

St. Aloysius, Gate of Heaven & Sacred Heart Church

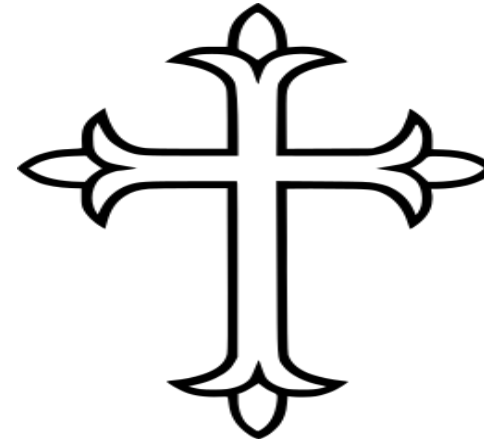
TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SEPTEMBER 27, 2020.

Reflections on Sunday's Readings

Scripture lessons summarized: In the first reading, the Lord God, through His prophet, Ezekiel, corrects the Jewish beliefs that children inherit the guilt of their ancestors and are punished for their sins, and that God is more strict than merciful. God explains that His mercy overrules strict justice and that He will punish us only for our sins, not for the sins of our ancestors. Today's Responsorial Psalm (Ps 25) appeals to God's compassion and mercy, begging Him to wipe away our sins and extend mercy to us. **The second reading**, Paul's Letter to the Philippians, also affirms the truth that the final choice for God, made by perfect obedience to Him, will be rewarded. Paul emphasizes the fact that it is because of Christ's obedience to God's will in *emptying himself, taking human form* and humbling himself by accepting *even death on a cross* that God the Father *exalted Christ, bestowed on him the Name above every other name*, and made Jesus the recipient of universal adoration. In the parable in **today's Gospel**, a man with two sons tells both to go out to work in the vineyard. The first son says he won't go, but later regrets it and works. The second son says he will go but does not. In each case, it is the final decision that is more important. Jesus teaches through this short parable that repentant tax-collectors and prostitutes, represented by the first son who initially refused to go, will make their way into the Kingdom of God before the chief priests and the elders, represented by the second son in the parable. By their pride and their refusal to obey God's call to repentance, the scribes and the Pharisees are excluding themselves, while the tax-collectors and sinners whom they despised are repenting of their sins and will be accepted into God's Kingdom. It is a parable on the necessity of offering a continual "yes" to the saving act of God.

Life messages: (1) We need to do God's will every day: Each one of us is responsible to God for every one of our actions, and the just God will punish or reward each individual according to that person's actions. Since we are not sure about the moment of our death, our only guarantee of dying in God's friendship is to live in that friendship always, saying "Yes," to God by doing His will.

2) It is never too late for us to repent, be converted, and allow the Holy Spirit to renew our life: If we have been disobedient to God in our past life, we need to knock at the door of God's mercy. God can, and will, do for us what, in his mercy, He, did for the repentant tax-collectors and harlots in the parable and in real life. Hence, every night we need to repent of our sins and ask God's pardon God.



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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 TO S	8:15 AM	St. Aloysius
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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 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: Sep 26 - Oct 4, 2020

Saturday, Sep 26

8.15 AM- Families
4.PM- Maria Sander

Mon, Sep 28

8.15. AM - Veterans

Wed Sep 30

8.15 AM- School Children

Thurs, Oct 01

8.15. A.M- First Responders

Saturday, Sep 26

8.15 AM- Heather Smith(Birthday)
4.PM- Unborn

Sunday, Sep 27

9:00 AM - Anne Mc grath
11.00 AM - Barbara Templin

Tues. Sep 29

8:15 AM - Rita Lusker (Birthday)

Fri. Oct 02

8.15 AM- Lenora Mc Ginnis

Sunday, Sep 27

9:00 AM- Geraldine Lusker (Birthday)
11:00.AM- Berkman's Family

NOTE. Free will offering is accepted for the mass offered. There is no fixed stipend.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK & DECEASED

For the Sick: Joni & Vinny Salvatore, Colleen & Jerrilynn O'Neil; Nora Fernandez,; Laurie & William McMichael, Carol Faughn, Christopher Merklin, Robert Ackerly, Sr. Grace, Maureen Connolly, Dave Tucker, Shannon Bruning, Patty Lewis, Lynne Hyzer, Beth Marie Martin, Erma Carlson , Jim Wilbur, Dom Formato, Darren Steele, Jonell Dalton, Carrie Neer-Molinari, Easton Gorr. Joe Salvia. Joe & Linda Mchugh, Jerry & Roe Mills, Ken & Arsenia Mchugh, Deniese Harting, Maureen Molloy, Frank Kinsley, Mary Jones, Carl Diane Rafi, Walter Hanewich, David Porter and David, Gina Teipelke.

For the Deceased: Jim Englehardt, Ellen Krajcovic, John Augusta, Max Evans, Mildred Irace, Paula Jordan, Bernard Greenthal, Vivian Kocher, Raimondo Aiello , Maria Sander, Cesaria Rodriguez Vega, Raymond Aiello, Janice Aracci, Msgr. John Ruvo, Carrie Molinari, Joe wood & Marcella Babich.

COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY

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

Collection for Last Week.
First Collection: \$1342
Fuel Collection: \$100
Thank you.

Readings for Next Sunday
Isaiah 5:1-7
Philippians 4:6-9
Matthew 21:33-43

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

Mass Attendance for last week

Place	Time	Number of people attended
St.Aloysius Church	4. PM - Saturday	20
St.Aloysius Church	9.AM - Sunday	23
Gate of Heaven	11.AM- Sunday	14
	Total	57

Congratulations

We Congratulate **Mrs. Kelly Bullis** for she was confirmed on 09.20.200 by the Bishop Jerry Colacicco. May God bless her with gifts of the Holy Spirit.

Jesus, our Friend

This is what I think of God's justice; my way is all confidence and love. I do not understand souls who fear a Friend so tender. At times, when I am reading certain spiritual treatises in which perfection is shown through a thousand obstacles, surrounded by a crowd of illusions, my poor little mind quickly tires; I close the learned book that is breaking my head and drying up my heart, and I take up Holy Scripture. Then all seems luminous to me; a single word uncovers for my soul infinite horizons, perfection seems simple to me, I see it is sufficient to recognize one's nothingness and to abandon oneself as a child into God's arms. Leaving to great souls, to great minds the beautiful books I cannot understand, much less put into practice, I rejoice at being little since children alone and those who resemble them will be admitted to the heavenly banquet.

by

Father Gary Caster

