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Rev. Barry Windholtz
Pastor

This Weekend's Hymns

*All hymns can be found in
the Seasonal Missalette.*

Opening Hymn: #298
Communion #255
Closing Hymn: #319

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TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Sunday, October 20 Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 SA Special Intentions of the Parishioners & Friends of St. Rose

10:30 DE Rosellen Creighton from the Creighton Family

12:00 DE Carolyn Reutter (Special Intention) from Tom and Karen Schroder

Monday, October 21

12:10 John Rizzo from the Family

Tuesday, October 22

Saint John Paul II, Pope

12:10 Sally Sakkt /Saylor from Bill and Jane Stacey

Wednesday, October 23

Saint John of Capistrano, Priest

12:10 Mary Lou James from Cindy Bacciocco

Thursday, October 24

Saint Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop

12:10 Joanne Lambers from Terry Tounge O'Kane, Joy Tounge, Tom Tounge

Friday, October 25

12:10 Thomas P. Rhoads from Tom and Francine Hiltz

Saturday, October 26

12:10 Special Intention for Mary Fisher from Evelyn Roehrig

BW 7:00 Joanne Lambers from Bill and Kay Russ

Sunday, October 27 Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 BW Special Intentions of the Parishioners & Friends of St. Rose

10:30 BW Michael Ryan from Judith Kehoe

12:00 BW Thomas P. Rhoades from Tom and Francine Hiltz

From the Pastor's Desk

Jedson O'Connor Kleinfelder and Henry James Eykyn were welcomed into the Catholic Church and Christian Community through the sacrament of Baptism October 12th here at St. Rose Church.

Violet Maryann Nelson was welcomed into the Catholic Church and Christian Community through the sacrament of Baptism Oct. 13th here at St. Rose Church.

David Mullis and Kristina Wilzbach were united in the holy sacrament of Matrimony Oct. 12th here at St. Rose Church.

Today is the annual mission collection. One collection only.

In the back of church you will find Purgatorial Envelopes for November through October of next year. Each month two masses are said for the Purgatorial Society. This is a good way to have masses said for your loved ones. Please fill out and put the envelopes in the collection basket.

In Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor the lack of it has any value; the only thing that matters is faith acting through love. Gal 5:6

REFLECTION. *To believe in God—for Christians—does not mean simply to believe that God exists, nor merely to believe that He is true.*

It means to believe by loving, to believe by abandoning oneself to God, uniting and conforming oneself to Him—St. Anthony of Padua

PRAYER. *Heavenly Father, grant me an operative faith, a faith that will move mountains. Let me show that faith by lively deeds and by conforming myself to Your Will in all things.*

We are excited to announce our fifth annual Christmas Concert. Due to high demand for this concert, we will offer two performances this year: Friday, December 20th at 7:30 PM and Sunday, December 22nd at 4:00 PM. The Choir of St. Rose will be joined by chamber orchestra and soloists for a Christmas spectacular of treasured carols and choral masterworks. Admission is free, but TICKETS ARE REQUIRED AND MUST BE RESERVED IN ADVANCE. Tickets are now available for parishioners only. In early November, tickets will be made available to the public, so we invite and encourage parishioners to reserve tickets now using the attached form.

Lectors/Lay Distributors for October 26th and October 27th

7:00 Joe Christmann, Rich Creighton, M. Luehrmann, Mike Gregorio, W. Russ

8:30 Jon Hemmer, Matt Howland, Tom Perrino, Michael Trotta, Lenny Diaspro

10:30 Michael Alfieri, Roland Becker, Timothy McMahan, Bob Sheil, Joe Sonnefeld

12:00 Pat Burke, John Flick, Patrick Homan, Shawn Gillette



Opening Prayer

Almighty ever-living God,
grant that we may always conform our will to yours
and serve your majesty in sincerity of heart.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Reflecting on Living the Gospel

"Are we there yet? Are we there yet?" Persistent questioning bordering on bothering behavior is something with which we are all too familiar. Children have a knack for this, especially at an inquisitive age. But office drama can bring it out too, as well as adult family relationships. This is something Jesus was familiar with as well, as today's parable demonstrates. If an unjust judge is willing to do what is right simply to get rid of a persistent nag how much more will a loving Father in heaven do what is right? This simple but profound insight forms the core of the message today.

Then, the gospel ends on a puzzling note, "But when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?" The story opens with the necessity to pray always, but concludes with a question about faith. This is no mere "throwaway" line, but is something significant and even vital to interpreting the parable.

Luke writes at a time when Jesus' expected return has been delayed, thus the injunction "to pray always without becoming weary." Perhaps Luke himself is aware of some in his own generation who have given up on this expected return of Jesus, and gone back to a former way of life. This might be the reason for the explanation of the parable on Jesus' lips: "Will he be slow to answer them? / I tell you, he will see to it that justice is done for them speedily." And then the story ends on a wistful note, wondering whether, when the Son of Man ultimately does return, he will find faith. Or will it be that the disciples have effectively abandoned the injunction to pray always and thereby lost their faith? This question, pertinent as it was nearly two thousand years ago, is applicable still.

Closing Prayer

Lord and God, giver of the word, we come before you humbly, aware of our own shortcomings and our limited time on earth. Our prayer is an expression of our desire to communicate with you. We long for a deep and abiding relationship with your son, the incarnate word. Grant us the courage and wisdom to be prepared for his coming, so that we may be found faith filled and ready. We ask this in his holy name, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen.

For Reflection:

• The gospel writer tells us the moral being illustrated in today's parable: we are to "pray always without becoming weary." How do you follow Jesus' command to pray always?

Suggestions for group and individual use:

1. Pray aloud the "Opening Prayer" (in *The Roman Missal* called the "collect").
2. One person read aloud the gospel.
3. Each read prayerfully "Reflecting on Living the Gospel" and spend some time in personal prayer.
4. Share together responses to "For Reflection."
5. Pray the "Closing Prayer."

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Gospel

Luke 18:1-8

Jesus told his disciples a parable about the necessity for them to pray always without becoming weary. He said, "There was a judge in a certain town who neither feared God nor respected any human being.

And a widow in that town used to come to him and say, 'Render a just decision for me against my adversary.'

For a long time the judge was unwilling, but eventually he thought, 'While it is true that I neither fear God nor respect any human being, because this widow keeps bothering me I shall deliver a just decision for her lest she finally come and strike me.'"

The Lord said, "Pay attention to what the dishonest judge says.



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Readings for the week:

29th Sunday in Ord. Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	30th Sunday in Ord. Time
Exod 17:8-13 Ps 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 2 Tim 3:14-4:2 Luke 18:1-8	Rom 4:20-25 Luke 15:9-17 71-72, 75-76 Luke 12:13-21	Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21 Ps 41:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17 Luke 12:35-38	Rom 6:12-18 Isa 12:4b-3, 4-6, 7-8 Luke 12:39-48	Rom 6:19-23 Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 Luke 12:49-53	Rom 7:18-25a Ps 119:65, 68, 75, 77, 93, 94 Luke 12:54-59	Rom 8:1-11 Ps 24:1b-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 Luke 13:1-9	Sir 35:12-14, 16-18, 19, 23 2 Tim 4:6-8, 16-18 Luke 18:9-14