

St. Aloysius, Gate of Heaven & Sacred Heart Church

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME OCT 27, 2019

Reflection on Sunday's Readings

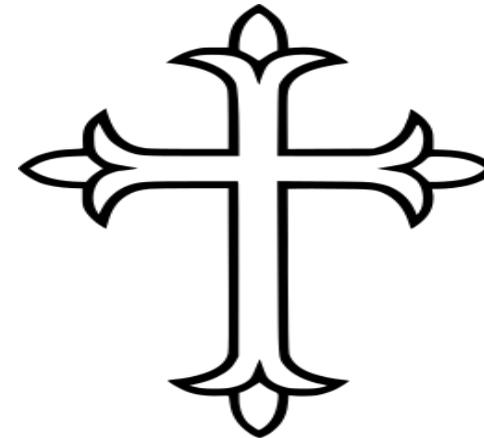
Scripture lessons

The first reading, from Sirach, is a perfect companion piece to the Gospel parable. In one striking image from Sirach, the writer declares *"the prayer of the lowly, pierces the clouds to reach the unseen throne of God."* Such prayers are heard because they come from the hearts of people who know how much they need God. Although God has no favorites and answers the prayers of all, the oppressed, the orphans, the widows, and those who can least help themselves are His special concern. The best prayer is humble and selfless service. In the second reading, the former Pharisee Paul, like the publican in the Gospel parable, humbly acknowledges, his work as accomplished by the grace of God, and he thanks God for enabling him to fight a good battle -- to run a good race while keeping his Faith intact and proclaiming it. In today's Gospel parable about the Pharisee and the tax collector, Jesus reminds us that God hears the prayers those who approach Him in humility with a repentant heart. God did not hear the prayer of this Pharisee because he exalted himself. His prayer was a prayer of thanksgiving that he was not as evil as other people. He announced to God his freedom from sin and detailed his fidelity in observing the prescribed fast and in giving tithes. The tax collector's prayer, *"O God, be merciful to me, a sinner,"* was heard because he humbled himself, acknowledging his sins and requesting God's mercy.

Life Messages:

1) Let us evict the Pharisee and revive the publican in each of us. We become the proud Pharisee when we brag about our achievements giving no credit to God, when we seek praise and recognition from others for our accomplishments, and when we degrade others with insensitive comments, hurting their feelings. In today's Gospel, Jesus challenges us to imitate the humble publican (tax collector), by acknowledging our total dependence on God and His grace for all our achievements and blessings; by confessing to God daily our sinfulness and asking for His pardon and forgiveness; by praying for God's continued daily support through His grace; by asking for His strengthening through the daily anointing and of His Holy Spirit living within us; and by becoming more sensitive to the needs and feelings of others, serving Jesus in them as best as we can.

2) Let us include all the necessary ingredients in our prayers. Our personal prayers must include our request for pardon and forgiveness for our sins, thanksgiving for the numerous blessings we receive daily from God, praise and worship, the unconditional surrender of our life and all our activities completely and unconditionally to God, the acknowledgement of our weakness and total dependence on Him, and finally, the presentation of our needs and petitions, accompanied by the fervent request for God's strengthening in our weakness and temptations by the daily anointing of His Holy Spirit. Let us pray every day: *"Be merciful to me, a sinner."*



22 Church Street, PO Box 206
Livingston Manor, NY 12758

Tel: 845-439-5625

st.aloysius@hotmail.com

www.staloysiuschurch.org

Mass Schedule

Saturday	4:00 PM	St. Aloysius
Saturday	5:30 PM	Sacred Heart Church (July 4th to Labor day)
Sunday	9:00 AM	St. Aloysius
	11:00 AM	Gate of Heaven

Weekday

M/T/F	8:15 AM	St. Aloysius
Thursday	12:00 PM	St. Aloysius
First Saturday	8:15 AM	St. Aloysius

Adoration

M/T/F	7:30 to 8:15 AM
Friday	9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Holy Day of Obligation

Holy Eve:	5:30 PM	Gate of Heaven
Holy Day:	9:00 AM	St. Aloysius
	7:00 PM	St. Aloysius

Sacraments

Confession: Before all masses.
Baptism: Call the rectory to make arrangements.
Marriage: Call the rectory to schedule your Wedding and pre-Cana classes.

Pastoral Visitation

When confined at home, please call the rectory to arrange for a visit and Holy Communion. Please call the rectory if you are facing surgery or hospitalization and would like the Sacrament of the Sick.

Parish Staff

Rev. Edward Bader, Administrator
Rev. Antony David MMI

Trustees

Ms. Jane Ryan
Mr. Andrew Carlson

Religious Education

Youth Activities

Mrs. Mary Davis

Parish Council Chairperson

Mr. Michael Park

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

As a parish, we strive to bring our communities of Catholic Christians together, as we have for over 100 years, by loving and serving God and Each other through Worship, education and service.

MASS INTENTIONS: Oct 26- Nov 3 , 2019

Saturday, Oct 26

4.00 PM- Matt Gadziala

Mon, Oct 28

8:15 AM -

Thurs Oct 31

12:PM- Fallen away Catholics

5.30 PM-

Saturday, Nov 2

9. AM- All Souls

4:00 PM-

Sunday, Oct 27

9:00 AM - Peg & Joe Gillian

11:00 AM -

Tues. Oct 29

8:15 AM - Mildred Irace

Fri. Nov 1

9.AM- Unborn Children

7.PM-

Sunday, Nov 3

9:00 AM- Edna & Charles Michaud

11:00.AM- Fulton/ Miller Families

NOTE: No Gift can replace offering a mass for departed soul or welfare of living. We have openings for weekdays and weekend masses.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK & DECEASED

For the Sick: Joni & Vinny Salvatore, Colleen & Jerrilynn O’Neil; Nora Fernandez,; Laurie & William McMichael, Carol Faughn, Christopher Merklin, Jack Tempel, Robert Ackerly, Sr. Grace, Maureen Connolly, Dave Tucker, Shannon Bruning, Patty Lewis, Lynne Hyzer, Beth Marie Martin, Kristi Romolo, Erma Carlson , Jim Wilbur, Dom Formato, Darren Steele, Jonell Dalton, Carrie Neer-Molinari, Mary Muhlig, Scott Branning, Easton Gorr. Joe Salvia. Joe & Linda Mchugh, Jerry & Roe Mills, Ken & Arsenia Mchugh, Deniese Harting, Maureen Molloy, Frank Kinsley, Mary Jones.

For the Deceased: Kristinezeh. Jon Joseph Tusso,Wanda L. McGovern,Gail J. Staudt, Rita Ann Evans, Nickolaus Bermel Jr, Bill Guinan, Sr. Kenneth Reddington, Jim Englehardt, Ellen Krajcovic, John Augusta, Max Evans, Mildred Irace.

COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY

Is in need of spaghetti sauce, soup, tuna fish, jelly and cereal.

Collection for last Week. Thank you
First collection: \$ 1750

Readings for Next Sunday
Wisdom 11:22-12:2
2 Thess 1:11-2:2
Luke 19:1-10

BIBLE STUDY
Good Soil Bible Study Group will meet this week.
Tuesday 4.00 PM at Rectory.

ANNUAL HALLOWEEN PARADE!

October 31st at 4 p.m.
Livingston Manor Firehouse
Main St., Livingston Manor
3:45 line up at Firehouse
4:00/4:15 Parade Begins
Parade Ends at Post Office
Sponsored By
The Livingston Manor Fire Department
Auxiliary

All Souls Day

On November 2 we celebrate all souls day. Our Christian tradition reminds us of praying for the departed souls in our families. Visiting the cemetery and praying for beloved ones are found in our tradition. The mass will be at St. Aloysius 9am. After the mass we will proceed to St. Aloysius cemetery for prayer and blessing. we have envelop for all souls day, please collect them from back of the Church and write names of the departed souls in your family and return it before November 2.

CHOIR LOFT

We have kind request to everyone. Only choir members are allowed to be in choir loft. Please parents make sure you are with your kids in the pew.

PARISH REGISTRATION

We would like to update parish families’ details. Please collect the form, fill it and submit to Fr. David or mail to the parish. This should be done by everyone even you registered already.

THE MASS SCHEDULE FOR HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION. ALL SAINTS’ DAY

October 31, Thursday
Gate of Heaven at 5.30 PM
November 1, Friday
St. Aloysius at 9.00 AM
St. Aloysius at 7.00 PM

Young Adults in our County!

Our parish will be hosting some special guests on November 2 nd 3 rd . Members from four regional Hudson Valley Catholic young adult communities will be joining us to speak about community and what it means to them. Their purpose for visiting is to engage our young adults and help them start a young adult community of their own here in Sullivan County. Not only will they invite them to become involved, they will also give them a special invitation to an event they will be hosting here in the county so that they can bring together all of our young adults. If you are a young adult college aged (18) to 39,it doesn’t matter what state in life, single, married, divorced, widowed, single parent... we invite and encourage to be at Mass that weekend to meet these young adults on fire for their faith and who love the community they are members of. If you are not a young adult but you know young adults who are family, friends, or co-workers, invite them and encourage them to be at Mass that weekend.

