

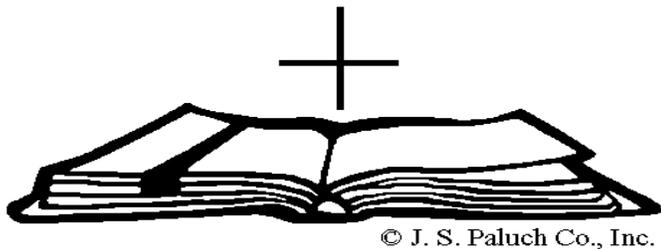
**Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 29, 2019**

[K]eep the commandment without stain or reproach until the appearance of our Lord Jesus Christ.
— 1 Timothy 6:14

HOW GOD INTENDS US TO LIVE

Today's readings are again directed to believers, communities of faith. As in last week's reading, Amos confronts us with a condemnation of those whose lives are focused on pleasure and self-absorption. The psalm contrasts that focus with the Lord's—justice for the oppressed; food the hungry; freedom for captives; sight to the blind; raising of those who are bowed down; loving the just; protecting strangers, orphans, and the widow; and by doing so, thwarting the way of the wicked. Timothy urges the pursuit of righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience, and gentleness. Luke tells the familiar tale of the wealthy man and the poor beggar at his doorstep, who experience life very differently in this world and in the next. We are once again being given clear indications about how God intends for us to live our lives.

Mass Intentions



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Sat., Sept. 28, 4:30 p.m. Henry McNamara, Dennis McCloskey, Nick Sita, Huval Family, Karge Family, Louis Perschall Sr., Thomas Pitre, Earline Mauthe, Hotard Family, Barrilleaux Family, Connie Tyler, Rev. Harry A. Romano, Sylvia Callahan (L)

Sun., Sept. 29, 7:30 a.m. Parishioners

Sun., Sept. 29, 9:15 a.m. Carol Pieri

Sun., Sept. 29, 11:00 a.m. Audrey Eiermann, Julia David', Bruno Touchard, Henry Bermudez Jr., Ed Sicard (L)

Mon., Sept. 30, 8:00 a.m. Margaret Mary Mule'

Tues., Oct. 01 NO MASS

Wed., Oct 02, 8:00 a.m. Mary Trosclair (L)

Thurs., Oct. 03, 8:00 a.m. Frederick J. and Rita Addotto Sr.

Fri., Oct. 04, 8:00 a.m. David Tucker

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Rosh Hashanah (Jewish New Year) 5780 begins at sundown
Monday: St. Jerome
Tuesday: St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus
Wednesday: The Holy Guardian Angels
Friday: St. Francis of Assisi; First Friday
Saturday: Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos; Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday

PRAYER LIST

Helen Lafleur	James Michael Cole
Scott St. Romaine	Michael Estrada
Lisa Crawford Valley	Freddie Addotto
Fred Kopfler	Louise Cashmere
Audrey Maracich	Florence Hoffman
Sylvia Callahan	Trey Pertuit
Max Jones	Gloria Huber

Weekly Collections

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Envelopes	\$ 2,291.00
Loose	\$ 1,520.40
Building and Preservation Fund	\$ 96.00

The candles burn in honor of:

Sanctuary	Jon Craig (L) and Jon Holmes (L)
Blessed Mother	Kathy Holmes (L)
St. Joseph	Craig and Jennifer Schiro (L)
St. Ann	Megan Guidry (L)

If you would like to honor your intention by burning a 7 day candle please call 796-3806.

If you would like to burn a 7 day candle for someone special, we have a few dates available. What a thoughtful gift for a loved one. The candles are \$7.00 each and burn from a Friday to Friday. If you are interested please call the office.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The flowers on the Altar are in memory of

Ann Martha Johnson

COFFEE AND DONUTS – MINISTRY FAIR

Please join all the Ministries for Coffee and Donuts next weekend after the 7:30 and 9:15 Masses in Jonathan Hall. They will share what their ministry has to offer. We invite everyone to join us for good coffee, donuts and fellowship.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Over the past century, a desire to recover a deep sense of unity among all believers in Christ has grown. The "ecumenical movement" (from the Greek word meaning the "the whole inhabited world") began among Protestant Christians, but was given great energy in 1920 with a letter from the Orthodox Patriarch of Constantinople, calling for closer dialogue and cooperation among Christians. In 1960, Pope John XXIII invited Protestant and Orthodox observers to the Second Vatican Council. In 1964, the Council's Decree on Ecumenism named these Christians "separated brethren," a huge leap forward from the time of labeling them as "outside the Church." A year later, a new pope, Paul VI, and the Orthodox Patriarch officially nullified the condemnations that walled off East from West for nine hundred years.

The pace and optimism of the 1960s has sadly waned, and the signs of progress toward unity are few; yet there are wider agreements on sharing Communion among various Christian denominations, and among Protestants agreements regarding sharing of ecclesiastical life and ministry. Among the success stories of the ecumenical movement are greater cooperation among Christian clergy, a similar Lectionary for Protestants and Catholics, and even experiments

NAME CHANGE: St. John's has changed the name of the ministry that aids in helping of people in need from "Christian Ministries", to "St. John's Outreach" to better reflect the work that the group does. For many years this ministry has responded to crisis requests for financial aid or help with small home repairs for anyone who lives within our church parish boundary, Catholic or not. We visit the home, validate the need, and pray with the people. In this way, we bring our Church; we bring Jesus, to the poor, elderly, lonely or anyone in crisis. Our work is funded by the "Poor Box" at the back of Church. We look forward to the upcoming Ministries Fair in the hope of inviting others to join our ministry.

PIVOTAL PLAYERS

Pivotal Players DVD Series continues next Sunday at 6:00 p.m. in the Jonathan Hall library. We will study St. Francis of Assisi. Christ's mission to St. Francis, to "rebuild my Church," is the perennial task of the Church in every age. How is this reform and renewal accomplished? The radical simplicity of the life of St. Francis demonstrates how the foundation of true and lasting reform is to be built on the solid rock that is the witness of the saints.

Pivotal players continue on Sunday October 13th at 6:00 p.m. in the Jonathan Hall library. Please join us in studying the life and teachings of Blessed John Henry Newman on the very day that he will be canonized by Pope Francis as Saint John Henry Newman. Newman used his prodigious intellectual gifts in defense of the Church in a secular age.

WORKSHOPS FOR NEW READERS - EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Basic workshops for new Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and basic workshops for readers will be presented this fall by the Office of Worship. Attendance at the workshops for both workshops is required before a person can be delegated by the Archbishop to serve in this ministry. If you feel you are called to serve please call the office at 796-3806.

Vocation Weekend for High School and College Age Men Come and See Vocation Discernment Weekend for high school juniors and seniors, and college-age men will be held November 8-10, 2019, at St. Joseph Seminary College, Covington, Louisiana. This is an opportunity for men who are interested in the priesthood and who would like to find out more about seminary life. There is no cost for the weekend. For more information or to register, call the Archdiocesan Vocation Office at 504-861-6298 or email vocations@archdiocese-no.org.

HELP WANTED!

St. John's is seeking a part time person to clean various buildings. If you are interested or know someone interested in this position, please call the office.

LAUDATO SI: CONFRONTING CLIMATE CHANGE

Pope Francis shook the world several years ago when he wrote his encyclical on care for our Common Home. The world and Church continue to struggle to understand the conversion to which he called us. On Tuesday, October 8-29, 2019 at St. Benedict College, St. Benedict, La there will be a Fall Lecture Series on this topic. Presenters: Matt Rousso, Dir. Maryknoll Mission Center. Sessions will begin every evening with prayer. To register, email, mrousso@maryknoll.org or call 985-376-4142.

REMINDERS!

The next Knights of Columbus meeting is on Thursday, October 10th at 7:30 p.m. in Odilo Hall

First Saturday mass at 8:00 a.m. every month

Monday Bible Study, 7:30 p.m. in the Library

Men's group, every Thurs., 7:00 p.m. in Library, except second Thurs.

Catch Fire Youth Group will meet, Oct. 20 in O.H. at 3:00 p.m.

Exodus Adult Bible Study, Thursdays, or Fridays at 9:00 a.m. in the Library in Jonathan Hall

PSR classes grades K – 8th, Wednesdays, 6:15 – 7:30 p.m. in J H.

9th and 10th grade PSR classes, Sundays, noon – 1:30 p.m. in Library