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THE TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
OCTOBER 3, 2021

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SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Sundays
5:30 PM Saturday (anticipated); 8:00 AM, 11 AM (High Mass) 8:30 PM

Weekdays
8:00 AM (Monday through Friday)
12:10 PM (Monday through Saturday)
Messe en français, mardi 13h10 (septembre – juin)

Holy Days of Obligation
8:00 AM, 12:10 PM, 5:30 PM

Novenas and Devotions - Immediately after the 12:10 PM Mass

Monday:	Miraculous Medal Novena
Tuesday:	Recitation of the Holy Rosary for peace in the world
Wednesday:	Mother of Perpetual Help Novena
Thursday:	Recitation of the Holy Rosary
Friday:	**Exposition of The Most Blessed Sacrament from 12:35 to 2:00 PM** Sacred Heart Novena

(during Lent: Stations of the Cross replace Exposition, Novena and Benediction)

CONFESSIONS - SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday from 11:55-12:05 PM and from 5:00 PM to 5:25 PM
Sunday from 10:30 AM to 10:55 AM and 8:15-8:25 p.m.
Monday through Friday from 11:55-12:05 PM
At other times please stop by the rectory

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms are administered on Sundays at 12:15 PM. An instruction class is required for the parents and godparents. Please contact Fr. Murray for an appointment.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Please contact Fr. Murray at least six months in advance of your proposed date of marriage. Pre-Cana instruction is required for the engaged couple.

VISITATION OF THE SICK - COMMUNION CALLS

Please contact Fr. Murray for visitation of the sick at home or in the hospital.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - CCD

For the religious education of children in grades first through seven (including preparation for First Confession, First Holy Communion and Confirmation) please contact Mrs. Elizabeth Rivera at the Parish Office.
Adults who would like to join the Catholic Church are asked to contact Fr. Joseph Chacko. Baptized Catholics who need to receive First Confession, First Communion and/or Confirmation are asked to contact Fr. Joseph Chacko.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome to Holy Family! Please register in the Parish Office or on-line.

ONLINE GIVING TO THE PARISH

Online Giving is available with WeShare. You can set up a recurring weekly or monthly transaction using your checking, savings, or credit card account. To enroll visit **churchholyfamily.churchgiving.com.**

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 3RD, 2021

Sunday, October 3rd– *Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time*	
5:30 p.m. (Saturday)	**Jason Flanders +**
8:00 a.m.	**Richard Famularo +**
11:00 a.m.	**Pippa Lovoi +**
8:30 p.m.	**Ellen Gorman Murphy & Thomas Gorman +**
Monday, October 4th– *Saint Francis of Assisi*	
8:00 a.m.	**Tae C. Yang +**
12:10 p.m.	**Luis and Irma Martinez +**
Tuesday, October 5th– *Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest*	
8:00 a.m.	**Nora Evidente +**
12:10 p.m.	**Charles and Mary Mauro +**
Wednesday, October 6th– *Saint Bruno, Priest, Blessed Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin*	
8:00 a.m.	**Ronald Estanislao (L)**
12:10 p.m.	**Annie Ramos +**
Thursday, October 7th– *Our Lady of the Rosary*	
8:00 a.m.	**In Honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and for the Holy Souls in Purgatory**
12:10 p.m.	**Edward Bird +**
Friday, October 8th – *Weekday*	
8:00 a.m.	**In Honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, the Blessed Mother and for the Holy Souls in Purgatory**
12:10 p.m.	**Bob Thomas +**
Saturday, October 9th– *Saint Denis, Bishop, Martyr*	
12:10 p.m.	**In Honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and for the Holy Souls in Purgatory**
5:30 p.m.	**Dr. Ned Duignan +**

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF
October 3rd, 2021 (Year B, Cycle I). May be found:
http://www.ewtn.com/devotionals/inspiration.asp

CONFESSION SCHEDULE
Saturdays from 11:55–12:05 p.m. and 5:00–5:25 p.m.
Sundays from 10:30–10:55 a.m. and 8:10- 8:25 p.m.
Monday through Friday from 11:55–12:05 p.m.
"The primary sacrament of the New Evangelization is the Sacrament of Penance."
His Eminence, Timothy Cardinal Dolan, Archbishop of New York

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION
Christmas - December 25th: 12 midnight, 8 am, 11 am *
Mary, Mother of God - January 1st: 5:30 pm (anticipated), 8 am, 11 am * *(*If Christmas and January 1st fall on a Sunday there is also an 8:30 PM Mass.)*
Ascension Thursday, Assumption of Mary - August 15th,
All Saints - November 1st, Immaculate Conception – December 8th, 5:30 p.m. (anticipated), 8 a.m., 12:10 p.m., 5:30 pm*
*(*Please note: if January 1st, August 15th or November 1st fall on a Saturday or a Monday, they are not Holy Days of Obligation, as decreed by the US Conference of Catholic Bishops.)*

THE TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The **Gospel** is from St. Mark, 10:2-16. On the "divorce" section in the first reading Christ clearly states that from the very beginning, God's plan for marriage was that it should be a life-long unity of one man and one woman. Its purpose is the procreation of children and their education, as well as the mutual love and fulfillment of the husband and wife. These demand a life-long bond. Divorce, which tries to break this bond, breaks the law of the Creator who decreed what was best for the temporal and spiritual welfare of the human race.

The last four verses in the Gospel describe an incident which is a very useful lesson for all Christians. It describes Christ's love for children and stresses the need for all his true followers to be childlike. "I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it." To receive the kingdom of God is to accept the teaching of Christ and live according to it in his kingdom on earth. He who does this will enter, after death, into the eternal kingdom of heaven. Christ says, however, that we must accept "like a child": his kingdom on earth, his teaching and the Church he founded to carry on that teaching. It does not mean: in a childish way, an unthinking, uneducated way, but in a child-like way-a humble, grateful, receptive way. A child is unselfconscious, content to be dependent on others' care and generosity. Christianity is a gift of the generous God to us, we have done nothing and never could do anything to merit it. We must accept it simply and gratefully as a gift; we could never deserve it.

The man of true faith commits himself to God with a filial childlike trust, assured that if he does all that he can God will do the rest.

Therefore, our Christian faith must be childlike, a trusting, humble and obedient faith. This is the kind of faith that will move mountains—the mountains of doubt, selfishness, unwillingness to be subjected to authority. Christ asks us, if we would be his followers: to take up our daily cross and climb the way to Calvary after him. This daily cross is made of the troubles and trials of life from which no one can escape. If every Christian accepts his trials and is true to his faith he knows his years on earth are to prepare him for eternal life. God is not asking too much from us to live our Christian faith in childlike humility, candor and confidence during the days of our pilgrimage on this earth.

----Excerpted from *The Sunday Readings* by Fr. K. O'Sullivan, O.F.M.

LECTORS, USHERS NEEDED: If you are interested in volunteering your time and talents, please contact the rectory.

LEGION OF MARY: For more information on the Legion of Mary: contact Rose Gaddi: 267-546-8204. Meetings are on Thursdays from 1:00pm-2:00pm. Suspended until further notice.

SPANISH MARIAN PRAYER GROUP. Tuesdays 6:00–8:00 PM in the rectory. For more information: Laura Hagan: 516-492-7158. Suspended until further notice.

Dear Parishioners

October is Respect Life Month. Please pray for an end to abortion in our country, and for the protection of the sick and the elderly from euthanasia.

October is the month of the Holy Rosary. I encourage all our parishioners to pray the rosary every day. The rosary combines vocal and meditative prayer and is a powerful prayer that teaches us to imitate Mary's faith and devotion in doing God's will in all things.

I recently purchased a new chalice for the parish which is being used by visiting priests who celebrate Mass here at Holy Family. It is a beautiful chalice dedicated to the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. The cost of the chalice was $1,550. If you would like to donate this chalice to the parish in memory of a deceased family member, please speak with Fr. Murray. The names of the deceased person and the donor will be engraved on the bottom of the chalice.

We welcome back Fr. Joe Chacko upon his return from vacation. He enjoyed his vacation travels and is glad to be back home. Welcome back!

The installation of the new roof and railings at the school has been completed.

If you know of any parishioners who are not able to attend Mass and would like to receive Holy Communion at home, please contact Fr. Murray. Holy Communion is brought to the homebound every Sunday after the 11 AM Mass by the priests.

The online parish Bible Study meets on designated Tuesdays at 6 PM. Please contact Fr. Murray if you would like to register for this free online class.

We will soon begin classes for adults who would like to receive the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Communion. Please call the rectory office to register or send an email to Fr. Murray. You will find his contact information on the front cover of the bulletin.

Registration is now open for our Religious Education/CCD program for children in grades 1-7. Please contact Mrs. Elizabeth Rivera at the rectory office for more information and to register your child. Our program is also open to children who live outside of our parish boundaries.

God bless you! Fr. Gerald E. Murray, Pastor

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS:
October 2021: Missionary Disciples

We pray that every baptized person may be engaged in evangelization, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavor of the Gospel.

IN YOUR PRAYERS please remember: Melody Colligan, Carlos Cuerta, Rachel Dawson, Gene Doyle, Paul Estipona and Family, Deborah Feudo, Dorothy Gerber, Gregory Henry, Jacqueline Lugo, Ken Majuk, Audrey Marshall, Bea Maviglia, Ramona Pacheco, Joanne Perry, Frank Sajeski, Margie Skeels, Julio Soto, Mateo Tobia, Alfredo Thomas, Virginia Vassallo, Dr. Tony Vivera, Nivene Young and Cathy Vukovich, who are ill or disabled.

Look at Mary Magdalene; she was so in love with Jesus. She went early in the morning to see Him . . . Are we like that at Holy Mass? During Prayer? Do we have that eagerness and longing to be with Him?.

—Saint Teresa of Calcutta

BENEDICTION. On Fridays, after the 12:10 PM Mass, Exposition of The Most Blessed Sacrament is celebrated, concluding with Benediction at 2:00 PM.

ROSARY. We pray the rosary in the church every Tuesday and Thursday after the 12:10 PM Mass. Pamphlets with prayers for the rosary are available in the back of the church.

FOOD PANTRY. This Sunday we will have our monthly food collection for the St. John the Baptist Bread of Life Food Pantry. **Thank you for donating non-perishable food items**, which may be left on the last pew at the back of the church. Your donations make a big difference in the lives of those in need.

REASONS TO BE REGISTERED IN THE PARISH

- Support the Church
- Proves that you are a practicing Catholic
- Helps to obtain sponsor certificates, release letters, or an other documentation needed from the church
- Enables you to have your children registered in our Religious Education Program
- Gives you a sense of belonging to the Parish Family
- Come to the Rectory Monday – Friday to register!

"Please, let's not do business with the devil. The devil's presence is on the first page of the Bible and it also ends with the devil's presence, with God's victory over the devil". Demons are always returning with their temptations, "we shouldn't be naive". Let us ask the Lord, for the grace to take these things seriously. He came to battle for our salvation, he has conquered the devil.

---Pope Francis, Santa Marta, 10 November 2013

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