#### Calendar

Monday OCTOBER 17 St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop an Martyr Eph 2:1-10 Lk 12:13-21

Tuesday **OCTOBER 18** St. Luke, Evangelis 2 Tm 4:10-17b Lk 10:1-9

Wednesday OCTOBER 19 Sts. John de Brébeuf and Isaac Joques, Priests, and Companions,

Martyrs Eph 3:2-12 Lk 12:39-48

Thursday OCTOBER 20 Weekday Eph 3:14-21 Lk 12:49-53

Friday OCTOBER 21 Weekday Eph 4:1-6 Lk 12:54-59

Saturday OCTOBER 22 Weekday Eph 4:7-16

Lk 13:1-9

Sunday OCTOBER 23 Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sir 35:12-14, 16-1 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18 Lk 18:9-14

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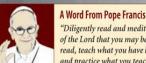
October 16, 2016 \* Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C) Ex 17:8-13 + 2 Tm 3:14-4:2 + Lk 18:1-8

## "Remain faithful to what you have learned and believe."

This was a favorite motto of a former director of the Catholic center where I work. Students who had just entered college and graduating seniors heard many reflections and homilies on this phrase because he felt it was one of the best pieces of advice he could give them. And so it is for us. The world is a complex place. Our choices are many, from the trivial (what breakfast cereal should I buy?) to the vitally important (how do I uphold the dignity of every human person?). We see great beauty in creation and great evil in its wanton destruction for profit. There are those who think so little of human life that they bomb public places in order to destroy their enemies and those who think so much of life that they run into burning buildings or minister to the poorest and least.

In some cases, our path is crystal clear. In other cases, competing goods push and pull us in different directions. How do we make up our minds? This is where the teaching of Jesus and the Church, our prayer, and our conscience come together. Being faithful to what we believe gives us the foundation for good decisions in complex situations. It makes it possible for us to pass on the faith to the next generation and to the world. Doing this hard work is not always convenient. But this good news is what the world needs and is our path and guide as well.





"Diligently read and meditate on the Word of the Lord that you may believe what you read, teach what you have learned in faith, and practice what you teach."

-Homily at Mass with priestly ordinations, May 11, 2014



# Twenty Ninth Sunday In Ordinary Time October 16, 2016

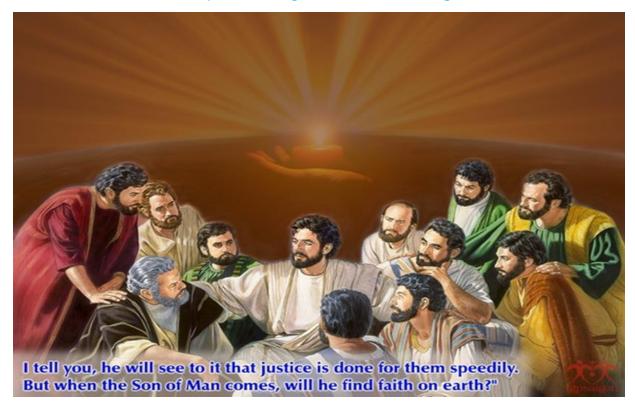


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EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
Every Friday Adoration from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m
SACRAMENT OF
RECONCILIATION
Both Before Mass and by Appointment.

Mass Schedule for this Week
Our Lady of Chartres Mass Schedule
Sun 7:30 am Our Parish Family
St. Ann Mass Schedule & Intentions
Sat 5:00 pm +Beurisa Ladner
Sun 9am +Norvell Moran

Mon 8 am benefactors Tue 8 am + Fr Pete Wed 6pm benefactors Thu 8am +Fr Pete Fri 8am benefactors

## From Father Khoa's Desk...

## Dear Parishioners and Friends,

The Gospel today, "Jesus told his disciples a parable about the necessity for them to pray always without becoming weary." While the parable draws on various images, attitudes, and characters (e.g. the dishonest judge), one central teaching is being communicated. Jesus urges us to persevere in prayer, not because we will eventually get our way with God, but that we will grow in our acceptance of God's will. It is a matter of faith and trust in God. To be a true believer means to be a persistent believer. Persistence and perseverance in prayer will bring us closer to God's view of the world. Mature faith is learning to see others and ourselves through God's eyes.

What is more important is our coming to understand that God's view of the world (we call this the "Kingdom of God") is the heart of the "good news" of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. There is nothing more persistent in all of human history than the story of God's love for us. The whole of the Bible is a clear testimony to this truth. Even when we human beings have been forgetful of God or have chosen to go against the love of God through our sinful choices. God has not given up on us. God's love has always been and will forever be persistent and constant.

God's love does not depend on what we do or how we respond. And the parable teaches us that we must grow into this type of attitude through prayer. To become a person of faith means that we learn to see the world as God sees it and that we learn to act towards the world and people in the world as God does. Faith without constancy and persistence is

really no faith at all or at most it is very superficial. A constancy of attitude like God's does not depend on how we are treated by others or what happens to us in life. Rather such an attitude of faith depends on a decision we make as to what view of life we embrace. If we persist in trying to see the world as God sees it, our persistence will lead us to become people of faith, disciples and friends of Jesus. It is learning to pray always without becoming weary.

## May God bless all of us! ...Fr. Khoa

This weekend is "World Mission Sunday." The offerings that will be collected are destined for a common fund of solidarity distributed in the Pope's name, by the Society for the Propagation of the Faith among the missions and missionaries of the world. Please give generously.

Altar Society: meets this Sunday.

Parish Council: meet this Saturday.

<u>Garage Sale:</u> Thank you everyone for helping the garage sale for the last two Saturdays.

## ST. ANN ACTIVITIES.

**Bible Study:** We study **Gospel of Luke: the gospel of Mercy.** Please join us. Classes are on **Tues at 9am and Wed at 6:30pm**. For more information, please contact **Ruth and Henrietta.** 

**Church Cleaning:** Thank you Marlow and Valerie for cleaning the church on Oct 8 and 15. Kim Wood will clean the church on Oct 22 and 29. Thank you.

MASS	LECTOR	EUCHARISTIC MIN.	SERVERS	USHERS	GIFT B.
Sat Oct 15 5pm	Henrietta	Mike Mays, Diane Mays, Sharon Ladner	Austin Scarengoas	Doug David	Patricia Lizana
Oct 167:30am	Sandra Ammons	Daniel Squillante	(OLC)	Terry Mitchell	(OLC)
Sun Oct 16 9am	Kathyn Ladner	Robin Peterson, Susan Peleaz, Will Burke	Will Nick	Lester, Pat	Pat & Robin Peterson Family
Sat Oct 22 5pm	Kathleen Cuevas	Richard Dunlap, Ellen West, Mike West	Austin Scarengoas	Kermit August	Mike & Diane Mays
Oct 23 7:30am	Sandra Ammons	Daniel Squillante	(OLC)	Terry Mitchell	(OLC)
Sun Oct 23	Dextor Palmer	James Quintini, Marlow	Carson	Garland,	Lester Palmer
9am		Ladner, Valerie Ladner	Conner	Will Burke	Family

#### ST. ANN STEWARDSHIP:\*\*

57Identifiable: \$1,474.00; Loose: \$924.00;

Total: \$2,398.00; Children: \$21.00;

## OL OF CHARTRES STEWARDSHIP:

Identifiable: \$100.00; Loose: \$136.0; Total: \$236.00

\*\*Amount needed weekly \$2,908.84. Thank you for your generosity.

<u>The Word Among Us Reflections</u> for this month is available at the Church entrance.

## SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION MARRIAGE

Church regulations require at least six months of preparation for a wedding. Our advice is to call well in advance of that time if you wish to reserve a wedding date and receive info: one's own parish clergy are expected to supervise your Catholic prenuptial preparation and to officiate at the wedding.

**Bereavement Committee:** Please contact **Sharon Leimer** at 539-9928. Lasagna, green salad, rolls, and deserts will be provided for the funeral reception upon request. Thank you.

**CCD:** Please contact Robert Lizana.

**RCIA:** For more info, please contact **Henrietta.** 

<u>VISITATION OF THE SICK</u>: Please keep the parish office informed so we may minister to those who are ill at home, in the hospital, or in a nursing facility. For those wishing to receive the Eucharist contact the parish office, 832-2560.

<u>Catholic Students</u> of our parish to receive subsidy are: Sarah Thomas, Kennedy + Car + Keegan Leverette, Jacob Estrada, Tucker + Ella Enroth, C. + C. + L Broom, Austin Scarengoas, Will Dreher, L & V Jeanfreau, and Nick Quintini. Please contact me this week if your children/grandchildren are not on the list.

## PRAYER REQUESTS Those who are ill:

Leslie Cuevas, William DeMello, Dcn Jack Hunter, Lee James, Darlene Billingsley, Victoria Moran, Jerry Malley, Vivian Clifford, Ezekiel Rutherford, John Moran, Jerry Rutland, Regina Franke, Dalwin Cuevas, Colby Cagle, Debbie Bowen, Larry Shruff, Andrew Fillengame, Melissa Peterson, Madison Phelps, Breanna Ladner, Curtis (Cubby) Ladner, Gerald Barrilleaux, Hollis Moran, Robert Taylor.

WE WELCOME NEW MEMBERS † PLEASE FILL OUT A NEW MEMBER REGISTRATION FORM AND SUBMIT TO PARISH OFFICE FR. KHOA WOULD BE HAPPY TO VISIT WITH YOU AND HELP YOU ASSESS YOUR SPIRITUAL NEEDS.