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You cannot serve both God and mammon.
Luke 16:13

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21
5:00 PM † John Gintoli by Joe & Joann Augustyn

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22
7:30 AM † June Transue by her husband, Bill
9:00 AM † Matt Scurry by Patti & Tim Wengierski
10:45 AM The Intentions of our Parishioners
5:00 PM † Phil Penta by Deacon Frank & Julie Bandy

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23
8:00 AM † Anna Widmayer by Arlene Widmayer
5:30 PM † Marie Nigrelli by her family

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24
8:00 AM † Joseph Caparosa by The O’Hagan Family
5:30 PM † Michael Anthony Molle by his mom & sisters

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25
8:00 AM For the intentions of Diane Neun by Edith Smith & the money counters
5:30 PM † Robert Gibbons by his wife, Carol

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26
8:00 AM For the intentions of Karl & Joanne Seifel by Priscilla Pignone
5:30 PM † Angela & Emanuel Cervelli by their grandchildren

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27
8:00 AM † Mary Alice Githens by Theresa Trotta
5:30 PM † Ruth Mary Whealin by Suzanne Pearce

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28
8:00 AM † Eugene Konrad by Bill & Rosemary Bonadies
5:00 PM † Rick Marshak, 7 years deceased, by Bonnie Marshak Chappell

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29
7:30 AM † Edna Gaffney by Charles & Roseanne Hofmann & family
9:00 AM † Matt Scurry by Priscilla Pignone
10:45 AM † Joseph Mackin, 20 years deceased, by The Mackin Family
5:00 PM The Intentions of our Parishioners
**This week, September 23rd at a glance...**

**Monday:**
- 8:30 AM Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
- 2 PM Yarn & Rose Knitters
- 5 PM Sandwich Makers

**Tuesday:**
- 8:30 AM Legion of Mary
- 6 PM Kairos Team Meeting

**Wednesday:**
- 6 PM Legion of Mary
- 6:45 Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday:**
- 7 PM Walking with Purpose Women’s Bible Study
- 7:30 PM Charismatic Prayer Group

**Friday:**
- 9 AM - 5 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

**Saturday:**
- 8:30 AM All Paul’s Men

**Sunday:**
- 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM Coffee, Donuts & Fellowship
- 9 AM Story Keepers

**Looking forward to, in the near future:**
- Mondays 5:30 PM Al-Anon Meeting; 10/10 Lift - Praise and Worship; 10/16 Acts: The Spread of the Kingdom Bible Study; 10/17 Mass & Healing Service; 10/19 St. Paul of the Cross Parish Family Day;

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**Baptisms**

Celebrated on the second Sunday of each month at 12:00pm. Parents are encouraged to attend instruction class prior to the birth of their first baby. Please call the office to register.

**Next Baptism Class is Sat., Oct. 12th**

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**Marriages**

Arrangements should be made at least six months prior to the wedding date. Please call the Parish Office.

Our beautiful Ave Maria Banquet Hall (capacity 325) and our St. Joseph Hall (capacity 175) are available for rental for approved adult receptions and gatherings for occasions connected with church events.

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**FOR SEPTEMBER 28/29**

Sat., 5:00 PM - Barbara Butkus
Sun., 7:30 AM - Mark Hopper
9:00 AM - Jill Wilcox Fesl
Jorge Perez
10:45 AM - Lee Vaughan

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**SUNDAY, September 15th**

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**WE HAVE THE HEARING LOOP!**

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Two of today’s readings make it quite clear that God is on the side of the poor. Amos describes in detail the exploitation of the poor and needy. The psalm repeats that God acts to benefit the poor and lowly. But Luke turns things upside down, telling a tale of a conflicted steward, about to be fired, who demonstrates his cleverness and is rewarded. Like the community to whom Paul writes in Timothy, these readings are personal, directed to believers, members of the Jewish and Christian communities, who struggle to deal with personal choices about how to conduct their lives. They offer an outline for how God wishes us to live in a world as complicated and as confusing as our own.

**Readings for the Week**

**Monday:** Ezr 1:1-6; Ps 126:1b-6; Lk 8:16-18  
**Tuesday:** Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Ps 122:1-5; Lk 8:19-21  
**Wednesday:** Ezr 9:5-9; Tb:13:2, 3-4abefghn, 7-8; Lk 9:1-6  
**Thursday:** Hg 1:1-8; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 9:7-9  
**Friday:** Hg 2:1-9; Ps 43:1-4; Lk 9:18-22  
**Saturday:** Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Jer 31:10-12ab, 13; Lk 9:43b-45

**To prepare for the Readings of Sept. 28/29**

**First Reading** — Woe to the complacent, stretched comfortably on their couches! (Amos 6:1a, 4-7).

**Psalm** — Praise the Lord, my soul! (Psalm 146)

**Second Reading** — Pursue righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience, and gentleness (1 Timothy 6:11-16).

**Gospel** — There was a rich man who dined sumptuously each day. Lying at his door was a poor man named Lazarus (Luke 16:19-31).
A Column by Fr. Tom

...the Son of God

Last week, we discussed the “Lord Jesus Christ.” In this column, we continue to explore Jesus – this time as the Son of God. Specifically, we will look at the next two lines of the Nicene Creed: “...the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages.”

In our last column, we discovered that the Jesus was given his name during the Annunciation to Mary. “Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall name him Jesus.” [LK 1:31] However, the same angel Gabriel also identified Jesus as God’s Son during this exchange:

“He will be great and will be called Son of the Most High…” But Mary said to the angel, “How can this be, since I have no relations with a man?” And the angel said to her in reply, “The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. Therefore the child to be born will be called holy, the Son of God.” [LK 1:32a, 34-35, emphasis added]

However, the most substantial proof of Jesus as the Son of God comes when God Himself calls Jesus His Son. There are two specific examples to which we can point – Jesus’ Baptism and His Transfiguration. “After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, ‘You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.’” AND “While [Peter] was still speaking, a cloud came and cast a shadow over them, and they became frightened when they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, ‘This is my chosen Son; listen to him.’” [LK 3:21-22 & 9:34-35, respectively, emphasis added]

We also should look at the fact that we believe that Jesus was “born of the Father before all ages.” For Scriptural support we turn to the beginning of John’s Gospel, “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. [...] And the Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us, and we saw his glory, the glory as of the Father’s only Son, full of grace and truth.” [JN 1:1,14, emphasis added] We understand from this quote from John’s Gospel that Jesus existed “from the beginning” or “before all ages.” We remember that time, and therefore ages, only existed after God created the world. However, the Son existed “before all ages.”

Also in the above quote from John’s Gospel, we note that Jesus is called “the Father’s only Son.” While we are God’s adopted sons and daughters through Jesus, He is God’s only begotten Son. The Catechism explains the difference this way: “[Jesus] distinguished his sonship from that of his disciples by never saying ‘our Father’, except to command them: ‘You, then, pray like this: “Our Father”’, and he emphasized this distinction, saying ‘my Father and your Father.” [CCC, 443] For example, in John 20:17, after His Resurrection, Jesus says, “But go to my brothers and tell them, ‘I am going to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.’” Jesus’ relationship to the Father is unique – He is “the Only Begotten Son of God.”

Next week, we will explore another unique quality of Jesus, that He is “consubstantial with the Father.”
Faith Formation NEWS

CIA - Religious Education for 1st - 5th grade,
Sunday's 10:15 - 11:45 AM including First Communion Prep
2nd Sundays - NEXT Family Mass, Oct. 13th and Service Project/Session

CIA Session TODAY, Sept. 22nd
Next session Oct. 6th

Confirmation I & II, 8th & 9th graders and Middle School, 6th & 7th graders
Sundays 5 PM Mass & 6 PM - 8 PM, dinner and class

Class TODAY, Sept. 22nd, See you at Mass!
Next class Oct 6th

NO CLASSES next weekend!
Enjoy your family time!

STORY KEEPERS - Children infants to age 5 are welcome to come to the St. Gabriel Building Room 109 during the 9 AM Sunday Mass.
This program is ongoing and free of charge.
Hope you can join us!

“Walking with Purpose”
Women’s Group & Catholic Bible Study
Thursday Evenings at 7 PM (except the 2nd Thursday for LIFT) St. Gabriel Bldg. Prayer Lounge

SATURDAY MORNINGS

8:30am
All Saints Room

THE BATTLE OVER THE BRIDE

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

Are you...or is there anyone you know... interested in becoming Catholic or receiving the Sacraments of Holy Eucharist or Confirmation?

Please contact the Parish Office, 626-1873. Classes begin Sunday, October 6th at 9:15 AM in the All Saints Room!

Family Day

50th Anniversary

Food Trunks
Games
Prizes
Face Painting
Music
Fellowship

11 am until 3 pm

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19TH
IN THE BACK LOT
Are you ready for a NEW Bible Study?

Acts
The Spread of the Kingdom

JEFF CAVINS and SARAH CHRISTMYER

The Acts of the Apostles is the story of how a few Christians empowered by the Holy Spirit were chosen to bring Christ and the Good News to the ends of the earth. Acts: The Spread of the Kingdom is a Bible study that traces how the gospel witness spread outward in waves from Jerusalem and reveals how the seeds of Church structure and authority took root. It shows how the joys and struggles of the early Christians in living the life of Christ apply to us today.

Fr. Tom will begin a twenty-week Bible study Acts: The Spread of the Kingdom on Wed. Oct. 16th at 7 PM in the Ave Maria Hall. Participants will meet weekly to view an engaging video presentation followed by a time of lively group discussion and fellowship. For more information or to register, visit ascensionpress.com, or call the Parish Office.

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CATHOLIC SOCIAL

In the lead up to "World Day For Migrants and Refugees" on Sept. 29th, we pray today's Psalm:

Psalm 113:
"Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor."

"This atmosphere of welcoming is increasingly necessary in confronting today’s diverse forms of distancing ourselves from others. This is profoundly evidenced in the problem of millions of refugees and exiles, in the phenomenon of racial intolerance as well as intolerance toward the person whose only "fault" is a search for work and better living conditions outside his own country, and in the fear of all who are different and thus seen as a threat." John Paul II, Welcoming the Poor: Reigniting Hope, Origins 27:36 (February 26, 1998): p. 605

Challenge Question: How does my own parish community "lift up the poor"? Come to this weekend’s Ministry Fair in St. Joseph’s Hall and learn about the many ministries that seek to lift up the poor, including: The Van Ministry, Family Promise, Kairos Prison Ministry, etc. To learn more about how our local Catholic Community specifically reaches out to refugees and migrants, visit: friendsofelsol.org
Columbiette meetings are on the 3rd Wednesday of the month. The first meeting after our summer break is Wed. Oct. 16th at 7 PM in the All Saints Room. Refreshments begin at 6:30 PM.

In honor of the 50th anniversary year, the ladies will compile a cookbook of all your favorite recipes. You may submit your recipe to the welcome desk or at the parish office. Help us create a memorable keepsake for the whole Parish.

Knights of Columbus general meetings are on the 2nd Wednesday of the month; the next meeting is Wed., Oct. 9th (officers meet on the 1st Wed., the next meeting is October 2nd) at 7 PM. Please consider joining the Knights of Columbus at St Paul of the Cross Parish. Contact Jonathan Knaus at 561-603-8303 or email jonathan.Knaus@kofc.org

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PRAYER FOR PROTECTION FROM STORMS

God our Father, Creator of the Universe and Lord over all creation, we humbly stand before you as your children in thanksgiving for your loving care and protection. We ask that you keep us safe from all hurricanes which may threaten us in the coming seasons. Protect us from all fear and anxiety of storms and give us an ardent trust and hope in Your love and mercy. You alone have the power to command the sea, the wind and the rain. You alone bring peace, calm, and safety. Father, we thank you in advance, for you are our only Refuge. We ask this through Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen. Mary, Queen of the Apostles, and Patroness of our Diocese, pray for us.

Protection of Children and Young People
The Catholic Diocese of Palm Beach is committed to the safety and protection of all children and vulnerable adults in its care. Victims of abuse by Church personnel are encouraged to contact the diocesan victim assistance coordinator Lorraine Sabatella, 561-801-0999, to begin necessary emotional, psychological and spiritual healing.

For more information on diocesan policies and procedures for reporting abuse as well as to view the “USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People,” visit www.diocesepb.org and click on Offices/Safe Environments

Visit the Religious Shop in the vestibule of the church. You can find a large selection of books (new titles have just arrived) and dvds. There are many cards and gifts for most occasions. And you thought Christmas in July was over!? Not a chance! Christmas items are still 20% off!! Shop is open Mon - Fri from 8:30 AM - 1 PM and Sat. 8:30 AM - 5 PM. Sundays after Masses.
This week in 1989:
Rev. Arthur J. Venezia was installed as the first Diocesan pastor on September 23, 1989, when the Passionists were no longer in charge of the parish. He was the fourth pastor, following Fr. Charles Sullivan, C.P. [1970-1982], Fr. Alexis, C.P. [1982-1988], and Fr. Thomas McCann, C. P. [1982-1988].

**Mark your calendar for these events taking place during our 50th Anniversary year:**

- **Oct. 19**—Parish Family Day
- **Nov. 22**—Concert in Church
- **Dec. 6**—Ministries Dinner
- **Jan. 25, 2020**—Neapolitan Knight
- **Feb. 22**—5pm Mass & Celebration
- **March 28/29**—Ministries Fair
- **June 6**—Renewal of Vows

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**DO YOU THINK GOD IS CALLING YOU TO THE PRIESTHOOD?**
If you are junior in high school or older, come join other men who are looking to answer that question. On November 8-10, 2019 at St. John Vianney Seminary in Miami is hosting a weekend to experience what life is like at the seminary and to answer any questions you might have. Transportation will be provided. Please contact the Office of Vocations for more information: 561-775-9552, or vocations@diocesepb.org.
Whether or not we are present at Church, we remain one in the Lord. Please keep the following members of our parish family in your prayers: Jan Anderson, Geraldine Servedio, and John Thomas


PLEASE NOTE: Please call the Parish Office if you are being admitted to the hospital or know of someone in our parish who requests a visit from a priest or Eucharistic Minister. Names will remain on the prayer list for two months, unless notified.

PLEASE PRAY for the men and women in our armed forces stationed overseas, for the military commanders who lead them, for President Trump and his advisors and for...

- Sean Ancona, Navy
- CS 2 Christopher Avola
- Spec. Thomas Bates
- Tyler Blank
- Maj. Travis Blaschke, Army Aviation
- PFC Adam Blazak, Army
- Chris Bodley
- Corporal Thomas C. Boehlein, USMC
- LCPL Christopher Boudreau, USMC
- Angela Browning
- Maj. Nicola Chigihiza, Air Force
- Ryan M. Costello, Army
- Col. John Cross, Army
- Michael Crump
- 1st Lt. Michael J. Culler, 101st Airborne
- Ryan Cunningham, FLA National Guard
- Austin Curtis
- LCPL Giulio D’Alatri, Marines
- PFC Gabriel D’Alatri, Marines
- Command Sgt. Maj. James Dickens, Army
- Staff Sgt. Stephen Dickens, Army
- 1st Lt. John F. Dowd, Army
- 2nd Lt. Sam Dowd, Army
- Capt. Michael Andrew Dytrych, Army
- Hanah Eastwood
- 2nd Lt. Kirk C. Faris, Air Force
- Maj. Matthew Farmer, Army
- Matthew Filimon
- Lt. Col. Douglas V. Finn, USMC
- Lt. Col. Jennifer Formell
- Scott Freudenthal, Army
- Darrin Gabriel
- Private Matthew Gailey
- Lance Cpl Tyler Geary, USMC
- LT Ruth Gaunt, Navy
- Michael Genzynski
- Michael Gordon-Tenant, Army
- PFC Thomas Greeny, Army
- PFC Thomas Grodeska, Army
- Capt. Matthew Guidone, Army
- PFC Kevin M. Hanlon, Army
- Capt. Thomas Harris, Army
- Tech Sgt. Thomas M. Hennessey, Air Force
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- Capt. Kristine Hochschwender
- Lt. Tyler Hochschwender
- Capt. Steve Irving, 101st Airborne
- Sgt. Christiano Vazquez, USMC
- Capt. Mitchell Joslin, Army Ranger
- Capt. Jeff Keating, Marines
- 2nd Lt. Andrew King, Army
- Sgt. Emily A. Konkle, USMC
- Major Karl Kuechenmeister, Army
- Spencer Calvin McGuire
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- Capt. Kelly Lammert, Air Force
- Private Joseph LaSasso, Army
- Master Sgt. Kyle Mack
- SRA Jessica Maguire, Air Force
- Daniel Malloy, USMC
- Matthew March C.P.O. Navy
- Brian Metzger
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- Lt. Col. Laura Sepeda
- Robert Shaner
- Destin A. Stahl, Navy
- Capt. Christine Stevens
- Steve Stropp, Marines Special Ops
- Capt. Patrick K. Thompson, Army
- Josepha VanZee, Navy
- Tech Sgt. Marcy Vaughn, Air Force
- Amanda Wilson

Merciful Father, You desire the welfare of all your children. Stretch out Your protecting arm over our men and women in the service. Shield them from every danger to body, mind and soul. Comfort them in loneliness, sustain them in hardship, give them the courage they need to fulfill their duty and so do Your will in all things. Bestow on our leaders and the leaders of the world the wisdom and prudence which will bring peace and justice to all. This we ask through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord. Amen. Mary, help of Christians, pray for us.
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