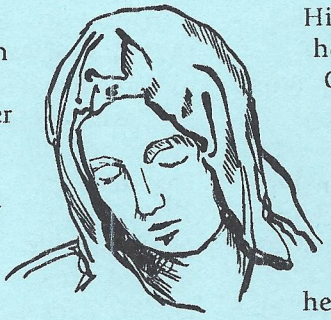
Run from it. Sometimes fleeing temptation is the best way to resist it. *"God is faithful, and He will not let you be tempted beyond your strength, but with the temptation will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it"* (1 Corinthians 10:13). Avoid people, places or situations that give you trouble.

Don't start it. It is easier to resist temptation if you stop it when it starts. Then it won't have the force of habit. Though it is never too late to ask for God's help, the longer you live with the temptation, the harder it will be to turn to Him.

Why Do Catholics Do That?

Why do Catholics turn to Mary?

In Old Testament kingdoms, the queen mother played a significant role in her son's governance of His kingdom. Her power and authority flowed from her position as it related to her son.



His subjects often petitioned her to speak for them. As Queen Mother of Heaven, Mary's purpose is to further her Son's kingdom. When we turn to her, she acts with her authority to bring our concerns to her Son, and He is always inclined to fulfill her wishes.

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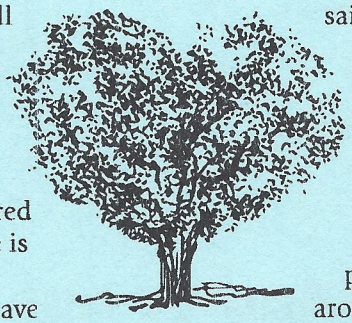
God's love never changes

It's only human to want to be loved. Unfortunately, even the best friend or lover will let us down once in a while. That can leave us lonely or searching for the wrong kind of love. Fortunately, God will never let us down. His love is the right kind of love to have.



His love never changes. Standards set by humans change over time. Something considered "in" today, can be "out" in no time. God's love is unchanging and unending.

Friends come and go. Sooner or later, you have to leave your friends or they leave you. But Jesus said, "... *behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age*" (Matthew 28:20). God never leaves.

He loves us for who we really are. There's nothing God doesn't know about us, and He adores us anyway. If God likes you, others will, too. To please God we have to fill ourselves with love for Him and other people, and that makes us even nicer to be around. Pass it on.

from Scripture

Mark 12:28-34 – The first Commandment

The Jewish authorities often tried to draw Jesus out and get Him to say something counter to Jewish law. That way He could be discredited – or worse. Yet, the strategy never worked for them. In fact, one of the scribes was so impressed by Jesus' response to a challenge by the Sadducees that he posed a question of his own. He sincerely wanted to learn from Jesus' answer.

The scribe asked which of the commandments was most important. Jesus said everything starts and ends with love – love of God and love of each other. To love God is to love one another. They are as inseparable as the beams of the cross. While it is easy to love God, loving others is more difficult.

But true love of neighbor is measured by how we treat those who are neither family nor friends. It means including people when the natural inclination is to exclude or avoid them. Jesus loved prostitutes, thieves, lepers, even His political enemies. This is how God loves and He calls us to do no less.

Feasts & Celebrations

In October we celebrate the Rosary especially on the feast of **Our Lady of the Rosary on October 7th.** The Rosary helps us to meditate on Jesus' birth, life, death, and resurrection.

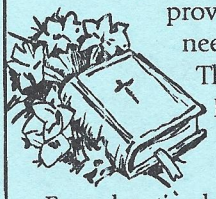
October 6 – St. Bruno (1101). Bruno was born in Germany, studied in France and became a theology professor. With six other companions, Bruno founded the Carthusian Order in 1084 and helped reform the clergy in Rome.

October 14 – St. Callistus I (222). A Roman slave, Callistus obtained his freedom and was ordained a deacon by Pope Zephyrinius, whom he later succeeded. Callistus's election caused an eighteen-year schism, spawning the first anti-pope. In a time of trial and confusion, he reopened the Church to all. He was martyred in Rome.

October 20 – St. Paul of the Cross (1775). Paul was inspired by a vision to start a religious order dedicated to the Passion of Christ. He founded the Passionists in 1720, lived a penitential life, worked miracles, and cared for the poor and sick.

Q & A Why is a Catholic Funeral important?

Although no one enjoys dwelling on death, most of us will mourn and bury loved ones in our lifetimes. Friends may counsel us to skip the church funeral and just "get it over with," but our faith provides the strength we need to deal with death. The Church has created Rites to help us face the difficulties and reality of death.



Every baptized Catholic has a right to a Catholic funeral. The Rites of a Catholic Funeral include Prayers after Death, Prayers in the Presence of the Body, the Scripture Prayer Service at the Wake, the Funeral at Church (with or without Mass), and the Internment Prayer Service at the cemetery. Together these services not only make up the total Catholic Funeral Service, but also provide the Church's special prayers for the deceased. The Rites also support families and friends who are grieving for their loved one.

Catholics are entitled to a Catholic Funeral whether they are frequent or infrequent Mass attendees. (For specific questions, check with your local parish.)

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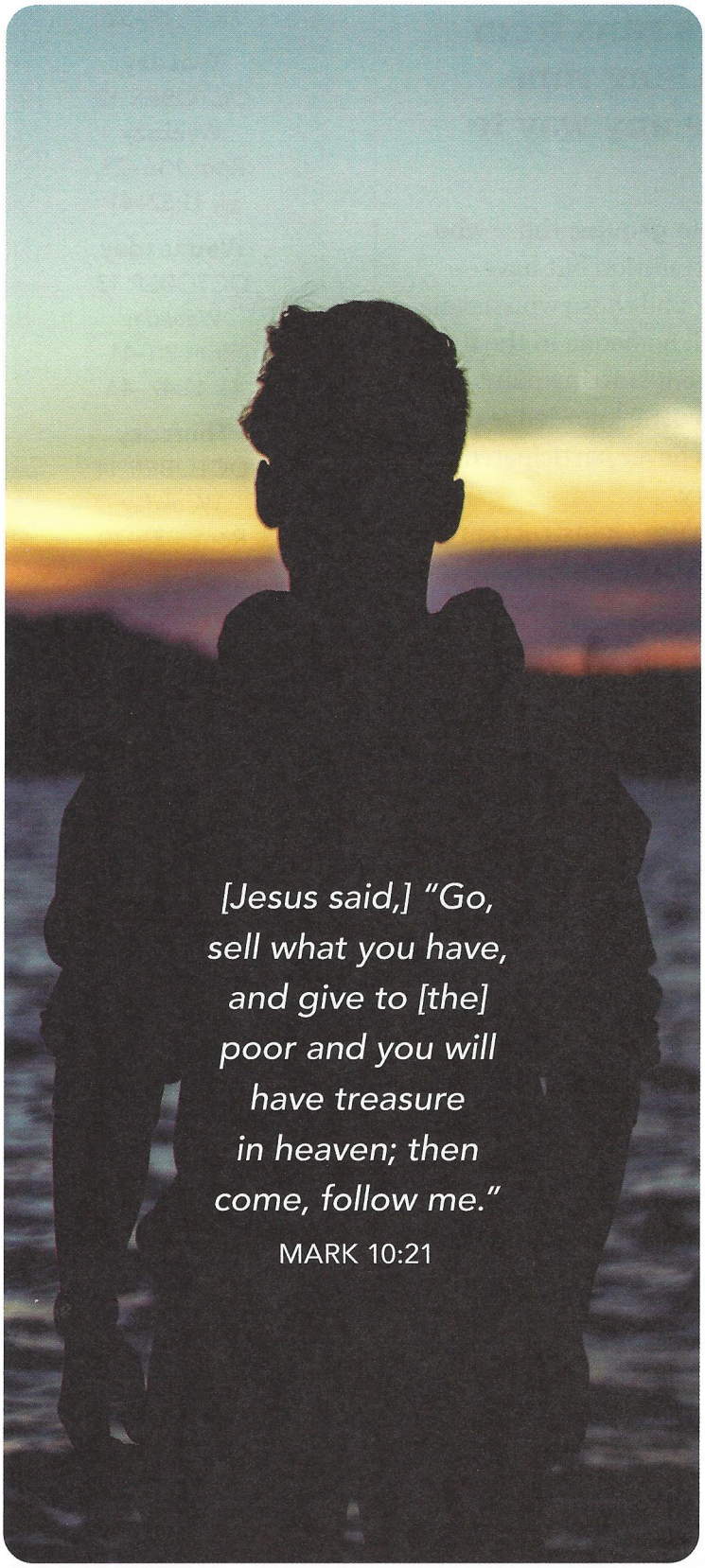
Our Parish COMMUNITY

October 10, 2021
Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)
Wis 7:7–11
Heb 4:12–13
Mk 10:17–30 or 10:17–27



PEXELS

Take Your Pick

The vast array of possibilities in today's world is both an extraordinary advantage because it can so enrich life and a bewildering encumbrance as we face weighty decisions. Many think that life in the past was less complicated. It might have seemed that way, but women and men have always had to face the same fundamental questions: What is life all about? To what shall I commit myself? And answering such questions has seldom been easy.

Today's first reading underscores the importance of discernment or wisdom as we search for answers. It insists that such discernment or wisdom outstrips riches, or even health, as the goal to which we should strive. It further assures us that in our striving for wisdom we will discover that she does not come to us alone. Rather, she brings all good things with her.

The Gospel passage tells of a young man in search of true meaning, of wisdom, of eternal life. Having valued the law and the way of life it offers a believer, he is dissatisfied. He wanted something more satisfying; something deeper. He is still struggling to discover what life is all about, to what he should commit himself. Jesus tells him that he will not find what he is looking for in his riches. Rather, he should commit himself to the welfare of others. Unfortunately, this advice was too much. He went away sad. Even knowing that he was dissatisfied with his wealth, he still would not walk away from it.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR *Reflection*

- *Do you still cling to something that cannot fulfill your deepest desires? Why?*
- *Pray for the courage to commit yourself to what might make life more meaningful.*

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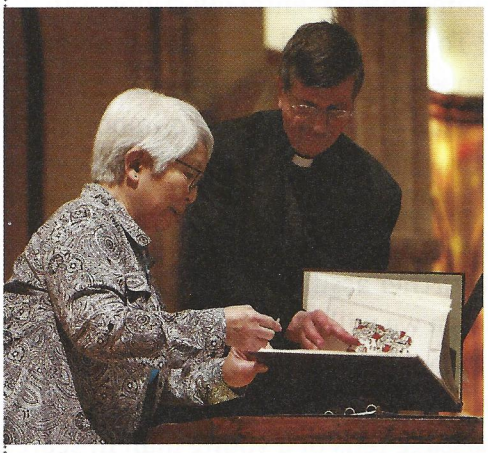
Dear Padre,

I've been married to a Catholic for fifty years and would like to become Catholic. My parish's Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults runs from September through Easter. That's a long time for someone in her eighties. Is there any way to accelerate the process?

RCIA was designed to meet the needs of two main groups: those who have been baptized as Catholics or in a Protestant tradition but have received no additional instruction in the Catholic faith, and those who have not been baptized. Someone in the first group has a different starting point from someone who has little knowledge of Christ or who has never participated in a church community.



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RCIA programs use an instruction process called catechumenate, in which people seeking to become Catholic (catechumens) experience a worshiping community, pray, and reflect on God's word. The catechumenate is divided into steps that are marked by liturgical rites; some parts of the rites are optional, depending on each catechumen's pastoral situation. Catechumens can be received into the Church at any time of year.

Talk to your pastor about your closeness to Catholicism since your marriage and how it has formed your faith. Together, you can determine the amount and type of preparation that's right for you.

Fr. John Schmidt, CSsR / Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?

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A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

Clearly, in Jesus' final—immense, wonderful—invitation, there is no proposal of poverty, but of wealth, of true richness...Being able to choose between an original and a copy, who would choose the copy? Here is the challenge: finding life's original, not the copy. Jesus does not offer surrogates, but true life, true love, true richness!

GENERAL AUDIENCE, JUNE 13, 2018

Calendar

Monday
OCTOBER 11
Weekday
Rom 1:1–7
Lk 11:29–32

Tuesday
OCTOBER 12
Weekday
Rom 1:16–25
Lk 11:37–41

Wednesday
OCTOBER 13
Weekday
Rom 2:1–11
Lk 11:42–46

Thursday
OCTOBER 14
Weekday
Rom 3:21–30
Lk 11:47–54

Friday
OCTOBER 15
St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church
Rom 4:1–8
Lk 12:1–7

Saturday
OCTOBER 16
Weekday
Rom 4:13, 16–18
Lk 12:8–12

Sunday
OCTOBER 17
Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Is 53:10–11
Heb 4:14–16
Mk 10:35–45
or 10:42–45

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