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MASS SCHEDULE

All In-Person Services at 2:00 PM unless otherwise noted.

October 6, 2024: Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
Quarterly Healing Service at this Mass

October 13, 2024: Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 20, 2024: Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 27, 2024: Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Prayer Intentions

If you would like us to remember a special intention for you at Mass, please contact one of our priests.

If you or someone you know is in need of spiritual assistance (prayers, Sacrament of the Sick, etc.), please contact one of our priests.

Inquiries regarding the administration of Sacraments or services (Baptisms, First Communion, Marriages, and Funerals) are welcomed.

Scripture Reflections – Cycle B

+Fr. Bob Catlett, M.Div., Pastor

October 6, 2024 – 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Today's readings from the Book of Genesis and the Gospel of St. Mark speak of the solidarity of the human family, while the selection from St. Paul's letter to the Hebrews stresses the solidarity of Jesus with us, whom he has made his brothers and sisters. How can we better live in solidarity with our families and fellow Christians? (Genesis 1:18-24, Hebrews 2:9-11, Mark 10:2-16)

October 13, 2024 – 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time: In today's Gospel, a wealthy young man who has been living a good life is too attached to material things to follow Jesus wholeheartedly. The sword of God's word has penetrated his heart and found him lacking the wisdom extolled in today's first reading from the Book of Wisdom. How wholehearted is our own commitment to the Lord? (Wisdom 7:7-11, Hebrews 4:12-13, Mark 10:17-30)

October 20, 2024 – 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time: The theme of Jesus' passing runs through all three readings today. The Church holds that the passage from the Book of Isaiah can be viewed as a prediction of the passion. In the Gospel, James and John declare themselves able to share in Jesus' sufferings. St. Paul says to the Hebrews that Jesus has gone through so much that he understands our weakness. Do we offer our own sufferings to the Father in union with those of Jesus? (Isaiah 53:10-11, Hebrews 4:14-16, Mark 10:35-45)

October 27, 2024 – 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time: In today's liturgy, Jesus' cure of the blind Bartimaeus echoes the joyful prophecy of Jeremiah. The letter to the Hebrews proclaims that Jesus is our high priest, able to deal with us patiently. Are we slow to recognize that Jesus is ready to help us in our needs? Or do we remember that He has all the time in the world for our concerns? (Jeremiah 31:7-9, Hebrews 5:1-6, Mark 10:46-52)

 **Rosary**

THE ROSARY is a prayer based on the repetition of the Lord's Prayer, the Hail Mary, and the Glory Be. During its recitation, the believer reflects upon the birth, life, death, and glory of Jesus Christ and the role of Mary. A chain of beads resembling a garland of roses gave the Rosary its name. The beads are not essential to the prayer, but they help count through fifty Hail Marys (five decades). The recitation of the traditional fifteen decades permitted unlettered Christians to imitate more simply the monastic practice of reciting all 150 psalms in weekly prayer.

In addition to meditation, the Rosary leads to petition. It implores Mary's intercession in bringing our prayers to God. As she won the cooperation of Jesus at the wedding feast at Cana, so we ask her to bring our needs to the Holy One of God.

The precise origins of the Rosary are obscure, but it probably formed in imitation of meditative practices of Islam and after the Christian desire for prayer in a language more easily understood than the Latin of the Mass. Its popularity increased after the fifteenth century due to the zealous encouragement of the followers of St. Dominic, who believed the Blessed Virgin had miraculously given the Rosary to him. Because believers who attended Mass at that time had less to say, do, or see compared with today, the recitation of the Rosary during Mass became a popular Catholic devotion much encouraged by religious educators. This was an honored custom for many centuries. The popes of the Church have continually cultivated the Rosary as part of the faithful's private devotion and especially in family prayer. Many Catholics recite it privately or in groups before Mass. The liturgy for the dead calls for a vigil service of Scripture readings on the night before the funeral, but many parishes replace it with the Rosary, even though the rubrics make no such provision.

Today we are encouraged to participate in the Mass and to pray the Rosary apart from the Eucharist.

From the Pastor's Desk

+Fr. Bob Catlett, M.Div.

Congratulations and Best Wishes to our parishioners who have special reason to celebrate this month:

Birthdays:

+Fr. Carl Swaringim: 10/28

Anniversaries:

+Fr. Bob Catlett: 10/23 (8 years – Episcopal Consecration)

Fr. Bill LaGrand: 10/23 (21 years - Ordination to Priesthood)

Masses on Facebook Live! Just a reminder...we are now able to livestream our Sunday masses on our Chapel Facebook page. If you are unable to attend in person, join us virtually...we would love to “see” you! Just go to our Facebook page www.facebook.com/ssppECCUSA at 2:00 PM on Sunday afternoons. You do **not** have to have a Facebook account to join us.

Bulletin Inserts (page 3): We continue “getting to know the church, its practices and other pressing issues” with *Bulletin Inserts for the Liturgical Life of the Parish*. The short bulletin inserts provided in this resource cover a variety of liturgy-related topics that aim to assist the parish in the liturgical formation of the assembly. The author, Fr. Paul Turner, provides short catechesis on a wide variety of topics to help the reader gain a better understanding of the “what, how, and why” of the liturgy. Each insert is designed to help the reader engage the liturgy and manifest it in their lives. Fr. Paul Turner is pastor of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Kansas City, Missouri, and director of the Office of Divine Worship for the Diocese of Kansas City–St. Joseph. He holds a doctorate in sacred theology from Sant’Anselmo in Rome. ***This month, we learn about “The Rosary.”***