

29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 19, 2025

FROM OUR PRIESTS' DESKS:

Our first reading for today tells us that Moses, the greatest leader of Israel, discovered the power of prayer in the midst of a desperate struggle in which his people were fighting for their lives against an enemy bent on destroying them. We are told in a very simple and even somewhat naïve way that when Moses lifted his hands the Israelites were victorious, and that when he lowered them the tide of battle turned against them. In that symbolic gesture can be seen the prayerful lifting up not only of the hands but, more importantly, of the mind and heart to God, who alone can give sufficient strength to overcome the obstacles and threatening trials of life.

That genuine prayer is not something easily achieved, that it is demanding because it involves us in a total way, can be seen in Moses' fatigue and his temptation to lower his hands. And significantly at the very point Moses is being overcome by weariness and the battle begins to be lost, he is helped by his companions, Aaron and Hur, who support his arms until the victory is achieved. Thus, genuine prayer involves us not only with God but with others. Our own faltering efforts at prayer are supported and upheld by the believing community, by our brothers and sisters in faith. So, we are called to sustain and encourage one another in prayer; and it is for that reason that we come together each Sunday "to join forces" as we knock, and seek, and call out to God, and to be filled with that confidence, that hope in the justice and mercy of God, which will enable us, like the persistent widow in Today's Gospel (Luke 18:1-8), to persevere in prayer even when the answer to our quest is not yet in sight and may, indeed, seem farther away than ever.

The history of Israel demonstrated over and over again that when the people were united and when they were personally and collectively faithful to the covenant with God, all was well; they lived in peace and prosperity. But when there was injustice and idolatry—when individualism and greed took hold, dishonesty and lack of respect, leading brother and sister to turn against each other and to substitute false gods for the true one—then they lost their power and they were defeated by their enemies, who destroyed their home, burned their temple, and carried them off into slavery.

The lesson and the application are not difficult to see. Our own well-being, our own success not only as a nation but also as a Church and a community of faith depend on our willingness to cooperate rather than to compete with each other; to act justly and honestly to promote the common good of all rather

than try to grab as much as we can for ourselves; and to understand the importance of faith in that process of healing and renewal, whereby we can sustain and prolong our efforts to reach that promised land which is our own heritage and our own destiny.

Fr. John Gruben, OAR

Fr. Eric Crelencia, OAR

Fr. Michael Rafferty, OAR, Pastor

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God; turn your ear to me; in the shadow of your wings protect me.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

I lift up my eyes toward the mountains; whence shall help come to me? My help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

The Lord will guard you from all evil; he will guard your life. The Lord will guard your coming and your going, both now and forever.

THE SOURCE: WITH THE SISTERS OF LIFE

OCTOBER 21ST (Here at Sacred Heart)

Beginning at 7:00pm – A brief Meditation

Followed by: EXPOSITION AND ADORATION WITH PRAYERFUL MUSIC AND SONG.

Led by our wonderful Sister Cecelia Rose who has been reassigned to Phoenix AZ. All are Welcome!

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

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Cardinal Dolan and the US Bishops ask us to support this collection which is truly a global effort for the entire Church. It is a central moment each year to provide for the building up of over one thousand local churches in Asia and Africa, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, an area that covers more than half the territory of the globe. Every day, faithful missionaries are reaching out in the name of Christ, offering practical, emotional and spiritual care to communities, children and families in desperate need. Please support the missions! For more information visit: www.IAmAMissionary.org

HOLY WINS! AND NOT

**"HALLOWEEN" PARADE OCTOBER
29TH FROM 7:00PM TO 9:00PM (GYM)**



All the children of the parish are invited to come in the costume of their favorite Saint and to create a poster of their Saint to be used during the parade. Join us in a *Parade of Saints* around the church property. This is a wonderful chance for families to explore the world of The Saints. The Saints are ordinary people called by the Lord to do extraordinary work here on Earth!

PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, October 19

Monday, October 20

Novena Our Lady of Miraculous Medal after 9am Mass
Grupo Carismático-Cafeteria 7:30pm

Rel Ed. Gr 6 4:30 to 6

CYO – 5 to 9 gym

Tuesday, October 21

Rel Ed. – Grs 3-5 – 4:30pm

Rel Ed. Grs 7 & 8 – 7:00pm

CYO – 5 to 9 gym

Wednesday, October 22

Immaculate Heart Prayer Group – 7:30pm Church

Grupo Estudio Biblico – 8pm in the cafeteria

CYO – 5 to 9 gym

Thursday, October 23

CYO – 5 to 9 gym

Friday, October 24

New Rectory Office Hours – 9am to 3pm

CYO – 5 to 9 gym

Saturday, October 25– Rel Ed. Grs 1 & 2 – 9:30am

7:30am – St. Joseph's men's Bible Discussion- pre-k

INVITE TO SERVE AS EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS AT SACRED HEART!

Serving the Lord at the Altar is one of the most awarding feelings. We ask that you pray on joining others to serve the Lord in this very special way. We all seem to gravitate to a specific Mass each week and when you volunteer to serve, we do all we can to have you serve at those Masses. Please call us at the rectory office at 845*-357-*0035. Blessings to All!

ALBERTUS MAGNUS OPEN HOUSES:

Sunday, October 26, 2025, at 12:00 pm

Falcon for a Day experience for 8th graders are going on now through December. Prospective students can spend a day with us and find out what it would be like to soar with the Falcons!

An Albertus favorite, Luxury Bingo is on Thursday, October 30, 2025 this year. Open to all, bring your family, friends, neighbors and co-workers for a night of Bingo, raffle baskets and fun.

Visit www.albertusmagnus.net for more information and registration links.

SACRED HEART CHURCH

\$10,000.00 RAFFLE

**OUR BIGGEST MOST IMPORTANT FUNDRAISER
OF THE YEAR!**

TICKETS \$100 EACH (1 IN 250 CHANCE TO WIN)

Available at the Rectory
Monday to Friday - 9am to 4pm

1ST PRIZE - \$10,000.00

2ND PRIZE - \$1,000.00

3RD PRIZE - \$500.00

Winning tickets will be drawn at 1:00pm in the school gymnasium on Sunday, November 30.

ALBERTUS MAGNUS HIGH SCHOOL

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SHARING WHAT WE HAVE IN JESUS' NAME

28th Sunday– \$12,615.

Last Year's-\$9,201.

SISTERS OF LIFE

Providing Life-affirming choices for women: If you know someone who is struggling, please urge them to contact: www.visitationcenterus.org or call (877)777-1277. **Have you suffered an abortion?** Experience God's love and mercy and begin the journey of healing. Please call the Sisters of Life: 866-575-0075 or e-mail: hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org.

For men, call Theresa Bonopartis at Lumina: 877-586-4621 or e-mail: Lumina@postabortionhelp.org For men, call Theresa Bonopartis at Lumina: 877-586-4621 or e-mail: Lumina@postabortionhelp.org

CRISIS PREGNANCY HOTLINE GOOD COUNSEL HOMES

For Pregnancy emergencies call
Any time of day: 1-800-723-8331
www.goodcounselhomes.org



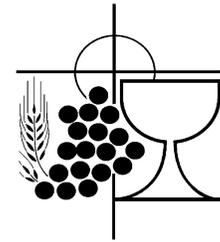
Please pray for those who are ill and have asked us to pray for them: Helene Marie Biby, Andrew Bylec, Elantoniette Camagong, Ronald Carlucci, Siobhan Casey, Ramon Noel Crelencia, Angie Clifford, Joseph Collins Jr., Robert Conly, Comerford Family, Gina Conklin, Teresa & Tom Consolo, Laudelina Crowley, Eileen Caulin, Janet Curcione, Joe Davey, William Daniels, Alice Diebner, Carol Deery, Anthony DeFrancesco III, Matthew DeMayo, Cledha Desir, Phyllis Domino, Marge Diebner, Karen DeJoie, Mary Discini, John Duffy, Jacqui Elder, Doris Fina, Ginny & Sonny Figula, , Teddy Girvan, Joseph Gilson, Spiros Grmmenos, Gail Griggs, Mary Guarnieri, Senan Halpin, Maureen Hayes, Catherine Howard, John Hughes, Rev. Charles Huse OAR, Domenic & Anthony Iannaccone, Rob Incognoli, Yvonne Gangone Ingui, Bob Janson, Fran Janson, Thomas Kelly, Eileen Kennedy, Rick Konrad, Steven C. Klumpp, Fred Lemoine, Elizabeth Lempka, Robert Liggio, Ginger Listwan, Vasily Lockhart, Laura Mack, Matthew Luludis, Thomas Mathai, Jeanne Matera, Chris Mayorga, Richard McCarthy, Thomas McGrath, Catherine McMenamin, John McLoughlin, Leonor Medranda, Jacob Mendelsohn, Joyce Miller, Iraida Molina, Aida Morales, Vanessa Morales, John Murphy, Dennis O'Connell, Thomas O'Connor, Jennifer O'Hara, Nancy Overend, Leona Overend, Nolita Padilla, Joseph Payne, Shace Paljusevic, Noreen Pidgeon, Barbara Procopio, James Procopio, Kathleen Rafferty (Fr. Michael's sister), Danny Ranke, Tony Ramos, Milton Ramos, Jerry Reilly Sr., Rose Romeo, Della Russell, Claudia Spallanzani, Joseph Pasculli, Abdul Shakur, Michael Shumway, Jean Simons, Thomas Sullivan, Grace & Patrick Sullivan, Rose Stark, Maureen Starke, Lindsey Sterling, Shaun Stein, Patricia Steiper, Barbara Veraldo Strano Lissette Taylor, Elisa Greco Wegman Phyllis Varacalli, Kali Villela, and Yolanda Yarleque.

**ALTAR MEMORIALS
OCTOBER 19, 2025**

**Sanctuary Lamp In Memory of
PALMA & HENRY HECK**



Let us pray for our deceased parishioners, and family members and loved ones, especially: **Anthony N. Mango, Josephine Hallett, Agustino Circelli.**



SCHEDULE OF MASSES

7AM & 9:00AM DAILY – (MONDAY – FRIDAY)

SATURDAY – 9AM (FOLLOWED BY THE ROSARY)

SATURDAY VIGILS – 5:30PM AND 7:15PM

SUNDAYS

**8:30AM, 10:00AM, 11:30AM 4:00PM (S)
AND 5:30PM**

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18

9:00am – † Marie Franck

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5:30pm – † Deacon Joseph Witt

7:15pm – † Eilkin Escobar

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19

8:30am – † Margaret Kravic

10:00am – † Palma & Henry Heck

11:30am – † Edward Fryns

4:00pm – † Alejandro Carreño

5:30pm – All Parishioners / Parish Memorial

MONDAY, OCTOBER 20

7:00am – † Fr. Jose Luis Dueñas Navarro, OAR

9:00am – † Candeda Rosa Almonde

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21

7:00am – †

9:00am – † Thomas Mathai

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22

7:00am – Special Intention Daniella Feingold

9:00am - † Maria & Al Venturini

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23

7:00am – † John & Kathleen Bryne

9:00am – † Helen Fasano

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24

7:00am – † Mary McCarthy

9:00am – † Ana Maria Stillo

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25

9:00am - † Anthony Licata

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26

5:30pm – † Andrew, Johanna & Michael Seman

7:15pm – † Ana Maria Stillo

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27

8:30am – † Agnes & Harold Gravius

10:00am – † Bukowski & Graff Family

11:30am – † Mary Ann Blanton

4:00pm – Marta de Jesus Familia Ventura / Israel Reyes – Accion de Gracias

5:30pm – All Parishioners / Parish Memorial

**BOOSTER CLUB
WEEK 5
ANTOINETTE LABRUNA**