



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, October 19 - St. John de Brebeuf, St. Isaac Jogues and their companions

8:00 Sally Shimmel by Rose Cvitanovich

Tuesday, October 20 - St. Paul of the Cross

8:00 Tinney Family by Bernadette Connolly

Wednesday, October 21

5:30 Jane Kokot by family

Thursday, October 22

8:00 Karen VanOsch Family

Friday, October 23 - St. John of Capistrano

8:00 Joseph Bergman - Birthday Blessings by mom and dad

Saturday, October 24 - St. Anthony Mary Claret

9:00 Parishioners of St. Teresa's
4:30 Judith Pask by family

Sunday, October 25 - 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 Ronald Roetzer by Howard and Marilyn Schaeffer

10:15 Michelle Jordon by parents



Scripture Readings for the Week

Monday - Romans 4:20-25;

Luke 12:13-21

Tuesday - Romans 5:12,

15b, 17-19, 20b-21; Luke 12:35-38

Wednesday - Romans 6:12-18;

Luke 12:39-48

Thursday - Romans 6:19-23; Luke

12:49-53

Friday - Romans 7:18-25a; Luke

12:54-59

Saturday - Romans 8:1-11; Luke

13:1-9

Next Sunday - Jeremiah 31:7-9;

Hebrews 5:1-6; Mark 10:46-52

BOOKS TO BORROW:

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BOOKS AND TAPES FOR YOUR
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PASTORAL SHARINGS

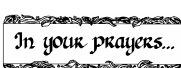
Today's reading from Mark is filled with misunderstandings, paradoxes, and word games. James and John seek places of prominence in Jesus' kingdom. They are advised that real prominence is found in service, not in wielding authority over others. The other apostles were probably indignant at their nerve not because the request was so self serving but because it was made before any of them had the change to do likewise.

Jesus used the occasion to tell His apostles that authority in His kingdom must be different from what we see and experience in worldly power. The one who wants to be great must be the servant of all. He Himself did not come to serve, but to serve others and "to give His life as a ransom for the many."

The second reading usually does not reflect the other two Scriptures. Today, by coincidence, the reading (from Hebrews) resonates with the other Scriptures. Our great High Priest, Jesus, has suffered for our sakes. He became like us in all things in order that He might be our High Priest. He offers Himself as the pure Victim for sin. We have confidence in the mercy of God because of the sufferings which our High Priests endured.

The Scriptures teach us that we must be different. We must not aspire to greatness except by being the servants of all. We must be willing to take the last place. In every aspect of our natural lives, we must remember what the Lord teaches. Elsewhere the Lord tells us that whoever wants to save His life will lose it. Only he who is willing to lose his life for the sake of the Lord will find true and eternal life.

Our Special Prayer Request for the Week: That in the weekend of Confirmation and World Missions, the Holy Spirit will take hold of our enthusiasm and direct our energy and actions to the greater glory of God; we pray to the Lord...



Please pray for the sick of the parish and their family members particularly; Thomas Brennan, Irene Michalak, Alexis Bruno, Jason Krear, Julie Conschafter, Helen Ryniec, Sara Milani and Loretta Varo, William Suszka, Jr. and for the happy repose of the soul of Loraine Hubbard. Please also continue to pray for the troops who are serving our country in Iraq, Afghanistan and around the world.



Altar Server Training: St. Teresa's will be having a training session for all interested new altar servers on Saturday morning, October 24, from 10am - 12 pm. Any boy or girl who is at least in grade 4 is invited to come. We also encourage all current altar servers to come too! It will serve as a refresher course and review the procedures for you. Sign up sheets will be available from Religious Education instructors. Any questions, please call Melissa at the rectory office at 542-9103.



Books for Sale - The children of our parish who attend Nativity of Mary School in Harris Hill will be selling Entertainment Books next weekend before and after all Masses. The cost of each book is \$25. If you would like to order a book, please call Liz Wulf at 542-9550.



The Sacrament of Confirmation will take place today at 4:00 pm in our Church. Auxiliary Bishop Edward M. Grosz will honor us by conferring the Holy Spirit on members of


- our young adult community. Congratulations to the following:
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| Eric Adderly | Justin Bell | Lauren Bojarski |
| Austin Carlson | Douglas Decker | Theresa Dolph |
| Nicholas Flumerfeldt | Emily Hayes | Lisa Hyder |
| Zachary Jordon | Katelyn Lang-Jordon | Kaitlyn Kaufman |
| Jacob Kelkenberg | Jacob Klimchuk | Christina Komosinski |
| Anthony Kreher | Ashley Lauricella | Katherine Mapley |
| Ryan Mesavage | Steven Miszuk | Ashley Popp |
| Karlie Routledge | Jacob Stone | Nathan Sweitzer |
| Samuel Torrelli | Kristin Weeks | Jonathan Windnagle |
| Valerie Wood | Matthew Zazynski | |

Today's second collection is for World Missions. It gives us the opportunity to reach out in faith to more than two-thirds of the world's people who have yet to hear the "Good News" of Jesus Christ. The missionary work of the Church depends on each one of us. Please be as generous as your means will allow.

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary School, Harris Hill, invites you to their annual open house on Wednesday, October 21 from 6:00 - 7:30 pm or on Sunday, October 25th from 1:00 - 3:00 pm. Give your child the gift of a Catholic Education. Founded in faith, united in family, joined in service. For more information, call 633-7411.

A retreat entitled, "Come to Me," will be held on Saturday, October 24 and given by Sister Mary Therese Chmura, CSSF. The theme of the retreat is based on "an invitation to all those who are weary and find life burdensome to come to Him for refreshment." The participants will take time to open their hearts to learn from God, leaving heaviness of heart at the foot of the cross and returning home refreshed. For more information or to sign up, call Sister Charlene at 892-4141, ext. 202.

Corpus Christi Parish Special Anniversary Exhibit - Then and Now: A Beacon of Hope for Buffalo. Exhibit is a celebration of Corpus Christi's history, art and architecture. Visit the display at the Karpeles Manuscript Library Museum, 453 Porter Avenue, Buffalo from October 13–November 29. Free admission. Hours are Tuesday-Sunday 11 am - 4 pm.

 **No Excuse Sunday** - To make it possible for everyone to attend church next Sunday, we are going to have a special, "No Excuse Sunday." Cots will be placed in the foyer for those who say, "Sunday is my only day to sleep in." There will be a special section with lounge chairs for those who feel that our pews are too hard. We will have steel helmets for those who say, "The roof would cave in if I ever came to church." Relatives and friends will be in attendance for those who can't go to church and cook dinner too. Doctors and nurses will be in attendance for those who plan to be sick on Sunday. The sanctuary will be decorated with both Christmas poinsettias and Easter lilies for those who have never seen the church without them.



- * Sunday, October 18 - Religious Education Classes - 9:00 - 10:00 am and 11:15 am - 12:30 pm
- * Wednesday, October 21 - Religious Education Classes - 4:00 - 5:00 pm
- * Sunday, October 25 - Religious Education Classes - 9:00 - 10:00 am and 11:15 pm - 12:30 pm



Prayer for Vocations

We thank you, God our Father, for those who have responded to your call to priestly ministry. Accept this prayer we offer on their behalf: Fill your priests with the sure knowledge of your love. Open their hearts to the power and consolation of the Holy Spirit. Lead them to new depths of union with your Son. Increase in them profound faith in the Sacraments they celebrate as they nourish, strengthen and heal us. Lord Jesus Christ, grant that these, your priests, may inspire us to strive for holiness by the power of their example, as men of prayer who ponder your word and follow your will. O Mary, Mother of Christ and our mother, guard with your maternal care these chosen ones, so dear to the Heart of your son. Intercede for our priests that, offering the day to the image of your Son, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

BOTTOM LINE:

Perfection is not in feeling good, but in doing the will of God.