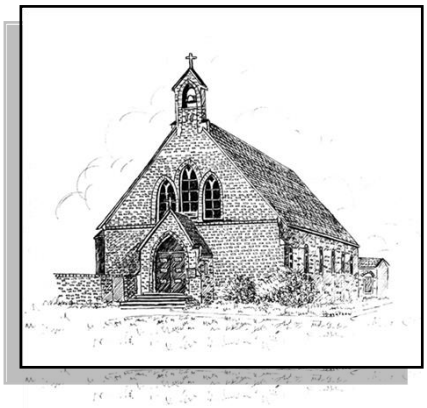

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Deacon Donald T. Donovan

Sunday, October 11, 2020
28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions

October 10th Saturday 5:00 p.m.:
- **Parish Family**

October 11th Sunday 10:00 a.m.:
- **Ante M. Pinili**

October 14th Wednesday 9:30 a.m.:
- **Doris Szalus**

October 15th Thursday 9:30 a.m.:
- **Angel D. Estanislau, Jr.**

October 16th Friday 9:30 a.m.:
- **Mary B. Siewers**

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Nuestra misa en español se celebra todos los domingos a las 4 p.m. ¡Todos son bienvenidos!

Our Spanish Mass is celebrated every Sunday at 4:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome!

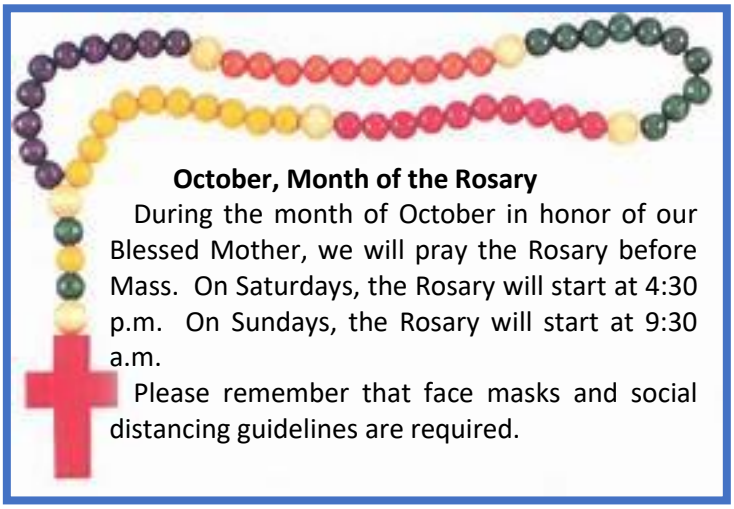
Our 2nd Collection next weekend, October 17-18 is for World Missions. Thank you for your continued generosity.

My Gift to You Candles

Sanctuary Light – Month of October
In Memory of:
Adele & Frank Stempien
Given by: Andrea Price

In Memory of:
Joseph Sabine & Joseph Orlick
Given by: The Orlicks

Flower Arranger: Andrea Scott
Next Week: Lee Walker



October, Month of the Rosary

During the month of October in honor of our Blessed Mother, we will pray the Rosary before Mass. On Saturdays, the Rosary will start at 4:30 p.m. On Sundays, the Rosary will start at 9:30 a.m.

Please remember that face masks and social distancing guidelines are required.

Daily Mass Resumes…

Father Michael has resumed daily Mass on Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays at 9:30 a.m. Please remember that face masks and social distancing guidelines are required.

Healing Prayer

LORD, You invite all who are burdened to come to You. Allow Your healing hand to heal me. Touch my soul with Your compassion for others. Touch my heart with Your courage and infinite love for all. Touch my mind with Your wisdom, that my mouth may always proclaim Your praise. Teach me to reach out to You in my need and help me to lead others to You by my example. Most loving Heart of Jesus, bring me health in body and spirit that I may serve You with all my strength. Touch gently this life which You have created, now and forever. *Amen*

Helen Mapp, Megan Thurston, Grace Buczny, Judy Adams, Matthias Ronning, Art and Eleanor Tross, Irene Mlodynia, David Price, Kevin Koch, Pat Buckley, Esther Wood, Bob Gleason, Denise Kladis, Jon Antal, Val Evans, Jeanette Scott, Andrew Porche, Colanthia Carignan, Irene Surran, Tom Plaschke, John Miller, Angelo Collins, Jr., Liam Scott, Mark Nunez, Judy Calistri, Bonnie Wilhelm, Theresa Brady, Al Orlick, Kristin Huggins, Frank Cullen, Dorothea Rose and Elizabeth Grace Hubbard, Diane Cioffi, Sarah Stansberry

Whenever a parishioner is sick or in the hospital, please call the rectory or send e-mail to: bulletinscc@gmail.com for inclusion in our bulletin.

If a person is no longer in need of our ongoing prayers, please let us know.

The Diocese of Richmond Bicentennial coffee table books are available for pre-ordering. There is a book in the rear of the church for you to look at and an order sheet. The books are $50.00 each and celebrate the 200 years of our diocese.

Pray for Peace and Protection of Members of Our Uniformed Services

Navy Chief Nick Swanson – Great Nephew of Michael Flanagan.

2nd Lt. Samuel Davis McQuitty – Grandson-in-law of Peggy and Rip Phillips. Stationed at Fort Hood, Texas.

Major T. Martin – Son-in-law of Bob and Sue Panek.

2nd Lt. Katherine Lee – Daughter of Patricia and Robert James.

SSgt Dustin Goard, SERE Specialist – Son-in-law of Mike and Deirdre Purcell.

Tech Sergeant E-6 Kevin Rech – Son of Kevin and Judy Rech.

Navy Corpsman Tyler Rippley – Great Nephew of Michael Flanagan.

Capt. Clay Lewin – Son of Kurt and Sally Lewin and Grandson of Maureen and Don Donovan.

CPT Sean Mitcham – Son of Denise Mitcham.

Please let us know the name of your loved one serving in the Armed Forces. E-mail to: bulletinscc@gmail.com

Our Parish COMMUNITY

October 11, 2020

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Is 25:6–10a | Phil 4:12–14, 19–20

Mt 22:1–14 or 22:1–10

Our Invitation from the King

When people think of heaven, they often imagine a place up in the sky. Episodes of *Star Trek* should challenge that notion. The Bible usually speaks of heaven as an experience. According to our first reading, it is like a banquet, "a feast of rich food and choice wines" (Isaiah 25:6). Such a meal is an extraordinary event for hardworking people who seldom get to enjoy such luxury. According to today's Gospel account, the kingdom of heaven is like a wedding banquet, a feast of "calves and fattened cattle" (Matthew 22:4), a celebration of love and new life.

FOR *Reflection*

- *So often our invitation to the heavenly banquet is shrouded. What keeps you from recognizing this invitation?*

Some people might prefer an image that thrills the ear rather than the palette, like a Handel concerto or a Beethoven symphony. Whatever image is favored, heaven is an incomparable phenomenon that cannot be described. It is an experience that will thrill us to the core of our being.

To be invited to such an astounding experience might well be the event of a lifetime. This is, after all, an invitation from the king. Who would possibly turn it down? And yet, some do. As the Gospel recounts, some are too busy with work. Others would rather watch "the game." Still others who might accept the invitation minimize it by refusing to dress appropriately. How can people be so foolish? Yet, you and I often are.

God's invitation to the heavenly feast simply asks that we realize the magnitude of the honor extended to us, that we accept it graciously, and that we enjoy the experience.

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

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Dear Padre,

What is the Catholic Church's position on grace versus works?

"For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not from you; it is the gift of God; it is not from works" (Ephesians 2:8–9). The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* attests that we have merit in God's sight only because "God has freely chosen to associate man with the work of his grace" (*CCC* 2008). After God acted first on his own initiative, it then follows that we're free to act through his collaboration, "so that the merit of good works is to be attributed in the first place to the grace of God, then to the faithful" (*CCC* 2008). In other words, it's only through God's empowering Spirit in each of us that makes our good works for salvation pleasing to the Lord!

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Moreover, Catholics believe these good works "contribute to growth in grace, so that the righteousness that comes from God is preserved and communion with Christ is deepened. When Catholics affirm the 'meritorious' character of good works, they wish to say that…a reward in heaven is promised to these works. Their intention is to emphasize the responsibility of persons for their actions, not to contest the character of those works as gifts, or far less to deny that justification always remains the unmerited gift of grace" (*Joint Declaration on the Doctrine of Justification*, Lutheran World Federation and the Catholic Church, 38).

Christian prayer provides us with the grace that's needed for meritorious actions (*CCC* 2010).

—Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR
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A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

Do good works, don't just say words that are gone with the wind.…Through the good works that we carry out with love and joy towards others, our faith emerges and bears fruit. Let us ask ourselves…Is our faith fruitful? Does our faith produce good works? Or is it sterile instead, and therefore more dead than alive?

—ANGELUS, JULY 10, 2016

Calendar

Monday
OCTOBER 12
Weekday
Gal 4:22–24, 26–27, 31—5:1
Lk 11:29–32

Tuesday
OCTOBER 13
Weekday
Gal 5:1–6
Lk 11:37–41

Wednesday
OCTOBER 14
Weekday
Gal 5:18–25
Lk 11:42–46

Thursday
OCTOBER 15
St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church
Eph 1:1–10
Lk 11:47–54

Friday
OCTOBER 16
Weekday
Eph 1:11–14
Lk 12:1–7

Saturday
OCTOBER 17
St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr
Eph 1:15–23
Lk 12:8–12

Sunday
OCTOBER 18
Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Is 45:1, 4–6
1 Thes 1:1–5b
Mt 22:15–21

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 B: Gabriel Panuco B: Martin Golibart, Jr.	2	3 B: Regina Aleksiewicz
4 B: Francisco Rodriquez, Anthony Fierro B: Francisco Yanez	5 B: Amy Watkins B: Giselle Cruz	6 B: Thomas Fox	7 B: Ethan Watkins B: Phillip Evans	8	9	10 B: Marlene Richard B: Pat Hill
11	12 A: Joseph & Elizabeth Paschall B: Donaciano Cruz; Joyce Kappeler; Maxiliano Hernanez	13 A: Rip & Peggy Phillips	14	15 A: Thom & Irene Henderson	16 A: Jeff & Laurie Klingel B: Felipe Rodriguez B: Maiela Clarke	17 A: Joseph & Evelyn Witek
18	19	20 B: David Rogers B: Eve Mlodynia	21 B: Joseph Internicola B: Ricardo Morales, Jr.	22 B: Editha Lockwood	23 B: Carol Ann Hutchings	24 A: Joseph & Marta Rose
25 A: Emanuel & Diana Said B: Andrea Yanez B: Jim Clark B: Kevin Rech	26 B: Herb Thom B: Marge Briden B: Patricia Milton	27 B: Helen Mapp B: Michael Kurgan B: Zachary McCready	28 B: Jose Palacio	29 B: Dorothy Riley	30 B: Irene Henderson	31 B: Dorothy Muccin B: Susan Kovacs