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August 30, 2020



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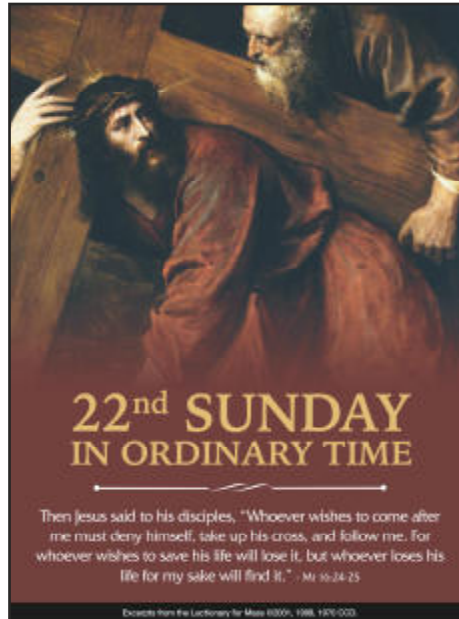
A Vicarious Descant

It is noted by the commentators on the Extraordinary Form of the Holy Mass that the past Sundays of summer are gathered into threes—three Sundays after Pentecost focused on the calling of people to follow Christ. Then three Sundays focused on sin through the parables of the unjust steward, faithless Jerusalem and the humble tax collector. And finally three Sundays focusing on the sacramental graces received through the Church—baptism in the opening of the ears and loosening of the tongue of the deaf mute, the healing mission of the Church as expressed in the parable of the Good Samaritan last week. And, today, the gratitude we should express to God for these gifts as expressed by the one leper who returned and gave thanks to God for being healed.

The Lord's seeking the Lost Sheep of the House of Israel began first among those who already considered themselves faithful to God. But it also included those from the divided kingdom of the north whose capital was Samaria.

Since the Lord was "in the midst" of Samaria and Galilee, He was in a sort of demilitarized zone where both Samaritans and Jews would be. What united these ten men was a horrible disease.

The bible commentators point out over and over how the law given to Moses was at once a preparation for the coming of the Messiah and a prophesy of his coming. The law made sense once the Messiah appeared and fulfilled what had been understood only in symbols and mystery.



Fidelity to God before the coming of Christ was expressed by fidelity to the Law. In today's Gospel, we are reminded of Our Lord's words: I have come to gather the Lost Sheep of the House of Israel who had been separated from Judah since the dividing of the Davidic Kingdom in the 10th century BC. At that time, owing to terrible leadership among the Jewish nation, ten tribes established the Northern Kingdom of Israel and only two tribes remained loyal to the legitimate kingdom of the South, Judah. Those two tribes were Judah and Benjamin (which was the tribe of St. Paul).

The "Lion of Judah" was now speaking kindly to ten unclean, ostracized lepers and ordering them to follow the original law given to Moses. It is likely that they set off to a Judaic priest designated under Jewish law, not the law of Samaria.

Their obedience to the Law—since "salvation is from the Jews"—healed them and restored them to the community and, hopefully and more powerfully, restored them to God to become disciples of Christ. Only one Samaritan returned to God to praise and thank him. A foreigner to the Judaic law.

Clearly, the Sacraments are symbolically foreshadowed as our Lord orders the ten to present themselves to the priest. This is both Baptism, Anointing of the Sick and Confession—all administered by the priest and all for the purposes of restoring what is lost by birth or disease or freewill.

The Lord gave the command, but it was the freewill of but one who came and gave thanks to God. God accomplishes so much for each of us—do we present ourselves before Him each week to give thanks? The Mass is so closely pointed to in this account—in the original Greek of the Gospel, the lepers use the same word we use at the penitential rite—"eileison"—mercy. The Samaritan "fell on his face" before the Lord and gave thanks—the Greek word used is "eucharistein" pointing to the Holy Eucharist—the "source and summit of Christian life."

The Psalmist teaches, "How can I repay the Lord for all the good done for me? I will raise the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows to the Lord" in the assembly of the people." (Ps. 116).

Every one of us can call to mind separations and divisions that wound us and cause us sorrow. Sometimes separation can bring about a far greater appreciation

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, - August 31, 2020

7:30 a.m.– Jason & Jessie Zielinski & Family (L)

Tuesday, - September 01, 2020

7:30 a.m.– Zelie Kray (L)

Wednesday, - September 02, 2020

7:30 a.m.– Joshua & Elise Tomaszewski (L)

Thursday, - September 03, 2020

7:30 a.m.– Germaine Toporek (D)

Friday, - September 04, 2020

7:30 a.m.– Nancy Orlando (L)

7:00 p.m.– Poor Souls

Saturday, - September 05, 2020

7:30 a.m.– Reparation for the sins against the Immaculate Heart of Mary

4:00 p.m.– Tridentine Wedding Mass

Sunday, - September 06, 2020

6:30 a.m.– Special Intention; 9:30 a.m.– People of the Parish; 12:00 p.m.–James & Carolyn Palka & Family (L)

Mass Servers

Saturday, September 05, 2020

4:00 p.m. D. Bastuba, J. Praet, J. Cline

Sunday, September 06, 2020

6:30 a.m. R. Jacek, M. Pomeroy.

9:30 a.m. K. Garavaglia, A. Santine, M. Grado, J. Prevo, D. Grado, C. Bueche

12:00 p.m. M. Chambers, A. & M. Arrigoni, A. & W. Remske, G. Welsing, J. & D. Berch

Readings for the week of August 30, 2020

Sunday: Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [2b]/Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27

Monday: 1 Cor 2:1-5/Ps 119:97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102 [97]/Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday: 1 Cor 2:10b-16/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13ab, 13cd-14 [17]/Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday: 1 Cor 3:1-9/Ps 33:12-13, 14-15, 20-21 [12]/Lk 4:38-44

Thursday: 1 Cor 3:18-23/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [1]/Lk 5:1-11

Friday: 1 Cor 4:1-5/Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 27-28, 39-40 [39a]/Lk 5:33-39

Saturday: 1 Cor 4:6b-15/Ps 145:17-18, 19-20, 21 [18]/Lk 6:1-5

Next Sunday: Ez 33:7-9/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/Rom 13:8-10/Mt 18:15-20

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SUNDAY MASSES: Saturdays at 4:00; Sundays at 6:30, 9:30 (Tridentine), & Noon

HOLY DAY MASSES: 6:30, 9:30 (Tridentine), Noon & evening at 7:00 p.m.

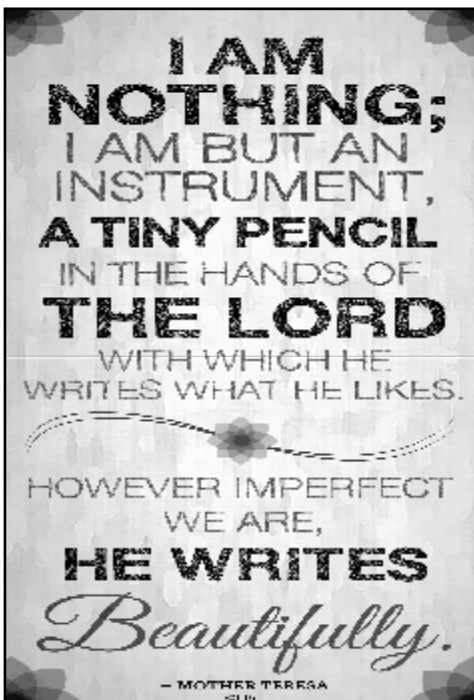
WEEKDAY MASSES: Monday-Saturday 7:30 a.m. (all Tridentine).

CONFESSIONS: Saturday 2:30-3:30, Sunday 9:00 & 11:30 a.m.

BAPTISMS: Every Saturday after the 4:00 p.m. Mass or Sunday after the Noon Mass. Arrange at the Rectory Office.

BLESSING FOR EXPECTANT MOTHERS: After the Noon Mass on the first Sunday of the month.

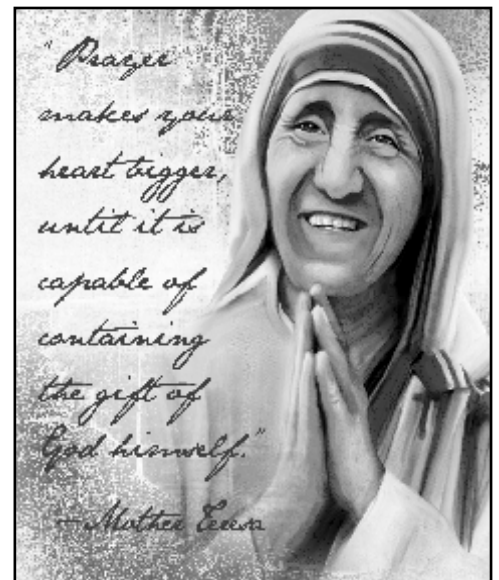
REGISTRATION: Visit the Rectory or call for a form to be sent out to you.



J.J. Aidan O'Connor

&

Maria Simpson, Grotto



A Vicarious Descant (continued)

for what was lost, as symbolized by the Samaritan, whose people had been separated from God and true worship for 960 years. Yet he was the only one to return and give thanks. We should intensely pray today that each of us be restored to the communion that God intends us to have with Him and with each other. Sometimes that will require the confession of sins in the Sacrament of Penance followed by Holy Communion. Other times it will require that hearts be profoundly changed. It would indeed be a wonderful gift and answer to our prayers if all were healed and those separated from our church were reunited just as the lepers were.

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The collection amount for The Feast of the Assumption was \$9,035.00; Sunday, August 16th was \$9,190.00; Sunday, August 23rd was \$8,332.00.

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Please note that the 4:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday, September 5th will be a Tridentine Wedding Mass, with Wedding Mass Propers. This Mass does fulfill the Sunday obligation for all those in attendance.

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Assumption Grotto will be hosting the annual memorial for the **National Day of Remembrance for the Unborn** on September, 12 in the cemetery at the Tomb of the Aborted Children. The event will begin at 1 p.m. Please join us for prayer, song, and moving testimonies. At the conclusion, we will have a reception with drinks and snacks in the Lounge. If you have any questions, please call Tom Addis at 586-786-4880.

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The dispensation from the Sunday obligation to attend Mass is granted to all through November 23rd , 2020.

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Seven Sisters Apostolate Renewal of Prayer Commitments

One Sister, One Holy Hour Each Week, One Priest, One Heart of Prayer Together! See the flyer on the side tables of the church for more information on our three parish Seven Sisters Groups. The groups are organized to pray for Archbishop Vigneron, Fr. John Bustamante and Fr. Perrone. We are in need of more women willing to commit an hour a week for one of our priests as a substitute or alternate. The Holy hour may be done in a parish church near you, anytime on the day you are assigned. Please call and leave your name at the rectory if God is calling you to assist our priests in this Apostolate.

"In strengthening the priest you strengthen the whole Church... Strengthen the priest and you strengthen the whole foundation, you strengthen everything in the church"-- Fr. Gerald Fitzgerald, S.P.

For more information on the Seven Sisters Apostolate go to their website: <https://sevensistersapostolate.org/home>

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The 16 Week Basic Catholic Catechism Course will meet on alternate Saturdays Saturday's at 1 p.m. in the Shrine Lounge. For more information on Marian Catechist Basic or Advanced Home Study Courses leave your name at the rectory.

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Election Prayer Lord Jesus Christ, You told us to give to Caesar what belongs to Caesar, and to God what belongs to God. Enlighten the minds of our people in America. May we choose a President of the United States, and other government officials, according to Your Divine Will. Give our citizens the courage to choose leaders of our nation who respect the sanctity of unborn human life, the sanctity of marriage, the sanctity of marital relations, the sanctity of the family, and the sanctity of the aging. Grant us the wisdom to give You, what belongs to You, our God. If we do this, as a nation, we are confident You will give us an

abundance of Your blessings through our elected leaders. Amen.

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Morning Offering "O Jesus, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I offer you all my prayers, works, joys and sufferings of this day, for all the intentions of your Sacred Heart, in union with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass throughout the world, in reparation for my sins, for the intentions of all my relatives and friends and in particular for the intentions of the Holy Father" (from "Manual of Prayers," Midwest Theological Forum).


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Act of Contrition O my God, I am heartily sorry for having offended Thee, and I detest all my sins because of thy just punishments, but most of all because they offend Thee, my God, who art all good and deserving of all my love. I firmly resolve with the help of Thy grace to sin no more and to avoid the near occasion of sin. Amen.



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~ Father Perrone*

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DIANE M. KORZENIEWSKI
Photos from liturgical events at Grotto; select topics in Catholicism; useful links
<http://te-deum.blogspot.com>



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