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Daily Masses

Monday - Friday

7:00 am
12:10 pm

Saturday

7:00 am

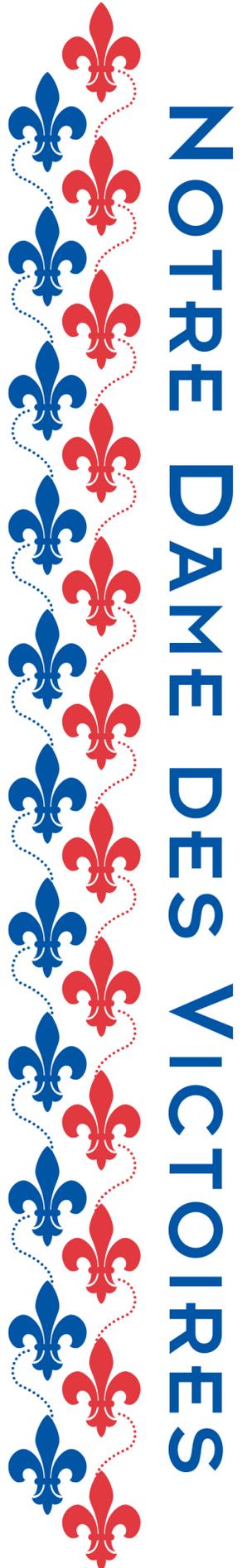
Sunday Masses:

Vigil 5:15 pm (Sat.)
7:30 am (quiet)
9:00 am
10:30 am (French)
12:15 pm

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Before each weekday Mass
Every Saturday from
4:30 pm to 5:00 pm

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Twenty-Seventh Sunday In Ordinary Time – October 7, 2018

MARRIAGE

In the Gospel Reading Christ has a stern thing to say about all marriage: if a husband divorces his wife and marries again, he commits adultery, and so does his wife if she remarries. Given that stern saying, why would anyone want to marry? Why would God *want* anyone to marry? The First Reading describes the way God arranged the first marriage. When Adam is without Eve, God says that it isn't good for Adam to be alone—and *that's* the reason for God's creating Eve and arranging Adam's marriage to her.

But who made the man in such a way that it isn't good for him to be alone? God did, didn't he? God didn't make the angels this way. Angels don't get married. They don't have children either. No angel is in himself the union of two other angels, who merged something of themselves to form him. As far as that goes, angels have no gender either. An angel isn't male or female. No angel can say to another angel, "You complete me." It is perfectly fine for an angel to be alone. Human beings have what angels lack: the glorious richness of embodied, gendered human life. But there is a fragility about this rich embodied life too. Those who do get married are open to each other and dependent on each other, and so they become terribly vulnerable to each other, too.

And here it is worth noticing that both the Readings focus on men. In the First Reading, God's arrangements for Adam have the result Adam sketches: a *man* will leave his parents and cling to his wife. In the Gospel Reading, Christ is responding to the Pharisees' question whether it is lawful for a *husband* to divorce his wife. Most of the time, in the post-Fall world, the risks of marriage are unequally distributed between the genders. They tend to fall more on women than on men. When God made human beings embodied and gendered, he gave them the great gift, lacking for the angels, that they could be joined together for life in marriage, with children. For us, who live in the post-Fall world Adam bequeathed us, this gift comes with beset with risks for heart-breaking suffering. The challenge for us is to preserve the promise and beauty of God's gift. The perils of marriage for women—and also for men—is hedged in by Christ's stern prohibition against divorce.

Eleonore Stump



FRENCH CORNER

« *Ce que Dieu a uni....* »

Comme le rappelle Jésus aux pharisiens, Dieu a créé l'homme et la femme pour qu'ils s'unissent et ne fassent qu'un pour toujours. Dans le contexte actuel, bâtir une relation permanente semble une mission héroïque. Certes, les nouveaux mariés souhaitent plus que tout au monde que leur amour soit assez fort pour surmonter tous les obstacles et ils espèrent que rien ne pourra l'éteindre.

Mais, dans certains cas, il arrive que la relation s'est petit à petit refroidie, comme un beau feu de foyer qu'on a négligé d'entretenir et qui finit par ne plus produire aucune flamme, ce qui ne veut pas dire qu'il soit définitivement éteint. Souvent, sous l'amas des cendres, il se trouve quelques tisons incandescents, et le feu est prêt à reprendre pourvu qu'on fasse le nécessaire.

Sans négliger la souffrance des couples qui vivent des ruptures déchirantes, sachons reconnaître qu'un amour apparemment éteint couve peut-être simplement sous les cendres épaisses de la routine quotidienne. Si les deux personnes en question y mettent du leur, il est possible de lui redonner toute la force de ses débuts.

Fr. Etienne Siffert, S.M

FROM OUR SCHOOL

Parishioners,
I hope you are enjoying a relaxing Columbas Day weekend!

This week at NDV, we celebrated the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi with a prayer service and pet blessing in the schoolyard. Our second graders planned the prayer service and Father Juan came to bless all of the pets in attendance. The schoolyard was quite a sight on Thursday morning! We had animals of every kind; our local pigeons were even in attendance!

Next week, on October 18th, we will be hosting our annual Kindergarten Open House at 5:30 PM. We encourage all parents of rising Kindergarteners to come see our wonderful school and meet our talented teaching staff.

Have a wonderful week and God Bless,
Sarah

Mass Intentions for the Week

SATURDAY – VIGIL October 6th

5:15 pm B'Day Blessings Bernie Pistillo

SUNDAY October 7th

7:30 am Ana Le Thi Anh †

9:00 am Abonesh Amaha †

10:30 am For the People of the Parish

12:15 pm Increased Devotion to the Rosary

MONDAY October 8th

7:00 am Benefactors of NDV

12:10 pm Children with Cancer

TUESDAY October 9th

7:00 am Deceased Benefactors †

12:10 pm Everardo Marquez †

WEDNESDAY October 10th

7:00 am Deceased Marists †

12:10 pm Yeshashework Wehib †

THURSDAY October 11th

7:00 am Deceased Marist Sisters †

12:10 pm Immigrants & Refugees

FRIDAY October 12th

7:00 am Deceased Parishioners †

12:10 pm Rex Fernandez †

SATURDAY October 13th

7:00 am Deceased Sisters of St. Joseph †

WE REMEMBER OUR SICK

Fanny Alcosiba, Simone Ampillac, Monique Antolin, Jacques Arceneaux, Wondifraw Asrat, Fr. George Baricar, Michael Bartholomew, Annalyn Carlos, Alexandria Christakos, Andy De Los Reyes, Dr. Rosario P. Felipe, Jack Flynn, Ernie Fox, Annemarie Gallagher, Yunina Graham, Georges Handras, Erich Herbitschek, Lupita Herrera, Karine Jardin, Charlene Haught Johnson, Diane Kelley, Rose Le Bail, Lynn Leininger, Tom Leskie, Mike Leskie, Candi McMahan Lewis, Ekho Lim, Maria Lim, Jacqueline Lira, Grant Melton, Alma and Armando Morales, Dyan Ocampo, Christiane Pelletier, Catherine Stoner Persais, Rev. Matthew Peters, Joan Rasby, Lizzie Robinson, Vinod and Cynthia Sheth, Dani Stecko, Alexander Tabuena, Dimitrios Tsokas, Alison Williams, and Michael Wonderly.



WE REMEMBER OUR DECEASED

Marcel Uharriet, Barbara Charlene Johnke,
Paulette Lusinchi, Paul Arthur Domergue,
Arlene M. Sullivan





R.C.I.A.: ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO...

- Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- Has a child over the age of seven who has not been baptized?
- Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

We offer an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter Vigil on April 20, 2019. There are separate sessions for children or youth. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights and your faith story in a warm accepting setting. For information please contact Fr. Juan 415.397.0113 or ndveglise@ndvsf.org

2018 BAL DE PARIS: Purchase your tickets now for this year's Bal de Paris - Le Rêve - to be held on Saturday, November 3, at the Four Seasons Hotel in San Francisco! This major fundraiser supports the school and church in significant areas of operation. Visit <http://bal-de-paris.org> today to purchase your tickets or sponsor the event! There is a limited supply of early bird tickets - purchase now!

Watch for students selling tickets after Mass or purchase online <https://ndvsf.ejoinme.org/raffle>. Much thanks and appreciation goes to chairpersons Jill Bourque and Kattya and Patrick Breitenbach for all of their work heading up the event. If you are interested in helping, please contact Bal de Paris 2018 chairpersons at baldeparisndv@gmail.com.



MARRIED COUPLES: Fall is a beautiful season full of color and crisp fresh air. A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is like autumn because it's a weekend full of fresh air, new beginnings and a time to rejoice in the beauty of your marriage and family. It's a great time to rekindle communication and enjoy a weekend away. The next Marriage Encounter Weekend is November 9-11, 2018 in San Jose. For more information visit our website at sanjosewwme.org or contact Ken & Claranne at applications@sanjosewwme.org or 408-782-1413.

MASS FOR HOMELESS DEAD: Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone will offer a Solemn Mass of the Dead for the homeless faithful departed on Thursday, November 8th at 6:30 pm St. Patrick Church, 756 Mission St., San Francisco. All are welcome to attend and to bring the names of any deceased homeless for whom they wish to pray. Affordable parking and the Powell Street BART Station are located just one block away from St. Patrick Church. For information, contact Martin Ford, 415-614-5569 or homelessmass@sfarch.org.

MONTHLY SUPPORT GROUP: Incarceration has impacts on families and communities. Some 1.1 million men and 120,000 women in U.S. jails and prisons have children under the age of 17; and 2.7 million children have one or both parents behind bars. St. Paul of the Shipwreck Church hosts and the Archdiocese of San Francisco Restorative Justice Ministry sponsors a support group for families and friends of incarcerated persons, one Thursday per month. There will be light refreshments, and parking on site. For more information, contact Loretta Chapmon or Desiree Pascual at 415-468-3434.

ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL 2018: Thank You – To all those who have already participated in the 2018 Appeal. Your gifts have helped our archdiocesan Church to continue teaching, preaching and serving those most in need of food, counsel, and security. The Church needs everyone's help. Please be as generous as you can to the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal.

TO DATE: Campaign Goal: \$37,574 – Number of Gifts Received: 63 –
Total Payments Received: \$16,180 –
Goal Balance: \$21,394

MASS INTENTIONS: If you would like to request a Mass for a specific intention, please call the Parish Office at 415.397.0113 and speak to our secretary Mertenesh. The Mass Book for 2019 is available to reserve a Mass Intention. Per the Archdiocese of San Francisco, the offering for a Mass request is \$10.00. If paying by check, please make the check payable to the order of: **MARIST FATHERS.**



SCRIPTURE FOR THIS WEEK			
October 7, 2018 – October 14, 2018			
Sunday	- Gn 2:18-24	- Heb 2:9-11	- Mk 10:2-16
Monday	- Gal 1:6-12		- Lk 10:25-37
Tuesday	- Gal 1:13-24		- Lk 10:38-42
Wednesday	- Gal 2:1-2, 7-14		- Lk 11:1-4
Thursday	- Gal 3:1-5		- Lk 11:5-13
Friday	- Gal 3:7-14		- Lk 11:15-26
Saturday	- Gal 3:22-29		- Lk 11:27-28
Sunday	- Wis 7:7-11	- Heb 4:12-13	- Mk 10:17-30

SUNDAY COLLECTION: September 29th and September 30th

Church Basket: \$1,142.73
On-Line Giving: \$650.00
TOTAL: \$1,792.73

Second Collection – Priests' Retirement Fund: \$708.00

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