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TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 16, 2022

A Message from the Pastor

Titration describes a process in chemistry when one agent is introduced into another agent one drop at a time until the host agent changes. It may take one drop. It may take 500 drops before the host agent is changed.



For the next two weeks, Luke's gospel will drop some reflections on prayer into our minds, our hearts, our imaginations, and our lives. The philosopher and theologian, Soren Kierkegaard, once wrote that "Prayer does not change God, but changes those who pray."

The story that Jesus tells, in this week's gospel, features a widow. Now a widow, in Jesus' culture, was a powerless and voiceless person. They were easily overlooked, underserved, and avoided. A judge, even in Jesus' time, was a person of position, power, and authority.

There are people we know, good people, who when they experience deep human suffering, when they lose their ability to provide for their loved ones, when their marriage fails and dissolves, when a child or spouse of beloved parent dies, their trust in God is radically shaken. In their woundedness they stop praying. They cannot pray because they no longer feel that the one they are praying to is trustworthy. These people deserve our compassion, not our judgment.



And then there are people we know who lose children through accident or illness—and keep praying. They may lose their job after many years of loyal and faithful service—and they keep praying. They discover they have a form of cancer that may or may not be treatable—and they keep praying. They may have a marriage of many years that ends in separation or divorce—and they keep praying. As Jay Cormier says, "The very compassion of God is their hope and assurance that their prayer will be heard."

Mass Times

Saturday Vigil
at 5:00 PM

Sunday at 8:00 AM

Sunday at 10:30 AM

Sunday at 7:30 PM

Weekdays (M-F)

8:00 AM

At LJC La Storta Chapel

Must be: Fully Vaccinated &
wear a mask. Thank you!

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays -
3:30 PM to 4:30 PM

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Pastor's Message continued from page one:

The widow in this weekend's story is asking for justice—and she finally got it. The Argentinean mothers of missing husbands and children asked/prayed for justice—and finally got it. Those denied their civil rights, guaranteed by our Constitution, demanded justice—and finally got it. When we feel our praying is ineffective or useless, we need to be reminded of the widow in today's gospel and the principle of titration. Perhaps it only takes one more prayer. Perhaps all that is needed is one more drop.

This parable of the persistent widow only appears in Luke's gospel. It captures an important type of prayer beautifully. We call that type of prayer intercessory prayer. We engage in this type of prayer every time we celebrate Mass. We pray for something we don't have but need. We ask this of someone who can give it to us or to those for whom we pray.

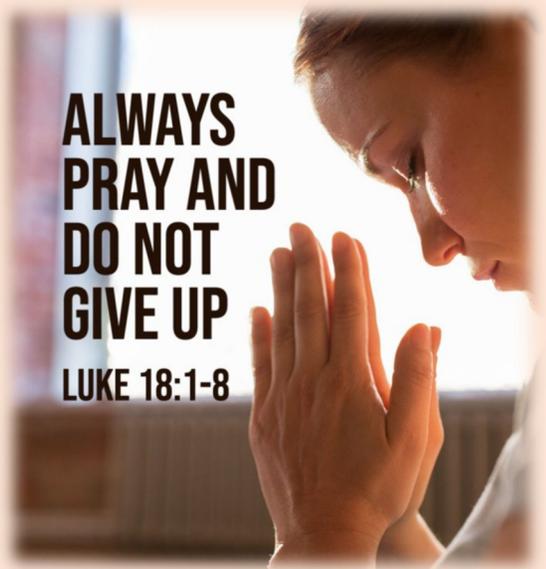
At the beginning of Mass, don't we pray for God's mercy? After reciting the Creed together, don't we pray for the needs of the Church, the world, and our local community? Doesn't the lector invite us to "Pray to the Lord"? And don't we all respond, "Lord, hear our prayer." This is intercessory prayer. Don't we pray for peace before communion? At the conclusion of every Mass, don't we pray that we can go forth "to love and serve the Lord"? Intercessory prayer again.

Intercessory prayers are HELP Prayers. There are so many things we can pray to God for. Let me conclude with a prayer by Marian Wright Edelman, the founder and President of *The Children's Defense Fund*.



God help us to be honest
so our children will learn honesty.
Help us to be kind
so our children will learn kindness.
Help us to be faithful
so our children will learn faith.
Help us to love
so our children will be loving.

Fr. Mike



CATHOLIC HOME MISSION COLLECTION ~ OCT 23, 2022

NEXT WEEKEND we will celebrate World Mission Sunday. Pope Francis invites the entire Church to support mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve the world's most vulnerable communities. Please keep the Pope's missions in your prayers and be generous in next week's collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. Envelopes are available at the church doors, bring on Sunday Oct 23rd or mail in directly.

Mass Readings

Mass Readings for Oct 16, 2022

Exodus 17:8-13
2 Timothy 3:14—4:2
Luke 18:1-8

Mass Readings for Oct 23, 2022

Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18
2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18
Luke 18:9-14

Prayerfully consider...

Confirmation Catechist: Please prayerfully consider volunteering to be a Confirmation Catechist! The time is minimal (we have 6 in-person sessions plus the actual Confirmation Mass) but the impact is huge! Your role would be to facilitate a small group, lead various activities, share your faith experience, and accompany youth as they discern their own role/voice in the church. You will be part of a great team! Please contact Grace if you are interested in learning more! (gbyrd@sipdx.org)

Catechist Needed!

LOVE YOUR FAITH?
SHARE IT!



Lector Workshops

Learn more about this ministry and have time to practice at the ambo. Rommel Faustino, a lector for over 30 years, will join Beth Schaller to offer this training. **Workshops:** (choose one or if you want extra practice, you are welcome to both) **Wed, Oct. 19th 7:00-8:00 p.m. in the Church** and/or **Sun, Oct. 23rd 12:00-1:00 p.m. in the Church** *What are the responsibilities of a lector?* Prayerfully prepare the 1st & 2nd readings for mass; Arrive 15 minutes before mass to make sure the readings and prayers of the faithful are in place at the ambo; At the beginning of mass, process in with the Book of the Gospels and place it on the altar; Proclaim the readings and prayers of the faithful during mass; Process out at the end of mass. If you feel called to learn more, please contact Beth Schaller at bschaller@sipdx.org.



October ~ Virtue of the month



*October – the virtue of Forgiveness: **The Mercy of God***

“I will conclude with a colloquy of mercy-speaking and giving thanks to God our Lord for giving me life until now, and proposing with His grace, amendment for the future.” Spiritual Exercise 61

“I will also thank Christ because he has shown me, all through my life up to the present moment, so much...mercy,” Spiritual Exercise 71

Ignatius realized that sometimes the hardest person to forgive is our self. Through the Exercises, we are reminded of Jesus' challenge to “love one another as I have loved you” also rephrased as “love yourself as I have loved you.” Ignatius wants us to savor God's mercy and forgiveness and in so doing, live out a life that is a love response to God and all of God's creation – fostering mercy and a forgiving heart in our everyday life. <https://seelportland.org/>

Neighbor Parish ~ Holiday Bazaar

Annual Holiday Bazaar at **St. Joseph the Worker** on Saturday, **November 5 from 10-6 pm** and Sunday, **November 5 from 9-2 pm**. This event is hosted by the Altar Guild. All are Welcome!! **questions, please let me know. (503-706-4762)**



Please consider these ministry opportunities

Bread Delivery Ministry: VOLUNTEER needed: Do you have two hours once a month? A volunteer is needed to deliver bread the 1st Friday of each month to the women's transition shelter, located near Burnside and NE 11th. Bread is picked up at 4:00pm from Grand Central Bakery (SE Woodstock) then taken to the women's shelter. Contact Jim Mumby at mums.the.word@centurylink.net or 503-519-8991 for more details.

Tibbetts House Refugee Volunteer Orientation / Information Session Sunday 11/06 in the Xavier Room (next to the Gym) following 10:30 mass. For more information and to sign up for our 11/06 orientation session email: tibbettshouse.portland@gmail.com

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Requesting mass intentions:

An individual may request to **offer a Mass** for several reasons: for example, in thanksgiving, for the intentions of another person (such as on a birthday), or, as is most common, for the repose of the soul of someone who has died.

If you would like to schedule a future Mass, please call Patty at 503-777-1491. (There is a \$10.00 stipend per Mass.)

St. Ignatius Renaissance Festival



Sherwood Forest—11AM to 3PM: King's self photo op, Exhibitor Booths, Juggling, Archery, Coloring Booth, Meet Robin Hood and Princess Merida

Royal Courtyard: Holiday shopping, Silent Auction, King Mike's Café, Ye Ole Ale House beer and wine bar, First Aid, *Tuxedo Jimmy's' Animal Balloons*, face painting (both, 11am-3pm) Nottingham Jail and Wreath Making

Outside: Jousting, Food Vendors: *Grammy's donuts*, *Pigeon Hole Asian Fusion*, *Alchemy Sandwich Company*

Xavier Room: Meet Cinderella 11am—3PM, *Dragon and Knight Puppet show noon— 12:45pm*, *The Friendly Unicorn Puppet Show 2PM—2:45PM*



Sign up to volunteer for the Renaissance Festival! The Sign-Up Genius link is live and can be found on the website, and in your weekly Realmblast email. Looking for lots of folks to help set up Thursday and Friday, Nov. 10 and 11, as well as people who will make the Festival a delight on Saturday,

November, we Remember

November Memorial Mass Nov. 5th at 5pm

Have you lost a loved one this past year? You are invited to bring a picture of loved ones you want our community to remember in their prayers as we approach All Souls Day. Please be sure to put your name on each item and bring them over the weekend Masses. We will have a basket for them and then place them all on Mary's altar for the Memorial Mass on **Saturday, November 5th at 5PM.**



- **In November, we remember....** Make a donation in honor of your deceased loved one, whose name will be displayed in the church alcoves during the month of November. Envelopes can be found in the pews.

Campus Renewal Projects



You may have seen a variety of vehicles on campus as of late...EC Electric, PGE...all of which have working on the church's electrical update, a problem identified prior to the pandemic, and which is finally being remedied, thanks to a generous donation, and to Breese Watson, our Facilities Manager, who has stewarded this long needed update into a reality. Not only will the church's electrical power double in capacity, several urgent safety issues, related to our aged system, have been fixed. Praise God for this wonderful, behind-the-scenes work getting done!

8:00AM Daily Mass Intentions

Please keep in your prayers

Monday	Oct 17	† Marie Hong Tran
Tuesday	Oct 18	† Louie Pieretti
Wednesday	Oct 19	† Dragica Stankovik
Thursday	Oct 20	† Patricia Obradovich
Friday	Oct 21	† Kenny Bibles

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Thank you for supporting our Jog-a-thon! We are excited to share that we made our goal by raising \$50,113 for our school programs! Thank you for your support! We couldn't have made our goal without the support of St. Ignatius parishioners! Fundraising funds our school programs and our ability to grant tuition assistance. Your donations directly benefit our students through updated technology, art supplies, novel studies, library books, STEM projects, and curricular subscriptions to IXL Math and Mystery Science.

Students in preschool through 5th grade enjoyed a visit from Fr. San to bless their stuffed animals and photos of their pets in honor of the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi. Our sixth grade class led us in a beautiful Mass honoring our patroness- Blessed Mother Marie Rose and the Holy Names Sisters. Everyone was excited to see Sister Chris, a Holy Names Sister that taught at St. Ignatius for over 35 years before retiring a couple of years ago. What a special treat to be able to celebrate the legacy she has had here as a Holy Names Sister!



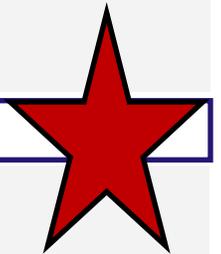
As I traveled through classrooms this week, I saw some pretty amazing sights. Our second graders painted fall leaves and learned about frogs and spiders. The third graders partnered up to make community posters complete with the pros and cons of living in urban, suburban, and rural areas. Our fifth graders are tackling long division. In sixth grade, students are learning about the supreme court and rational and irrational numbers. The seventh graders are making an Old Testament timeline and learning about Ancient Egypt. Our 8th grade leaders are analyzing novel characters using artistic mandalas and testing wind-up toys for speed and distance. The students are learning and growing by leaps and bounds.

May we embrace the blessing of such beautiful fall weather and enjoy God's majestic creation.. *"Let us not grow tired of doing good, for in due time we shall reap our harvest, if we do not give up."* Galatians 6:9

Peace be with you always.

Carol Pausz Principal

Join the November Adult education offering



"The Gospel of Matthew in a Time of Change"

November 8, 15, 22, 29th at 7pm in Parish Office Dining Room

Cliff Yeary, facilitator



Clifford M. Yeary

Clifford ("Cliff") is the author of four books of biblical studies published by Liturgical Press, including a study of the Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5-7), as well as several articles in *The Bible Today*. As an associate director of internationally recognized Catholic **Little Rock Scripture Study**, he edited all the texts for the dozens of video lectures produced during his tenure (2002–2018). He is also the author and featured presenter of nearly 30 of those lectures. Cliff studied Scripture at Mt. Angel Graduate School of Theology after earning a bachelor's degree in biblical studies from Oral Roberts University. Cliff earned a Masters in Pastoral Studies from Loyola University, New Orleans (2000). He

and his wife Liz of 42 years are members of St. Ignatius Parish in Portland, Oregon. They are the proud parents of three children and have five grandchildren.

Church tithing

Financial report (July 1, 2022—June 30, 2023):

Needed for the month of Oct \$52,000.00

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