Sacred Heart Parish

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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October 24, 2021



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Attr. Master of the Antiphonary of San Giovanni Fuorcivitas, Initial A: Christ Wiping the Tears from the Eyes of the Saved, Florence or Pisa, Italy, c. 1330-1340

CONSOLATION FROM GOD

Today's reading from Jeremiah, Israel's sorrowful and suffering prophet, whose readings usually signal and prepare us to hear Jesus' Gospel suffering, is from Jeremiah's "Book of Consolation." Jeremiah sets aside traditional sorrow and instead bids God's chosen people - and us, as God's baptized covenant people - to celebrate the Lord's miraculous "harvest": "Shout with joy; exult; proclaim your praise" (Jeremiah 31:7). In this "harvest," God declares Israel already "delivered," while promising to transform a "remnant" (31:7) into "an immense throng," "gathered from the ends of the world" (31:8). Though these people are still in need, Jeremiah declares their tears already gone, replaced by God's consolation and guidance to living waters. As a fitting response, the great "Harvest Psalm" makes us, at least spiritually, former "captives," whose joyous return feels like "dreaming" (Psalm 126:1). Then, Mark's Gospelagain-shows the prophetic vision for the world fulfilled as Jesus heals, and we ourselves are once again challenged to live more faithfully our baptismal covenant.

SIGHTLESS BARTIMAEUS' VISION

At first, Bartimaeus is not yet "on the way" - Mark's "Gospel code" for Jesus' journey to Jerusalem and our journey of discipleship—but at least near the way, "by the roadside" (Mark 10:46). Still only on the sidelines, Bartimaeus cries out what becomes Christianity's "Jesus Prayer": "Jesus, son of David, have pity (most translations, mercy) on me" (Mark 10:47-48). Sightless, Bartimaeus is nonetheless fearless: "many rebuked him, telling him to be silent" (10:48). Sightless, Bartimaeus is already insightful: "son of David" acclaims Jesus Messiah. Seen in the context of baptism and discipleship, sightless Bartimaeus's response resembles both journey to baptism as catechumen and pilgrimage from baptism as what Pope Francis calls "missionary disciples" (Evangelii Gaudium, Joy of the Gospel, 119-121).

RESPONDING LIKE BARTIMAEUS

Once healed, "illumined" as in Baptism, Bartimaeus' discipleship response to Jesus challenges us to examine our own. Again this week, Hebrews reminds us that Jesus is our merciful high priest. Though sinless, Jesus "is able to deal patiently with the ignorant and erring" (Hebrews 5:2) like all high priests. Hebrews invokes Melchizedek, whose meeting with Abraham signals the joining of God's primeval cosmic covenant made with Noah and God's scriptural covenant with Israel, leading to "the new and eternal covenant" sealed in Jesus' Blood. Like Melchizedek, Jesus transcends history's boundaries of race and nation to gather earth's fragmented, even warring factions into the great harvest of a humanity renewed and redeemed. So our baptismal commitment and discipleship's journey bid us become instruments of Christ's unity and peace to all whom we encounter "on the way."

Are we sitting still, isolated, safely on the sidelines? Or do we cry out, like Bartimaeus,

for Jesus' mercy, understanding that we are bound to extend to others, ceaselessly and unconditionally, the mercy that we ourselves need? As part of that mercy, then, are we cowed into safe, respectable silence by a world rejecting Christ's countercultural teachings, or do we dare speak up and speak out on behalf of others?

TODAY'S READINGS

Jeremiah 31:7-9 Psalm 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 Hebrews 5:1-6 Mark 10:46-52

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St. Padre Pio Healing Prayer

Heavenly Father, I thank you for loving me. I thank you for sending your Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, to the world to save and to set me free. I trust in your power and grace that sustain and restore me.

Loving Father, touch me now with your healing hands, for I believe that your will is for me to be well in mind, body, soul and spirit. Cover me with the most precious blood of your Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ from the top of my head to the soles of my feet. Cast anything that should not be in me. Root out any unhealthy and abnormal cells. Open any blocked arteries or veins and rebuild and replenish any damaged areas. Remove all inflammation and cleanse any infection by the power of Jesus' precious blood. Let the fire of your healing love pass through my entire body to heal and make new any diseased areas so that my body will function the way you created it to function. Touch also my mind and my emotion, even the deepest recesses of my heart.

Saturate my entire being with your presence, love, joy and peace and draw me ever closer to you every moment of my life. And Father, fill me with your Holy Spirit and empower me to do your works so that my life will bring glory and honor to your holy name. I ask this in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

St. Vincent de Paul Food Collection Dates

We will NOT have the monthly after mass pantry collections in NOVEMBER or DECEMBER.

The Knights of Columbus have graciously planned a collection on **SATURDAY**, **NOVEMBER 20th** for St Vincent de Paul. Further information will be forthcoming from them.

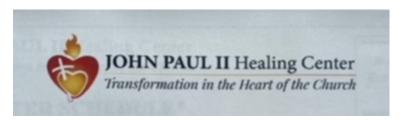
PLEASE NOTE: We are prohibited from distributing items NOT dated in the current month or later.

Pantry office hours are **Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:30am to 10:00am.** Anyone within parish boundaries needing assistance can call 630-812-2270 and leave a message that will be returned.

God bless your continued generosity!

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday vigil & Sunday	October 23 & 24: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
	Second Collection: World Mission Sunday
5:00 p.m.	Ann Komel Leonard by Murphy Family
8:30 a.m.	People of the Parish
11:00 a.m.	Gerald Bavry by Sikorski Family
Monday	October 25: Weekday
12:00 p. m.	Arno Dennerlein by Family
Tuesday	October 26: Weekday
12:00 p.m.	Fr. John Guiney by Dcn Bill and Genie Crane
Wednesday	October 27: Weekday
12:00 p.m.	Deacon Frank Annerino
Thursday	October 28: Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles
12:00 p.m.	Fr. Jess Testa by Dcn Bill and Genie Crane
Friday	October 29: Weekday
12:00 p.m.	Living & Deceased Members of the Crane and Burke Families
Saturday vigil & Sunday	October 30 & 31: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
	Second Collection: Debt Reduction
5:00 p.m.	Irene Garcia by Family
8:30 a.m.	People of the Parish
11:00 a.m.	Deacon Frank Annerino by Joan Murphy



Would you like to deepen your relationship with Jesus Christ?

Have you forgiven, but are still experiencing negative emotions?

Do you feel like you are bringing the same sins to confession, again?

Sin leaves all of us wounded, and as Pope Francis reminds us, the Church is a field hospital with all of us in need of healing from the Divine Physician.

Join

Dr. Bob Schuchts, SR. Miriam James, & Fr. Burke Masters and the John Paul II Healing Center for

HEALING THE WHOLE PERSON RETREAT AT NOTRE DAME PARISH NOVEMBER 4-6TH, 2021

This event is offered both in-person or virtually via a private access page and livestream videos! Learn more and register for this amazing retreat at http://jpiihealingcenter.org/

Email JPIIRetreatNDP@gmail.com for more information.

THE 2021 GIVING TREE IS BACK!

A Christmas tree w/gift requests will be in the church vestibule the weekend of Nov. 20 & 21. Wrapped gifts are to be returned to the parish center the weekend of Dec. 11 & 12. Please place gift cards in a sealed envelope, small bag or unwrapped box with gift tag from the tree attached. This is an annual ministry for parishioners to purchase Christmas gifts & gift cards to grocery stores, gas stations, etc. which provide a meal to families with children who are in need. Those in need who live in our church boundaries & could use help providing Christmas gifts for their kids, please contact St. Vincent de Paul office at (630) 812-2270. Adult volunteers are needed Saturday, Nov. 13 @ 9:30 am in the parish center filling out tags for our giving tree or Saturday, Dec. 11 @ 4 pm or Sunday, Dec. 12 anytime from 8am to 7pm sorting the gifts for each family. We also need teen volunteers from religious education or Sacred Heart School who would like to earn service hours retrieving gifts from parishioners in the parking lot or at the church & bringing them to the parish center on Saturday or Sunday, Dec. 11 & 12. To volunteer, please contact Barbara at (630) 240-5440.

ILLINOIS RIGHT TO LIFE ACTION'S

48th Annual Banquet

Join us for a wonderful evening as we celebrate 48 years of defending life and launch our strategic plan to restore protection to the most vulnerable.

Friday, November 12, 2021

The Carlisle Banquets
435 Butterfield Road
Lombard, IL



Keynote Speaker
Former Illinois Supreme Court Chief Justice
Robert Thomas

\$90.00 per ticket/\$125.00 VIP/\$60.00 Clergy or student/\$900.00 Table of 10. After October 29th, ticket prices increase to \$100.00 per ticket/\$150.00 VIP/\$1,000.00 Table of 10.

Learn more and purchase tickets now at https://lllinoisrighttolifeaction.org/ActionBanquet/

WHAT CAN YOU AND YOUR FAMILY DO THROUGHOUT RESPECT LIFE MONTH

TO SHOW YOUR LOVE FOR UNBORN CHILDREN

AND SUPPORT OF PREGNANT WOMEN.

LEARN: Show children pictures and posters of the beauty of unborn development month-by-month: gestation lasts about as long as a school year. Gorgeous painted illustrations with text can be ordered through www.littleonepublishing.com.

PRAY: Join Sacred Heart families in praying a very special novena for the protection of the unborn. https://www.powerfulcatholicprayers.com/novena-for-the-protection-of-the-unborn-anytime/ #axzz6WuArJos7

DONATE: Begin saving money to donate to a crisis pregnancy center like Caring Network Illinois in Glen Ellyn www.caringnetwork.com With your extended family, school or neighborhood host a baby shower gathering items in need. You could also donate to Pro-Life Action League that is a recognized national leader in pro-life activism at www.prolifeaction.org

SHOW SUPPORT: As a family, pray at Access Health Center at 1700 75th Street in Downers Grove on Saturday mornings. This *peaceful*, prayerful demonstration sends a powerful message to passersbys that we love all human life!

SHOW LOVE: Wear the Precious Feet pin, the actual size of a 10-week old baby in utero, demonstrating your respect for Life and your willingness to defend the most vulnerable of human life. You can purchase these at https://www.amazon.com/precious-feet-pin/s?k=precious+feet+pin

Younger Than Ever

December 21, 2021

Trip to Drury Lane Theater

Holiday Inn



Based on the classic film, Irving Berlin's

Holiday Inn follows a retired song-and-dance man's efforts to bring entertainment to his small Connecticut town. With the help of talented schoolteacher Linda, he turns his farmhouse into an inn and puts on spectacular shows celebrating all holidays. This joyous, family-friendly musical features thrilling dance numbers, laugh-out-loud comedy, and a parade of Irving Berlin's hit songs, including the Academy Award winning "White Christmas."

Meet at Sacred Heart parking lot at 12:30

Carpool to Drury Lane for 1:30 performance

Cost is \$30 for members (\$40 non-members)

(\$47.00 value)

Deadline to respond is November 3

To reserve a ticket, call Marlene 630-627-2234.

Sacred Heart Cub Scout Pack 48 will

be taking orders for Christmas wreaths before and after Masses the weekend of October 30-31. Wreath pick-up will be after Masses the weekend of November 13-14.

Thank you for your support!





Put your faith in action by joining your fellow parishioners for the Fall 2021 *40 Days for Life* campaign to end abortion at the Access Health abortion clinic in Downers Grove, across the nation and around the world.

Please consider committing to a specific hour of prayer at the Downers Grove abortion clinic, Access Health Center, during the hours of 7AM to 7PM from September 22 to October 31, and bring a friend.

For more information and to sign up, go to www.4odaysforlife.com/downersgrove

Access Health is located at 1700 W. 75th Street.

PRAY TO END ABORTION



Shop for Crafts, Art, Holiday Foods &: Vintage Items from Over 100 Crafters

Visit All 5 Locations to be Eligible to Enter a Drawing for Our Valuable Prizes!

Saturday, November 6th from 9am-2pm

Masks Required Indoors

https://www.facebook.com/LombardChristmasMart



Sacred Heart School

Where Minds and Spirits Grow

26-29 Oct Fall Book Fair

29 Oct Halloween Activities

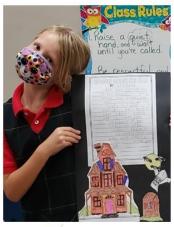
2 Nov HSA Meeting 7:00-8:00pm PC 11 Nov Family Game Night 6:30-8:00pm PC

Just in time for Halloween, the second grade students have Haunted Houses for sale.





I house! This house has bourd on the windows. It has pscary pictures with real eyes!







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Sacred Heart website: www.sacredheartlombard.org

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, & Thursday

9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

(closed for lunch from 11:45 -12:45)

Wednesday and Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

Saturday & Sunday: Closed

Parish Office Phone: 630-627-0687

School Phone: 630-629-0536

REO Phone: 630-495-0843 Hours by appointment

DAILY MASS: (Monday - Friday): 12:00 noon

SUNDAY MASS:

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday: 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. (in the Church)

Eucharistic Adoration Chapel

The chapel is open. Visit the parish website for more information.

Baptism Program:

- 1. Make arrangements beforehand by calling the parish office. You can call before the baby is born.
- 2. While social distancing is in place, each baptism will be private. Call the parish office to schedule.

Marriages:

- Make arrangements beforehand by calling the parish office.
- 2. Diocesan policy requires that marriage preparation begin at least six months prior to the wedding.

Hospital Visitation:

Please inform the parish office if one of your family members is hospitalized at Good Samaritan Hospital, Elmhurst Hospital, or Central DuPage Hospital and you wish a priest to visit. Catholic chaplains are assigned to all hospitals to administer the Sacraments and care for the spiritual needs of patients. Kindly inform the information desk.

Notification of the Death of a Parishioner:

Upon the death of a parishioner and once final arrangements have been made, details will be announced at the next scheduled morning Mass. The parish office will also post the information on the bulletin board in the walkway between the church and school.

New Parishioners:

May register at the parish office during the week in person (by appointment), by phone, or on our website.

Parish Boundaries:

NORTH: North Avenue from Grace Street to Swift Road SOUTH: Roosevelt Road from River to Finley Road

Wilson Avenue to Hammerschmidt

Madison to Grace Street

EAST: Grace Street

WEST: Swift Road, DuPage River

Also St. James Apts.—Roosevelt Road & Finley Road Braeside and Royal Glen Apts.— Glen Ellyn