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September
19th and 20th**

**Saturday 4pm
Jerry Peloux**

**Sunday 8:30am
Mary McKeough**

**Sunday 11:00am
Lanetta Dowell**

In the beginning
was the word...



Our Lady of Lourdes Liturgy Committee

**KNIGHTS OF
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-AND-
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Our Lady
of Lourdes
Parish Hall

Tuesday
at 6PM

DAUGHTERS OF MARY
WOMEN RENEWING FAITH AND FAMILY

**MASS
INTENTIONS**

**SATURDAY
SEPTEMBER 12
4:00 PM**
ANGELA WILSON
SPECIAL INTENTIONS
FOR HEALTH

**SUNDAY
SEPTEMBER 13
8:30 AM**
+ MARLENE WHISENHANT
11:00 AM
FOR PARISHIONERS

**TUESDAY
SEPTEMBER 15
8:00AM**
+ ANNE PHISTER
CHAPMAN

**WEDNESDAY
SEPTEMBER 16
8:00AM**
+ JEAN O'NEILL

**THURSDAY
SEPTEMBER 17
8:00AM**
+ ANNE PHISTER
CHAPMAN

**FRIDAY
SEPTEMBER 18
8:00AM**
+ ANNE PHISTER
CHAPMAN

2020 Collections

Regular & Holy Days Collection

09/06/2020 \$4,494.00

**2020 Total Regular Collection
\$133,125.87**

Parish Project Collection

09/06/2020 \$115.00

**2020 Total Parish Project Collection
\$29,657.00**

There will be a special Hurricane Relief Collection at all weekend Masses September 26th and 27th.

Public Rosary Rally

Facing the coronavirus crisis, social upheaval & the many sins in today's culture, our nation desperately needs a supernatural solution. In 1917 in Fatima, Our Lady said, "Pray the rosary daily for World Peace".

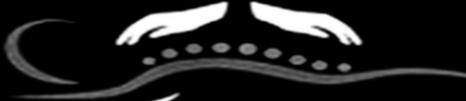
Please join the 2020 Public Rosary Rally on Saturday, October 10th at noon at Boykin Blvd & DIP. Contact Ruby P Thompson at 251.586.5684 for more info.

2020 Boxes of Joy Kickoff

This year's BOJ Kickoff will be Saturday, October 10th after mass. Announcement will be made at each mass on October 10th & 11th. For more info, please contact Ruby P Thompson at 251.586.5684.

The 2021 Mass Intention Book is now open. Please see Fr. Marcin or email the church with the dates you would like to schedule Masses for your loved ones. Please don't wait to the last minute as the dates you would like may have already been requested.

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**OUR LADY OF
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SEPTEMBER 13
2020
24TH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
YEAR A
CYCLE II



Forgiveness is above all a personal choice, a decision of the heart to go against the natural instinct to pay back evil with evil.

Saint Pope John Paul II



**Mass
Schedule**

- Saturday Vigil Mass 4:00pm
- Sunday Mass 8:30am & 11:00am
- Tuesday Mass 8:00am
- Wednesday Mass 8:00am
- Thursday Mass 8:00am
- Friday Mass 8:00am
- Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday 3:15pm—3:45pm Or By appointment
- Church & Pastors Office Hours Tuesday and Wednesday 9am - 3:30pm
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Bringing Home the Word

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)
September 13, 2020

Right Judgment

By Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

Often when we think of a judge, we think of severity or cold justice. Courtroom and criminal-justice dramas—even some news coverage of major crimes and scandals—love depicting the offender as receiving his or her just rewards, with the judge or prosecutor smugly reflecting or sighing in relief.

But in the scriptural sense, a judge is much more. A good judge is an educator, teacher, and parent. Good judges promote wise living and respect for authority and the law. Their tools are sometimes mercy, sometimes penance, but always prompted by love.

A better image to understand the judge's role is a parent educating his or her child. Sometimes education means letting something slide; sometimes it means holding the child accountable. Both can be expressions of love.

Today's readings caution us against selfish passions that prompt us to judge. One who has been forgiven much but is then harsh with others will be severely punished—or as Sirach puts it, God "remembers their sins in detail."

Mercy toward others is key to the Gospel message. Some think they are good Christians because they don't steal and haven't killed anyone. They may even be active in their parish but are highly critical of others.

Remember, as Jesus said: "The measure with which you measure will be measured out to you" (Matthew 7:2). And, "So will my heavenly Father do to you, unless each of you forgives his brother from his heart" (Matthew 18:35). +

Good judges promote wise living and respect for authority and the law.

Sunday Readings

Sirach 27:30—28:7

Remember the covenant of the Most High, and overlook faults.

Romans 14:7-9

Whether we live or die, we are the Lord's.

Matthew 18:21-35

Jesus answered, "I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times."

A Word from Pope Francis

The increase in the rates of suicide in your cities, as well as bullying and various kinds of neediness, are creating new forms of alienation.... I ask you to pay special attention to [the young] and their needs. Try to create spaces...of generous and selfless love...to everyone, and not only to those who have "made it."

Meeting with bishops, Tokyo, November 23, 2019



REFLECTION QUESTIONS

- How forgiving, patient, and kind am I on a regular basis?
- How forgiving, patient, and kind would others say I am?

Meaningless Ritual? Never!

By Johan van Parys

My liturgy professor once shocked me out of my post-lunch comatose state one afternoon by saying, "If the Eucharist does not cause you to want to make a difference in the world, then you are doing nothing more than making meaningless, ritual turns around an altar." What could he possibly mean? Surely the Eucharist is more than just ritual turns, even if it doesn't cause me to want to change the world.

Since that day, I have been affirmed in my thinking that the celebration of the Eucharist is never a meaningless ritual. The liturgy is always transformative, regardless of anyone's state of mind or ensuing actions. Although we may not notice this in the short term, we can be assured of the efficacy of the liturgy in the long term. Just as water carves out even the hardest rock, liturgy molds us all into the image of Christ—even those with the hardest of hearts.

Though the connection between celebrating the Eucharist and working for the betterment of the world is apparent each time we celebrate the Eucharist, it's made especially clear during the Mass of our Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday. On that day, we celebrate the Eucharist (Luke 22:15-20) and we wash feet (John 13:4-17) just as Jesus asked of us during the Last Supper. It's important to remember to embody these acts we perform so solemnly on Holy Thursday during every day of our life. Christ



mandates us to pray for the needs of the world and, at the same time, work toward a better world. These two Christian characteristics of prayer and action are not mutually exclusive—prayer without action is hollow, while action without prayer is arrogance.

This all became clear to me one particular Holy Thursday many years ago. As our priest finished the washing of feet, I noticed a man entering the building and walking briskly toward the front of the church. He walked right into the sanctuary and sat down. Without hesitation, our priest walked over to the man and the two engaged in a brief conversation. He then motioned to the

servers, who brought a pitcher and bowl. The man took off his shoes, revealing his unwashed feet. Our priest knelt down and slowly washed the man's feet. When finished, they both got up and hugged. The man walked out, never to be seen again. As we processed the Blessed Sacrament to the altar of repose later that evening, I couldn't help but think that it was Jesus who walked in and sat down to have his feet washed right in our midst.

By the way, my former professor denies making the statement at the top of this column. He agrees that the celebration of the Eucharist is never a series of empty turns around an altar but always efficacious and constantly invites us to be Christ to the world. While some people know that and act upon it rather easily, others need a professor's shocking wake-up call and the extraordinary opportunity to see Jesus' feet being washed. +

PRAYER

Lord, I am grateful for your endless mercy. Give me the humility and courage to forgive those who have hurt me.

From *Grateful Meditations for Every Day in Ordinary Time*, Rev. Warren J. Savage and Mary Ann McSweeney

WEEKDAY READINGS

September 14-19

Monday, The Exaltation of the Holy Cross: Nm 21:4b-9 / Phil 2:6-11 / Jn 3:13-17

Tuesday, Our Lady of Sorrows: 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a / Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

Wednesday, Sts. Cornelius and Cyprian: 1 Cor 12:31-13:13 / Lk 7:31-35

Thursday, Weekday: 1 Cor 15:1-11 / Lk 7:36-50

Friday, Weekday: 1 Cor 15:12-20 / Lk 8:1-3

Saturday, Weekday: 1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49 / Lk 8:4-15

Bringing Home the Word 
September 13, 2020

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**OUR LADY OF LOURDES
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SEPTEMBER 5, 2020

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NEXT DRAWING - OCTOBER 3, 2020

Entrance: Amazing Grace

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me!

I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved;

How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.



Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,

We give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King,

O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,

Lord God, Lamb of God,

Son of the Father,

You take away the sins of the world,

Have mercy on us;

You take away the sins of the world,

Receive our prayer;

You are seated at the right hand of the Father,

Have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,

You alone are the Lord,

You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,

With the Holy Spirit,

In the glory of God the Father, Amen.

Glory to God in the highest,

and on earth peace to people of good will.

First Reading: Sirach 27:30-28:7

Wrath and anger are hateful things, yet the sinner hugs them tight.

The vengeful will suffer the LORD's vengeance, for he remembers their sins in detail.

Forgive your neighbor's injustice; then when you pray, your own sins will be forgiven.

Could anyone nourish anger against another and expect healing from the LORD?

Could anyone refuse mercy to another like himself, can he seek pardon for his own sins?

If one who is but flesh cherishes wrath, who will forgive his sins?

Remember your last days, set enmity aside; remember death and decay, and cease from sin!

Think of the commandments, hate not your neighbor; remember the Most High's covenant, and overlook faults.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 103: 1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12

R. The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion.

Bless the LORD, O my soul; and all my being, bless his holy name.

Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits.

R. The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion.

He pardons all your iniquities, heals all your ills.

He redeems your life from destruction, crowns you with kindness and compassion.

R. The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion.

He will not always chide, nor does he keep his wrath forever.

Not according to our sins does he deal with us, nor does he requite us according to our crimes.

R. The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion.

For as the heavens are high above the earth, so surpassing is his kindness toward those who fear him. As far as the east is from the west, so far has he put our transgressions from us.

R. The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion.

Second Reading: Romans 14: 7-9

Brothers and sisters:
None of us lives for oneself, and no one dies for oneself.
For if we live, we live for the Lord,
and if we die, we die for the Lord;
so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's.
For this is why Christ died and came to life,
that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

Alleluiah John 13:34

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**
I give you a new commandment, says the Lord:
love one another as I have loved you.
R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

Gospel: Matthew 18: 21-35

Peter approached Jesus and asked him,
"Lord, if my brother sins against me,
how often must I forgive?
As many as seven times?"
Jesus answered, "I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times.
That is why the kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king
who decided to settle accounts with his servants.
When he began the accounting,
a debtor was brought before him who owed him a huge amount.
Since he had no way of paying it back,
his master ordered him to be sold,
along with his wife, his children, and all his property,
in payment of the debt.
At that, the servant fell down, did him homage, and said,
'Be patient with me, and I will pay you back in full.'
Moved with compassion the master of that servant
let him go and forgave him the loan.
When that servant had left, he found one of his fellow serv-
ants
who owed him a much smaller amount.
He seized him and started to choke him, demanding,
'Pay back what you owe.'
Falling to his knees, his fellow servant begged him,
'Be patient with me, and I will pay you back.'
But he refused.
Instead, he had the fellow servant put in prison
until he paid back the debt.
Now when his fellow servants saw what had happened,
they were deeply disturbed, and went to their master
and reported the whole affair.
His master summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked
servant!
I forgave you your entire debt because you begged me to.
Should you not have had pity on your fellow servant,
as I had pity on you?'
Then in anger his master handed him over to the torturers
until he should pay back the whole debt.
So will my heavenly Father do to you,
unless each of you forgives your brother from your heart."

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God,
The Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
Of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
The Only Begotten Son of God,
Born of the Father before all ages.
God from God,
Light from Light,
True God from True God,
Begotten, not made,
Consubstantial with the Father,
Through Him all things were made,
For us men and for our salvation
He came down from heaven,
And by the Holy Spirit
Was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
And became man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
He suffered death and was buried,
And rose again on the third day
In accordance with the scriptures.
He ascended into heaven and is seated
At the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
To judge the living and the dead
And His kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord,
The giver life, who proceeds from
The Father and the Son,
Who with the Father and the Son
Is adored and glorified,
Who has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic
And apostolic Church.
I confess one baptism
For the forgiveness of sins
And I look forward to the resurrection
Of the dead
And the life of the world to come.
Amen.

Presentation Hymn: The Servant Song

Will you let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to
you;
Pray the I may have the grace to let you be my servant
too.

We are pilgrims on a journey, we are travelers on the
road;
We are here to help each other walk the mile and bear
the load.

I will hold the Christ-light for you in the night-time of
your fear;
I will hold my hand out to you, speak the peace you long
to hear.

I will weep when you are weeping; when you laugh, I'll
laugh with you.
I will share your joy and sorrow till we've seen this
journey through.

When we sing to God in heaven, we shall find such
harmony,
Born of all we've known together of Christ's love and
agony.

Communion Hymn: Where Charity and Love Prevail

Where charity and love prevail, there God is ever found;
Brought here together by Christ's love, by love are we
thus bound.

With grateful joy and holy fear his charity we learn;
Let us with heart and mind and soul now love him in re-
turn.

Forgive we now each other's faults as we our faults con-
fess;
And let us love each other well in Christian holiness.

Let strife among us be unknown, let all contention cease;
Be his the glory that we seek, be ours his holy peace.

Let us recall that in our midst dwells God's begotten Son;
As members of his body joined, we are in him made one.

No race nor creed can love exclude, if honored be God's
name;
Our family embraces all whose Father is the same.

Sending Forth: Make Us True Servants

Make us true servants to all those in need, filled with
compassion
in thought, word, and deed; loving our neighbor, whatev-
er the cost,
feeding the hungry and finding the lost.

Lord, make us prophets to cry out the way, telling the
nations of
mercy's new day. Let us break barriers of hatred and
scorn,
speaking of hope to all people forlorn.



**OUR LADY OF
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**Almighty and Everlasting God, the eternal salvation
of those who believe in You, hear us on behalf of
Your servants who are sick, for whom we humbly
beg the help of your mercy, so that, being restored
to health, they may render thanks to you in your
Church. Through Christ our Lord.
Amen**

Prayer List

Anita Barclay, Campbell Berger, Katherine Berger,
Bethany Ann Boltz, Eddie Booth Sr., Logan Bowers,
Clement Boney, Jerry Boyes, Patrick Webb
Brownlie-Carey, Noli Causay, Teresa Coleman, Lee
Cooley, Peter Cooley, Bob Cooper, Anita Cowart,
Lemuel Dickinson, Daniel Dorriety, Marquitta Dukes,
John Dumas, Dodie Dumas, Johnny Finch, Louise
Frontz, Tim Frontz, Janet Gafford, Tony Golemon,
Ginny Johnston, Billy Kenny, MaryAnn Keith, Dennis
Keith, Liz Kilborn, Edward Kimbrough, Debora Klaus,
Nancy Klooz, Steven Kuszynski, Shirley Lacy, Michael
Langan, Alfred Leonard, Margie Lord, Rodney Lundy,
Shirly McDonald, Mary McKeough, Patricia McRoy,
Craig Miley, Archie Moore, Elaine Moore, Wally
Neese, Tiffany Neese, Darlene O'Rourke, Alex
Paneda, Lita Paneda, Scott Peck, Glenda Pose,
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Max Edward Thomas, Katelyn Tillman, Tyler Upton,
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Ida Vrazel, Albert Washington, Heather Washington,
Darlene Watson, Lou Watt, Brad Wells, Bubba
Williams, Dee Dee Unger, Bobby Zarate.