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A Thanksgiving Prayer

Heavenly Creator,

*In this season of gratitude and abundance, we give You
thanks for our many blessings as we pray for all
who struggle with hunger and want.*

Be with them in the dark of night, when all hope seems lost.

Keep their faith strong as they await relief.

*And let Your goodness flow through our
hearts and hands as we reach out to one
another in the full, true joy of Thanksgiving in Christ.*

Amen

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But with you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel."
(Psalms 129. 3-4)



The Pastor's Reflection

"Peter began to say to him, 'We have left everything and followed you.'" (Mk 10:28)

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

This Sunday, the Word of God invites us to examine what really matters. All of us wish we could take back certain things we have said in the past. The Apostle Peter would have wanted to do the same. However, Peter is humble, and he wanted Mark to record his words as he uttered them from his mouth. "We have left everything and followed you." (Mk 10:28). Peter is still counting the cost. He left his family, business, and friends to follow Christ. He is wondering if the payback is worth the sacrifice. I suspect that three years later, seeing Christ nailed to the cross, and later risen from the dead, Peter realizes that he only gained one blessing after another for having followed Jesus Christ.

How do we get to the point where we are able to put God and his priorities first in our lives? We pray and read the Scriptures.

The First Reading from Wisdom tells us that we must seek wisdom. It is the first and greatest gift of the Holy Spirit. It "perfects faith by bringing it to fruition in concrete acts of love". The Responsorial Psalm pleads with God to "fill us with your love" (Ps 90: 12). The Holy Spirit is the love between the Father and the Son, and he was poured into our hearts at baptism. We were sealed with the Holy Spirit at Confirmation. He continues to come into our souls each time we "plead" for him (Wis 7:7).

Read the Sacred Scriptures daily. The Holy Spirit gives light into what is in our minds. Today's Second Reading makes it clear that "the word of God is living and effective, sharper than a two-edged sword, penetrating even between the soul and spirit, joints and marrow, and able to discern reflections and thoughts of the heart." (Hb 4:12). The more I read the Bible, the more I am able to know God's will and conform my life to it. Life on earth would be like heaven if we actually put his word into practice. As Chesterton quipped, "The Christian ideal has not been tried and found wanting. It has been found difficult, and left untried." My question to each of you is the following: Isn't eternal salvation worth it?

During this month of October, let us ask the Blessed Virgin Mary to call down the Holy Spirit upon every baptized man, woman, and child. May we be ever docile and ready to respond to the promptings of the Holy Spirit like her.

Announcements

1. I would like to thank our volunteers and staff for their hard work last

weekend. Our Patronal feast was a beautiful moment of profound prayer and fellowship. May God reward you for your hard work and dedication to the Lord and our Parish community.
-Fr. Peter

2. The Parish Office will be **CLOSED tomorrow, Monday, October 14, for Thanksgiving**. Mass will be celebrated at 9 AM. There is no 12:10 PM Mass. There will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament one hour before.

3. The **OCTOBER** Food of the Month donation is **FAMILY SIZED PEANUT BUTTER**. Please drop off donations at the main entrance of the Church or at the Parish Office.

4. There will be a second collection TODAY for the Evangelization of the Nations, otherwise known as World Mission Sunday. This is a worldwide collection for the missionary church and it is our opportunity to assist at-need Catholic Communities globally. Offerings are combined with offerings from other Catholics around the world and distributed to missions and dioceses. We are called to share from our abundance with those less fortunate who lack the essentials to know, love, and praise God. Thank you for your support of this important work.

5. The next Seniors' Program Lunch & Learn will take place on **Wednesday, October 16 at 12:45 PM** in Room 2 of the Parish Hall. Yvonne Whitlock, an 82-year old retired professional ballerina and fitness instructor, will present a talk on flexible strength. She will show how to stretch muscles, improve balance and build strength. Please sign up with a member of the Seniors' Committee following all the Masses this weekend.

6. Advent Retreat with Fr. Boniface Hicks, OSB
Do you want to grow closer to God this Advent season? Please join us for a Marian spiritual retreat led by Fr. Boniface Hicks OSB, benedictine monk, author, and radio host on Saturday, November 30th from 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM. The cost is \$50 per person which includes lunch. Please let us know if you have any dietary restrictions. Please contact the Parish Office to register.

7. Please join us on Thursday, October 31st, for the Blessed Carlo Acutis Relic Tour. The schedule is as follows:

12:10 PM: Mass
1:00 PM: Holy Hour
2:00 PM: Veneration
7:00 PM: Solemn Mass for All Saints
8:00 PM: Reflection
10:00 PM: End



BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS

OCTOBER 13th, 2024

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, October 14, 2024

9:00 am. Camille Feghali (Special Intention)
Requested By: The Feghali Family

Tuesday, October 15, 2024

Saint Teresa of Avila
12:10 pm. Jose Larguinho (Personal Intentions)
Requested By: Maria Zelia

Wednesday, October 16, 2024

12:10 pm. Lakshmi Venkatraman (+)
Requested By: Pamela Vishwanath

Thursday, October 17, 2024

12:10 pm. In Thanksgiving to St. Joseph
Requested By: Maria Zelia

Friday, October 18, 2024

Saint Luke
12:10 pm. Michael Robert Ward (+) & Linda Faskin (+)
Requested By: Gladys Lavilla-Ward

Multiple Intentions:

John Francis Burke (+), Rosaria De Sa Guimaraes (+), John Burke (+), Stylianos (+), Pamela Marie Essai (+), Arlene Domingo (+), Lucia, Karla, Mauricio Rodas (for Healing) & Holy Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, October 19, 2024

9:00 am. Intentions of the Blessed Virgin Mary and in reparation for all sins committed against her Immaculate Heart

5:00 pm. Sylvia Lukban (+) & Susana Santiago (+)
Requested By: The Family

Sunday, October 20, 2024

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am. Holy Rosary Parishioners

10:00 am. Ted (+) & Alive Rathé (+)
Requested By: Martine Celej

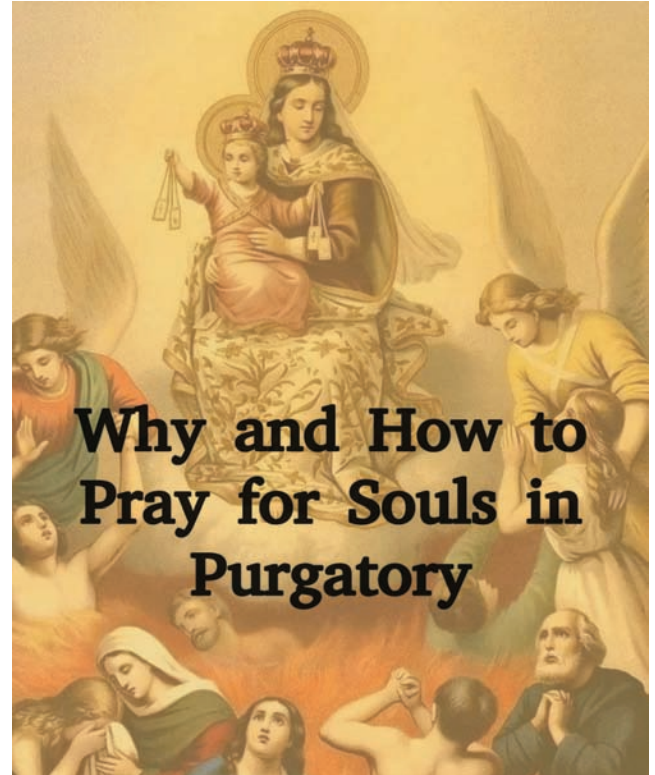
12:00 pm. In Thanksgiving
Requested By: Gemma Fronteras



Please remember in your prayers those who are sick, especially: Peter Verwoerd, Paul Morisset, Mark Colbreath, Betty Dempsey, Anthony Verombeek, Mario, Edward Haggarty, M.M. Mackenzie, and Jamie



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