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**THE THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
OCTOBER 24, 2021: YEAR B**



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Diocesan Policy on Sexual Abuse of Minors:
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Weekly bulletin articles must be submitted to Mrs.
Helen Griffin before 9am on Wednesdays, 10 days
prior to publication.

SCHEDULE OF LITURGIES

Weekend Masses: Saturday Vigil-5pm: Sunday-8am & 10:30am
Latin Mass: 4th Sundays-12:30pm
Daily Mass: Tuesday-Friday-12:15pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Tuesday & Thursday: 11am-12pm
Saturday 3:30pm-4:30pm
Holy Days of Obligation: 12:15pm & 6:30pm
(Exceptions: Thanksgiving Day, December 25 & January 1 Mass at 10AM)
Adoration: First Friday 1:00pm with Benediction at 3:00pm
Join our parish in prayer:
The Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet: Monday-Friday 11:30am
Miraculous Medal Novena: Tuesdays after 12:15pm Mass

Baptisms by Appointment
Marriages: Inquire a minimum of FOUR months prior to setting wedding date

“Blindness of Spirit”

Bro. Silas Henderson, S.D.S.

They called the blind man, saying to him, “Take courage; get up, Jesus is calling you.” He threw aside his cloak, sprang up, and came to Jesus.

Jesus said to him in reply, “What do you want me to do for you?” The blind man replied to him, “Master, I want to see.” Jesus told him, “Go your way; your faith has saved you.” Immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way. —Mark 10:49-52

When I moved to Tucson a few years ago, one of the realities I had to adjust to was the large number of homeless people found in nearly every part of the city. The weather — especially the minimal rainfall and mild winters — make this a natural landing place for those who might not easily find a home in other parts of the country. As much as I hate to admit it, I still sometimes find myself feeling embarrassed or disconcerted by the extended hands or incoherent mumbling. This is a challenging reality, especially when I remember that as Christians — and particular in my vocation as a religious brother — we’re called to be people of encounter.

With all this in mind, it’s easy to understand the discomfort that Jesus’ followers seemed to have felt in this Sunday’s passage from the Gospel of Mark. After all, the blind man, Bartimaeus, was causing a spectacle, shouting at Jesus. But even after the people in the crowd told him to be quiet, he kept calling out “all the more, ‘Son of David, have pity on me.’”

To really get a sense of the importance of this story — which is much more than just another account of one of Jesus’ miracles — we have to think about where it falls in the Gospel of Mark. The healing of the blind Bartimaeus is, in fact, linked to the healing of another blind man, recounted only a few chapters earlier (8:22-26). These two stories form “bookends” for one of the most important sections of Mark’s Gospel in which Jesus tries to help his followers understand who he is and what his mission really is. But, as we’ve discovered over the past several Sundays, the Apostles and the other disciples don’t seem to be able to comprehend Jesus’ message or to understand the true cost and meaning of discipleship. After all, these are the same men who openly opposed him when Jesus tried to teach them about his coming suffering and death.

But then, this Sunday we are given the story of this blind beggar who seems to be able to see what the Apostles cannot. In fact, the physical healing of Bartimaeus is a powerful reminder that, when we open ourselves to God’s grace, we can be healed of that blindness of spirit that sometimes prevents us from following Jesus with freedom and joy, which is an important part of discipleship.

Saint Mark beautifully describes Bartimaeus’ excitement when Jesus finally calls for him, “He threw aside his cloak, sprang up, and came to Jesus.” There is an energy in his response that wonderfully exemplifies the enthusiasm that should be a hallmark of our discipleship. When the Lord calls, we must be ready to respond. And because of his faith and willingness to act, Jesus rewards the blind man by not only restoring his physical sight but by empowering him to live out his faith in the community of disciples. Pope Benedict XVI reflected on this when he remarked:

“Bartimaeus represents one aware of his pain and crying out to the Lord, confident of being healed... In the encounter with Christ, lived with faith, Bartimaeus regains the light he had lost, and with it the fullness of his dignity: he gets back onto his feet and resumes the journey, which from that moment has a guide, Jesus, and a path, the same that Jesus is travelling. The evangelist tells us nothing more about Bartimaeus, but in him he shows us what discipleship is: following Jesus “along the way,” in the light of faith.”

The invitation for us this Sunday is to humbly reflect on the ways we might be spiritually blind by asking ourselves what habits, attitudes, and ideologies hold us back from becoming the disciples that Jesus is calling us to be.

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We extend a warm welcome to all of our visitors to our BEAUTIFUL AND HISTORIC CHURCH OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY which was founded in 1810 and is the oldest Catholic Church in the State of Georgia. We are happy that you have chosen to worship with us. Additional information about our historic church can be found on www.themostholytrinity.org. Please come again!



Saturday, October 23rd: The Blessed Virgin Mary
5:00pm, † Edward Joseph Doyle, Sr.

Sunday: The Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 24th

8:00am, † Father Robert Sayer
11:00am, Missa Pro Populo

Monday: October 25th

12:15pm, NO Communion Service

Tuesday: October 26th:

12:15pm, † Suzanne R. Stone

Wednesday: October 27th

12:15pm, Missa Pro Populo

Thursday: October 28th

12:15pm, † Diane Maria Woloshin

Friday: October 29th

12:15pm, † Shirley Jenkins

Saturday: October 30th: The Blessed Virgin Mary
5:00pm, † Thaddeus Lewis

Pray for Our Military

Parishioners are strongly encouraged to contact the office at 706-722-4944 to offer intentions for military members stationed during dangerous deployments, or veterans trying to recuperate, so that the parish family may pray for them. Parishioners who would like to participate in any way with the military and Veterans Ministry, please call Tom Kiernan at 706-863-2134. **Pray for our active military and veterans!**



If you or a loved one is hospitalized, please have the hospital personnel or a family member contact the parish office at 706-722-4944 for a visit and Anointing; otherwise, the hospital will not contact us because of patient privacy, a HIPPA Law.



REMEMBER
in your prayers

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Claire Pugh	Joseph Roberts
Helen Sabol	Peter F. Stager
Robert Stanley	Angalita Stephens
Tracye Stone	Cessy Stuhler
Karen Swenson	Mildred Vaughn
Elizabeth Webber	Margaret Williams
Carol Wright	John Wright

If you are hospitalized, homebound, or in a care facility, call the parish office at 706-722-4944. For Intercessory Prayer Line requests call Diana Plowman 706-228-4271 or 706-414-1611. Call the office for your name or family member's name to be removed from the bulletin list; however, we will continue to pray for your or their intentions.

Readings for the Week

The 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time: October 24th
World Mission Sunday

Jer 31:7-9/Heb 5:1-6/Mk 10:46-52

Monday, October 25th

Rom 8:12-17/Lk 13:10-17

Tuesday, October 26th

Rom 8:18-25/Lk 13:18-21

Wednesday, October 27th

Rom 8:26-30/Lk 13:22-30

Thursday, October 28th: Sts. Simon & Jude
Eph 2:19-22/Lk 6:12-16

Friday, October 29th

Rom 9:1-5/Lk 14:1-6

Saturday, October 30th: The Blessed Virgin Mary
Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29/Lk 14:1, 7-11

**The 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time: October 31st:
Priesthood Sunday**

Dt 6:2-6/Heb 7:23-28/Mk 12:28b-34

**NO Adult Faith Formation on Sunday
24th October. The sessions will resume on
Sunday 31st October.**

The Altar flowers are to honor Bruce and Theresa Thompson who were married here on 24 October 1998 by Father Allan J. McDonald. They have two sons, Kevin and Aaron. Best wishes!



Permanent Diaconate Program

The Office of the Permanent Diaconate is continuing to accept applications for the next permanent diaconate formation class.

Interested men, between the ages of 35 and 60, should review the application information on the diocesan website at: <https://diosav.org/permanent-diaconate/formation/apply> or contact Deacon Kelley Culver at 706-651-8989.

Calling all Pro-Lifers! 40 Days for Life is an international prayer vigil held for forty consecutive days in front of the abortion clinic located Davis and Pleasant Home Rds. It is a very busy clinic. The power of the 40 Days movement is prayer and fasting. All that is required is your peaceful, prayerful presence for one hour at a time. Sign-up for as little as one hour during the forty days or an hour or more weekly. **Volunteers are needed.** Many lives have been saved at that clinic. **The campaign will end on 31st of October.** Our previous campaigns have reached up to five or six hours a day, but we are hoping that pro-lifers will join us and through prayer and fasting the Lord will end abortions in our country. The website is: augusta40daysforlife@gmail.com or call Philip and Elizabeth O'Herron at 706-871-1930.

Active Parishioner Status

We receive many requests for weddings, to be Godparents, sponsors for Confirmation and to rightfully enjoy other services offered here at Most Holy Trinity. To verify if you are registered parishioners, call the parish office at 706-722-4944.

An active member is one who:

- Attends Sunday Masses and Holy Days
- Is registered in the parish rolls (census)
- Participates in parish activities often
- Uses the envelope system or donates online

Individual assessments will be made; however, the above are the main factors that will be considered in making the determination. **To register go to the parish website www.themostholytrinity.org click on links or call the office.**

IF YOU DO NOT GET ENVELOPES OR IS NOT ENROLLED IN ONLINE GIVING, YOU ARE NOT A REGISTERED PARISHIONER.

October Respect Life Poster Contest

2021 Theme: St. Joseph & the Holy Family

**Entry Categories: Grades 5/6 & Grades 7/8
Cash prizes in each category.**

For complete details and entry form, please visit:
www.diosav.org/rilposter

 Diocese of Savannah
Office of Marriage, Family and
Respect Life



Rachels's Vineyard Retreat

Post abortion Healing weekend near Augusta **November 5-7, 2021** for any woman, man, family member, or friend who is struggling with the emotional, spiritual and psychological pain after an abortion. The retreat offers a beautiful opportunity to find healing, hope, and forgiveness. For additional information: 912-306-0406; Stephniemay125@gmail.com or visit the website at www.rachedsvienyard.org.

Stewardship of Treasure

**The amount collected for the offertory the weekend of
October 16/17 is 10,905.09.**

***Thank you for your generosity
and your love for Jesus' Church!***



2021 Annual Catholic Appeal

As of the last report we received, **23.17%** of our parishioners have made a pledge to the Annual Catholic Appeal. Our support of diocesan agencies and ministries is one way that we respond to God for all we have received.

Mass Intentions

If you would like to have a Mass or Masses said for someone living or deceased, come to the parish office in St. Francis Hall. The Diocese of Savannah has suggested a stipend of \$10 per Mass please. Masses can longer be accepted over the phone or via email.

Traditional Latin Mass
Sunday, 24 October at 12:30pm

Vocation Marriage

*A ministry to support and encourage
Catholic marriages*

Join us for fellowship, dinner, and a
speaker

Sunday, November 7, 2021 from 6-8pm

St. Teresa of Avila's Parish Life Center

All married and engaged couples are invited.
Engaged couples and couples married less than
7 years, please join us free of charge. For couples
married longer than 7 years, a donation of \$20 per
couple is requested for dinner. Everyone bring
your own beverages! Please RSVP by Sun. October
31st to vocationmarriage@gmail.com so we can
order enough food!



Wednesday Faith Study

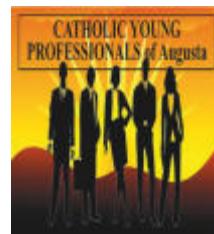
Meetings' every other Wednesday at 7:00pm in St.
Francis Hall. The next meeting will be **3rd November**.
All parishioners are welcome. If you interested or have
questions, call Joe Prouty at 706-760-6859 or
proutyjoe4951@gmail.com.

Donation Drive - October 24th-29th in
Savannah. Help us help Afghan Refugees to resettle in
Savannah and nearby cities by donating much-needed
essential household items! *Catholic Charities of South
Georgia* is supporting organizations who are resettling
Afghan Refugees by collecting household essential items to
ease the transition and welcome families into their new home.
From October 24th-29th, we'll be holding a week-long
donation drive at Villa Marie, 6 Dolan Dr, Savannah, GA
31406 to collect these items and distribute them to our
community partners. To learn more, please visit: <https://diosav.org/ccharities/afghanistan> or contact us at
CatholicCharities@diosav.org 912-201-4042

or **Scan image with your camera**



**Confirmation will be on Tuesday, 2
November 2021 at 6:00pm with
Bishop Stephen D. Parkes.**



Catholic Young Professionals of
Augusta will meet here on Thursday,
October 28 for Mass at 6:30pm.
Adoration and confession from
7-8pm. Group dinner afterwards.
Newcomers ages 21-35 are
welcome! For more information,
please
email CYPAugusta@gmail.com.

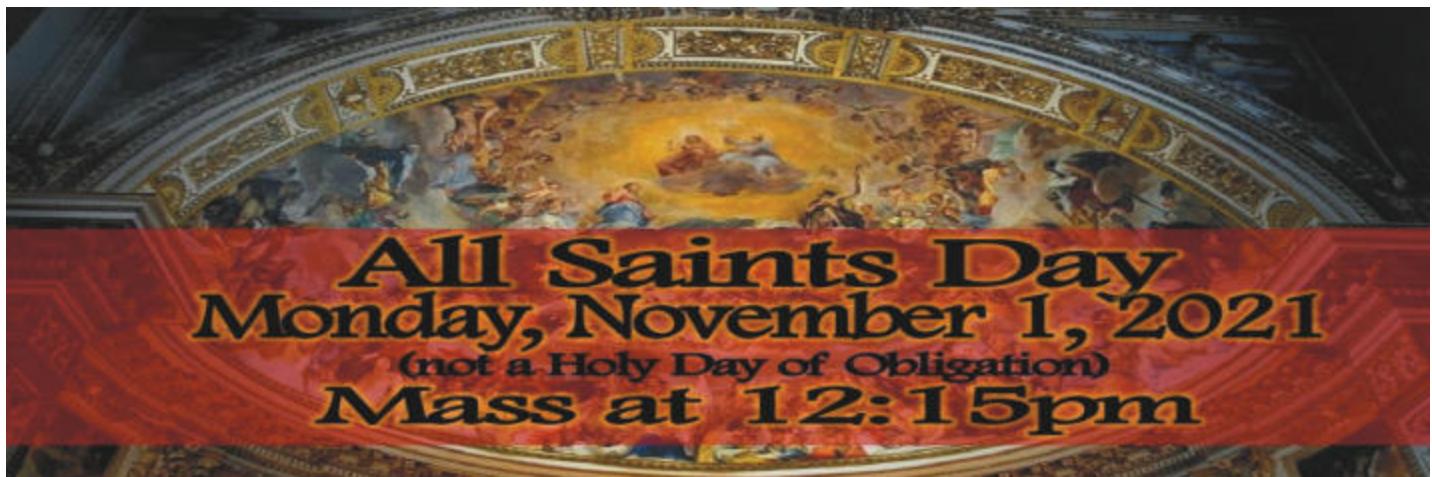
A Prayer to St. Joseph

*Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.*



*Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage,
and defend us from every evil. Amen.*

The Year of St. Joseph
8 December 2020-8 December 2021

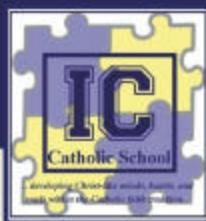


We love because He first loved us.

1 John 4:19

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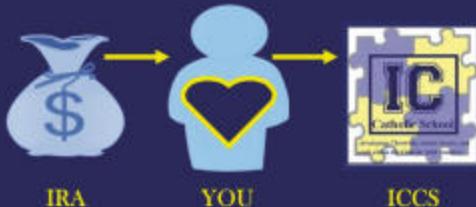


Update

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If you instruct your IRA administrator or financial advisor to make a distribution directly to ICCS, you satisfy your Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) without adding to your taxable income.



How an IRA Qualified Charitable Distribution Works

- Direct a transfer from your IRA account to Immaculate Conception Catholic School.
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Any questions? Give us a call, 706.722.9964, or contact your financial advisor.

Immaculate Heart of Mary, Pray for us!

SERVING WOMEN WITH CHRIST-LIKE LOVE AND SAVING LIVES

Pregnant Choices Medical Clinic is a new pro-life, non-profit medical facility, located in Evans, GA. We serve women in the CSRA who are experiencing an unplanned pregnancy. We provide FREE pregnancy testing, FREE ultrasounds, referrals for community services, and much more. We are in need of volunteers and financial donations to continue to serve these women and their babies. Please contact Brigid Paultk or Theresa Wilcox at 706-305-9042 or email brigid@pregnantchoices.com.



The Lydia Project is seeking Volunteers to help in the lodging center with cancer fighters and in the office. To get started, visit TheLydiaProject.org to print, complete, and send in the Volunteer Application; or call 706.736.5467 with inquiries. The Lydia Project provides men, women, and children fighting cancer with free lodging, transportation to cancer care, utilities, prescriptions, medical supplies, encouragement, prayer...and more. The agency remained open every day during the pandemic. Come join this incredible and much needed outreach.

Participant Release

Please be aware that by entering any area of the campus of the Church of the Most Holy Trinity, you consent to your voice, name, and/or likeness being used, without compensation, in films and tapes for use in any and all media associated with the Diocese of Savannah, and you release the Catholic Diocese of Savannah, its successors, assigns and licensees from any liability whatsoever of any nature. Please speak with a Diocesan representative if you have any questions or concerns.

Pro-Life - “We proclaim that human life is a precious gift from God: that each person who receives this gift has responsibilities toward God, self and others; and that society, through its laws and social institutions, must protect and nurture human life at every stage of its existence.” ~U. S. Catholic Bishops,

Prayer Gatherings in front of the abortion mill:
Every Wednesday, 7AM to 8AM

(Gary Garner- Crosswalk, multi-denominational)

First and Third Friday of Every Month, 5-6:00pm

(Gary Garner- Crosswalk, multi-denominational)

First Tuesday of Every Month, 11:30pm

(Bill Jackson- Rosary)

For more information, please contact George Vozniak, 706-726-1269, GVozniak@aol.com. For additional events, visit our website: www.grtlaugusta.wordpress.com.

The Story of Cardinal Raneiro Cantalamessa

There will be a special advance preview of a 75-minute documentary film on the story of Cardinal Raneiro Cantalamessa - preacher to the Papal Household since 1980. The director of the film, Ashley Zahorian, from CMAX Media in Virginia Beach, will be present to answer questions and an opportunity for prayer will be available. Date: Sunday, 28 November at 2:00pm

Location: Alleluia Community School gym
2819 Peach Orchard Rd.

Augusta, GA 30906

Cost is \$10. Learn more and reserve your tickets at cantalamessamovie.com/augusta

The Savannah Diocesan Evangelization Office is endorsing this event. Any questions, please contact Dan Almeter at dkalmeter@gmail.com

Email Spams

Some parishioners are receiving emails asking for money, gift cards or other favors from someone claiming to be Father Jake, please delete these messages. Do not respond, these are spams!

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Please register as soon as you move into the parish community. Fill in this form return it by mail to PO Box 2446, Augusta, GA 30903 or signup online at www.themostholytrinity.org.

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