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TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 7, 2018

From the beginning of creation,
God made them male and female.
For this reason a man shall leave
his father and mother and
be joined to his wife,
and the two shall
become one flesh.

MARK 10:6-8



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VIGÉSIMO SÉPTIMO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

7 DE OCTUBRE DE 2018

Desde el principio, al crearlos, Dios los hizo hombre y mujer. Por eso dejará el hombre a su padre y a su madre y se unirá a su esposa y serán los dos una sola cosa.

MARCOS 10:6-8



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RESPONSORIAL Psalm 128



Prayer of St. Francis Sebastian Temple

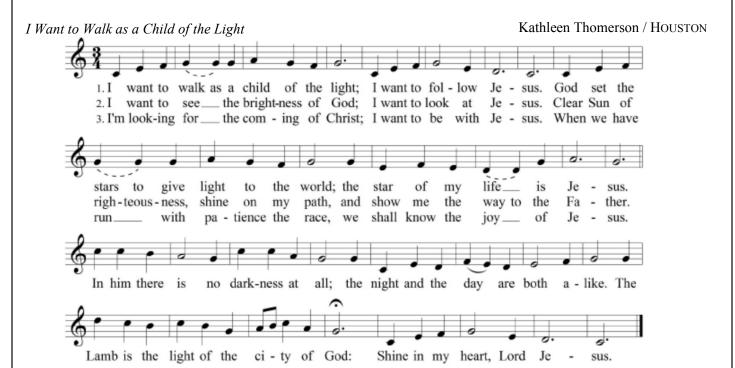
- 1. Make me a channel of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me bring your love. Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord, And where there's doubt, true faith in you.
- 2. Make me a channel of your peace. Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope Where there is darkness only light, And where there's sadness ever joy.

Refrain: Oh Master grant that I may never seek So much to be consoled as to console, To be understood as to understand, To be loved, as to love, with all my soul.

4. Make me a channel of your peace. It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
In giving of ourselves that we receive, And in dying that we're born to eternal life.

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Deacons

George Polcer, Andrew Tanner, Juan Jorge Hernandez, Jose Vasquez, Patrick Hayes, Sid Little

Coordinator of Ministries: Evodio Vazquez
Business Manager: Joe Olickan
Director of Music: Valerie Stagaman
Faith Formation Director 1-6: Christy Scott
Youth Ministry/Confirmation: Deandria Gonzalez
Facilities Manager: Deacon John Rapier
Facilities: Emilio Zavala

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday: Vigil Mass 5:00 pm English Sunday: 8:00 am & 11:30 am English Sunday: 9:30 am & 2:00 pm Spanish

Sunday: 6:00 pm Spanish

Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday, Wednesday & Friday: 8:00 am

Tuesday & Thursday: 5:30 pm

Confessions: Thursday: 6:00-7:00 pm

Saturdays: 3:30 pm-4:30 pm

Adoration: Thursday 6:00 pm-7:00 pm

First Friday 8:30 am - 8:00 pm
After Hours: Sick Call or Funeral

Requests: 469-667-7324

Funerals: Contact Valerie Stagaman

972-542-4667 ext 114.

Weddings: Contact Emy Avendaño

972-542-4667 ext: 102.

Six months prior to wedding date.

MINISTRY OF CARE

St. Michaels has a new ministry, Ministers of Care, to assist people who are unable to attend mass. This ministry would apply to people in hospitals, nursing home, rehab centers, or homebound. Our care ministers will visit these people on a regular basis to take them Holy Communion. If you know anyone who needs our assistance, please contact Emy Avendaño at the church office at 972-542-4667 ext 102 and she will notify our group.

Mass Intentions October 6 - 13, 2018

Saturday, October 6

5:00 pm ★ Arthur Paul

Sunday, October 7

8:00 am Sanctity of Life

9:30 am ♣ Andres Martinez & Anita Perez

♥ Vincent Almanza Almas en purgatorio

Diego Mata

11:30 am ★ Angel La Riva

For the People

2:00 pm Animas de purgatorio

¥ Jesus Ceja Mendez

★ Luis Vivas★ Cesar Cerda

6:00 pm

♣ Ileana Shuman

Monday, October 8

8:00 am Yvonne Penkrot

Tuesday, October 9

5:30 pm ★ Burblis family

Wednesday, October 10

8:00 am ■ John Chowning

Thursday, October 11

5:30 pm All Souls in Purgatory esp.

deceased members of FOSS

Friday, October 12

8:00 am Gordon & Audrey Joswiak & sons

Saturday, October 13

5:00 pm ♣ Richard Quinlan

We pray for those who need the healing touch of Christ Oramos por aquellos necesitan el toque de Christ

Elodia Villa, Paul Brands, Easton Carpenter, Jeff Gotes, Nelma Hyde, Ken LaForge, Ralph Flores, Patricia Mwatu, Chris Paul, Mercedes Peltz, Marylin Kelly, Art Conlon, Jr. Don Radke, Len Skorcz, Dan Ramirez, Dorothy Ramirez, Alex Cole, Orion Rodriguez, Tony Greise, Tom Niebuhr, Kathy Greise, Patrick Greise, Connie Flores, Macias family, Chris Luck, Marcie Roberts, Flora Hendrix, Cathy Hanusek, Kerman Joseba Iriarte, Barbara Falcon, Bob Menard, Vincent Macias, Maria Weddle, Rachel Mingura, Ofelia Sanchez, Christy Lane, Lisa Hines, Alicia Solomon, Zane Dayton, Mary Derus, Ramón Hernandez, Susie Alvarez, Pedro Almendarez, Ryan Joseph Jose, Hank White, Jeff Cotses, Ricky Jackson, Cheryl Pushnack.

Please inform us of your loved one needing to be added to the prayer list, please call the parish office @ 972-542-4667.

Names will remain on the list for 1 month, at which time you can re-submit their names for prayers

Para agregar o quitar a alguin de la lista de oraciones, por favor Ilama a la oficina.

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Oración de San Francisco Sebastian Temple

Hazme_un instrumento de tu paz, donde_hay odio lleve yo tu_amor, donde_haya_injuria, tu perdón, Señor, donde_haya duda fe en ti.

Hazme_un instrumento de tu paz, que lleve tu_esperanza por doquier, donde_haya_oscuridad lleve tu luz, donde_haya pena tu gozo, Señor.

Maestro, ayúdame anunca buscar el ser consolado sino consolar, ser entendido sino entender, ser amado sino yo amar.

Hazme_un instrumento de tu paz, es perdonando que nos das perdón, es dando a todos que tú nos das, y muriendo_es que volvemos a nacer.

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You can make your parish contributions on-line.

Just go to our web site "stmichaelmckinney.org" and open the tag for giving.

A great way to continue to support your parish financial needs.

LET THE CHILDREN COME TO ME

Jesus' love extends not only to adults. It extends not only to those in loving and respectful marriages, but extends to all people, especially children big and little. The disciples tried to prevent parents from bringing their children to Jesus for a blessing. Jesus rebuked the disciples and said, "Let the children come to me . . . for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these." His teachings always emphasized humility and trust, and he held up these children as the best examples. "Whoever does not accept the kingdom of God like a child will not enter it." Children are by nature curious and humble; they know that they are small and depend on their parents for everything. Likewise, we must be humble and recognize that we are small before God and depend on God for everything in our lives that is good. To have this attitude is to look for the kingdom of God and to be ready to enter it. And, like the children, we will be touched and blessed by Jesus and welcomed into his arms.



Baptisms / Bautismos

Registrations for Baptism and Baptism Class

are on

Tuesdays: 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Wednesdays: 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Call the Church office for more information: 972-542-4667

Registraciones para Bautismos y Pláticas Bautismales están

> Martes: 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Miércoles: 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Por favor llama la oficina para mas información: 972-542-4667

Collection Totals for September 30

Regular Collection: \$18,636.00 Second Collection: \$4,762.00

Attendance: 3578





HUMOR

On the Ark, Noah probably got milk from the cows. What did he get from the ducks?

Quackers.

Who was the greatest comedian in the Bible? Samson — he brought the house down

Parish Calendar for the week of October 8TH , 2018. Monday, October 8TH

8:00 am - Mass - Chapel

10:00 am - Prayers & Squares - Holy Family Roo

7:00 pm - FF Parent Formation - Church

7:00 pm - CRSP Mujeres - St. Michael Hall

7:00 pm - CRHP Women - Cl 3

7:00 pm - Jóvenes para Cristo - St. Rose Hall

7:00 pm - Legion of Mary - North Drake

7:00 pm - CRSP Seguimiento Mujeres - S.Drake

Tuesday, October 9TH

9:00 am - Talleres de Oración y Vida - Cl 5

2:00 pm - SVDP Food Distribution - Holy Family Room

5:30 pm - Mass - Chapel

 $6{:}30~pm$ - Talleres de Oración y Vida - Cl5

7:00 pm - Grupo Emmanuel - Church

7:00 pm - Pastoral Ministry Class - St. Rose Hall

7:00 pm - Pro-Life Group - Cl 3

Wednesday, October 10TH

8:00 am - Communion Service - Chapel

10:00 am - Women's Bible Study - CL 3

5:00 pm - Youth Min. - Confirmation - All Rooms

7:00 pm - 11:30 am Choir Rehearsal - Loft - Church

Thursday, October 11TH

2:00 pm - SVDP Food Distribution - Holy Family Room

5:30 pm - Mass - Chapel

6:00 pm - Adoration and Confessions - Church

7:00 pm - Líderes Ministeriales Fest-Church & Chapel

7:00 pm - CRSP Hombres - St. Rose Hall

7:00 pm - RCIA - St. Michael & Drake

7:00 pm - RCIC - Cl 3

Friday, October 12TH

8:00 am - Mass - Chapel

5:00 pm - Wedding Rehearsal - Church

6:00 pm - Couples for Christ - Chapel

6:30 pm - New EM's Training - Church

7:00 pm - Coro -Misa 9:30 am - HF

Saturday, October 13TH

7:30 am - SVDP - SR-HF

9:00 am - FF Communion Classes Eng-Spa

9:00 am - Baptism (Eng)

11:00 am - Bautizos

1:00 pm - Wedding - Church

3:30 pm - 4:30 pm - Confessions - Church

5:00 pm - English Mass - Church

5:30 pm - 7pm Choir Rehearsal - Bride's Room

Sunday, October 14TH

8:00 am - English Mass - Church

9:00 am - Donut Social - St. Michael

9:30 am - Spanish Mass - Church

11:30 am - English Mass - Church

12:30 pm - 2pm Choir Rehearsal - Bride's Room

2:00 pm - Spanish Mass - Church

3:00 pm - Pastoral Juvenil Hispana - St. Michael

5:00 pm - Youth Ministry - Confirmation-All Rooms

6:00 pm - Spanish Mass - Church

NEW SCHOOL SESSIONS

This week Parent Information Sessions for a new Collin County Regional Catholic Elementary School will be held at the following dates and locations:

October 8th will be at St. Gabriel in McKinney October 9th at St. Jude in Allen October 10th at St Francis in Frisco All meetings start at 7:30pm

We are being to studied the need for a Collin County Regional Catholic Elementary School that will serve the parishes of St. Francis Assisi, St. Gabriel the Archangel, St. Jude, St. Michael the Archangel, and Our Lady of Angels. Bishop Edward Burns and his Dallas Diocesan leadership, in collaboration with the Catholic planning firm, Meitler from Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and Mr. Kevin Bird, are heading a new school feasibility study. The goal of this study is to assess the need for and level of interest in a new Catholic elementary K-8th school to serve these five parishes boundaries.

An essential element of the new school study is gathering information from prospective parents who could enroll their children at the proposed school in the next three years. To that end, parents are invited to a special information gathering to find out more and to share your insights and expectations about the proposed school.

Please use this link if you will be attending http://sgiz.mobi/s3/Dallas

All are welcome and we appreciate your participation. We look forward to seeing you.

ALWAYS REPORT ABUSE

If you have been abused by a member of the clergy, or church personnel at any point in your life, or know someone who has been, please report the abuse to law enforcement or the Texas Department of Family & Protective Services at 1-800-252-5400 or www.txabusehotline.org

You may also contact the Diocesan Victims' Assistance Coordinator, Barbara Landregan, at 214-379-2812. Let us always pray that God our Heavenly Father will bring comfort and healing to all victims and their loved ones.

Español

Si usted ha sido abusado por un miembro del clero o del personal de la iglesia en algún momento de su vida, o conoce a alguien que ha sido abusado, le pedimos que informe dicho abuso a las autoridades policiales o al Departamento de Servicios para la Familia y de Protección de Texas al 1-800-252-5400 o www.txabusehotline.org

También puede comunicarse con el Coordinador Diocesano de Asistencia de las Víctimas, Barbara Landregan, al 214-379-2812. Oremos siempre para que Dios nuestro Padre Celestial traiga consuelo y sanación a todas las víctimas y sus seres queridos.

TOWN HALL MEETINGS

On the weekend of August 25-26, Bishop Burns requested that a letter be read in all parishes in the Catholic Diocese of Dallas to address recent issues regarding the current crisis of sexual abuse by clergy, including allegations of sexual abuse by the former pastor of St. Cecilia Catholic Church, Reverend Edmundo Paredes. In that letter, Bishop Burns outlined five separate steps that will be taken in the diocese to create a safer environment, including announcing a Ceremony of Sorrows and Town Hall Meetings.

The dates, times and locations for these events have now been scheduled, and are as follows:

Tuesday, October 9th, 6:00 p.m. - Ceremony of Sorrows and Town Hall Meeting St. Cecilia Catholic Church 1809 W Davis St, Dallas, TX 75208

Monday, October 15th, 6:00 p.m. - Town Hall Meeting St. Jude Catholic Church 1515 N Greenville Ave, Allen, TX 75002

Tuesday, October 16, 6:00 p.m. - Town Hall Meeting Mary Immaculate Catholic Church 2800 Valwood Pkwy, Farmers Branch, TX 75234

Wednesday, October 17, 6:00 p.m. - Town Hall Meeting St. Bernard Catholic Church 1404 Old Gate Ln, Dallas, TX 75218

Monthly Mass for Catholics in Recovery - October 13th

This month's Calix Mass will be offered at 8:30 am on Oct 13th in the St. Jude Catholic Church in the main sanctuary (1515 N Greenville Ave, Allen). The Mass, and meeting that follows, is open to members of all parishes who are recovering alcoholics, addicts, and their families and friends. We share our experience, strength and hope found in Catholicism and 12-Step recovery. For more information on the Calix Society, call your parish or 214-734-5334, or see www.calixsociety.org and, for the Dallas Unit see http://stjudeparish.com/catholic-recovery-calix-society. This Calix unit serves the Dallas Diocese and holds its meetings on the second Saturday of every month at 8:30 AM at St. Judes in Allen.

MONTH OF OCTOBER

is dedicated to the Rosary. The Rosary will be prayed at the beginning of each Mass in October for the intentions of the Church and the scandal of abuse, for the victims of abuse and the Church leaders. If you would like to lead the Rosary at the beginning of Mass, contact the church office @ 972-542-4667.

IOHN PAUL II HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

(for students and parents): Join the entire Cardinal Family for Open House on Wednesday, October 17. This exciting evening features JPII faculty, staff, parents, and students. Attendees will be entered into a drawing for a \$1,000 credit toward 2019-2020 tuition. The event runs from 6:00-8:30pm. Stop by sponsored food trucks on your way in or out of campus and spend the evening getting the full JPIIHS experience! Contact us at admissions@johnpauliihs.org or 469-229-5195 for more information.



MAGI TREE

The St Vincent de Paul Society of St Michael the Archangel parish will be sponsoring the 2018 Magi Tree. Approximately 35 families will be selected based on need. Presents will be purchased for children only.

Applications, which will be available on the holiday

mailbox in the narthex, must be submitted for any family to be considered for the Magi Tree program. Families can be recommended either by an application submission by someone else or directly by the family.

Applications must be returned to the locked mailbox located in the narthex (NOT TO THE CHURCH OFFICE). All applications must be returned to the locked mailbox no later than **Sunday**, **October 28**, **2018**.

The interview process will begin following receipt of all applications. All families selected to participate in the Magi Tree program will be contacted by a member of the St Vincent de Paul Society.

DO NOT CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE WITH QUESTIONS OR INQUIRIES ABOUT THE MAJI TREE PROGRAM, CALL THE HELPLINE 214-314-5698.

EL ARBOL MAGI

La Sociedad San Vicente de Paúl de San Miguel Arcángel patrocinará el árbol Magi 2018. Aproximadamente 35 familias serán seleccionadas según la necesidad. Los regalos se comprarán sólo para los niños.

Las solicitudes estarán disponibles en el buzón para festividades localizado en el vestíbulo, estas deben enviarse para que cualquier familia sea considerada para el programa el árbol Magi. Se puede recomendar a las familias mediante la presentación de una solicitud por parte de alguna otra persona o directamente por la familia.

Las solicitudes deben devolverse al buzón bloqueado ubicado en el vestíbulo (Y NO A LA OFICINA DE LA IGLESIA). Todas las solicitudes deben devolverse al buzón bloqueado a más tardar el domingo 28 de octubre de 2018.

NO LLAMAR A LA OFICINA DE LA IGLESIA CON PREGUNTAS O CONSULTAS SOBRE EL PROGRAMA DEL ÁRBOL DE MAJI, EN SU LUGAR LLAME A LA LÍNEA DE AYUDA 214-314-5698.



THIS Sunday, October 7, 2018 9:00 am - 3:30 pm

411 Paula Road St. Michael's Catholic Church Carter BloodCare Bus McKinney, TX 75069

Domingo, 7 de octubre de 2018

9:00 AM-3:30 PM 411 Paula Road Iglesia Católica de San Miguel Carter BloodCare bus McKinney, TX 75069

LOS ABRAZÓ Y LOS BENDIJO

Hoy Jesús recalca que el Reino de Dios pertenece a los que son como los niños. Son confiados, tiernos y tienen el corazón abierto al amor. Se alegran cuando se dan cuenta del amor que Dios siente por ellos y están más que dispuestos a retribuir ese amor. Este es el modelo que Jesús nos presenta si queremos recibir el Reino de Dios. Debemos abrir el corazón y amar. Debemos bajar la guardia, sin importar por qué la hayamos montado, y recibir con alegría el amor que Cristo siente por nosotros. Es imposible que hagamos esto sin ayuda. Sólo la gracia de Dios nos permitirá hacerlo y esa gracia se nos concede generosamente y sin condiciones. Lo único que debemos hacer es aceptarla.

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Dios crea una compañera apropiada para Adán: Eva (Génesis 2:18-24).

Salmo — Que Dios nos bendiga todos los días de nuestra vida (Salmo 128 [127]).

Segunda lectura — Cristo, el que consagra, y aquellos a quienes consagra tienen un mismo origen. (Hebreos 2:9-11).

Evangelio — Lo que Dios ha unido, que ningún ser humano lo separe. Dejen que los niños vengan a mí. El reino de Dios pertenece a los que son como ellos (Marcos 10:2-16).



YOUNG ADULTS

We invite single, young adults between the ages of 18-35 to grow in faith

Grupo Juvenil San Miguel

Sundays 3-5 PM in St. Michael's Hall.

Contact info:
Roger Mesta
jmestamendo@leomail.tamuc.edu
469-219-0954

Gretta Mesta: grettamest@gmail.com 469-952-4880

TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

Un viejo chiste relata que una ancianita por más que se apresuraba a llegar al templo, siempre llegaba tarde al rosario. Un día decidió adelantarse para ver por qué duraba tan poco tiempo el rezo del rosario. A la hora establecida salió un ministro de la sacristía y velozmente recitó "Cruz, Bola, bolita, bolita, bolita, Bola . . .".

Esta es una exageración del hecho que muchos rezan el rosario como si fuera una serie de fórmulas que se repiten sin pensar. Esta devoción mariana debe meditarse con tranquilidad y en silencio. El enfoque del rezo del rosario son los misterios de la vida de Jesús. Los "Padrenuestros" y las "Ave Marías" nos ayudan a entrar en esa meditación en una forma mas profunda. Esas oraciones deben ayudarnos a penetrar el misterio de un acontecimiento gozoso, luminoso, doloroso, o glorioso de la vida de Jesucristo. Pero, una vez que estamos en presencia del misterio, debemos enfocarnos y contemplar a Dios. Esto no significa que el rosario no deba nunca rezarse en voz alta y en grupo. El rosario también tiene su dimensión comunitaria, pero ésta necesita fundarse en una verdadera meditación. En varias culturas latinoamericanas aún se canta el rosario. Ya sea a solas o en comunidad, rezado o cantado, el rosario es un tesoro de nuestra fe que nos puede facilitar la contemplación del salvador.



TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

One of our great treasures is the way the Church has frequently flourished under unfavorable conditions, like the grape ivy on the mantel that refuses to die no matter how infrequently you water it or open the drapes. Like the apartheid laws in South Africa in the last century, the penal laws of Ireland were aimed at depriving the majority population of basic human rights. The Protestant parliament of Ireland enacted laws limiting the practice of Catholicism. The goal was to force conversion from "popery" to the Church of Ireland, and additional laws took aim at Jews, non-Anglicans, and Ouakers.

There were laws against intermarriage, laws against Catholics being lawyers (there was a one-hundred-pound fine), a law granting lifelong income to priests who became Protestant, and a ban on weapons. In fact, until 1793, a Catholic man had to recruit and pay a Protestant man to serve in the local militia in his place! As if family life is not complicated enough in any age, the sons of a deceased father could divide his land equally, unless one became Protestant. In that case all would go to him! When allowed, new Catholic churches had to be built of wood, not stone, be off a main road or city square, have no steeple or bell, and be called a "chapel." Catholic "Emancipation" was largely secured by 1829, but even up to the founding of the Irish State in the 1920s, some effects of the laws endured. No wonder that poor Irish immigrants to the United States frequently built gloriously beautiful churches as their first act on free soil!

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

PARISH FESTIVAL 2018



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For Questions contact Tim Hogan at cthogan8@hotmail.com or Tom Whalen at ThomasPatrickWhalen@gmail.com

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Entrada Gratis Comida Deliciosa Botanas Rifa (\$2000 gran premio) Nuevos Juegos Juegos para Niños Mùsica en Vivo Potrillos y Zoo Los Matachines Cake Walk

Mayores Informes contactar a Tim Hogan: cthogan8@hotmail.com o a Tom Whalen: ThomasPatrickWhalen@gmail.com

HE EMBRACED THEM AND BLESSED THEM

Today Jesus stresses how children embody the reign of God. They are trusting and loving and have hearts that are open to love. They are joyful when they are made aware of God's love for them, and are eager to return that love. This is the model Jesus holds out to us if we want to welcome the reign of God. We need to have open, loving hearts. We must drop our defenses, however we came by them, and welcome Christ's love for us with joy. This is impossible for us on our own. Only the grace of God will enable us to do this, but that grace is freely and generously given. We have only to accept it.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The man said, "This one is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called 'woman' "(Genesis 2:18-24).

Psalm — May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives (Psalm 128).

Second Reading — He who consecrates and those who are being consecrated all have one origin (Hebrews 2:9-11).

Gospel — Whoever does not accept the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it (Mark 10:2-16 [2-12]). The English translation of the Psalm Responses from

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gal 1:6-12; Ps 111:1b-2, 7-9, 10c;

Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday: Gal 1:13-24; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-15;

Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday: Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Lk 11:1-4

Thursday:Gal 3:1-5; Lk 1:69-75; Lk 11:5-13Friday:Gal 3:7-14; Ps 111:1b-6; Lk 11:15-26Saturday:Gal 3:22-29; Ps 105:2-7; Lk 11:27-28Sunday:Wis 7:7-11; Ps 90:12-17; Heb 4:12-13;

Mk 10:17-30 [17-27]

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary

Time; Respect Life Sunday

Monday: Columbus Day;

Canadian Thanksgiving Day

Tuesday: St. Denis and Companions;

St. John Leonardi

Thursday: St. John XXIII

Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

BURY YOUR TROUBLES

When I dig others out of trouble, I find a place to bury my own.—*Anonymous*

MASS INTENTIONS.

Q: I seldom ask my parish priest to offer up Masses for a particular need such as a sick person or someone that has just died. Usually I offer up myself the Masses I attend for these needs, but a friend told me this was not valid. My friend said that for the graces to be received by the person in need, a priest had to offer up the Mass. So my question is, may we offer up our Masses for departed souls or those in need without specifically asking the priest to say these Masses? — A.K., Sacramento, California

A: Actually it is not a question of either/or but of and/and. Any Catholic may offer up the Mass in which he or she participates for any good intention. Certainly, graces will accrue in accordance with the intensity of that person's participation and sincerity.

This is a genuine exercise of the royal or common priesthood of the faithful.

However, the custom of requesting a priest to offer the Mass for a specific intention, even when one cannot be physically present at the Mass, is a longstanding tradition in the Church.

This is because the Church considers the Mass as the greatest possible prayer of intercession insofar as it is the perfect offering of Christ to the Father by making present the paschal mystery of his death and resurrection.

Because of the particular role of the priest as mediator between God and man, acting "in persona Christi" when offering the holy sacrifice of the Mass, it is usually considered that special graces may be obtained when he applies the Mass to a particular intention.

The faithful generally make an offering, called a stipend, to the priest in order to apply the Mass to a specific intention. By making this offering, the faithful, by parting with something that is their own, associate themselves more intimately with Christ who offers himself in the sacred Host, and obtain thereby more abundant fruits (See Pope Paul VI's letter "Firma in Traditione" of June 13, 1974).

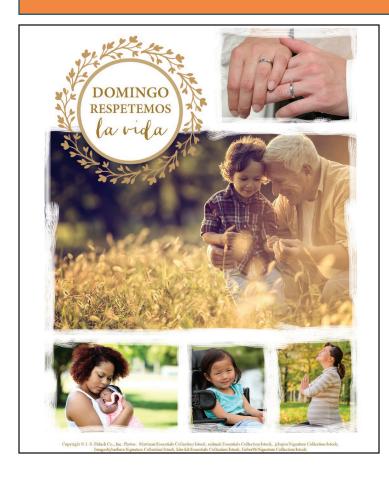
This sacrifice has an infinite value and indeed there is no objective limitation to the number of intentions that can be offered at any Mass.

The offering of a stipend is also a means whereby Catholic may contribute to the upkeep of the clergy, and the Church in general.

However, so as to avoid even the appearance of commerce in sacred things, the Church regulates the practice of offering and receiving stipends in canons 945-958 of the Code of Canon Law and in some later decrees on specific applications of the code.

Father Edward McNamara, professor of liturgy at the Regina Apostolorum Pontifical University.

IGLESIA CATÓLICA SAN MIGUEL ARCÁNGEL



Ambassadors for Welcome Ministry Needed!

To share God's love, and our hospitality with all who come to mass at St. Michael the Archangel.

To share a joyful heart with our church community, creating a home for gathering and worship.

Brief training sessions are forming. Contact Welcome Ministry Coordinator Carlie Perez 469-288-2800 perez.carolina88@yahoo.com

Comité de Bienvenida busca voluntarios para Embajadores!

Que deseen compartir el amor de Dios y nuestra hospitalidad con todos los que asisten a misa en san Miguel Arcangel.

Que den la bienvenida con alegría a nuestra comunidad para así crear un ambiente de unión y veneración. Se están formando breves sesiones de entrenamiento.

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