29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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MASSES FOR THE WEEK		Happening This Week and Beyond
MONDAY, 7:00 am	<b>October 18th</b> Debra Weigel by Tom & Debbie Yucha	October 19th,26th 6:00 pm Jesus and the End Times
<b>TUESDAY,</b> 9:00 am	<b>October 19th</b> Olga Kalin by Collins family	October 19thBlood BankNoon-5:30pmOctober 23-24Mission Sunday Weekend
WEDNESDAN 7:00 am	<b>7, October 20th</b> Dick Walters by Friends & Neighbors of Valley View & Kimberly Court	October 26th St. Joseph Soup Kitchen October 30th Trunk or Treat HR Parking Lot 1-3pm
<b>THURSDAY,</b> 7:00 pm		WEEKEND OF OCTOBER 23RD WORLD MISSION SUNDAY Next Weekend we will celebrate World Mission Sun- day. Pope Francis invites the entire Church to sup- port mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Is-
<b>FRIDAY,</b> 7:00 am	October 22nd Sally Dorrion by Regina Jabo	lands, and part of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve the world's most vulnerable communities. Please keep the Pope's missions in your prayers and be generous in next week's collection for the Society for
<b>SATURDAY,</b> 4:30 pm	October 23rd Boyd Freeborough by Barb Wendel	the Propagation of the Faith. \$10,000 Fall Cash Raffle: The St. Joseph School cash
SUNDAY, 8:15 am	<b>October 24th</b> Annie Hoden by Dan Hoden	raffle is under way! Tickets are \$100. Drawings begin November 1. There are \$150 drawings for 10 weeks. The grand prize drawing for \$10,000, \$2,000, \$1,000, and \$500 will take place on January 7. You can buy
11:00 am	For the Living & Deceased Members of Holy Redeemer & St. Anthony	one for yourself, or split one 2, 4 or 10 ways. Whatev- er works for you. Tickets available from any school family or at St. Joseph parish office. Only 300 tickets will be sold.
	<u>Sanctuary Light</u> anctuary Light is lit in memory of <b>Debbie Weigel</b> this week.	Trunk or TreatDonations of bagged candy are being accepted at the church office for the annual Trunk or Treat that will be held October 30th from 1-3pm in the Holy Redeemer parking lot. Thank you for your generosity!
Prayer Line		BAPTISM

Please call Mona Champion at 968-3232, Barb Ciprich at 723-1894 or Kim Wynn at 706-6995 with your prayer requests.

## Genevieve Grace Parker, daughter of James & Catherine Parker, sister of Rexford was baptized on October 9, 2021.

# FROM OUR PASTOR'S DESK

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To My Spiritual Family of Holy Redeemer and St. Anthony,

At one point during my high school years, I became fascinated by Alfred, Lord Tennyson's poem, "*The Charge of the Light Brigade*." That poem, you may remember, describes a disastrous – yet incredibly heroic – cavalry charge made by British forces against superior Russian defenses during the Battle of Balaklava in the Crimean War (1854). The third stanza of Tennyson's work reads like this:

Cannon to right of them, Cannon to left of them, Cannon in front of them Volleyed and thundered; Stormed at with shot and shell, Boldly they rode and well, Into the jaws of Death, Into the mouth of hell Rode the six hundred.

History tells us that the Light Brigade suffered a 40% casualty rate that day. 110 soldiers were killed and another 160 were wounded. Describing the battle's end, Tennyson writes: *"Then they rode back, but not, not the 600."* Their courage in the face of such danger continues to stir something deep within me.

And I write of this today because our situation as disciples of Christ, fighting the spiritual battle for which we all must take up arms, is not dissimilar to the ride of the Light Brigade. We too are asked to move forward against a seemingly overpowering enemy – the devil and the culture he has fostered. We too are asked to risk everything in a cause that appears at times to be pointless – for there is evil all around. Yet ride we must! Carry-ing the banner of the Risen Christ. Intent on defeating the enemies of righteousness and good. And like the soldiers of the Light Brigade, watching our comrades fall wounded to the right and to the left.

Very recently, one of my brother priests resigned from his parish and from active priestly ministry. Evidently there was no scandal or wrongdoing, he simply resigned. And it was very painful to learn of this. I hear from time to time, as well, of students I taught in school, young men and women who were - then - so on fire for Christ, that have stopped practicing the faith altogether. Maybe they've just walked away. Maybe they've been absorbed by our godless culture. But whatever the case, it hurts. Here too in the parish, I look out from the sanctuary hoping to see individuals or families who once attended church every weekend. It brought me joy to know them and worship with them. But they are no longer to be seen. For some reason, they are just not here. And it's a reason for grief.

You understand, don't you? Maybe your own beloved sons and daughters have declared themselves atheists or have simply stopped thinking about God. And your heart breaks. Maybe the children and teens that you taught in faith formation courses, the ones you watched receiving First Holy Communion or Confirmation, have left the Church out of apathy or anger. And it leaves an emptiness in your soul. And maybe your friends who always sat in the pew in front of you, or who volunteered with you at church events, well, they just don't come around anymore. And there is a sadness. A profound sadness.

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But despite all this, we must absolutely be people of hope! Remember: Christ has won the battle! Jesus has destroyed sin and death by his victory on the cross! He has risen from the dead and invited us to share in his glory! Yes, as St. Paul says, "we carry within us the death of Jesus (2 Cor 4:10)," but we also already carry a share in his resurrection! So forward we must ride. Not into the volley and thunder of cannon shells, but against the forces of evil and the injustice in our world. God needs us. God needs you! So persevere in the faith. Trust that your witness for Christ will bear fruit. Trust that you can make an eternal difference in someone's life (because you can). Never doubt that God has given you a mission to proclaim his godness. Never waver in your conviction that the way of Christ is the way that leads to life. Indeed, the battle is real. There are casualties. And when we see other Christians falling wounded about us, we are tempted to fear. We may even be tempted to flee. But like the Light Brigade, we too must courageously continue on our course. Take to heart the words that were spo-ken to Joshua as he led the Israelites into the Promised Land – *Be strong and courageous, do not be afraid, do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go (Joshua 1:9)*. AMEN!

Mary, Mother of the Redeemer – Pray for us! St. Anthony – Pray for us! St. Joseph – Pray for us!

Fr. Steve

# WEEKLY PRAYER

### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 17, 2021**

Sunday:	ls 53:10-11/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 [22]/Heb 4:14-16/ Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-45
Monday:	2 Tm 4:10-17/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18 [12]/Lk 10:1-9
Tuesday:	Rom 5:12, 15, 17-19, 20-21/Ps 40:7-8, 8-9, 10, 17 [8 and 9]/ Lk 12:35-38
Wednesday:	Rom 6:12-18/Ps 124:1-3, 4-6, 7-8 [8]/Lk 12:39-48
Thursday:	Rom 6:19-23/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [Ps 40:5]/Lk 12:49-53
Friday:	Rom 7:18-25/Ps 119:66, 68, 76, 77, 93, 94 [68]/Lk 12:54-59
Saturday:	Rom 8:1-11/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. 6]/Lk 13:1-9
Next Sunday	Jer 31:7-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Heb 5:1-6/Mk 10:46-52

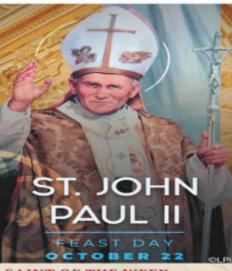
#### **OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 17, 2021**

Sunday:	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:	St. Luke, Evangelist
Tuesday:	Sts. John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs
Wednesday:	St. Paul of the Cross, Priest
Friday:	St. John Paul II, Pope
Saturday:	St. John of Capistrano, Priest; BVM
Next Sunday: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Mission Sunday	

### LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

It's the positions of power and great authority that people often admire. We equate success with six figure incomes, high positions, management, and influence. We even go above and beyond to find favor with our bosses so that we can get a little extra recognition and maybe the next promotion when it comes up. This is the way of the world. Those who have their values set on earthly things are going to work by earthly rules. We forget that it doesn't work that way in the Kingdom of God. Success is measured not from the place of status, influence, or prestige but from the place of humility, service, and sacrifice. The authority that one hopes to achieve is not an authority over others but an authority that comes from wisdom and developing one's relationship with God. Jesus flips the tables on our priorities. Even the first disciples had a tough time understanding this. They really thought that they would somehow receive a privilege or bonus from being faithful. We often operate under that same illusion.



SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. John Paul II was born Karol Wojtyla in the small Polish town of Wadowice. During World War II, when the Nazis invaded Poland, Karol secretly studied for the priesthood in an underground seminary. He was ordained to the priesthood in 1946, appointed Archbishop of Krakow in 1964, and three years later he was made a cardinal. In 1978, he was elected the 264th pope, where he took the name John Paul II.

St. John Paul II made evangelization a key part of his papacy and made pastoral visits to all parts of the world. In 1981, he was shot twice in an assassination attempt. Following Jesus' example of compassion, he later met with his would-be assassin in his prison cell, where he forgave him for what he had done.

St. John Paul II was well-known to be an active sportsman throughout his life, hiking and skiing well into his 60s. In 1992, his health began to decline, and it was later discovered that he suffered from Parkinson's disease, a degenerative disorder of the central nervous system.

Near the end of his papacy, it became difficult for him to speak, and his poor health and physical suffering made public appearances difficult. Still, he continued his pastoral work. He died April 2, 2005, and he was declared blessed on May 1, 2011. He became a saint on April 27, 2014.

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2021 | 29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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CATHOLIC SCHOOLSt. Joseph (Pre K - Grade 6)814-723-2030MASS SCHEDULEWEEKENDSaturday Evening4:30PM (Holy Redeemer)Sunday8:15AM (Holy Redeemer)Sunday11:00AM (St. Anthony)WEEKDAY9:00AM (St. Anthony)Tuesday9:00AM (St. Anthony)Thursday7:00PM (Holy Redeemer)	Social Media Director Haylie Spicer synergyff@outlook.com Office Manager Francine Maeder hrparishoffice1@atlanticbbn.net Office Secretary Gini Greenwald hrparishoffice2@atlanticbbn.net Facilities Gregg Danielson hrfacilities@atlanticbbn.net <u>PARISH OFFICE HOURS</u> Monday–Thursday 8:30AM–12:30PM & 1:30–4:00PM Friday 8:30AM–12:30PM
HOLY DAYEvening Before Holy Day5:00PM (St. Anthony)Evening Before Holy Day7:00PM (Holy Redeemer)Holy Day7:00AM (Holy Redeemer)Holy Day12:05PM & 5:30PM (St. Joseph)SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATIONSaturday11:00AM-12:00PM (Holy Redeemer)Thursday5:30PM-6:30PM (Holy Redeemer)	Marriage Moment "I prayed, and prudence was given me." (Wisdom 7:7) How one talks with God (prayer) varies from person to person. Some like memorized prayers, some read scripture, some quietly meditate Share what style is most meaningful to each of you.
Friday:6:30AM-6:55AM (Holy Redeemer)Or on request.FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION After the 7:00 am Mass -12:00PMFIRST SATURDAY ADORATION After the 7:30 am Mass -12:15PMBAPTISMS:Upon request: Pre-baptismal instruction is provided.	Incarceration Support Group This group is for family and friends of incarcerated and newly released prisoners. The mission of this group is to provide a supportive, safe, nonjudgmental and confidential Christ centered program. Meetings are held at 6pm on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month at First United Methodist Church(2nd Ave. & Market St.). Use the back entrance off the parking lot. Babysitting provided.
<ul> <li>MARRIAGES: Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance.</li> <li>VISITS/SACRAMENTS TO THE SICK: Notify us if anyone is in the hospital, ill at home or unable to attend church.</li> <li>Bulletin Items. Must be to the office by the end of business two Friday's prior to publication.</li> </ul>	MONTH



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