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Lying at his door was a poor man named Lazarus. (Luke 16:20)

How many times do you think this rich man walked past Lazarus every day? Yet it's as if the man never really saw him; he was little more than part of the "landscape." The rich man just accepted Lazarus' presence as a fact of life.

The rich man in Jesus' parable dies and ends up in torment in the netherworld. But it's not simply because he was rich. It was because he didn't care for this other human being who was, in a way, part of his daily life.

We all know that being a Christian means caring for the less fortunate. There are so many needy people that we can feel overwhelmed. And besides, most of us aren't policy experts with the know-how needed to lift people out of poverty. Even if we gave away all of our possessions, it would hardly make a dent.

It's helpful, then, to remember that Jesus didn't have some grand strategy for solving the problem of poverty either. He just reached out to people, one by one. If the rich man in Jesus' parable had done the same thing by caring for the beggar at his door, his life might have ended much differently.

That's where we can start too—by helping one person at a time, especially those whom we encounter as part of our daily lives. If every person did that, think about how many people would be reached!

Remember too that God wants you to help those people who may not be lacking in material goods but are still "poor." As St. Teresa of Calcutta said, "There are many people in the world dying for a piece of bread, but there are many more dying for a little love." Your care and presence for these people are just as important.

At Mass today, ask the Lord to open your eyes to someone who may be at your "door," without you even realizing it. You can make a real difference!

"Jesus, show me the 'Lazarus' in my life who needs my help."

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Prayer Support for Our Pastor and Parish

Let's join together during this time by praying the Rosary and the Memorare daily at 4:00 pm. God's grace always remains with us.

**Sep 29 - Oct 6, 2019
 Readings and Mass Intentions**

Sunday, September 29 9:00am-Mass
 Am 6:1a, 4-7/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/1 Tm 6:11-16/Lk 16:19-31
Mass intention for the People of the Parish

Monday, September 30 4:30pm-Communion Service
 Zec 8:1-8/Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23 [17]/Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday, October 1 10:00am-Mass
 Zec 8:20-23/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7 [Zec 8:23]/Lk 9:51-56
Mass intention for Ladies of the Altar Society

Wednesday, October 2 4:30pm-Mass
 Neh 2:1-8/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 [6ab]/Mt 18:1-5, 10

Thursday, October 3 9:00am-Communion Service
 Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [9ab]/Lk 10:1-12

Friday, October 4 9:30am-Communion Service
 Bar 1:15-22/Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9 [9]/Lk 10:13-16

Saturday, October 5 4:30pm-Mass
 6:30pm-Spanish Mass

Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Ps 69:33-35, 36-37 [34]/Lk 10:17-24

Sunday, October 6 9:00am-Mass
 Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14/
 Lk 17:5-10

Mass intention for the People of the Parish

Praise the Lord my soul. (Ps 146)

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for: Bennie Mahaffey, Don Watt, Linda Dipuccio, Shirley Anderson, Ted Koch, Fr. Frank Rossi, Henry Rossi, John Dumesnil, Eileen Dumesnil, Cheyenne Courtney; Irene Johnson, Lois Cuccia, Red Doss, Treasure Jackson, Debbie Cook; Jackie Priddy, Dick Christ, Elvan Bourque, Charles Dean, Bill Davis, Connie St. Pierre, Frank Gray, Jr.

Rest of the soul: Corbet Landry

Names will remain on the prayer list for two weeks. Names written in the Prayer Book in the vestibule of the church will be offered as daily Mass intentions.

Religious Articles



*Browse on Saturday after Mass
 or while having coffee on Sunday
 mornings after Mass.*



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Average Weekly Cost \$ 3,152.00
Excess/Deficit \$ -42.32

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Sun. Sep 29 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00am—Mass Faith Formation following Mass	Mon. Sep 30 4:30pm— Communion Service	Tues. Oct 1 10:00am—Mass 10:30am—Senior Social 12:00pm—Lunch 1:00pm—Altar Society 6:30pm—Exploring the Catholic Faith	Wed. Oct 2 4:00pm—Rosary 4:30pm— Communion Service 5:00pm—Choir NO CCE	Thurs. Oct 3 8:30am—Communion Service 9:00am—Divine Mercy Chaplet	Fri. Oct 4 9:30am—Communion Service	Sat. Oct 5 3:45-4:15pm—Confessions 4:30pm—Mass Anointing during Mass 6:30pm—Spanish Mass
Sun. Oct 6 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00am—Mass Anointing during Mass Faith Formation following Mass	Mon. Oct 7 4:30pm— Communion Service	Tues. Oct 8 6:30pm—Exploring the Catholic Faith	Wed. Oct 9 10:00am—Stewardship 4:00pm—Rosary 4:30pm— Communion Service 5:00pm—Choir 6:00pm—CCE	Thurs. Oct 10 8:30am—Communion Service 9:00am—Divine Mercy Chaplet	Fri. Oct 11 9:30am—Communion Service	Sat. Oct 12 3:45-4:15pm—Confessions 4:30pm—Mass 6:30pm—Spanish Mass

Celebrate!

9-29-19

Please join the Vocations Ministry today, Priesthood Sunday, in praying for our priests, praising God for their courage and their generosity. Please take a moment to thank our priests for all that they do for us. God bless our priests.

VOCATION MINISTRY

Questions for Family Discussions

Adults: What are the "rewards" for caring for the needs of the poor?

Children: What is one thing you and your family could do this week to help those who are poor or sick?

St. Francis of Assisi
 Presents 2nd Annual
Women's Conference
 October 11th - 12th
 Friday: 6pm - 8pm, Saturday: 8am - 3pm

Free Admission
 4300 Meeks Dr. Orange, Tx

Doors open to all young ladies and women, 13yrs and up

Guest Speakers:
Sr. Michaela Martinez
Sr. Marie Hannah
 Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia, Nashville, TN

Exploring the Catholic Faith

Join us on our quest as we explore the Catholic Faith
Tuesday, October 1, 6:30 pm
Refreshments served

Opening prayer Luke 16:19-31
Proclaiming the Gospel
Saint Therese of Lisieux
The Act of Hope

Presented by the RCIA Team

Ecumenical Dinner and Evening of Faith Sharing

Our Lady of the Pines will be hosting an **Ecumenical Dinner and Evening of Faith Sharing on Sunday, October 13th, at 6 pm** in the Family Center. Plan to attend and welcome our fellow Christians from the community.

RSVP by Wednesday, October 9th, to the church secretary at (409) 283-5367 or email: olopcc@sbcglobal.net

Upcoming Events

October 7: Understanding Human Trafficking in Texas, Msgr. Kelly HS, Beaumont, TX, 6:00 pm

October 11-12: Catholic Women's Conference, St. Francis of Assisi, Orange, TX

October 13: Ecumenical Dinner & Faith Sharing, OLOP Family Center, 6:00pm

October 19: Fall Festival, St. Catherine School, Port Arthur, TX, 11 am-3 pm

October 19: Music Festival Fundraiser, St. Martin de Porres, Beaumont, TX, 11 am—8 pm

October 27: Life Chain, Courthouse Square sidewalk, Woodville, Tx, 2:30pm - 3:30pm