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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2020

27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



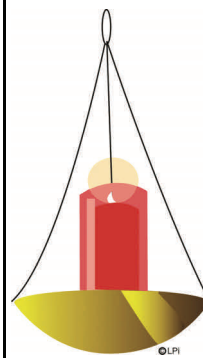
"The stone that the builders rejected has become
the cornerstone." - Mt 21:42ab

PARISH LIFE



Mass Intentions

Monday	10-5-20
8:00am	Immaculate Heart of Mary rq by Margret Green
Tuesday	10-6-20
8:00am	Jim Killeen rq by Loving Wife Pat
Wednesday	10-7-20
8:00am	Anthony Lupino rq by Loving Daughter
Thursday	10-8-20
8:00am	St. Ann Purgatorial Society
Friday	10-9-20
8:00am	Parishioners of St. Ann
Saturday	10-10-20
5:00pm	Sally Sullivan rq by Bobby, Ruthann & Boys
Sunday	10-11-20
8:00am	Richie Tringali rq by The Degan Family Richard T. Walker Sr. rq by Loving Family
10:30am	Michael Suckow rq by Loving Family
6:00pm	Theresa Wagner rq by Loving Family



THE SANCTUARY LAMP

The Sanctuary Lamp is available for special intentions. The Lamp burns weekly for deceased members of a family or requests for a special intention. The donation is \$20.

Please call the Rectory for further information.. This week's Sanctuary Lamp burns for **Theresa Wagner**
rq by Loving Family

FALL SCHEDULE



Masses Mon - Fri 8A, Sat 5P, Sun 9A.

Office Hours Mon - Fri 9A - 1P.

Church Hours Mon - Fri 8:30A - 12P.

Confessions Sat 1P - 2P *outside* the double doors of the handicapped entrance.



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WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 4, 2020

SUN 10/4	Is 5:1-7/Ps 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20 [Is 5:7a]/Phil 4:6-9/ Mt 21:33-43
MON 10/5	Gal 1:6-12/Ps 111:1b-2, 7-8, 9 and 10c [5]/Lk 10:25-37
TUE 10/6	Gal 1:13-24/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15 [24b]/Lk 10:38-42
WED 10/7	Gal 2:1-2, 7-14/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Lk 11:1-4
THR 10/8	Gal 3:1-5/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75 [68]/Lk 11:5-13
FRI 10/9	Gal 3:7-14/Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6 [5]/Lk 11:15-26
SAT 10/10	Gal 3:22-29/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [8a]/Lk 11:27-28
SUN 10/11	Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [6cd]/Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/ Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10

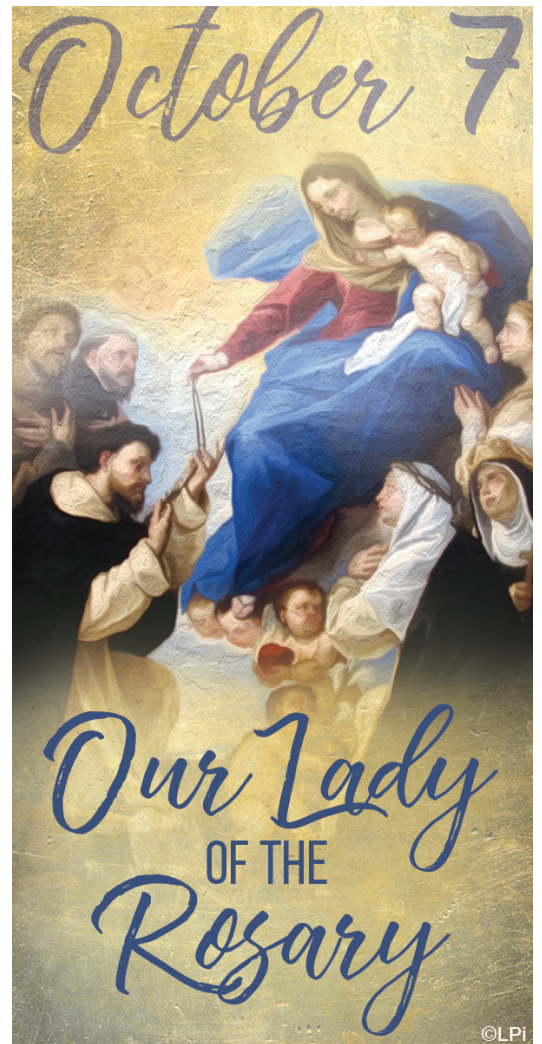
OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 4, 2020

Sunday:	27 th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Respect Life Sunday
Monday:	Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest
Tuesday:	St. Bruno, Priest; Blessed Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin
Wednesday:	Our Lady of the Rosary
Friday:	St. Denis, Bishop, and Companions, Martyrs; St. John Leonardi, Priest
Next Sunday:	28 th Sunday in Ordinary Time

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

Who has authority over God's kingdom? While we know that the obvious answer is Jesus, that is not the answer our lives always reveal. We struggle with wanting control over God's kingdom. We wrestle with ownership, privilege, status, and the protection of our rights. However, at the end of the day nothing in this world or in the one to come belongs to us. All that we see and know to be true belong to God, and Jesus is the only one who has any authority. How often do we defer any of our decision making to God? We often conduct our business as if we are the owner, lord and master of it all, but sadly we are not. God gives us the means and the potential to bear good Gospel-centered fruit. This desire and capacity exist within each individual. Unless we really acknowledge and accept who is ultimately in charge, the type of love, justice, peace, and other good fruits God desires for the world will never be realized.



Stewards
of God's
Graces

WORSHIP & MEDITATION



FIRST READING

The vineyard of the LORD of hosts
is the house of Israel,
and the people of Judah are his cherished plant;
he looked for judgment, but see, bloodshed!
for justice, but hark, the outcry! (Is 5:7)



PSALM

The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.
(Ps 80)



SECOND READING

Keep on doing what you have learned and
received and heard and seen in me.
Then the God of peace will be with you. (Phil 4:6-9)



GOSPEL

"Therefore, I say to you,
the kingdom of God will be taken away from you
and given to a people that will produce its fruit."
(Mt 21:43)

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GOSPEL MEDITATION

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Do you ever wonder why things never seem to come together? We see glimpses of consistency, equity, justice, peace, harmony, and wellbeing, but it always falls short. Human life is still expendable and manipulated, people are used for personal advancement, countries are at war, the economy continues to face turbulence, anger and frustration are widespread, and happiness is the possession of just a few and not the many. Could it be that we are serving the wrong kingdom? We keep trying to make our kingdom work and find ourselves still scratching our heads after repeatedly failed attempts to do so. It is almost as if people are saying, "we'll get it right this time if we do ..." as if some new and secret innovation has yet to be tried.

We serve God's kingdom. We may not like hearing that, but it is true. God did not make only a few of us. God made all of humanity and all of humanity is called into service. How often do we defer any of our decision making to God? Secular leaders enjoy winking at the Sacred Scriptures and using them when they advance a cause, but are they really listened to? Even those who consider themselves believers tend to sift through God's Word, taking what seems to fit and apply and discarding the rest. After all, if we were really serving God's kingdom, we would see an abundance of fruit testifying to this fact. But what's growing on the vine is anything other than good Gospel-centered fruit.

Nothing in this world or the next belongs to us. We have such a hard time believing this and live our lives as if everything belongs to us. And, the fruit does not lie. Trees that are neglected and not properly fertilized reveal that fact. They cannot keep these deep secrets from being discovered. If God's kingdom was really being served, then life would have looked much differently after the crucifixion. By now, there would be plenty of fantastic fruit to harvest in abundance: faith, hope, love, prudence, temperance, justice, and fortitude. Do we see these in abundance around us? Why not?

Still we grapple with ownership, privilege, status, and the protection of our rights. It's all about us and what we want, think we need, and expect to acquire. When did this change of focus occur? We may be struggling with this since humanity's day in the garden and have never understood that the focus cannot be on us and the apple but on God and God's justice. Maybe the only answer is that the Kingdom be taken from us and given to someone who is willing to do a better job. Is that the fate we really want?

LITURGICAL LIFE

RESPONDING *to the Call*

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments

Gifts Given to Share

My oldest two children took piano lessons when they were younger. In fact, it was because my oldest wanted to learn to play so badly that we purchased a piano. He would use it for practice during his few years of lessons, and then my daughter took up the instrument. After a few years of lessons for each, restlessness set in and a type of indifference took over. The lessons and the practicing came to an end.

My youngest had not expressed much interest in piano when he was younger. Then when he was a teenager, he asked for lessons. He began to play and now he plays even for fun and to relax. When his siblings try to play, they are stuck with the truth that those days are gone and since they gave it up years ago, they can no longer really play. In many ways, they were given a gift, but since they did not use and cultivate it, they lost it.

God gives us gifts every day and we too often act like those gifts will simply always be there. The truth is, unlike God Himself, many of those gifts are not eternal. If we fail to acknowledge them and put them to use, we risk losing them in the end. What a shame. What gifts might be slowly slipping away from each of us due to our lack of interest and indifference? They might not be there if and when we change our minds.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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WHY DO WE DO THAT?

Catholic Life Explained:

The Tradition of Genuflection

Question:

Why do Parishes Offer Special Masses like Thanksgiving and Memorial Day, even though they're not Holy Days of Obligation? Am I obligated to attend?

Answer:

Out of respect for the various civil celebrations that take place during the year, many dioceses and parishes will host special Masses. However, while it is always worthwhile to come together to worship as a community, Catholics are not obligated to attend these celebrations. As the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* notes, the only times that we are obligated to participate in celebrations of the Eucharist are on Sundays and holy days of obligation:

The first precept ("You shall attend Mass on Sundays and holy days of obligation and rest from servile labor") requires the faithful to sanctify the day commemorating the Resurrection of the Lord as well as the principal liturgical feasts honoring the mysteries of the Lord, the Blessed Virgin Mary, and the saints; in the first place, by participating in the Eucharistic celebration, in which the Christian community is gathered, and by resting from those works and activities which could impede such a sanctification of these days.

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"But when the tenants saw the son, they said to one another, 'This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and acquire his inheritance.' They seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. What will the owner of the vineyard do to those tenants when he comes?"

– Mt 21:38-40

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LITURGICAL LIFE

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

Invite Parishioners to Reflect and Respond to Scripture

First Reading

The prophets of ancient Israel often used the term "vineyard" as a metaphor for God's chosen people. Why do you think Isaiah and the other prophets saw this as an effective teaching tool?

Second Reading

Paul teaches the Philippians that prayer and a positive attitude is key to settling our anxious hearts and minds. When have you put this advice into practice?

Gospel Reading

Jesus directs this harsh parable of the tenants to the religious leaders of Jerusalem. Do you think Jesus' words led any of them to repentance?

The vineyard of the Lord.

PSALM 80

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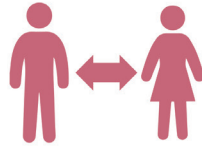


LITURGICAL LIFE

3 EASY STEPS

To Keeping Yourself & Others Healthy!

We are cautioned to be especially careful during the Coronavirus outbreak. Here are some simple ways to keep sickness away.



Wash Your Hands

Wash your hands for at least 20 seconds using soap and water. If you can't wash your hands, use hand sanitizer frequently.

Don't Touch Your Face

Especially around the eyes, nose and mouth. If you must sneeze, use a tissue or your arm.

Keep Your Distance

Practice social distancing during this epidemic and stay away from large groups. Instead, call, email or check up on family and friends using social media.



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away from you and
given to a people that
will produce its fruit.”*

- Mt 21:42ab, 43

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