Calendar

Monday

October 16 Weekday Rom 1:1–7 Lk 11:29–32

Tuesday

October 17 St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr Rom 1:16–25 Lk 11:37–41

Wednesday

October 18 St. Luke, Evangelist 2 Tm 4:10–17b Lk 10:1–9

Thursday

October 19 Sts. John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs Rom 3:21–30

Friday

Lk 11:47-54

October 20 Weekday Rom 4:1–8 Lk 12:1–7

Saturday

October 21 *Weekday* Rom 4:13, 16–18 Lk 12:8–12

Sunday

October 22
Twenty-Ninth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
Is 45:1, 4-6
1 Thes 1:1-5b

Mt 22:15-21

Dear Padre,

I try my best to live as God asks, but I make a lot of mistakes and I don't always feel God's presence. How can I know that God loves me?

M ost people, at one time or another, find themselves asking this very question. There comes a time in any developing spirituality and awareness of God when it is necessary to ask the question and then come to a faith conviction that we are, indeed, loved.

When we ask ourselves the question, "Does God love me?" we are also



asking ourselves, "Do I love me?" It is very hard for the average person to answer that question, but for those who have a tendency to dwell on every mistake, even after receiving forgiveness through the sacrament of reconciliation or who hold themselves to a standard of perfection, it can be even more difficult. They may find themselves asking, "How can God love me when I have all of

these thoughts and these feelings? Surely my life is displeasing to God."

God loved you first. God's love started everything off. Because God first loved you, he gave you life. God does love you, no matter what you have done, and he offers forgiveness and mercy through reconciliation when you are truly sorry. There is nothing you can possibly do to make God stop loving you. When God loves, he loves for keeps. He will not change. He will always be faithful in his love for you. That is why the Bible tells us: "God is love."

Adapted from *Understanding Scrupulosity* by Fr. Thomas Santa, CSsR Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org

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A Word From Pope Francis

"Man takes control of everything, he believes he is God, he believes he is king. And wars...they do not exactly help to sow the seed of life but to destroy. It is an industry of destruction. It is also a system, also of life, that when things cannot be fixed they are discarded: we discard children, we discard the old, we discard unemployed youth.

This devastation has created the culture of waste....May the Lord help us and give us the grace of this hope, but also the grace of courage to emerge from all this destruction...to walk in the hope of finding ourselves one day face-to-face with Him."

—Homily, Solemnity of All Saints, November 1, 2014



28th Sunday in Ordinary Time



October 15, 2017

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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.

Our Lady of Chartres Mass Schedule Sun 7:30 am Our Parish Family St. Ann Mass Schedule & Intentions Sat 5 pm Our Parish Family Sun 9:00am +Cubby Ladner Sun 6pm Our Parish Family Mon 8:00am Spec Int (Bootz) Tues 8 am Spec Int (Bootz). Wed 6pm +George Brignac Thu 8:00 am + Cubby Ladner Fri 8 am + Fr Pete

From Father Khoa's Desk...

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

The king said to him, "My friend, how is it that you came in here without a wedding garment?"

Today's Gospel parable is unsettling in several ways. The various images of rejection, mistreatment, and violence paint an unpleasant picture. Guests refuse to come to a feast, servants are killed, and troops are dispatched. The King continues to try to fill his dinner hall, and then when someone finally does show up, the King throws him out for wearing the wrong clothes.

What is going on here? The message would have been a poignant one for his Jewish listeners. As the chosen people, they were the first to receive the "invitation" to share in the kingdom of God. But the chief priests and elders were uninterested in accepting Jesus and his authority; thus they didn't show up for the feast. But what about those who did come? Something is expected of them as well. Donning a "wedding garment" is like being properly prepared to enter God's kingdom. Just showing up isn't enough. Here it's important to pay attention to the details. The King first calls his poorly dressed guest "friend." The approach begins with mercy and kindness. But the man gives no defense for himself, and displays no desire to change. It's as if he doesn't really care to be there at all.

The question this raises for us is whether or not we are "dressed" appropriately. We may hang around the banquet hall, going to church, professing to be Christian but are we sincere guests of the King of kings? Do we truly accept Christ's teachings and live by them, or are we just showing up? The splendors of the invitation Christ gives us

should not be taken for granted. We are called to share in a royal feast. May we all be grateful guests.

Have a great week and may God bless all of us!

...Fr. Khoa

<u>Parish Picnic:</u> will be next Sunday October 22. We invite everyone to come to this occasion to enjoy the foods, faith, family, and fellowship. There will be only one mass 10 am. It will be held in the Pavilion. No other Masses will be held that weekend. Meat and drinks will be provided. The following is a list of what parish members need to bring A-K-SALADS (lettuce, potato, macaroni, pea, pasta, etc); L-M- Desserts; N-Z- Veggies. Any questions call: Beverly Saucier 832-4968.

Next 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.

Parish Council: meets this Saturday Oct 14.

<u>6pm Sunday Mass:</u> Our parish will have the evening Mass at 6pm Sunday. This is a trial until the end of the year. Thank you.

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

<u>Bible Study:</u> We study **Wisdom on Mondays at 6pm.** Please join us. For more information, please contact **Ruth.**

MASS	LECTOR	EUCHARISTIC MIN.	SERVERS	USHERS	GIFT B.
Sat Oct 14 5pm	Richard Dunlap	Kermit Northrop, Dianne Northrop, Ellen West.	Austin S.	August Mike	Bay & Henrietta Ladner
Sun Oct 15 7:30am	Sandra Ammons	Daniel Squillante	(OLC)	Terry Mitchell	(OLC)
Sun Oct 15 9am	Kim Wood	Will Burke, Susan Peleaz, Robin Peterson	Will Keegan	Robert Garland	Jim & Jan Estrada
Sat Oct 21 5pm	Henrietta	Richard Dunlap, Carolyn Brewer, Mike West.	Austin S.	Dale August	Kermit & Dianne Northrop
Sun Oct 22 7:30am	Sandra Ammons	Daniel Squillante	(OLC)	Terry Mitchell	(OLC)
Sun Oct 22 9am	Beverly Saucier	Lester Palmer, James Quintini, Kim Wood	Carson Nick	Will Burke Pat	Will & Susan Peleaz

ST. ANN ACTIVITIES.

ST. ANN STEWARDSHIP:**

Identifiable: \$436.00; Loose: \$900.00; Total: \$1,351.00; Children: \$14.00.

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Identifiable: \$60.00; Total: \$60.00

**Amount needed weekly \$2,908.84.

Thank you for your generosity.

VISITATION OF THE SICK: 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.

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.

RCIA: For more info, please contact **Sherrie DeMello.**

Church Cleaning: Kim Wood cleaned the church on Oct 14 and 21. Thank you.

<u>Knights of Columbus:</u> meet first Sundays. For more info, contact Garland M. 697-1266.

Altar Society: Meet second Sundays.

<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.

PRAYER REQUESTS Those who are ill:

Leslie Cuevas, Dcn Jack Hunter, Lee James, Darlene Billingsley, Victoria Moran, Jerry Malley, Vivian Clifford, Ezekiel Rutherford, John Moran, Jerry Rutland, Dalwin Cuevas, Colby Cagle, Debbie Bowen, Andrew Fillengame, Melissa Peterson. Breanna Ladner, Gerald Barrilleaux. Margaret Northrop, Andrew, James Moran, Sharon Somora, and Marie Nance, Patricia Lizana, August Schonewitz, William Shaw, Robert Necaise, Nancy Ladner, and Loretta Ladner.

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.