

The Catholic Community of

Saint Joseph

Masses

Saturday – 4:00 p.m.; Sunday – 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
Mass in Spanish: Sunday – 1:30 p.m. Holy Days: Check inside of bulletin.
Weekdays: Tuesday – 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday, Thursday & Friday – 8:15 a.m.
Confessions: By Appointment Only

“In the spirit of St. Joseph, we lovingly serve Jesus Christ and His people.”

Parish Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday-Friday

- ◆ **PARISH STAFF:** Rev. James Hatfield, *Pastor*; Deacon Ronald Fondriest, *Retired*; Ms. Brenda Stilgenbauer, *Pastoral Associate*; Ms. Cindy Teynor, *Director of Religious Education*; Mrs. Kateri Renicker, *Religious Education Secretary*; Mr. Matthew Nadalin, *Director of Music Ministry*; Mrs. Jodi Lindberg, *Bookkeeper*; Mrs. Betty Bidinger, *Coordinator of Family Life Center*; Mr. Russ Clay & Mr. Coleman Boring, *Church and Cemetery Maintenance*; and Mr. Neal Kwasnicka, *Custodian*.
- ◆ **FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBERS:** Mr. Brian Bauer, Mr. Chris Chaney, Mr. Mark Clemence, Mr. Jack Dooling, Mr. Dennis Gonano, Mr. Jan-Michael LaBrake, Mrs. Brenda Pope, Mr. Frank Rose, Mr. Joe Sciarretti.
- ◆ **MARRIAGES** – Arrangements should be made through the Parish Office at least eight months before any other planning.
- ◆ **BAPTISMS** – Baptisms are celebrated on Sunday at 12:30 p.m. (outside of Mass). Parents must attend the Baptismal Preparation Program. This is at 7:00 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month in the Family Life Center. Godparents are also welcome to attend. Please pre-register by calling the Parish Office.
- ◆ **BAUTISMOS** – Bautismo en español se celebran una vez al mes después de la Misa el Domingo. Los padres y padrinos deben recibir charles de preparación en el Centro Familiar. Deben inscribirse llamando a las Oficinas de la Parroquia.
- ◆ **NEW PARISHIONERS** – Please register in person at the Parish Office or complete a registration form (available in church). Please return to Parish Office or put in collection.
- ◆ **BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS** – Please have bulletin announcements to the Parish Office by 3:00 p.m. on Monday, or e-mail stjosephchurch@roadrunner.com.

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330-364-6662

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St. Joseph Church
Dover, Ohio 44622
The Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 3 and 4, 2020
3 y 4 de Octubre del 2020



Mass Intentions

Monday, October 5

No Mass

Readings: 461: 1 Gal 1:6-12/Ps 111/Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday, October 6

5:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration

6:00 p.m. Laura Stone

Readings: 462: Gal 1:13-24/Ps 139/Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday, October 7

8:15 a.m. Donald Kyle

Readings: 463: Gal 2:1-2, 7-14/Ps 117/Lk 11:1-4

Thursday, October 8

8:15 a.m. Andrew Cecil

9:00 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration

Readings: 464: Gal 3:1-5/Ps Lk 1:69/Lk 11:5-13

Friday, October 9

8:15 a.m. Esther Monaco

Readings: 465: Gal 3:7-14/Ps 111/Lk 11:15-26

Saturday, October 10

The Vigil of The Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 p.m. Deceased Members of the Paul and Faye Altier Family

Sunday, October 11

The Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m. Lowell Gonano

11:00 a.m. People of the Parish

1:30 p.m. Victor Oxlaj Pastor

(Mass in Spanish)

Readings: 142: Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23/Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/
Mt 22:1-14

Ministry Schedule

Lectors, Usher and Greeter Schedule

Tuesday, October 6 – 6:00 p.m. – Mary Salvo

Wednesday, October 7 – 8:15 a.m. – Jack Burnham

Thursday, October 8 – 8:15 a.m. – Jeannine Kennedy

Friday, October 9 – 8:15 a.m. – Matt Ritzert

October 10 and 11, 2020

4:00 p.m. Mass

Lector: Lyle Tope

Ushers: Steve DeBois, Mary DeBois, Kateri Renicker,

Bill Bartz, Roy Montan

Server: Cecilia Hostetler

8:30 a.m. Mass

Lector: Jack Burnham

Ushers: John Kuczirka, Chris Chaney, Kelly Chaney, John

Chaney, John Karl, Max Burnham, Ronnie Saffell

Server: Joe Pruni

11:00 a.m. Mass

Lector: Anne Bruno

Ushers: George Kail, Mike Ernest, Mary Elco, Jim Elco,

Joe Sciarretti, Patti DeVault

Usher: Nick Williams

The Church also will be open for individual prayer:

Mondays from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Tuesdays from 1:00 p.m. until Mass begins at 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday following 8:15 a.m. Mass until 1:00 p.m.

Thursday following 8:15 a.m. Mass until 1:00 p.m.

Friday following 8:15 a.m. until 11:00 a.m.

Saturday from 1:00 p.m. until Mass begins at 4:00 p.m.

Confessions are available by appointment, please call the Parish Office if you would like to schedule a time.

Offertory for September 26 and 27, 2020

Loose Cash and Checks	\$ 1,632.00
Adult Weekly Envelopes	\$ 2,928.00
Online Giving	\$ 568.00
Total	\$ 5,128.00
Contributions needed each week	\$ 12,192.00

Other Funds:

Poor Fund	\$ 205.00
Capital Improvement	\$ 46.00
St. Joseph Subsidy for Catholic Schools	\$ 20.00

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Prayer Chain: To place your request on the Prayer Chain, please call the Parish Office or Charlene Herzig at 330-343-1063. If no one is available, please leave a message.

Please remember in your prayers all the sick, homebound, and recovering in our parish. Also, pray for those coping with physical or mental conditions.

Please include all those on our prayer lists who have asked for our prayers, and those who have no one to pray for them.

Spiritual Notes:

As he begins to conclude his letter to the Philippians, Paul continues to exhort them to grow in their faith. If we place our trust in God, then "the peace of God will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus." it is this confidence that allows Paul to suffer persecution, imprisonment, and finally death. Paul knows that following the way of Christ ultimately leads to peace, so he encourages them to persevere in their faith. Today's text from Isaiah serves as a background for Jesus's parable of the vineyard. Isaiah addresses his parable to people as a word of judgment. God has planted a vineyard with great care in Israel. Even the location, a fertile hillside, is intended to ensure a successful harvest. He planted the choicest vines after preparing the soil; yet despite all this, the vineyard only yields wild grapes. Isaiah warns the inhabitants of Jerusalem that because the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the house of Israel and they have produced an undesirable harvest, they are about to face God's judgment. Jesus speaks of a landowner who planted a vineyard and leased it to tenants. This landowner has done everything he could to ensure that the land would produce a good harvest. But in his absence, the tenants refuse to pay the rent, and they abuse the servants sent to obtain his produce. Even his son cannot get them to pay the rent; they seize him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. For Matthew's community, these wicked tenants represent those who reject Jesus: They will have the kingdom taken away from them and given to a people that will produce its fruit. Like the parable in Israel, Jesus's parable also challenges us to produce fruit or face judgment.

For reflection: Is my life producing a desirable harvest for God? How has God helped me provide a successful yield?

Please keep in your prayers, Theodore "Popeye" Rondinella, age 90, who died on Sunday, September 27, 2020. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. Please, also keep his family in your prayers.

R.C. I.A. Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

If you know of anyone who is interested in learning more about Catholicism and The Church's process for becoming Catholic, please encourage them to contact the Parish Office or John Kuczirka at 330-343-9988.



Each Saturday and Sunday during the month of October, the Knights of Columbus will lead a Rosary before each of the Masses. If you would like to participate, please join us in prayer 30 minutes before Mass begins. We hope to see many of you there.

St. Joseph Cemetery: All summer flowers and pots must be removed from the cemetery no later than Monday, October 19th or they will be removed for you. If you are unable to do so, please call Russ in the Parish Office.

The 2020 Jubilee of Anniversaries is taking place on Saturday, October 25th at St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church in Westerville. Couples celebrating their 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th, 55th, 60th, and every year after, anniversaries of marriage are cordially invited to attend the 2:30 p.m. Mass celebrated by Bishop Brennan or to virtually attend the livestream. Please register ahead of time to receive a certificate in the mail, and by October 14th to have your name included in the worship aid and in *The Catholic Times*.

Office of Social Concerns - Action Alerts! <https://columbuscatholic.org/social-concerns-office> **Information and Response NETWORK**

The Office for Social Concerns monitors developing public policy issues at the local, state, national, and international levels and coordinates responses to be sent to key policymakers. OSC will activate the Information and Response Network and send action alerts to those in the network when a priority issue develops and there is a need for a timely response.

The primary sources of Action Alerts are from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, United States Catholic Conference, Catholic Conference of Ohio, and Office for Social Concerns. Additional sources include disaster response alerts from Catholic Relief Services, Catholic Charities USA, and our diocesan Disaster Response Office.

Subscribers will receive alerts on issues such as abortion, euthanasia, death penalty, those affecting senior citizens and persons with disabilities, disaster response, economic justice, human rights, rural life, environmental justice, and other domestic social development and international justice and peace issues. The Office for Social concerns will also periodically send messages on upcoming events.

Care for the Unborn

Several pro-life bills calling for a reduction of abortions will work their way through the Ohio General Assembly and Congress. For updates, visit www.ohiocathconf.org/I/AB/Abortion.htm.

Immigration Reform

With a new Congress comes a renewed debate on immigration reform. The immigration system is broken. Visit the USCCB's Justice for Immigrants Campaign website for the latest action alerts and education resources, www.justiceforimmigrants.org.

The Red Mass

Bishop Brennan will celebrate Mass on Wednesday, October 7, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. via livestream at www.columbuscatholic.org. A Red Mass is a Mass celebrated annually in the Catholic Church for all members of the legal profession, regardless of religious affiliation: judges, lawyers, law school professors, law students, and government officials.

Family Rosary Day

The Diocese of Columbus' annual Family Rosary Day is 3:00 p.m., Sunday, October 11, 2020. This year's event will be livestreamed on www.columbuscatholic.org

Other information to Note

Mass Intentions: Please be reminded that any parishioner is welcome to request Masses be celebrated for deceased or living loved ones. To schedule a Mass Intention, please contact the Parish Office.

Bulletin deadline: The bulletin deadline is Monday at 3:00 p.m. Please include your contact information with phone number and email address. Bulletin notices may be in writing, faxed to 330-602-7488, dropped off, or emailed to stjosephchurch@roadrunner.com.

Low-Gluten Hosts: If you are a person who needs to receive a **low-gluten host** because of wheat allergies or celiac disease, please call the Parish Office.



Online Giving. If you manage your bills online, we're sure you'll like giving to your church online. It's safe and secure, and you decide exactly when your give is made and where it goes. To get started please visit www.stjosephdover.org. If you have any questions or need assistance, please call the Parish Office.

Help us to Have the Correct Information

Are you a registered parishioner? Do we have your current phone number? Registering in the parish is a declaration of your desire to be a part of the Catholic community and commitment to the life of our parish. If you want to register, there are forms in the Vestibule. Simply fill one out and drop it in the collection basket or stop in the Parish Office during the week or on Sunday mornings after the Masses and request a form.

More and more parishioners have begun to eliminate their landlines, and use only cell phones. If you fall into this category, please contact the Parish Office with your correct information. You may fill out this slip and drop it in the collection basket or email any changes to stjosephchurch@roadrunner.com Thank you!!

Family Name: _____

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Natural Family Planning (NFP) methods are effective for postponing or achieving pregnancy and are completely natural – no pills, patches, or devices. Engaged and married couples are invited to learn about NFP by visiting www.columbuscatholic.org/natural-family-planning or contacting the Diocese of Columbus Office of Marriage and Family Life at 614-241-2560.

Promise to Protect – Pledge to Heal

Believe in the possibility of help and healing. There is hope. Your local victim coordinator is available to help you or anyone who has been abused or victimized by someone representing the Catholic Church. We will listen to your needs and support you. We encourage you to come forward and speak out. We will help you make a formal complaint and arrange a personal meeting with the bishop or his delegate, if desired.



Leave a Legacy of Love and Faith

"The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone..." Matthew 21:42

Jesus was rejected by the religious and political leaders of his day, as well as ordinary citizens. Living a stewardship lifestyle may cause you to be "rejected" by others in today's society. For example, saying grace before a meal in a restaurant may attract some strange looks from some. But to others it is sign that God is alive and well!

Learn how you can put God in all things by supporting your parish and contact The Catholic Foundation. Visit www.catholic-foundation.org/development for more information.

The Holy Father's Prayer Intentions October 2020

The Laity's Mission in the Church

We pray that by the virtue of baptism, the laity, especially women, may participate more in areas of responsibility in the Church.

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THE GOSPEL OF LIFE

A BRIEF SUMMARY

The prophetic papal encyclical *Evangelium vitae* (*The Gospel of Life*) was written by Pope St. John Paul II in 1995 to reaffirm the value and inviolability of every human life and to appeal to all people to respect, protect, love, and serve every human life. The following is a brief overview of this important document.

The Gospel of life is at the *heart* of Jesus' saving message to the world. Through the Incarnation and birth of Christ, God reveals to us the dignity of all human life. Human life, as a gift of God, is sacred and inviolable. The Son of God has united himself with every human being and desires for us to share eternal life with him. For this reason, direct attacks on human life, such as abortion and euthanasia, are always unacceptable. Yet, sadly we see new and expanding threats to human life emerging on an alarming scale. These new threats to life are often justified, protected, and even promoted by our laws and culture.

The Gospel of life is at the heart of Jesus' saving message to the world.

Not only must human life not be taken, but it must be protected with loving concern. Each of us is made in the image and likeness of God, and we reflect his glory in the world. God made the human person with the capacity to love and reason and share in a relationship with himself, the Creator. The human person bears an indelible imprint of God and is the pinnacle of all creation. The source of our dignity is not only linked to our creation by God, but to our final end and destiny to spend eternity with the Father. By accepting Christ as our Savior through the ministry of the Church, despite our sinfulness, we can begin to share in eternal life even now.

In sharing in the lowliest and most vulnerable conditions of human life—even death on a cross—Jesus shows us that life is always good.

Despite the grave threats to human life in the modern world, we, as the People of God, are called to place our faith in Jesus, the “Word of life” (1 Jn 1:1). As Christians, we have received the full truth about human life as proclaimed by the very person of Jesus. In sharing in the lowliest and most vulnerable conditions of human life—even death on a cross—Jesus shows us that life is *always good*. The true meaning of our lives is found in giving and receiving love. It is only through this understanding of a sincere gift of self that human sexuality and procreation reach their true and full significance.

God holds the lives of all people in his gentle and loving care, giving meaning and value to any sufferings that we bear. Even within the mystery which surrounds suffering and death, these experiences can become saving events as we unite them with Christ's own sacrifice. By making human life the instrument of our salvation, the Son of God shows us the priceless value of human life.

Although the roots of violence against life are not new—going all the way back to Genesis,

when Cain took the life of his brother Abel—our modern world is now suffering under a culture of death. Scientific and technological advances and an increasingly secularized world have led to an eclipse of the value of human life. However, respect for life requires that science and technology should always be at the service of the human person and his integral development. We must reject systems of structuralized sin which value efficiency and productivity over human persons.

Governments and international institutions promote abortion and euthanasia as marks of progress and freedom. But this is a false and perverse understanding in which freedom is equated with absolute individualism. True freedom is inherently relational, recognizing that God has entrusted us to one another. As cultures and societies fail to recognize these objective truths, everything becomes relative, and all principles are called into question—even the fundamental right to life. However, the blood of Christ's sacrifice remains our constant hope.

To proclaim Jesus is to proclaim life itself. Gratitude and joy at the incomparable dignity of the human person impel us to bring the Gospel of life to the hearts of all people and make it penetrate every part of society.

Christ's gift of himself on the Cross reveals how precious life truly is and gives us the strength to commit ourselves to building a *culture of life*. Christ's blood, shed for us, promises that in God's plan death will be no more, and life will be victorious.



Society as a whole must respect, defend and promote the dignity of every human person, at every moment and in every condition of that person's life. Each life is a gift from God and ultimately belongs to him. He has sole authority over life and death. We are therefore called to reverence and love every human person, loving our neighbors as ourselves. It is our responsibility to care for and protect human life, especially the lives of the most vulnerable among us.

Having received the gift of the Gospel of life, we are the people of life and a people for life. It is our duty to proclaim the Gospel of life to the world. *To proclaim Jesus is to proclaim life itself.* Gratitude and joy at the incomparable dignity of the human person impel us to bring the Gospel of life to the hearts of all people and make it penetrate every part of society. In every child which is born, and in every person who lives or dies, we see the image of God's glory. We celebrate this glory in every human being, a sign of the living God, an icon of Jesus Christ.

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Lectio Divina

SCRIPTURE READING + MEDITATION + PRAYER + CONTEMPLATION

"What page, what passage of the inspired books of the Old and New Testaments is not the truest of guides for human life?" ~Saint Benedict, from the *Rule of Saint Benedict* (73:3)

The Month of October – a Marian Month – is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary.

"While the world changes the Cross stands firm."

~ SAINT BRUNO

Monday, October 5 ~ Twenty-Seventh Week in Ordinary Time
Saint Faustina Kowalska, Virgin

Holy Gospel: Luke 10:25-37 There was a scholar of the law who stood up to test Jesus and said, "Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "What is written in the law? How do you read it?" He said in reply, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your being, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself." He replied to him, "You have answered correctly; do this and you will live." But because he wished to justify himself, he said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man fell victim to robbers as he went down from Jerusalem to Jericho. They stripped and beat him and went off leaving him half-dead. A priest happened to be going down that road, but when he saw him, he passed by on the opposite side. Likewise a Levite came to the place, and when he saw him, he passed by on the opposite side. But a Samaritan traveler who came upon him was moved with compassion at the sight. He approached the victim, poured oil and wine over his wounds and bandaged them. Then he lifted him up on his own animal, took him to an inn, and cared for him. The next day he took out two silver coins and gave them to the innkeeper with the instruction, 'Take care of him. If you spend more than what I have given you, I shall repay you on my way back.' Which of these three, in your opinion, was neighbor to the robbers' victim?" He answered, "The one who treated him with mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

Meditation: When personal tragedy strikes, or when there is a great human calamity, people will often ask "If God is all-loving and compassionate, then why is there so much suffering and evil in this world?" Jesus' parable about a highway robbery gives us a helpful hint. Jesus told this dramatic story in response to a devout Jew who wanted to understand how to apply God's great commandment of love to his everyday life circumstances. In so many words this religious-minded Jewish person said: "I want to love God as best as I can and I want to love my neighbor as well. But how do I know that I am fulfilling my duty to love my neighbor as myself?" Jesus must have smiled when he heard this man challenge him to explain one's duty towards their neighbor. For the Jewish believer the law of love was plain and simple: "treat your neighbor as you would treat yourself." The real issue for this believer was the correct definition of who is "my neighbor." He understood "neighbor" to mean one's fellow Jew who belonged to the same covenant which God made with the people of Israel. Up to a certain point, Jesus agreed with this sincere expert but, at the same time, he challenged him to see that God's view of neighbor went far beyond his narrow definition.

Prayer: Almighty ever-living God, who in the abundance of your kindness surpass the merits and the desires of those who entreat you, pour out your mercy upon us to pardon what conscience dreads and to give what prayer does not dare to ask. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Contemplation: What does Jesus' story tell us about true love for one's neighbor? First, we must be willing to help even if others brought trouble on themselves through their own fault or negligence. Second, our love and concern to help others in need must be practical. Good intentions and showing pity, or empathizing with others, are not enough. And lastly, our love for others must be as wide and as inclusive as God's love. God excludes no one from his care and concern. God's love is unconditional. So we must be ready to do good to others for their sake, just as God is good to us. Jesus not only taught God's way of love, but he showed how far God was willing to go to share in our suffering and to restore us to wholeness.

of life and happiness. Jesus overcame sin, suffering, and death through his victory on the cross. His death brought us freedom from slavery to sin and the promise of everlasting life with God. He willingly shared in our suffering to bring us to the source of true healing and freedom from sin and oppression. True compassion not only identifies and empathizes with the one who is in pain, but takes that pain on oneself in order to bring freedom and restoration.

Tuesday, October 6 ~ Twenty-Seventh Week in Ordinary Time
Saint Bruno, Priest, Founder of the Carthusian Order;
Blessed Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin

Holy Gospel: John 1:47-51 Jesus entered a village where a woman whose name was Martha welcomed him. She had a sister named Mary who sat beside the Lord at his feet listening to him speak. Martha, burdened with much serving, came to him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me by myself to do the serving? Tell her to help me." The Lord said to her in reply, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her."

Meditation: Jesus enjoyed visiting the home of Martha and Mary as they were gracious and hospitable. But notice in this brief encounter we see two very different temperaments in Martha and Mary. Martha loved to serve, but in her anxious manner of waiting on Jesus, she caused unrest. Mary, in her simple and trusting manner, waited on Jesus by sitting attentively at his feet. She instinctively knew that what Jesus the Lord most wanted at that moment was her attentive presence. Who are we more like – Martha or Mary? When in prayer in church or at home or work does anxiety and preoccupation keep us from listening and from giving the Lord our undivided attention. What about that mobile phone that seems to be glued to our hand, waiting for the next text message from someone, rather than turning it off so we can focus totally on our prayer conversation with Jesus? Folks, the Lord asks us to give him our concerns and anxieties because he is trustworthy and able to meet any need we have. His grace frees us from needless concerns and preoccupation. And so we must ask ourselves: Do you seek the Lord fully and attentively? Also, are you gracious and hospitable to Jesus – do you welcome him?

Prayer ~ Saint Bruno: O God, who called Saint Bruno to serve you in solitude, grant, through his intercession, that amid the changes of this world we may constantly look to you alone. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Prayer ~ Blessed Marie Rose Durocher: Lord, who enkindled in the heart of Blessed Marie Rose Durocher the flame of ardent charity and a great desire to cooperate in the mission of the Church as a teacher, grant us that same active love, so that, in responding to the needs of the world today, we may lead our brothers and sisters to the blessedness of eternal life. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Contemplation: The Lord Jesus desires that we make a place for him, not only in our hearts, but in our homes and in the daily circumstances of our lives as well. We honor the Lord when we offer to him everything we have and everything we do. After all, everything we have is an outright gift from God (1 Chronicles 29:14). Paul the Apostle urges us to give God glory in everything: "Whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him" (Colossians 3:17). Practically speaking, do you have a framed image of the Sacred Heart of Jesus hanging noticeably in your home? Do you have crucifixes hanging in various rooms of your home? Is your Bible a ready source of reading in your living room, den, or bedside? When is the last time you had your home blessed? All of these help us remember Jesus by visibly welcoming him into our physical homes (dwellings) – honoring him, remembering him, praying to him, thanking him – and will nourish and strengthen the spiritual home we build in each of us.

Wednesday, October 7 ~ Twenty-Seventh Week in Ordinary Time
Our Lady of the Rosary

"The Church has always attributed particular efficacy to this prayer, entrusting to the Rosary, to its choral recitation and to its constant practice, the most difficult problems. At times when Christianity itself seemed under threat, its deliverance was attributed to the power of this prayer, and Our Lady of the Rosary was acclaimed as the one whose intercession brought salvation."

~Saint John Paul II, Apostolic Letter ROSARIUM VIRGINIS MARIAE, October 2002, No. 39

Holy Gospel: Luke 1:26-38 In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, "Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with you!" But she was greatly troubled at the saying, and considered in her mind what sort of greeting this might be. And the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High; and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever; and of his kingdom there will be no end." And Mary said to the angel, "How shall this be, since I have no husband?" And the angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be called holy, the Son of God. And behold, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month with her who was called barren. For with God nothing will be impossible." And Mary said, "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word." And the angel departed from her.

Meditation: Do you want to live a grace-filled life? Of course you do! The angel Gabriel salutes Mary as "full of grace." To become the mother of the Savior, Mary was enriched by God with gifts to enable her to assume this awesome role. There is a venerable tradition among many Christians, dating back to the early church, for honoring Mary as the spotless virgin who bore the Son of God in her womb. A number of early church fathers link Mary's obedience to this singular grace of God, including Saint Irenaeus who said: "Being obedient she became the cause of salvation for herself and for the whole human race... The knot of Eve's disobedience was untied by Mary's obedience: what the virgin Eve bound through her disbelief, Mary loosened by her faith."

Prayer: Pour forth, we beseech you, O Lord, your grace into our hearts, that we, to whom the Incarnation of Christ you Son was made known by the message of an Angel, may, through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, by his Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of his Resurrection. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Contemplation: October is the Month of the Rosary – a time set aside to devote our time and attention to this ancient form of prayer, the devotion to Our Lady, and the Christocentric walk we take with Jesus when praying and meditating on the mysteries and life of Jesus our Savior. By praying the rosary we also implore the aid of our Blessed Mother to help us in the various challenges and struggles each of us face in life, and to help those whom we pray the rosary on their behalf. Recall the words of Saint Paul: "In all things we suffer tribulation, but we are not distressed; we are sore pressed, but we are not destitute; we endure persecution, but we are not forsaken; we are cast down, but we do not perish; always bearing about in our body the dying of Jesus, so that the life also of Jesus may be made manifest in our bodily frame."

Thursday, October 8 ~ Twenty-Seventh Week in Ordinary Time

Holy Gospel: Luke 11:5-13 Jesus said to his disciples: "Suppose one of you has a friend to whom he goes at midnight and says, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread, for a friend of mine has arrived at my house from a journey and I have nothing to offer him,' and he says in reply from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked and my children and I are already in bed. I cannot get up to give you anything.' I tell you, if he does not get up to give him the loaves because of their friendship, he will get up to give him whatever he needs because of his persistence. "And I tell you, ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks, receives; and the one who seeks, finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened. What father among you would hand his son a snake when he asks for a fish? Or hand him a scorpion when he asks for an egg? If you then, who are wicked, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him?"

Meditation: Jesus used the illustration of a late-night traveler to teach his listeners an important lesson about how God treats us in contrast to the kind of treatment we might expect from good neighbors. The rule of hospitality in biblical times required the cooperation of the entire community in entertaining an unexpected or late-night guest. Whether the guest was hungry or not, a meal would be served. In a small village it would be easy to know who had baked bread that day. Bread was essential for a meal because it served as a utensil for dipping and eating from the common dishes. Asking for bread from one's neighbor was both a common occurrence and an expected favor. To refuse to give bread would bring shame because it was a sign of in-hospitality.

Prayer: Almighty ever-living God, who in the abundance of your kindness surpass the merits and the desires of those who entreat you, pour out your mercy upon us to pardon what conscience dreads and to give what prayer does not dare to ask. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Contemplation: God will always give us what we need – not what we want, but what we need. There is a difference, obviously, and we should find contentment that God does provide, not the way we want, but the way he wants for us.

Friday, October 9 ~ Twenty-Seventh Week in Ordinary Time Saint Denis, Bishop and Martyr, and Companions, Martyrs

Holy Gospel: Luke 11:15-26 When Jesus had driven out a demon, some of the crowd said: "By the power of Beelzebul, the prince of demons, he drives out demons." Others, to test him, asked him for a sign from heaven. But he knew their thoughts and said to them, "Every kingdom divided against itself will be laid waste and house will fall against house. And if Satan is divided against himself, how will his kingdom stand? For you say that it is by Beelzebul that I drive out demons. If I, then, drive out demons by Beelzebul, by whom do your own people drive them out? Therefore they will be your judges. But if it is by the finger of God that I drive out demons, then the Kingdom of God has come upon you. When a strong man fully armed guards his palace, his possessions are safe. But when one stronger than he attacks and overcomes him, he takes away the armor on which he relied and distributes the spoils. Whoever is not with me is against me, and whoever does not gather with me scatters. "When an unclean spirit goes out of someone, it roams through arid regions searching for rest but, finding none, it says, 'I shall return to my home from which I came.' But upon returning, it finds it swept clean and put in order. Then it goes and brings back seven other spirits more wicked than itself who move in and dwell there, and the last condition of that man is worse than the first."

Meditation: Evil is not an impersonal force that just happens. It has a name and a face and it seeks to master every heart and soul on the face of the earth (1 Peter 5:8-9). Scripture identifies the Evil One by many names, 'Satan,' 'Beelzebul' - the 'prince of demons,' the 'Devil,' the 'Deceiver,' the 'Father of Lies,' and 'Lucifer,' the fallen angel who broke rank with God and established his own army and kingdom in opposition to God. Jesus declared that he came to overthrow the power of Satan and his kingdom (John 12:31). Jesus' numerous exorcisms brought freedom to many who were troubled and oppressed by the work of evil spirits. Jesus himself encountered personal opposition and battle with Satan when he was put to the test in the wilderness just before his public ministry (Matthew 4:1; Luke 4:1). He overcame the Evil One through his obedience to the will of his Father.

Prayer: O God, who sent Saint Denis and his companions to preach your glory to the nations and strengthened them for their mission with the virtue of constancy in suffering, grant, we pray, that we may imitate them in disdaining prosperity in this world and in being undaunted by any trial. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Contemplation: When you see evil at work in the world, what kind of protection do you seek for yourself and for others? Jesus came to free us from the greatest danger of all - the corrupting force of evil which destroys us from within and makes us slaves to sin and Satan (John 8:34). Seek Jesus first, foremost and always.

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4 de Octubre del 2020



Calendario Litúrgico:

Misas en Español

Domingo	Octubre 11	1:30 p.m.
Domingo	Octubre 18	1:30 p.m.
Domingo	Octubre 25	1:30 p.m.

Confesiones con cita previa.

Misas en Ingles

Sábados	4:00 p.m.
Domingos	8:30 a.m. y 11:00 a.m.

Intenciones de Oración del Santo Padre
Octubre 2020

La misión de los laicos en la Iglesia

Recemos para que en virtud del bautismo los fieles laicos,
en especial las mujeres, participen más en las instancias
de responsabilidad de la Iglesia.

**Creo, Jesús mío,
que estás real y verdaderamente en el cielo
y en el Santísimo Sacramento del Altar.
Os amo sobre todas las cosas y deseo vivamente
recibirte dentro de mi alma, pero no pudiendo hacerlo
ahora sacramentalmente, venid al menos
espiritualmente a mi corazón.
Y como si ya os hubiese recibido,
os abrazo y me uno del todo a Ti.
Señor, no permitas que jamás me aparte de Ti.
Amén.**



Por favor, recuerde en su oración, a todos los
enfermos, al salir de casa, y la recuperación de
nuestra parroquia. Además, orar por aquellos
que sufren de condiciones físicas o mentales.

Notas Espirituales:

A medida que comienza la conclusión de su carta a los Filipenses, Pablo continúa exhortando a crecer en su fe. Si ponemos nuestra confianza en Dios, entonces la paz de Dios... / guardará vuestros corazones y mentes en Cristo Jesús. "Es esta confianza la que permite a Pablo a sufrir persecuciones, encarcelamiento, y finalmente la muerte. Pablo sabe que siguiendo el camino de Cristo en última instancia conduce a la paz, por lo que les anima a perseverar en su fe. El texto de hoy de Isaías sirve como fondo para parábola de la viña de Jesús. Isaías se dirige a su parábola a la gente como una palabra de juicio. Dios ha plantado una viña con gran cuidado en Israel. Incluso la ubicación, "una ladera fértil", tiene por objeto asegurar una buena cosecha. Él "sembró vides escogidas", después de la preparación del suelo; pero a pesar de todo esto, la viña sólo produce "uvas silvestres". Isaías advierte a los "habitantes de Jerusalén" que debido a "la viña del SEÑOR de los ejércitos es la casa de Israel" y han producido una cosecha indeseable, están a punto de enfrentar el juicio de Dios. Jesús habla de un "propietario que plantó" y "arrendó a unos labradores". Este hacendado había hecho todo lo posible para garantizar que la tierra produciría una buena cosecha. Pero en su ausencia, los inquilinos se niegan a pagar el alquiler, y abusan de los funcionarios enviados a "obtener sus productos". Incluso su hijo no puede conseguir que paguen la renta; "lo agarraron, lo arrojaron fuera de la viña y lo mataron". Para la comunidad de Mateo estos labradores malvados representar a los que rechazan a Jesús: tendrán el reino "les quitaran a ustedes / y se los darán a un pueblo que produzca sus frutos". Al igual que la parábola en Isaías, la parábola de Jesús también nos desafía a "producir frutos" o encarar el juicio.

Para la reflexión: ¿Esta mi vida produciendo una cosecha deseable para Dios? ¿Cómo Dios me ha ayudado a ofrecer un rendimiento exitoso?



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