

PARISH CALENDAR

Twenty-ninth Sunday
In Ordinary Time

October 21, 2018

Our soul waits for the Lord!

Saturday, October 20	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass
Sunday, October 21	..... 7:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 9:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 10:45 a. m.	Religious Education
Monday, October 22	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass
	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a. m.	Mass
	..... 9:00-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
Tuesday, October 23	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a. m.	Mass
Wednesday, October 24	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a. m.	Mass
	..... 9:00-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
	..... 10:00 a. m.	Leeward Vicariate Meeting - St. Francis Trailer
Thursday, October 25	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a. m.	Mass
	..... 5:30 p.m.	Feeding Menu: Portugese Bean Soup with Sandwiches
Friday, October 26	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a. m.	Mass
Saturday, October 27	..... 9:00-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
	..... 4:00-4:45 p. m.	Confession
	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass

NEXT SUNDAY READINGS:

Jer:31:7-9: The Lord will bring us back from this exile
Heb:5:1-6: The high priest human mediator and called by God
Mk:10:46-52: Faith cannot be silenced



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The first and second readings balance each other and give us some kind of equilibrium and strength to continue in our journey as disciples. The first words announced to us today are nothing short of frightening: “The LORD was pleased to crush him in infirmity.” God pleased? People crushed? What are we to make of this? The inscrutable ways of the earth and of creatures sometimes require much of the exiled people (God’s beloved people) to whom Isaiah spoke. God seems to allow the suffering of the innocent to go on and on, with intervention or relief.

This first reading is part of a prophecy that looks unblinkingly on the suffering of the innocent one. Isaiah boldly and insightfully says that through (not after) this suffering many will be saved. This insight continues in the second reading. When our idea of suffering and our idea of God are in collision, our idea of God may need to change. God does not ride serenely in the heavens above it all, but suffers in the innocent one. This last, innocent suffering one is the one to whom we can look for help in our time of need.

The sons of Zebedee were all for the triumph and cared not a whit for the difficulties—the inevitable suffering. Jesus was remarkably calm and patient when he gave James and John his full attention. Jesus inquired about their assessment of courage under fire. Together they assured Jesus that they would stand up to whatever adversity they might have to face in following him on their way to the coveted thrones at the right and left.

Jesus assured them that there would be enough adversity to go around, but he was not sure about the final rewards. We have here a candid disclosure from Jesus. We tend to assign him the qualities of God, which rob him of his human qualities. He corrects this. He identifies with his disciples, even these overzealous two. He doesn’t know God’s future plans, and they don’t either. They will share his journey; they will share his reward, but the reward is not his to give. That is the Father’s doing. Copyright © 2002, World Library Publications. All rights reserved



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY: TODAY IS WORLD MISSION

SUNDAY! We celebrate this day by remembering the revitalizing mission at the heart of our Christian faith – to bring the Gospel to all ! The collection today for the Society of the Propagation of the Faith ensures the work and service of the Mission Church, as it supports priest, religious and lay leaders who offer the Lord's mercy and concrete help to the most vulnerable communities in the Pope's missions. Thank you for your generosity..

MEN'S DAY OF REFLECTIONS: Coming soon so mark your calendars and sign up on the back wall. **When: Saturday, November 10th Time: 8 a.m. to 6 p. m.**(Concluding with the evening Mass) Cost: Free!!! What to bring a brown bag lunch, a bible, notebook and pen. For more information contact Bob Winner at 859-2087.

A STEWARDSHIP PRAYER: O Lord, giver of life and source of freedom, I know that all I have received is from your hand. Gracious and loving God, You call us to be stewards of Your abundance, the caretakers of all you have entrusted to us. Help us to always use Your gifts wisely and teach us to share them generously. Send the Holy Spirit to work through us, bringing Your message to those we serve. May our faithful stewardship bear witness to the love of Jesus Christ in our lives. We pray with grateful hearts, in Jesus' name. Amen

WORD OF LIFE: "Pray daily for the end to abortion, that all others and children experience the loving support of the Church community, and that all who suffer after abortion find healing and peace." USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "Another Look at Abortion"

WEEKLY READINGS

Oct 21 Sun: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isa:53:10-11; Ps:33; Heb: 4:14-16; Mk:10: 35-45

Oct 22 Mon: Memorial of Saint John Paul II, Pope

Eph:2: 1-2; Ps:100:1b-2, 3, 4ab, 4c-5; Lk:12:13-21

Oct 23 Tue: Ordinary Weekday

Eph:2:12-22; Ps:85:9ab-10, 11-12, 13-14; Lk:12:35-38

Oct 24 Wed: Ordinary Weekday

Eph:3:2-12; Isa:12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6; Lk:12:39-48

Oct 25 Thu: Ordinary Weekday

Eph:3:14-21; Ps 33: 1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19; Lk:12:49-53

Oct 26 Fri: Ordinary Weekday

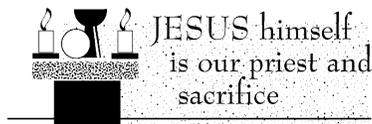
Eph:4:1-6; Ps 24: 1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; Lk:12:54-59

Oct 27 Sat: Ordinary Weekday

Eph:4:7-16; Ps:122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5; Lk 13:1-9

Service

Service jobs don't pay very well. The service sector is not very highly regarded. Nonetheless, Christians have always favored service. Jesus thought highly of service and servants. He was one. He wants us to follow him. Copyright © 2002, World Library Publications. All rights reserved.



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NOTE ON STEWARDSHIP

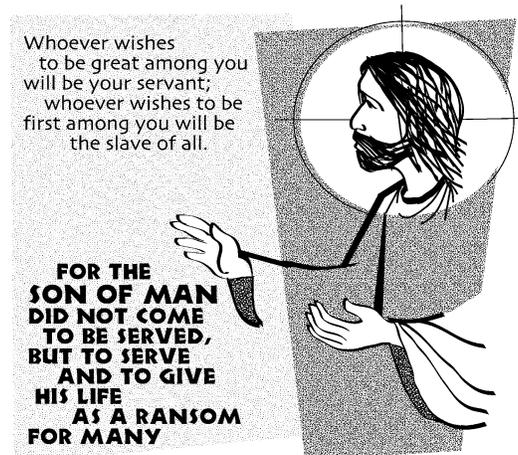
In today's Gospel Jesus teaches his disciples that whoever wishes to be great among them must be a servant, just as he came to be a servant. Today is World Mission Sunday – a reminder of our call to be good stewards of the Gospel and to support those who make evangelization their servant ministry throughout the world. Not to be a servant of the Gospel would be poor stewardship. But how do we serve the Gospel in our daily lives? How do we support others who serve those who have never heard the Gospel or who have chosen to reject the Gospel of Jesus Christ? (**International Catholic Stewardship Council~e-bulletin**)

Reflection

The narrative broadens to include the indignant disciples who were clearly annoyed at this grab for power by James and John. Jesus is not going to follow the familiar ranking order. He will not be a mighty one who wrests power from the weak and then uses it against the vanquished, just so they remember they are overruled and feel the heel of the ruler's boot.

For Jesus, the mark of greatness is service. The leader, ruler, throne-dweller, is the one who has no throne. The leader is the one who serves, and in the end, who gives his life up for the others—his whole life. James and John and the rest of the disciples did not quite count on Jesus' answer being this all-consuming. There are new norms in the kingdom Jesus promises, and these norms turn upside-down everything that society believes to be important. The rich are not powerful. The strong are not superior. The greatest people of Jesus' kingdom are the ones who serve others. This service is completely from the heart and it is a loving act. The servant comes with no hope of recompense, for Jesus made it clear that the servant will be rewarded abundantly in his kingdom. The other disciples were as unclear as James and John about this new kingdom, but they certainly had a sense that it would be different from the sort of rule they knew. In reality, that's about all we know, too. There was a trust the other disciples had, and we must trust as well.

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