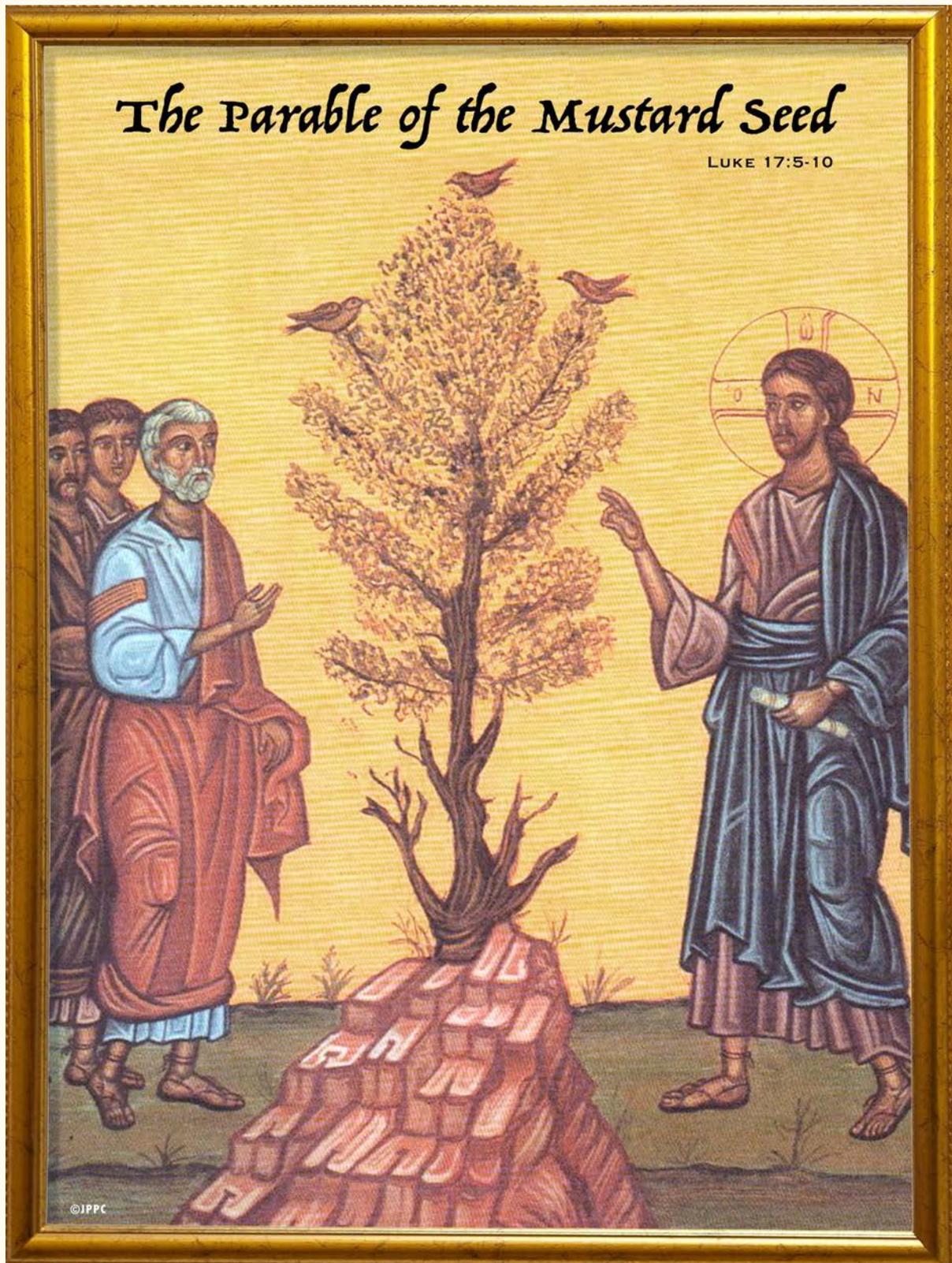


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Saturday Vigil: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 8 am, 10 am, noon

Daily Mass:
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The Spiritual Adoption Committee of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Rita #264 is sponsoring a viewing of the pro-life movie, **Unplanned**, on Sunday, October 9th at 2 pm in the St. Thomas School gym. Admission is free. Cookies and beverages will be served. Unplanned is the story of Abby Johnson's journey from a Planned Parenthood clinic director to a pro-life advocate. For movie information and to view a trailer, visit unplanned.com.

A CDA/JCDA **Rosary for Life** will be Sunday, October 9th at 11 am.

The Sisters of the Presentation are offering an autumn **Morning of Reflection** on October 15th, 9:30 am-noon - "The Gifts of the Word and Eucharist" by Sr. Norma Carney, PBVM at Mt. St. Joseph in New Windsor. This is a time to reflect on the gifts of Scripture and the Eucharist so that we may grow in appreciation of these gifts as we celebrate the liturgy. RSVP to Kelly Rauschenbach at 845.564.0513 x101, kellyr@sistersofthepresentation.org by October 12th. Spaces are limited.

The **CYO Basketball Program** will begin registration for the upcoming 2022-2023 season. Registration will be on October 4th and October 6th at 7:30 pm in the school gym. **Participants must be currently enrolled in the parish faith formation program in order to enroll.** For information, contact Giovanni Flores, the CYO Coordinator, at gstormflo@gmail.com.

The **2023 Mass Book** is now open. Offering for each Mass is \$15. At this time, to accommodate more people, only 10 Masses per family will be allowed. For Saturday evening vigil Masses, two different intentions will be accepted.

Knights of Columbus Council 7460 is conducting their annual **Coats for Kids Drive** to provide new coats to local community children this upcoming winter. Monetary donations can be given to one of the Knights ushering Mass or sent to Knights of Columbus 7460 c/o Steve Accilli, 96 Main St., Cornwall, NY 12518.

The **Prayer Shawl Committee** will meet on Monday, October 3rd at 10 am in the old school building. All are welcome to join them.

Communion for the homebound is an important ministry that brings Christ in His Body and Blood to the homebound and reminds the sick they are part of the community. Contact Father Doughty at pastor@stmariannecope.com or 845.534.2547 if interested.

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Rita #264's annual Tricky Tray event will be held on Saturday, October 29th. Currently, there is a pre-sale on their **Specialty Baskets**. Winners will be announced at the Tricky Tray event.

Free tickets are available to the 45th **Annual Columbus Day Mass** at St. Patrick's Cathedral on Monday, October 10th at 9:30 am. Reserve tickets at adnycolumbusday.eventbrite.com. Questions? Email specialevents@archny.org.

40 Days for Life is September 28th - November 6th. For events in Newburgh, email newburgh40daysforlife@gmail.com.

THE PASTOR'S CORNER

A LETTER FROM ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI TO ALL THE FAITHFUL

The memorial of St. Francis of Assisi is celebrated on October 4. The day commemorates his transitus or passing to heaven. Having received a mystical experience of Jesus inviting him to build His Church, the wealthy and privileged son gave everything away, even the clothes on his back, so to follow the Lord. He even begged from a peasant the old brown garment tied around with a string that became the habit of Franciscan life. His radical turn to the Lord inspired other wealthy, young men - as many as 5,000 - to follow him, and so began a movement which G.K. Chesterton wrote made the Renaissance possible. There is too much to write about this saint who began a revolution of love, although his custom of setting up a crib in church to celebrate the Nativity is worth recalling. It is said he bore the marks of Jesus's crucifixion on his body. Below, a letter from his own hand.

I T WAS THROUGH HIS ARCHANGEL,

Saint Gabriel, that the Father above made known to the holy and glorious Virgin Mary that the worthy, holy and glorious Word of the

Father would come from heaven and take from her womb the real flesh of our human frailty. Though he was wealthy beyond reckoning, he still willingly chose to be poor with his blessed mother. And shortly before his passion he celebrated the Passover with his disciples. Then he prayed to his Father saying: *Father, if it be possible, let this cup be taken from me.*

Nevertheless, he reposed his will in the will of his Father. The Father willed that his blessed and glorious Son, whom he gave to us and who was born for us, should through his own blood offer himself as a sacrificial victim on the altar of the cross. This was to be done not for himself through whom all things were made, but for our sins. It was intended to leave us an example of how to follow in his footsteps. And he desires all of us to be saved through him, and to receive him with pure heart and chaste body.

O how happy and blessed are those who love the Lord and do as the Lord himself said in the gospel: *You shall love the Lord your God with your whole heart and your whole soul; and your neighbor as yourself.*

Therefore, let us love God and adore him with pure heart and mind. This is his particular desire when he says: *True worshippers adore the Father in spirit and truth.* For all who adore him must do so in the spirit of truth. Let us also direct to him our praises and prayers saying: *Our Father, who art in heaven, since we must always pray and never grow slack.*

Furthermore, let us produce worthy fruits of penance. Let us also love our neighbors as ourselves. Let us have charity and humility. Let us give alms because these cleanse our souls from the stains of sin. Men lose all the material things they leave behind them in this world, but they carry with them the reward of their charity and the alms they give. For these they will receive from the Lord the reward and recompense they deserve. We must not be wise and prudent according to the flesh. Rather we must be simple, humble and pure. We should never desire to be over others. Instead, we ought to be servants who are submissive to every human being for God's sake. The Spirit of the Lord will rest on all who live in this way and persevere in it to the end. He will permanently dwell in them. They will be the Father's children who do his work. They are the spouses, brothers and mothers of our Lord Jesus Christ.

THE BOOKS OF THE BIBLE



ROMANS IS OUR 52ND BOOK OF THE BIBLE. As Timothy P. Schehr notes in *The Bible Made Easy*, “The letters of the New Testament apply the gospel to daily life in much the same way the wisdom books apply the message of the Old Testament to daily life” (p. 169).

First amongst these we have the letters attributed to St. Paul, some written to communities to address problems and some written to individuals. Then comes the Letter to the Hebrews, and finally the “catholic epistles” (those with a wider range than Paul’s letters) such as James; I, II, and III John; I & II Peter; and Jude. The letters of Paul are not arranged chronologically. Rather, the oldest known manuscript (3rd century) arranges the first eight of them according to length, thus Romans is first.

In Romans, Paul is not trying to correct any abuses, but rather to lay out the basic teaching of the gospel: that Jesus came to die for all, Jew and Greek, that they may be saved. Paul wrote this letter around 58 A.D., but did not finally get to Rome until 61 A.D. In Romans’ pages, we’ll find the power of the gospel to offset the guilt of us all (ch. 1), the powerlessness of the Law or of circumcision to save one apart from one’s being a person of the Law (ch. 2), the justification of us all by God’s good grace (ch. 3), the ancestry of Abraham being for Jew and Gentile alike (ch. 4), the posturing of Adam and Jesus (ch. 5), the wages of sin being death (ch. 6), the difficulty in doing the good we desire to do (ch. 7), the confidence of the believer in that, if God is for us, who can be against us? (ch. 8), God’s election of Israel (ch. 9), our justification by faith (ch. 10), the ability to be grafted back on to God after sinning (ch. 11), our being one Body with many parts (ch. 12), a call to stay alert (ch. 13), an admonition against causing scandal (ch. 14), the sharing of Paul’s plans to reach Rome (ch. 15), and a recounting of Epaphroditus, Asia’s first convert (ch. 16).

When you finish this book, you will have read 52 (71.2%) of the 73 books of the Bible, yet 1,207 (90.5%—less than 10% left!) of the 1,334 chapters of the Bible.

Permission granted by Rev. Robert J. Schrader (based on Timothy Schehr’s book, The Bible Made Easy: A Book-by-Book Introduction).

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon, Oct 3

8:30 Holy Souls in Purgatory by a donor

Tues, Oct 4: *St. Francis of Assisi*

8:30 +Irene Lovelace Leto by her husband Frank

Wed, Oct 5: *Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos*

8:30 +Dina, Joseph, and Michael Congelli by Liz and Edward Congelli

Thurs, Oct 6: *Bl. Marie Rose Durocher*

8:30 +Kathleen McVeigh by Slattery family

Fri, Oct 7: *Our Lady of the Rosary*

8:30 +Tahtouh family by Ireifej family

Sat, Oct 8: *BVM*

8:30 +Fr. Robert Hilfiker by Kathy Kissel

4:30 +Antonio Gigi by Mr. and Mrs. Sal Gallo

Sun, Oct 9: *28th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 +Dennis A. Mendes by Joe and Joyce Halverson

10:00 +Kamryn Bartolone by family

12:00 For the People of the Parish

The Sunday Mass at noon will ALWAYS be offered only for the People of the Parish. The offering for an unannounced Mass is \$10; for an announced Mass—\$15.

READINGS FOR THE 27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Reading I – Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4

A typical complaint psalm, in which a person cries out to God for rescue. The usual pattern. But here there is a promise of more trouble to come. Yet the prophet is confident through faith that God will protect His own people from harm.

Reading II – 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14

A vibrant faith enables us to “bear our share of hardship for the gospel.” Our faith makes us strong, loving and wise.

The Gospel – Luke 17:5-10

When opposition comes along, as it inevitably will in this life, a disciple on the way (to heaven) needs a faith in Jesus that deepens. A strongly rooted mulberry tree can be uprooted by our faith. Our works of love and service are the best response to this gift of Faith.



Scan the QR code to visit the **Worship Aid** page for the readings, antiphons, and music for the Sunday Mass.

To watch a live streamed Mass from St. Patrick Cathedral via the Catholic Faith Network, visit catholicfaithnetwork.org/masses.



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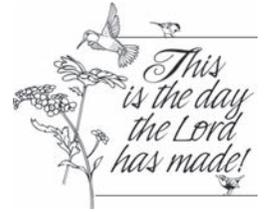
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