

Pope and Ukraine president again talk on phone



Nearly 6 months into the war, the Holy Father and Zelensky have spoken again.

Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky spoke for a third time with Pope Francis via telephone, according to a tweet from the president. They spoke Friday, August 12, as the war in Ukraine_is nearing its six-month mark.



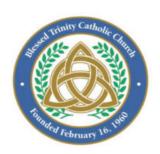
Then in a separate tweet, the Ukrainian Ambassador to the Holy See, Andrii Yurash, spoke of the call:



Yurash has said that the pope will make a visit to Ukraine in September, along with his trip to Kazakhstan.

He made this announcement via tweet on August 6; the Holy See has not made an official announcement.

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The pope has expressed his desire to go to Ukraine a handful of times, but has maintained that the timing would need to be right so that his trip does not bring further harm to the country.

The trip to Kazakhstan is for the 7th Congress of World Leaders and Traditional Religions organized there on September 14 and 15. It's not certain if Russian Orthodox Patriarch Kirill will also participate in this event.

In an interview with Cath.ch on August 11, Cardinal Kurt Koch, president of the Dicastery for Promoting

Christian Unity, remained cautious about the prospect of a meeting between Francis and Kirill at that event, emphasizing that if "the pope first meets the Russian Orthodox Patriarch before visiting Ukraine [... this] would be perceived as very difficult in Ukraine."

On the other hand, the patriarch, a great supporter of Vladimir Putin, would likely be hesitant to meet the Pope if he had just visited Kiev.

Francis and Kirill were supposed to meet in June, but in the context of the war, those plans had to be cancelled. It would have been only the second time that the pope and the Russian patriarch meet.

Constant Appeals

Vatican News noted that the pope and President Zelensky have spoken twice before by phone and video call. And the pope has made countless appeals for peace in Ukraine, pleading for an end of the war in nearly every Sunday Angelus address and other public addresses.

Speaking to the Italian Parliament on March 22, President Zelensky spoke about his conversation with Pope Francis, adding that the pope had said "very important words."

Earlier, on February 26, two days after Russia's invasion, the two men spoke by phone.

During that conversation, Pope Francis expressed to the president "his deepest sorrow for the tragic events that are taking place in the country."

Shortly afterward, President Zelensky said, "I thanked the pope for praying for peace in Ukraine and for a truce. The Ukrainian people feel the spiritual support of His Holiness."

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Thoughts Worth Sharing



August 28, 2022

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Written by THE FAITHFUL DISCIPLE

Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29 | Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a | Lk 14:1, 7-14

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

Pope St. John XXIII, one of the most influential figures of the 20th century, had a wonderful sense of humor. In stories recalled by Fr. Greg Friedman, OFM, Good Pope John would say, "God knew from all eternity I was going to be pope. Couldn't God have made me more handsome?" He also had a deep devotion to St. Joseph. In his writings, he talks about the humble and overlooked role that Joseph played in the life of Christ. He promoted an increased devotion to the humble, loyal saint who stayed quietly in the background and provided a home for Christ and his mother. St. Joseph is a model for the humility that our readings speak of today. Being humble doesn't mean being embarrassed or ashamed of the talents and abilities we have. It means acknowledging that these are gifts from God. God does not give us these gifts so we can place ourselves above others, as Jesus observed people doing at the home of the Pharisee. They are to be used to glorify God. By being humble, we "will be loved more than a giver of gifts ... and find favor with God."

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

I always remember what I was told in a volunteer training when preparing to serve hospice patients and their families: sit at eye level or lower when meeting with the patient or their family members. Being "at the same level" not only "lifted up" the patient but also brought the volunteer "down" to their level. This not only made listening easier and showed respect for the dignity of the patient; it also helped the volunteer see things from the patient's perspective. Jesus tells us in the Gospel today that being his disciples is not about elevating ourselves, but about lowering ourselves. He calls us to invite, welcome, and accept those who are least able to repay us. When we forget about ourselves and our place in the world and instead lift up others, he tells us we "will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

ACT One of the greatest acts of humility is to acknowledge when we are wrong, apologize, and ask forgiveness. Is there someone you can reconcile with by admitting you were wrong? Allowing God to forgive you in the sacrament of reconciliation will help you grow in humility.

This Week in Worship



Are You Hoping to Receive One of the Seven Sacraments With Us?

Matrimony

Congratulations on your engagement! Every Diocese in Florida requires at least six months preparation before marriage. Please call our Pastor, Fr. Wayne Genereux, at the Parish Office for an appointment before setting a date.

Baptism

We are honored that you would like to choose Blessed Trinity Catholic Church for the baptism of your child! We ask that you please call our Pastor, Fr. Wayne Genereux, at the Parish Office for information regarding the pre-baptism class before scheduling a baptism.

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Faith Formation Classes

Registration has begun for our fall Faith Formation classes.

Please complete and return registration forms to the parish office no later than August 31.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 27, Memorial of Saint Monica

4:00 p.m. Romane Farrell (Dec)

Sunday, August 28, The Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Donna & Kazimierz Kosyk (Liv)

9:30 a.m. Mass for Parishioners 11:30 a.m. Marlene Romani (Dec)

Monday, August 29, Memorial of the Passion of St. John the Baptist

8:00 a.m. Charles Maynard (Liv)

Tuesday, August 30, Weekday in Ordinary Time 8:00 a.m. Lyliane Corvington (Dec)

Wednesday, August 31, Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Mass for Vocations

Thursday, September 1, Weekday in Ordinary Time 8:00 a.m. Elise & Micah Horowitz (Liv)

Friday, September 2, Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Mary Lou Deuel (Dec)

Saturday, September 3, Memorial of Saint Gregory the Great,

Pope and Doctor of the Church

8:00 a.m. Charlie & Irene Ankerberg (Dec)

Nance Young (Dec)

4:00 p.m. Jim Lawler & Pat Sullivan (Dec)

Sunday, September 4, The Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Lyliane Corvington (Dec) 9:30 a.m. Mass for Parishioners 11:30 a.m. John McDonald (Dec)

Prayer for Priests & Future Priests

Eternal Father, We lift up to you these and all the priests of the world. Sanctify them, heal and guide them. Mold them into the likeness and holiness of your Son Jesus, the Eternal High Priest. May their lives be pleasing to you. In Jesus name, we pray. Amen.

08/28 • Rev. Theobald Weria, ALCP

08/29 • Rev. Dayan Machado

08/30 • Rev. Stephen Dornquast

08/31 • For Vocations to Priesthood & Religious Life

09/01 • Rev. David DeJulio

09/02 • Rev. Israel Hernandez

09/03 • Rev. John Lipscomb

These are the names of the active priests and seminarians in our Diocese. Remember our Bishop has designated Wednesdays as Diocesan Day of Prayer for Vocations. Please continue to pray that more young people will hear and answer God's call to the Priesthood and Religious Life.

SALESIAN SISTERS MISSION APPEAL



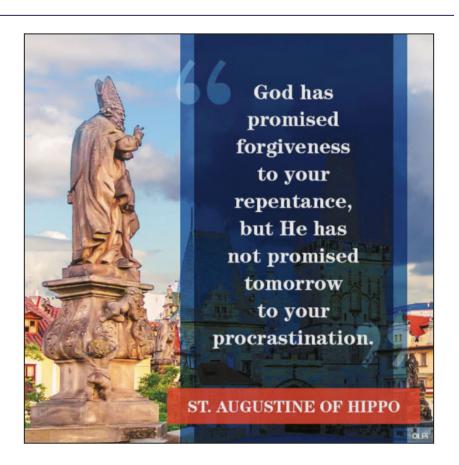
As part of the Diocesan Mission Cooperative Plan, a Salesian Sister of St. John Bosco will speak at our Parish on **Sunday**, **September 24-25**, **2022** on behalf of their foreign mission ministries.

The Salesian Sisters are a worldwide Community counting over 11,000 Sisters spreading the Gospel on the five Continents, in 97 countries. Many of their Sisters work strictly in mission areas affected by great poverty, diseases, politi-

cal unrest, violence, war and other difficult conditions, such as, areas of natural disaster and refugee camps.

The Salesian Sisters were founded by St. John Bosco in 1872 and started their mission work in 1877 when they departed from Italy for the farthest tip of South America called Patagonia and Tierra del Fuego. Ever since, they have continued to provide missionaries for Africa, Asia, Latin America, the Pacific Islands and other places not yet evangelized or in need of re-evangelization.

Their Congregation was specifically founded for the service of poor youth; consequently, most of their ministries will have an educational thrust. They are grateful for the opportunity of sharing their mission work here at Blessed Trinity and of benefiting from your generosity.





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EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Humility and Stewardship

Some people have "the rich relation" in their family tree. Aunt Cindy, who is always traveling somewhere new and exciting. Cousin Richard and his lake house. Your sister and brother-in-law who buy a new car every year.

Oftentimes these relatives take great happiness in sharing their wealth. You can usually count on an exotic gift from Aunt Cindy's latest adventure or an invitation to go out on Richard's pontoon boat at the end of the summer.

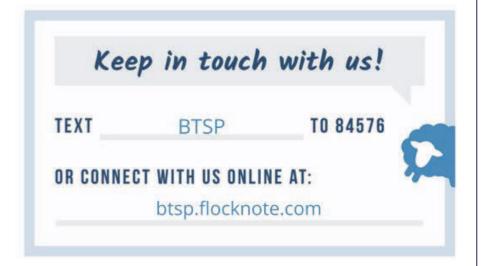
Yet sometimes, that person wants something in return. Not money, of course, but something else. Attention. Flattery. Gratitude. Cindy wants you to ask her where she got the priceless artifact in Istanbul, so she can talk about the many antiquities dealers she visited. Richard wants you to ask about his new boat, so he can talk about how well business has been this year. Maybe the person just wants to know you like the gift or that the experience offered is pleasing to you.

This is a natural inclination that we all possess. There is nothing wrong with wanting to be the person people count on. There is nothing wrong with wanting to offer worthy gifts. There is nothing wrong with hoping that maybe, just a little, we might be appreciated.

What matters is the spirit we carry within our hearts when we do it. What matters is our destination as we approach that proverbial table. Are we headed for the place of honor, expecting it to be waiting for us? Or are we making our way to the lowest place, simply thankful to be invited to the meal?

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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St. Gregory the Great | September 3

Saint Gregory the Great lived in a turbulent time. There were devastating episodes of plague, the sacking of Rome and the breakdown of strong Roman rule, invasions by Lombards and Franks, floods, and a widening gap between imperial Byzantium and the Church.

Born around 540 into a noble Roman family, Saint Gregory was probably trained in law, and started his public service as a Prefect of Rome. However, upon the death of his father, he converted his family home to monastery, where he resided as a monk. He built six more monasteries in Sicily and one in Rome.

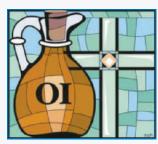
Often called the father of the medieval papacy and Apostle of the English, Saint Gregory was proclaimed Pope by acclamation in 590. Although he was reluctant to assume this post, preferring the cloistered life, his accomplishments were many. He was an extremely capable manager Church estates and tenants and is known for his reform of the liturgy. He was instrumental in the consolidation of papal power and led the fight against the many heresies promoted by small Christian groups at the time. He oversaw monastic life, curtailing the power of grasping bishops, correcting abuses, and enforcing discipline. He was particularly concerned with the conversion of England, sending 40 monks from his monastery including Saint Augustine of Canterbury to evangelize there.

Saint Gregory died in 604 and was sainted immediately. He is one of four key doctors of the Western Church, including Saints Augustine, Ambrose, and Jerome.

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