

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 27, 2020

Have in you the same attitude that is also in Christ Jesus.

— Philipians 2:5

FAMILIAR INSIGHTS

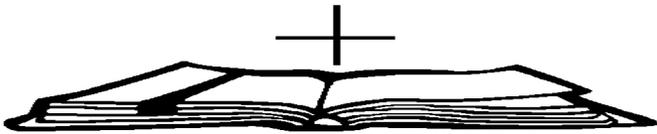
Spiritual teachers tend to repeat themselves, and to repeat other teachers. Maybe there really aren't that many different truths to tell. Just a lot of slow, sleepy human beings—like us—who need to hear the basics over and over. Consider today's readings.

People complain God isn't "fair," and Ezekiel answers that God is more than fair. People choose their own fates, and people can change. Even evildoers can turn, do right, and live. "Actions speak louder than words." A fresh new insight? Hardly.

Paul tells the Philipians that he would truly be encouraged if those who claimed to be believers would, in fact, look to others' interests and not their own. "The proof of the pudding is in the eating." A novel idea? I don't think so.

In Jesus' story of the farmer and his sons, everyone knows that the one who said he wouldn't work—but did—is way ahead of the one who said he would work—but didn't. "Talk is cheap." Heard that before?

Mass Intentions



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Sat., Sept. 26, 4:30 p.m. Dennis McCloskey, Huval Family, Nick Sita, Ruthi Olson, David Tucker, Willo Lindsey Crawford, and for the living: Fr. Robert Cavalier, Special Intention

Sun., Sept. 27, 7:30 a.m. Parishioners

Sun., Sept. 27, 9:15 a.m. Carol Pieri

Sun., Sept. 27, 11:00 a.m. Marie Duhon, Jack Sharp, Lynn Landry Kernion, Jean Callais, Lillian Bartel, and for the living: Liz Callais, Martin Lowther, Lo-Ann Erwin, Charles and Linda Wartelle, Griffin Mehaffey

Mon., Sept. 28, 8:00 a.m. Laura Zimmer (L)

Tues., Sept. 29 NO MASS

Wed., Sept. 30, 8:00 a.m. Mary Trosclair

Thurs., Oct. 01, 8:00a.m. Nick Sita

Fri., Oct. 02, 8:00 a.m. Sr. Claire Mule' D.C.

PRAYER LIST

- James Michael Cole
Scott St. Romaine
Fred Kopfler
Kenneth Vicari
Joseph Hadad
Roy M. Piazza
Brandy Touns
Mr. and Mrs. Tim Smith and Family
Tommy Smith and Family
Dot Willie
Freddie Addotto
Louise Cashmere
Nita Addotto
Yolanda Bourgeois
Pam Addotto
LeLe Kopfler



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THE CANDLES BURN IN HONOR OF:

- Sanctuary: Glenn Dupre
Blessed Mother: Angelle Trahan
St. Joseph: Capt. George Price Jr.
St. Ann: Ruthi Olson

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

SANCTUARY FLOWERS ARE IN HONOR OF

Brad Brown III and Gabrielle Brown



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Please pray for Frank Minyard, husband of Nancy Minyard, who entered peacefully into eternal rest. Whoever lives and believes in me shall never die. [John 11:26]

PRAYER FOR PROTECTION FROM CORONAVIRUS LET US PRAY,

Loving and faithful God, the coronavirus reminds us that we have no power and we are dependent on you. We place ourselves in your loving hands. Give eternal rest to all who have died from the virus. Place your healing hand on those who are ill and give your protection to us in this time of fear and uncertainty. Calm our fears and help us to trust you as our faithful God. Enlighten our government and Church leaders as they are faced with important decisions. Give blessing to those in health care and protect them. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Our Lady of Prompt Succor hasten to help us. Blessed Francis Seelos, pray for us. **AMEN**

BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

Please accept a baby bottle when leaving church this weekend from the St. John's Knights of Columbus. They are sponsoring a Baby Bottle Campaign to benefit The Northlake Crisis Pregnancy Center in Covington. This Center is a pro-life ministry dedicated to promoting the sanctity of human life by providing vital resources to those experiencing an unplanned pregnancy including their most powerful pro-life tool, the ultrasound. Please return the filled bottles to church on October 10th and 11th. Please note that we need all bottles returned regardless of the amount in the bottles.

9-Hour Novena for Life

**9-Hour Novena for Life – Wednesday, October 14th ___
10:00am to 7:00pm**

Everyone is invited and encouraged to join the Knights of Columbus in church on Wednesday, October 14th in praying a 9-Hour Novena for Life. You may attend the entire novena or just come for whatever amount of time you have available. The novena will begin at 10am with the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, followed by the Rosary. The Rosary, the Angelus or the Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be prayed every hour on the hour with intercessory prayers and reflections on the sanctity of Life. The novena will end following the Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 6:30pm. Also, the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available between 11am-noon and 4-5pm.

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

Saints Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, Archangels
September 29 – Feast

Patrons of soldiers & police (Michael); messengers & postal workers (Gabriel); travelers & the blind (Raphael)

The Archangels feast is about the created spiritual beings known as angels who fill the space between God and man, communicating His message, protecting man from harm, and battling against the armies of Satan. The Archangels Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael transmit some of God's most important messages.

Michael leads the war cry in a mysterious, metaphysical battle against the Devil and his minions in the Book of Daniel. "There is no one with me who contends against these princes except Michael, your prince" (Dan. 10:21), and "At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise" (Dan. 12:1). Michael means "Who is like God."

Gabriel is an essential figure in the events surrounding the Incarnation. We first meet him in the Jerusalem temple, announcing the birth of Saint John the Baptist to his father Zachary: "I am Gabriel, I stand in the presence of God, and I have been sent to speak to you and to bring you this good news" (Luke 1:19). He later conveys the message of all messages to the Virgin Mary, eliciting her "Yes" to God's sublime invitation. Gabriel means "the strength of God."

Raphael appears in the disguise of a man in the Book of Tobit, guiding the young Tobiah along his journey. "... God sent me to heal you and Sarah your daughter-in-law. I am Raphael, one of the seven angels who stand ready and enter before the glory of the Lord" (Tobit 12: 14-15). Raphael means "God heals."

REMINDERS

First Saturday Mass at 8:00 a.m.

Weekly Wednesday Adoration, 8:30 – 9:30 a.m.

First Friday Adoration Benediction, 8:30 – 9:30 a.m.

Men's Study Group in Odilo Hall, Thurs. 7 p.m.

Knights of Columbus meet Thurs., Oct.8th, 7 p.m. in Odilo Hall

PSR classes every Wednesday, 6:15 - 7:30 p.m.

On Monday, September 28th at 9:00 a.m. in Odilo Hall, our Church history class will continue our study of the great Bishop and Doctor of the Church, St. Augustine. We will also study the third and fourth Ecumenical Councils (Ephesus and Chalcedon), along with the indispensable impact of Pope Leo the Great.