

MASS INTENTIONS FOR October 27—November 4, 2018

THIRTIETH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Saturday, Oct. 27 5:00 pm For + **Samuel David** by the David family
Sunday, Oct. 28 9:30 am For + **Robert Barabash** by Kevin and Shelly
11:30 am For **All St. John Bosco Parishioners**
Tuesday, Oct. 30 9:00 am For **Teresa Grondin** by Jim and Olive Brown
Wednesday, Oct. 31 9:00 am For + **Adela Madrid** by Beauy
Thursday, Nov. 1 9:00 am **ALL SAINTS DAY**
For + **Artur Ferraz** by Lopes family
Friday, Nov. 2 7:00 pm **ALL SOULS DAY**
Mass, Adoration, Confessions
Community Mass Intentions

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Saturday, Nov. 3 5:00 pm For +**All deceased members of the Arante, Pfleider and Mendoza families** by the Mendoza family
Sunday, Nov. 4 9:30 am For **All St. John Bosco Parishioners**
11:30 am For + **Philippe Pouliot** by the K.C's

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Thursday, Nov. 1 7:00 pm LEGION OF MARY

1ST RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION) MEETING

For both parent and child

Saturday, Nov. 3 @ 11:00 am OR Nov. 7 @ 7:00 pm

Sunday, Nov. 4 PANCAKE BREAKFAST AFTER BOTH MASSES

COME JOIN OUR
BIBLE  **Study**
Thursday, Nov. 8 7:00 pm BIBLE STUDY Come join us to get to know the basics of the Bible and to have a discussion on the Gospel of the week. We look forward to seeing you drop by.

CATHOLIC GIRLS LEAGUE: Calling all girls aged 9-15. Meetings are held on the 3rd Saturday of each month @ 1 pm upstairs at the Church. Come for faith, friendship, fun and formation. To join us in October please call Alex 780-984-0417 or Nicole @ 780-850-1076 for more information

VISITS FOR THE SICK. Our parish is pleased to have a visitation team to comfort the sick. Father and the team are available for you for either Communion or an Anointing, or perhaps simply just a visit if your feeling alone. Please call the parish office if you or someone you know is in need



CWL NEWS! The ladies have some delicious large apple pies for sale for \$8.00 each. They are frozen and ready to take home to bake. Please call the parish office if you wish to pick one up.

You DESERVE a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend! You attend seminars to learn new skills to improve your career and work opportunities, right? Why not dedicate one weekend to enhance your most important relationship... with your Spouse! It's like finding the owners manual for your marriage. **One weekend can truly change your life!**

The next Marriage Encounter weekend is **November 16th to Sunday November 18th**
For more info contact Nicole & Gavin VanKuppeveld: (780) 464-2874
or Greg and Elly Gelasco 780-478-1189

VISIT WITH ARCHBISHOP RICHARD SMITH. On Sunday, Nov. 4th Archbishop Richard Smith will Celebrate at the 11:30 mass with us. Come join us for a town hall meeting at the pancake breakfast. After pancake breakfast he will meet with parish council and the parish team.

VITAL WORD: Why raise your children in the faith and not just let them decide for themselves what they believe? Steven Defer talks shop in this commentary on what we have to pass on to our loved ones. **Vital Word** is a new series of video blogs ('vlogs') that aim to support viewers in reading and following Scripture by linking passages to current issues or events affecting Catholics and the Church as whole. The series is being published weekly on **Grandin Media's Youtube channel.**



Our Condolences and the assurance of our prayers are offered to Elizabeth Sadoway and family after the death of her sister in law Anne Sadoway last week.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: "If God wants to move me, then I go! Yes, I am scared. Yes, I doubt. Yes, I am afraid things will crumble around me. Yes, I know this will be tough and this stress will sometimes seem unbearable. Yes, I know life will never be the same. But God wants to use ME! I am not saying no. I have my call. I must go!" – *Sunshine Rodgers*

**Grace with lines inspired by the Readings
for October 28, 30th Sunday of Ordinary Time**



Leader: Lord Jesus, we thank you for your Word. You encourage us to turn to you in our need seeking your mercy. (*Mk. 10:46-48*)

All: Lord may we who receive your mercy be a source of prayer for our brothers and sisters.

Together: Bless us Oh Lord and these thy gifts, which we are about to receive from your bounty, through Christ Our Lord Amen.

All: We give you thanks, Almighty God, for all your gifts, who live and reigns now and for ever **Amen.**

LIVING IN THE WORD: *Continued from last week.*

PUTTING THE WORD OF GOD INTO PRACTICE

What use do I make of time? Do I set aside time for prayer, for Sunday mass, for the enjoyment of family? Am I able to dedicate some time to volunteer in the parish, our schools, hospitals or charitable organizations? What time can be dedicated to the study of the faith, or to understanding in the light of the Gospel the issues that impact the poor, both at home and abroad, and the environment?

How am I using the gift of financial resources? The Word of God calls us to offer God "the first fruits" of our labours (cf. *Deuteronomy* 26: 1-15; *Proverbs* 3: 5-10; cf. *2Corinthians* 9: 6-15). This means that our budgeting and financial planning should include the mission of Christ's Church and the needs of our brothers and sisters among our first priorities. I ask everyone, as we heed the call to embrace our Baptism, to consider the needs of the parish, the Archdiocese, our institutions and the community in general. Let us reflect upon the proportional, even sacrificial giving that can be offered through both regular gifts and future estate planning.

Mercy at the Heart of It All

The disciple lives from the mercy of God. The Lord calls us precisely in our weakness, and mercifully bestows upon us all the gifts we need for the fulfillment of our Christian calling. Our need for mercy is especially clear as we strive to do God's Word through worship, witness and service. True worship, especially through celebration of the Eucharist, requires that we examine our way of living so as first to seek forgiveness and reconciliation (cf. *1Corinthians* 11:27-29). Credible witness demands that we be healed of any sinful ways of living that do not correspond to what we profess to believe. Joyful service of others arises when God's mercy heals us of sin that closes us in upon ourselves.

I invite each member of our Archdiocese to examine their practice of turning to God for mercy. Let us each consider: When was the last time I went to confession? How often do I seek the Lord's mercy in this wonderful sacrament? These are essential questions that every missionary disciple must ponder with great seriousness, because only by receiving God's mercy can we become its agents for others.

CONCLUSION

In this letter we have considered together the call of Pope Francis to embrace fully the meaning of our Baptism and to live consciously as disciples of Jesus Christ. This means hearing the Word of God and practicing it. As we move forward in response to this invitation of the Holy Father, it would be important to consider this one simple but urgent question: "**Whose word do I, in fact, hear and follow?**" Many different voices speak words to us daily. Consider the Internet, television, radio, books and magazines. We are putting those words into practice when we allow them to influence and shape our ways of thinking.



30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 27/28, 2018

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Sunday's collection:
\$ 3642.00
Together We Serve: \$ 55.00
Children: \$ 65.00 Thank You!!

Parish Priest: Rev. Raja SDB
Deacon Jose Huevo
Mia Turlock Pastoral Assistant
Theresa Wile Pastoral Assistant

PRAYER CORNER:
Roger Joyal

GOSPEL REFLECTIONS

What is persistence and faith? It's the act of not giving up no matter the great odds against us. We continue to pursue because we believe God will help and hear us.

The blind and poor man Bartimaeus had this very mindset. All the odds were stacked against him in his desire to have an encounter with Jesus. He was blind and poor, had no power and influence yet when he heard that Jesus was passing by he mightily shouted, "Jesus, son of David, have pity on me (Mark 10:48)."

Bartimaeus was rebuked and told to keep silent but he persisted on calling Jesus. What made him believe that Jesus would hear him as He passed by? **Bartimaeus has great faith in Jesus**, he believed deep in his heart that Jesus would hear and heal him.

Ironically, Bartimaeus was blind, therefore he did not see Jesus performing miracles. But Bartimaeus believed even if he did not see Jesus doing miracles! It was enough for Bartimaeus to hear the powerful name of Jesus to believe that he would be healed Jesus.

By his deep faith and persistence **Bartimaeus gained the attention of Jesus**. And during that very moment Bartimaeus was healed thus he regained his sight. This is what faith in Jesus can do for us.

For as long as we will not give up on Jesus no matter the difficulties and the odds against us miracles would happen to us. Perhaps its healing from our sickness, perhaps it's the granting of our persistent and faith filled prayers and the like.

How persistent are you in your desire to have an encounter with Jesus? How persistence are you in your desire to get closer and to be healed by Jesus? Do you pray? Do you always attend Holy Mass? Do you have daily time to read His words in the bible?