

The Second Collection for the weekend of October 17th will be for the **World Mission Collection**. Please, let's be reminded.



Second Harvest Food Bank will be held on Friday, September 27th, at St. Anthony Parish Hall, 8:00a.m.



Ladies Altar Society News! If you would like to join the **Ladies Altar Society**, there is a meeting on **Thursday, October 10th at 6:30 p.m.** at St. Anthony Parish Hall. We are always open to new members and the dues are \$10.

Prayer to St. Michael

Saint Michael the Archangel, chief and commander of the heavenly hosts, loyal champion of God and his people, we turn to you with confidence and seek your powerful intercession.



For the love of God, who made you so glorious in grace and power, and for the love of Mary, the Mother of Jesus, the Queen of the Angels, be pleased to hear our prayer, and enable us by your gracious protection to serve God more and more faithfully every day.

Guardian and defender of the Church of Jesus Christ, guard with special care our Holy Father, the Pope, and our bishops, priests, deacons, all our religious and lay people, and especially the children.

Guardian of souls, vanquisher of rebel spirits, Help us to conquer the evil spirits who tempt us. May no stain of evil ever disfigure the beauty of our souls. We desire to imitate your loyalty to God and Holy Mary and your great love for God and his people.

Mighty prince of the heavenly host, and victor over rebellious spirits, watch over us during this life, defend us against the assaults of the demons, and assist us especially at the hour of death. Help us achieve the happiness of beholding God face to face for all eternity. Amen.



OUR MISSION STATEMENT
As a Catholic Church Family, we respond to Christ's call, evangelize, and welcome all generations to the Holy Eucharist

St. Anthony Catholic Church

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Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Friday: 8:00 a.m.
Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday Masses: 9:00a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
First Saturday Mass: 8:00 a.m.

Eucharistic Adoration:

Tuesdays in St. Anthony Church Chapel following Mass and the rosary @ 8:00 a.m.

RCIA: Parish Hall - Wednesdays @ 7:00 p.m.

Confessions:

30 minuets before 4 p.m. vigil mass or 9 a.m. Sunday mass or by appointment.

Baptism:

Second Sunday of the month. The Seminar is the first Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. Please contact the rectory for forms prior to seminar.

Marriage:

Please contact Fr. Jude six months prior to desired ceremony date.

Funeral:

Please contact Fr. Jude before final arrangements of funeral.

Anointing of the Sick:

Call the rectory in case of emergency.

C.C.D. Classes:

Grades K - 11 Tuesdays at 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Parish Hall.

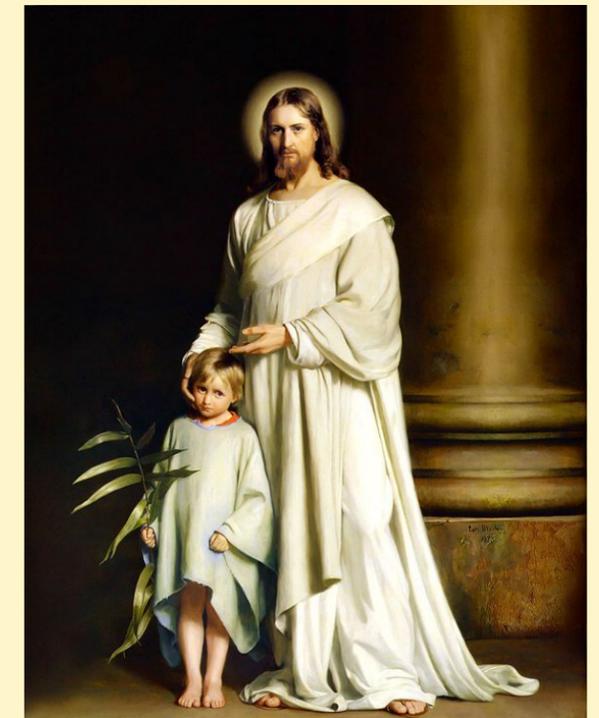
Ministry to the Sick and Shut In:

Parishioners unable to attend mass and receive communion, please call the rectory.

Scripture Outline & Reflection

Wisdom 2:12, 17-20;
Psalms 54:3-6, 8;
James 3:16-4:3;
Mark 9:30-37

Jesus speaks (1, Ps) of his own rejection, torture, and shameful death. True discipleship, she says, is concerned not with status but with service to the poor (3), with justice and peace.



The Lord upholds my life.
-Psalm 54



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Reflection article for 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

HUMBLE SERVICE – THE MARK OF TRUE GREATNESS AND NOT SELFISH AMBITION FOR POWER

In today’s gospel, Jesus cautioned his disciples to guard against every unhealthy competition and selfish ambition among themselves. Earlier, he noticed that along the way, they were arguing among themselves about who was the greatest. He knew the inherent consequences or danger that this kind of attitude or behavior poses—especially to the community (the **Church**). Of course, he wanted them to form this beautiful community and be bounded together in Christian unity by carrying out his mission. Unhealthy competition and selfish ambition for power in any given community of people can be very destructive by its very nature. In his apostolic letter in the second reading, St. James captures the destructive nature of this behavioral attitude by asking the question: “*Where do the wars and where do the conflicts among you come from? Is it not your passions that make war within your members? You covet but do not possess. You kill and envy but you cannot obtain; you fight and wage war...*” Unhealthy competition and selfish ambition for power and control—whereby we are unable to subdue our wicked passions are always accompanied by grave consequences. And these could have lasting effects on a given community. In fact, admonishing the community of his own time, St. James says: “*Where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there is disorder and every foul practice.*” But what is actually the root cause of this unhealthy competition and selfish ambition? It is having a feeling of the sense of *not being enough*—I want something more because feel I am less who God made me to be. But the truth is: at creation, God looked at everything he created and He confirmed “*It was good.*” Besides, He has also given us everything in proportion to who we are and our abilities. And so why hunger for more? Why being jealous of what others have? It’s about being contented with the gifts that God has given to us and be thankful. We are never to go after things too great nor marvels beyond us. We are *enough* because as the psalmist says: “*...I am fearfully and wonderfully made*” (Ps. 139:14).

Jesus, in the Gospel, taught his disciples that the mark of true greatness is not measured by how much power we possess or how much we are able to control based on our own selfish ambitions, but how well, we are able to humble ourselves and serve the needs of others—by being ready to give something of ourselves in sacrifice. Jesus told them: “*If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all.*” And to further make concrete the message he was trying to pass across to them, he took a child—to show them exactly what true greatness means. It’s about accepting ourselves for who we truly are; and with all sense of humility, be ready to serve—not our own selfish interests but the interest of others and the common good. True greatness is measured by our ability to humble ourselves and to serve the needs of others; and not about how much influence or power we are able to acquire in order to control and to lord it over others—especially the most vulnerable and those whom society considers as unimportant. Every position we occupy in the society—whether as politicians, CEOs of big business organizations, Heads of Departments in our work places or even heads of the different ministries in the Church, is ultimately for service. Jesus, the suffering servant, is our perfect model of a servant leader. He showed his greatness by humbly accepting our humanity and embracing the cross to suffer and to die for us. He says: “*... the Son of man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many*” (Matt. 20:28). *Lord, Jesus, help us to reflect something of your humility in service and heal us of our wicked passions and selfishness. Amen.*

Reflection by:
Rev. Fr. Jude Ochuko Emunemu

PARISH EVENTS

SEPTEMBER 27TH (FRIDAY)
SECOND HARVEST FOOD BANK
ST. ANTHONY PARISH HALL 8:00A.M.

STEWARDSHIP

*We gratefully acknowledge all that God has given to us.
In gratitude, we have returned to Him.*

September 8th

1st Collection	2nd Collection
\$ 1,741.25	\$ 795.25
Children’s Collection	\$ 62.00
Online Giving	\$ 585.00

Total Weekly Offering \$ 3,183.50

MASS ATTENDANCE

4:00pm	9:00am	11:00am
43	78	58

September 15th

1st Collection	2nd Collection
\$ 1,331.25	\$ 705.23
Children’s Collection	\$ 6.00
Online Giving	\$ 535.00

Total Weekly Offering \$ 2,577.48

MASS ATTENDANCE

4:00pm	9:00am	11:00am
31	76	56

MASS INTENTIONS

4:00 p.m. Fay and Donald Cooper, Sr.
John C. Heurtin, Jr.
Conversion of Family
and Friends

9:00 a.m. Faye Ray Guidry
Della Mae Roussel
Beverly Wiseman Perrin
Barbara Perrin
Fay and Donald Cooper, Sr.

11:00 a.m. All Parishioners

Sanctuary Lamps are in memory of
Fay & Donald Cooper, Sr.



Prayer Intensions for the sick
Millie Daunhauer, Debra Feldman, Trey Touchard, Kendel Manor, Claude Mayfield Sr., Lanvin LeBlanc, Adrian Arabie, Ashley Bolotte & Amelia Rose Hindman



Altar Flowers are in memory of
Nelson Perrin

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

Parishioners and Father John Ryan, Caleb Favaloro, Simon Hingle, Belvina Kuhn Bundy, Roy Rogers, Arthur Matherne, Clavin Wade, Jr., Marie Sevin, Shirley Prestenbach, Eddie Sapia, Jr., Bobby Hale, Jr., Madeline Rojas, Theresa Wiseman, Raymond Griffin, Sr., Shelby Deselle, Joseph Rogers, Jr., Allyn Rogers, Evan Whipple, Nick Dinet, Jerry Lynch, Keith “Ike” Madison, Judith Ann Verdin, Dwight Rudolph, Faye Rae Guidry, Dale Boudreaux McWhorter, Edward Cantrelle, Sr. Lloyd Kraemer, Sr., and Rosebud Kraemer

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