

October 10, 2021

THEN WHO CAN
BE SAVED?

—
FOR HUMAN BEINGS
IT IS IMPOSSIBLE,
BUT NOT FOR GOD.
ALL THINGS ARE
POSSIBLE FOR GOD.

Mark 10:26-27

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7:00 pm Wed Spanish
7:00 pm Miercoles Español

Saturday 5:00 pm English
6:30 pm Español

Sunday 8:30 am English
10:30 am English
12:30 pm Español
2:30 pm Swahili

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WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 10, 2021

- Sunday:** Wis 7:7-11/Ps 90:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 [14]/Heb 4:12-13/
Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27
- Monday:** Rom 1:1-7/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [2a]/Lk 11:29-32
- Tuesday:** Rom 1:16-25/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [2a]/Lk 11:37-41
- Wednesday:** Rom 2:1-11/Ps 62:2-3, 6-7, 9 [13]/Lk 11:42-46
- Thursday:** Rom 3:21-30/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [7]/Lk 11:47-54
- Friday:** Rom 4:1-8/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11 [cf. 7]/Lk 12:1-7
- Saturday:** Rom 4:13, 16-18/Ps 105:6-7, 8-9, 42-43 [8]/Lk 12:8-12
- Next Sunday:** Is 53:10-11/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 [22]/Heb 4:14-16/Mk
10:35-45 or 10:42-45

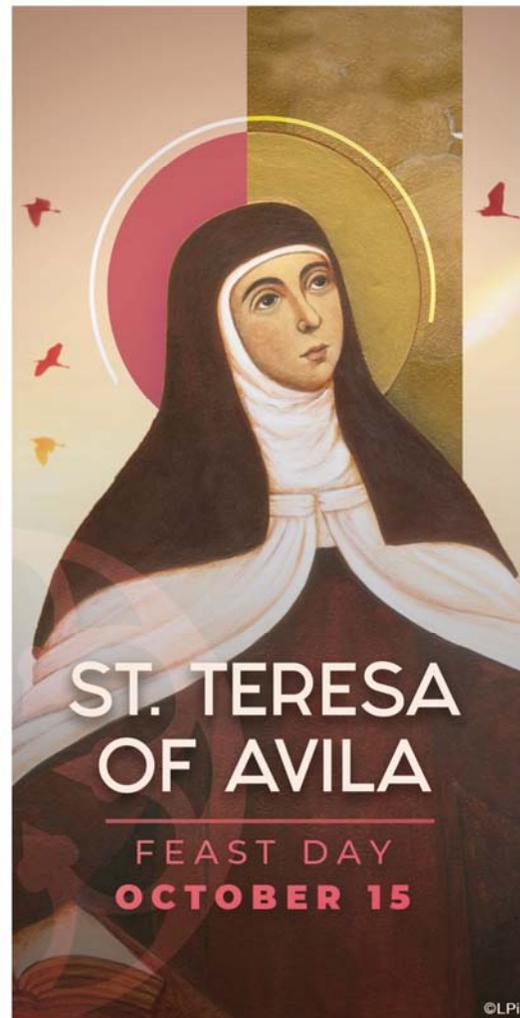
OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 10, 2021

- Sunday:** 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Monday:** St. John XXIII, Pope; Columbus Day
- Thursday:** St. Callistus I, Pope and Martyr
- Friday:** St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church
- Saturday:** St. Hedwig, Religious; St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin; BVM
- Next Sunday:** 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

Presumption can be a great sin. We can easily convince ourselves that as long as we do the bare minimum or master the basics, it is sufficient. Love doesn't operate this way. If we are truly in love with God, then the basics are not going to be enough. That love is going to want to get expressed in going above and beyond, in leaving the comfortable and familiar, in stretching and growing and in following a voice other than our own. This is what those who are truly in pursuit of wisdom come to realize. Just like any human relationship worth achieving reveals, we never reach a plateau in following the Gospel or growing in wisdom and holiness. Wisdom is the rudder that guides us through all of life's attractions and options. It alone determines what is worth pursuing and what must be left behind. That is why those who are only concerned about checking the boxes and doing the least amount possible often walk away sad when offered God's gift of life eternal. They are not truly in love.



SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. Teresa of Ávila (1515-1582) was a Spanish Carmelite nun who lived in the 16th century. She was a mystic and author of spiritual writings and poems. The originator of the Carmelite Reform, she founded numerous convents throughout Spain and restored a contemplative life to the order. She became well known for the mystical experiences, many of which she described in her autobiography.

The first of only four women to be named a Doctor of the Church, St. Teresa's ascetic doctrine and Carmelite reforms shaped Roman Catholic contemplative life, and her writings on the Christian soul's journey to God are considered works of art. Her writings, especially the "Way of Perfection" and "The Interior Castle," have helped generations of believers.

St. Teresa of Avila died on Oct. 15, 1582. She was canonized on March 22, 1622, along with three of her greatest contemporaries: St. Ignatius Loyola, St. Francis Xavier, and St. Philip Neri.

HOLY SPIRIT PARISH / PARROQUIA DEL ESPÍRITU SANTO

We Ask You to Pray for All Who Are Ill Especially

Se'Vera Dowe, Darrell Ehlers, Esthefanie Frias,
Ken Gannaw, Elisa Hilson, Kaden Hollis, Alex Jones,
Paul MacDonald, Pat Massengill, Barbara Purnell,
Richard Robles, Marina Serena, Jim Sheffield, Chris Sims,
Joseph Thomas, JC Wynn

Please pray for everyone in the military both at home and
abroad, men and women who put themselves in harm's
way to protect us. And, let us pray for their families.

**If you would like a name added or removed from the
prayer list, please contact the parish office at
bfincher@holyspiritkent.org or 253-859-0444.**

Blessing of the Animals

*They came by the dozens—big dogs, little dogs,
cats in jackets, cats in carriers, a hamster in a
hamster house and even a white peacock in a box!
Oh, and Father Carlos brought Monty The Python.
They were on the sidewalks and on the grass, in
the parking lot and by the planters. It was wonder-
ful! They all behaved themselves, even if a couple
needed the help of their person to do so. I'm
already looking forward to next year's blessing. See
more pictures and videos on our website.*

Bendición de los animales

Vinieron por docenas: perros grandes, perros pequeños, gatos con chaqueta, gatos en jaulas, un hámster en una casa de hámster e incluso un pavo real blanco en una caja. Ah, y el padre Carlos trajo a Monty The Python. Estaban en las aceras y en el césped, en el estacionamiento y junto a las macetas. ¡Fue maravilloso! Todos se portaron bien, incluso si una pareja necesitaba la ayuda de su persona para hacerlo. Ya estoy deseando recibir la bendición del año que viene. Vea más fotos y videos en nuestro sitio web.



HOLY SPIRIT PARISH / PARROQUIA DEL ESPÍRITU

A picture of a friendship: The paralyzed Christian and the blind Muslim *by [Francisco Veneto](#) - published on 10/05/21*



Each man depended on the other to survive. Their extraordinary friendship literally completed them.

The inspiring story of a Christian named Samir and a Muslim named Muhammad, who are said to have lived in Damascus in Ottoman Syria during the final years of the 19th century, is circulating on social media.

According to accounts shared by dozens of websites and social media posts, and even some news sites such as the [Egypt Independent](#), **Samir was a Christian who suffered from paralysis, and Muhammad was a blind Muslim.**

[Tancredè Dumas](#) | [Public domain, via Wikimedia Commons](#)

Without the light of Samir's eyes, Muhammad had no way to get around the labyrinthine streets of ancient Damascus on his own, while the paralyzed Samir couldn't get anywhere without Muhammad's feet. One depended on the other: **Their extraordinary friendship literally completed them.**

The accounts about the paralyzed Christian and the blind Muslim add that the two were orphans, shared the same poor dwelling, and always lived together.

When Samir died, Muhammad is said to have cried for seven days for having lost his other half. Eventually, he would die of grief over the death of his friend—which was also the death of his eyes.

There are no sources that document the veracity of the names and personal history of these two men. **However, the photograph depicting them is genuine.**

The paralyzed Christian and the blind Muslim: a real photo

The image was captured in 1889 by photographer Tancredè Dumas (1830-1905), who was born in Italy to French parents.

Dumas learned to photograph in Florence and opened his photography studio in Beirut in 1860. He was hired by the American Palestine Exploration Society, precursor of the American Schools of Oriental Research, to document the regions east of the Jordan River. Dumas also traveled with the Grand Duke of Mecklenburg-Schwerin, which led him to adopt the title of "Photographer to the Imperial and Royal Court of Prussia."

His photograph of the paralyzed Christian being carried by the blind Muslim is available from the Prints and Photographs Division of the [United States Library of Congress](#) under the digital identification number cph.3b41806. The image is also available from [Wikimedia Commons](#).

May the paralyzed Christian and the blind Muslim, whatever their true story was, be a real inspiration today, when we need to reach out to each other more than ever across differences of ethnicity, religion, and all other barriers.

HOLY SPIRIT PARISH / PARROQUIA DEL ESPÍRITU SANTO

Small boy gives friar a powerful lesson in faith

Mike Herlihey | Facebook | Fair Use
[Cerith Gardiner](#) - published on 10/04/21



The moment was captured on film to share with us all. Taken from [Aleteia.org](#).

[Brother Mike Herlihey recently shared on his Facebook account](#) an encounter with a young child that left him with a renewed fervor for his faith.

During the summer Brother Herlihey was playing outside with some of the kids at the school next to his church. He explains that when one of the youngsters saw him in his habit, they were filled with excitement and asked if he were Jesus. **“I’m not Jesus, but Jesus is a good friend of mine,”** he replied to the little boy.

The boy, who is referred to as “Tyrone,” proclaimed that Jesus was his friend too, and the pair then joined the other children and their chaperones to play some games.

At the end of play time, the Franciscan friar asked Tyrone to pray for him. What happened next took him by surprise. **While Brother Herlihey had meant for the little boy to pray for him later on, the little boy fell to his knees and prayed on the spot.** The shocked friar joined him in prayer and was delighted to see that after their spontaneous prayers, the other kids and their chaperones were all smiling encouragingly.

This simple moment in time left its mark on Brother Herlihey, and how he wants to continue to live his faith:

I want to be ready for Jesus to come again as urgently as Tyrone. I want to be excited to see Jesus and spend time with Him like Tyrone. I want to be fearless to pray in public and in front of my friends and those in positions of authority over me (bosses, superiors, etc.) like Tyrone.

As impactful as the experience was for the religious, his experience can also inspire us to be more like Tyrone: ready, excited, and fearless in our faith.

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St. Vincent de Paul Society: 206-767-6449

Catholic Community Services: 253-854-0077

King Count y Resource Line: 2-1-1

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Sociedad de San Vicente de Paul: 206-767-6449

Servicios Católicos de la Comunidad: 253-854-0077

Recursos del Condado de King Línea: 2-1-1



Please pray for the soul of our parishioner who died recently.

Ore por las almas de nuestros feligreses que han fallecido recientemente.

Antonia Morfin

May God bless and comfort their families.

Que Dios bendiga y consuele a sus familias.