

Our nation is in great need of public prayer, repentance & conversion. We ask God to save America

through the Rosary of His Most Holy Mother.

Please join the 2019

Public Rosary Rally on October 12, 2019 at noon to take place at Boykin Blvd & DIP. Please contact Ruby P Thompson at 251.586.5684 for more info.

WE NEED YOUR HELP

Benefit Night 2019 We Need Bottles of Cheer!

We are asking for donations for the Cheer Basket Raffle that we have every year at our Annual Benefit Night. If you are able to help, please bring your donation to the Church Office or you can bring it to the weekend Masses and give to Patsy Ownby, Organist and Benefit Night Chairperson.

Thank You



The Friends of Catholic Cemetery will be holding their annual Fall Cleanup Day on Saturday, October 19th. This day is held for all to have an opportunity to earn service hours and for families to spend time cleaning up family and religious plots.

If you have your own tools it would be helpful if you could bring with

You may contact Aimee Anderson @ 251-767-3294 if you have any questions or need additional information.



All Souls Day envelopes and cards have been placed in each pew of the church. Please use the envelopes and cards to list the names of the dearly departed you would like to have remembered. There will be fifteen Masses offered for all the names listed and the cards will be placed on the Altar for the month of November.

Pray For Our Active Military

Austin Booth Army

Dominic French Army

Jordan Guidry Marines

Austin M. Goodin Marines

Fr. Paul A. Halladay Major US Army

Matthew Ladnier Coast Guard

Kenneth L. McAlman 1st Lt. US Army

Captain Alex Mileshko

Corie Demetri Mitchell Army

> Kevin O'Rourke Coast Guard

Sam Schoolfield Ir. Marine Reserves

Sam Schoolfiled Sr. Marines

Jerrick Thompson Army Reserves

2019 Collections

Regular & Holy Days Collection

9/28/19

\$2,529.00

2019 Total Regular Collection \$152,560.94

Parish Project Collection

9/28/19

\$10,000.00

2019 Total Parish Project Collection \$34,761.00

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Catholic Parish

The Attitude and Faith of Humble Servants

 $W^{
m hat}$'s the difference between a believer and an atheist? What separates one who is indifferent to religion from a fervently religious person? Faith! To believe is no small thing and a tremendous gift.

"Father, you are lucky you have faith!" an atheist

friend once said to me. "I have tried often, but I

just can't bring myself to believe." We are indeed lucky, because having faith in Jesus opens us to heaven, to life after death, to

finding hope and sense in suffering. Faith allows us to trust something bigger than ourselves and to be at peace even when all around us is crazy. Faith and acceptance is the difference between deep, interior harmony and a

radical frustration. We have received everything from God, which is why Jesus invites us to have the attitude

of humble servants. He uses an example that's clear to his listeners: a servant works hard all day, comes home, and prepares and serves dinner. In so doing, he is merely performing his job. Jesus isn't endorsing the insensitive nature of the master but offering a model in the humble service of the domestic helper

who faithfully fulfills his position. Since he receives everything from the master, he can only be grateful for the chance to work. Such is our position before God. We have no place being proud or demanding before God since all we have is from him: life, family, health, our talents.

-Fr. Mark Haydu, LC



For Reflection

Am I humble enough to recognize my position before God, as his beloved child, but also his servant? How can I live with greater faith in him and charity toward those who offer me their service?

[Jesus said,] "Is [the master] quateful to that servant because he did what was commanded? So should it be with you." Luke 17:9-10

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MASS SCHEDULE

OCTOBER 6

2019 27th Sunday

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS 5:30_{PM}

SUNDAY MASS 8:30AM & 11:00AM

MONDAY **COMMUNION SERVICE** 8:00_{AM}

> TUESDAY MASS 5:30_{PM}

WEDNESDAY MASS 8:00_{AM}

THURSDAY MASS 8:00_{AM}

FRIDAY MASS 8:00_{AM}

MONTHLY

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION 8:30 AM TO NOON

> FIRST SATURDAY Mass

FIRST WEEKEND ALL MASSES

LITANY TO THE SACRED **HEART OF JESUS**

HOLY DAYS & SOLEMNITIES 8:00AM & 6:00PM

> SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION SATURDAY 4:30рм-5:15рм

OR BY APPOINTMENT

to our Sponsors



Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Hall Tuesday at 6PM





Our Lady Of Lourdes Parish

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Bringing Home the Word +

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)
October 6, 2019

Kindling the Faith

By Mary Katharine Deeley

Thave a little jar of mustard seeds on the bookcase in my office. They were given to me as a going-away present by a priest I knew, a little reminder to keep the faith. Every time I hear the Gospel about the mustard seed, I am reminded of him. He was a mentor and friend, one of the many people who have inspired my faith from young adulthood until now. He is also the example of what I hope to be for the students I teach. The faith that we explore is a rich inheritance, indeed, and I can only hope to influence my students as much as he influenced me.

Sunday Readings

Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4

How long, O LORD, must I cry for help and you do not listen?

2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14

Do not be ashamed of your testimony to our Lord...but bear your share of hardship for the gospel.

Luke 17:5-10

[Jesus said,] "Is [the master] grateful to that servant because he did what was commanded? So should it be with you."

Being a faith-filled person isn't for cowards. As Paul tells Timothy, God gave us gifts of power and love to be able to stand against evil and to love those who seem unlovable. God called us to a holy life, which means that we occasionally have to turn away from what the world has to offer and embrace a different way of living. Christ's disciples are called to help make the world holy through word and example, by inviting others to know Christ and acting in such a way that knowing Christ seems the only possible response. Finally, God gave us the Holy Spirit, who makes it possible for us to live lives that are worthy of the calling to which we have been called.

"Stir into flame the gift of God," Paul exhorts (2 Timothy 1:6). Fire is the perfect metaphor. It lights our way and gives us warmth. It also purifies us for the work ahead. Who inspired you in your faith? How will you become a better disciple today because of them? +

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A Word from Pope Francis

Perhaps you will be challenged by [our immigrants'] diversity. But know that they also possess resources meant to be shared. So do not be afraid to welcome them. Offer them the warmth of the love of Christ....I am certain that, as so often in the past, these people will enrich America and its Church.

—Meeting with United States bishops, September 23, 2015



REFLECTIONS QUESTIONS GRESTIONS KELFECTION

- Have you thanked those who have mentored you in your faith?
- Are you ever embarrassed to express your Christian beliefs? Why?

Who, Me? Evangelize?

By Kathy Coffey

Nick is paralyzed, and I desperately want to help him get better. But how? I've heard rumors of a healer. He is powerful but surrounded by crowds. I talk with three other friends. How could we even get close?

I start to see that what Nick needs isn't the strongest stretcher-

bearer, but one who understands his sickness. We check the house where the healer is staying. I notice an opening in the roof. What if...?

Readers of Mark 2:1–12 or Luke 5:18–26 know how the story ends. The four friends who lower the paralytic through the roof into Jesus' astonished face may have chosen an unconventional route, but they bring their friend to Jesus. He responds generously, "When Jesus saw their faith," he cured their friend and forgave his sins (Mark 2:5).

We're like Nick's friend because we also ask: Who, me? We may also reach the same insight: I don't need all the answers. I simply need to share the struggle. An ordinary act of kindness might bring someone to Jesus. And that's my goal.

The Mission

Saint Paul VI declared: "The task of evangelizing all people constitutes the

essential mission of the Church....Evangelizing is in fact the grace and vocation proper to the Church, her deepest identity. She exists in order to evangelize" (On Evangelization in the Modern World [Evangellii Nuntiandi], 14).

There's no doubt about the importance of this mission. The Church

doesn't exist for the sake of pastoral councils, schools, choirs, publications, hospitals, or religious orders—wonderful as those may be. We exist to bring the good news to those hungering for a positive message with eternal consequences.

The Model

How does that call affect us personally? Most of us aren't going to ring doorbells, trying to persuade unwilling listeners that we have a corner on the truth. Instead, we follow the model of Jesus, who amazed his listeners by "the gracious words that came from his mouth" (Luke 4:22). Clearly, he wasn't judging or hammering away at a point. The "job description" of Christians isn't to be dour, cantankerous, or punitive, but to be a people who "announce the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light" (1 Peter 2:9).

We do that primarily by example of

how we live: with confidence, reverence, and compassion. Are we convinced that we have good news to share? Or are we focused on our troubles, fears, and negativity? For the ordinary person, what form might evangelization take?

A Personal Niche

Some are called to foreign missions but most respond to the call at home. Dire conditions in Africa can seem more appealing at times than dealing with a stubborn toddler, patiently helping a needy friend, or caring for an elderly parent. But the Second Vatican Council called laypeople to do their work well in the world—whether as parents, plumbers, attorneys, or farmers.

Opportunities arise naturally; we don't need to look far. It may mean sending a birthday card, eating a meal with a lonely friend, driving the children's carpool yet again, remembering and celebrating others' milestones, attending a funeral, visiting a hospital or retirement center, or volunteering through your parish.

To be effective, we match our talents to others' needs. The days are past when people did work they weren't suited for or a ministry they loathed "for the glory of God." It's far better to honor and use the gifts God gave us! +



Lord, I am grateful for your gentle voice of love. Help me to speak with love and peace everywhere I go.

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

WEEKDAY READINGS

October 7–12

Monday, Our Lady of the Rosary: Jon 1:1—2:1–2, 11 / Lk 10:25–37

Tuesday, Weekday: Jon 3:1–10 / Lk 10:38–42 Wednesday, Weekday: Jon 4:1–11 / Lk 11:1–4 Thursday, Weekday: Mal 3:13–20b / Lk 11:5–13 Friday, Weekday: Jl 1:13–15; 2:1–2 / Lk 11:15–26 Saturday, Weekday:

Saturday, Weekday: Jl 4:12–21 / Lk 11:27–28



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Pro-Life Examination of Conscience

Questions to help me defend life more effectively...

- 1) Am I fully convinced that abortion is the destruction of an innocent human life which has the same value as my life, my parents' lives, my children's lives? Do I foster and nourish this conviction by reflecting often on the tragic loss of life occurring daily around me? Do I ever allow myself the thought that abortion does not really concern me and that I have "more important" things to do? Do I believe I am responsible for my pre-born brothers and sisters, and accountable to God for what I do to save them?
- 2) Do I pray daily explicitly for an end to abortion? Do I pray for the babies, the mothers, the abortionists, the legislators, the media, the clergy, and the whole pro-life movement? Do I fast or make other sacrifices I can really feel? Or do I believe the fight against abortion can be easy? Do I try to make it easy and convenient? Do I take shortcuts in my pro-life commitment?
- 3) Do I try to come up with new ideas for pro-life work? Do I suggest these ideas to others or just forget about them? Do I give financially to the cause even when it hurts? Is financial loss on my part worth the life of a child?
- 4) Do I have faith that God is the Lord of Life? Do I believe the whole struggle is in His hands? Am I willing to give more time to this cause and cut out other activities which are less urgent than life and death? Do I trust Him! Do I ask His guidance? Do I keep my eyes on Him, or do I allow discouragement in by focusing only on the problem and myself?
- 5) Am I learning more about the issues surrounding abortion and about the pro-life movement? Do I read good pro-life books? Do I subscribe to at least one pro-life publication so that I can be well informed on the issue? Do I escape from taking action by thinking that prayer alone is enough? Do I see pro-life work as a work of love for people who are in need. or is it just an "issue" or a "project" to me?
- 6) Do I speak up about pro-life? Do I make full use of the opportunities I have, such as wearing pins or using bumper stickers or decals? Do I write letters to the paper or to legislators or to doctors? Or do I allow my lack of self-confidence to paralyze my activity? Do I only do what's comfortable, or do I try to expand my skills? Do I develop my talents, whatever they may be for the pro-life cause? Are my efforts genuine and generous? Do I take proper care of myself, physically and spiritually, so that I can be more effective in my pro-life work? Do I rest when I need to?
- 7) Do I gladly participate in projects that need to be done, even if I don't particularly want to? Do I foster unity in the movement? Do I encourage my fellow pro-lifers? Are all of my efforts guided by charity? Do I allow unhealthy competition between pro-life persons or groups to begin or continue? Do I follow the advice or direction of those who bear responsibility for pro-life projects or groups, so as to make their task easier? Do I seek the advice and input of those more experienced in pro-life work?
- 8) Do I try to grow in compassion for women who are tempted to have abortions or who have had them in the past? Do I try to understand their situation and learn more about their needs? Do I help women find alternatives to abortion? Do I inspire hope in women I know who have had abortions? Do I help them find forgiveness and healing?
- 9) Am I ready from this day forward to be a better pro-lifer? Am I ready to launch out with new strength, generosity, and determination to bring an end to abortion, without counting the cost to myself? Am I grateful enough for the gift of life to work to give life to others? Do I thank God for the privilege of being part of the pro-life movement?

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Church Office Hours

Tuesday-Friday 8:30am to 4:30 pm Lunch Daily at 1:00pm **Pastor's Office Hours** By Appointment

Prayer List

Rhonda Adams, Tim Anderson, Dale Andrews, Karen Andrews, Richard Anthony, Margaret Arns, Vivian Bacot, Bob Balzli, Anita Barclay, Campbell Berger, Katherine Berger, Dorothy Bertagnolli, Don Bertagnoli, Chloe Beshears, Bodeem Blankenship, Blake Blackston, Bethany Ann Boltz, Clement Boney, Toni Boney, Logan Bowers, Eddie Booth Jr, Sara Bratt, Kateria Brewer, Jason Brown, Jean Brown, Paul Burch, Sr., Pat Burch, John Buhring, Lorrie Burgess, Conrad Burkhardt, David Burris, Marguerite Burris, Bea Burton, McKenzie Butterwick Boatie Campbell, Wendi Campbell, Frankie Cayton, Ami Cheatham, Mary Myers Clark, Rick Claxton, Theresa Coleman, Garrett Colvin, Evelyn Cooper, Helen Couch, Anita Cowart, Claudia Daniel, Patricia Davis, Susie DeWitt, Teresa Dezenburg, Lemuel Dickinson, Daniel Dorrierty, Roberta Dukes, Dodie Dumas. John Dumas, John Edwards, Josh Ellis, George Erickson, Johnny Finch, Lynne Raymond Floyes, Betty Foster, Ellyn Fowler, Louise Frontz, Randy Fuller, Janet Gafford, Tim Frontz, Logan Frye, Ron Garrick, Tony Golemon, Guillermo Gomez, Marilu Gomez, Joyce Goodman, Walter Grimes, Richard Guess, Greg Hampton, Irene Guess, Margaret Guess, Colleen Hill, Kate Hodge, Diana Holifield, Keith Holified, Randy Hooks, Buddy Hulgan, Alaina Hulsey, Chrissy Irby, Elyssa Jacobs, Erin Jackson, Henry Johnson, Joshua Johnson, J.S. Johnson, Kaleb Johnson, Ginny Johnston, Mary Ann Keith, Billy Kenny, Patrick Kenny, Marshall Kern, Ed Kimbrough, June King, James King Jr., Philip Larson, Polly Lartique, Alfred Leonard, Matthew Lewis, Diane Little, Nancy Cowart Little, Beth Ellen Lloyd, John Loden, Fred Lorge, Joan Lorge, Paul Lyle, Amanda McDonald, Charles McDonald, Lisa McDonald, Shirly McDonald, Donna Magaldine, Mary Martin, John Martin, Paul Martin, Trissie Martin, Kamden McKeough, Stephanie Melton, Helen Merchant, Dolores Merren, May Merren, Faye Methaney, Alana Voivedich Mey, Louis Meyers, Priscilla Miller, Jean Morgan, Archie Moore, Margaret Moore, Marcie Morrow, Garrett Mount, Murrill, Ernestine Murrill, Rose Marie Murphy, Blake Myers, Johnathan Myers, Michael Myles, Paul Naylor, Tiffany Neese, Wally Neese, Ella Rose Norris, Kelly North, Mike Nunnery, Darlene O'Rourke, Agnes Parker, Summer Patterson, Alex Paneda, Lita Paneda, Barbara Phillips, Randy Phillips, Dana Pickel, Sue Pitt, Larraine Carol Provost, Tracey Ransom, Rennie Pitt, Jr., Glenda Pose, Elizabeth Purcell, Holley Reese, Serina Reeves, Gerald Resso, Belinda Richard, Terri Richey, Jimmy Robinson, Marlen Rodriguez, Robert Salva, Jun Santia-Santiago, Michelle Saynor, Laura Lee Seargent, Grayson Scott, Patsy Sealy, Simon Schum, Stevie Shaw, Kay Shaw, Briley Shirah, Dorothy Simon, Cindy Snow, Larry Snow, Allison Spillman, Curtis Steiner, Rita Steiner, Cheryl Stewart, Sally Stokely, Todd Stringfellow, Chuck Sullivan, Ronald Summerlin, Cecilia Taylor, Charles Taylor, Barbara Thomas, Eddie Thomas, Gwen Thomas, Rita Tillman, Robert Todd, Belinda Tomplait, Cecil Tucker, Dede Unger, Tyler Upton, Nita Van Devender, Norma Villanueva, Anna Visperas, Rudy Visperas, Ida Vrazel, Frances Ward, Wayne Ward, Gary Warner, Albert Washington, Sallie Washington, Brad Wells, Mark Westbrook, Ralph Wheat, Whisenhant, Leroy Wiese, Stephen Weise, Kenny Wiggins, Buddy Wilder, Heather Willamor, Bubba Williams, Kelly Wilson, Shelly Wilson, Agnes Wor-

ley, Ashley Wypick, Carol Ziebert, Christopher Zimerman.

MINISTER'S **SCHEDULE** 10/12/19 10/13/19

Sat. 10/12 5:30pm

Ushers B. Burton

D. O'Rourke

Lectors

2) I. Vrazel

1) L. Thompson

Extraordinary Ministers

B. Kenny

A. Kenny

B. Cooper A. Cooper

G. Pelous

C. Peloux

Sun. 10/13 8:30am

Ushers

C. Bonev

A. Forward

Lectors

1) J. Arnett

K. Arnett

J. Dickinson

M. Brierly

Sun. 10/13 11:00am

B. Williams

Lectors

2) L. Dowell

Extraordinary Ministers

MM Collier

A. Tomas

D. Harvey

E. Lipscomb

quarterly schedule available on the church website

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY OCTOBER 7

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

TUESDAY OCTOBER 8

5:30 PM COMMUNION SERVICE

WEDNESDAY **OCTOBER 9**

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

THURSDAY OCTOBER 10

8:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

FRIDAY OCTOBER 11

8:00 AM

COMMUNION SERVICE

SATURDAY

OCTOBER 12

5:30PM

+ KAREN HOWARD

SUNDAY

OCTOBER 13

8:30AM

+ BRANDON WHITE

11:00 AM

FOR PARISHIONERS

Extraordinary Ministers

H. Golemon

M. Fletcher

L. Loftin

P. Dumas

Ushers

L. Lavallais

1) S. Dowell

P. Thompson

M. Portella



Rosary In The Grotto

Every Weekday in October at

October 2019

Box of Joy 2019 Kickoff after each mass Sat/Sun Oct 12/13. For More Info Contact Ruby Thompson 251-586-5684



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
		Altar Society 9:00am	Mass 8:00am	Mass 8:00am	Mass 8:00am Adoration of the	1st Saturday Mass 8:00an 1621 Drawing 9:00am
		Mass 5:30pm Daughters of Mary 6:00pm Men of St. Joseph 6:00pm			Most Blessed Sacrament 8:30am—noon	Sacrament of Reconciliation 4:30pm-5:15pm Vigil Mass 5:30pr
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2nd Collection Parish Projects		Young-at-Heart, Family Life, and Respect for Life Committees 12 Noon Covered Lunch	Parish Hall			2nd Collection Propagation of Faith
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
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