September 08, 2019 ~ Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Fill us at daybreak with your kindness,
that we may shout for joy and gladness all our days. ~ Psalm 90:14

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Wis 9:13-18b; Ps 90:3-6,12-17; Phlm 9-10,12-17; Lk 14:25-33

Who can comprehend the Lord’s ways or conceive what the Lord intends? True wisdom leads us to acknowledge our limitations (a matter of “calculation”) and our idols of materialism as we seek to follow the Lord without reservation. True discipleship calls us to forgive those who have wronged us. May we gain the wisdom of heart to discern more fully our call to take up the cross of Jesus.

Post-Summer Challenges

With any luck, summer delights will continue a while past last weekend’s Labor Day: refreshing recreation (with maybe an occasional swim) or enjoyable relaxation on the deck (with tasty outdoor grilling). Truth is, for some of us, this year’s Labor Day came way too early. With many schools back in session for a while already, mealtimes and driving schedules needed readjustment to coordinate youth sports with adult commitments. Some religious education and parish programs resumed, too. No surprise, then, that this weekend’s scriptures sound a little like post-summer challenges. For instance, Wisdom reminds us that believers in God can never be content with “timid deliberations” and “unsure plans.” Paul challenges longtime friend and follower Philemon to “let the good you do be voluntary.” Jesus instructs “great crowds” traveling with him—including us—on three things necessary for all true disciples to accomplish. On this early autumn weekend, our scriptures describe disciples’ lifelong labors.

Treasures From Our Tradition

Eastern Catholic and Orthodox Christians share a love for the Byzantine liturgy because it is during the Eucharist that the Church is most true to its identity, expresses its integrity, and discovers its vocation. Eastern Catholic and Orthodox Christians celebrate essentially the identical liturgy, with only very slight variations. It is a fairly complex ritual weaving together three separate layers of prayers: a liturgy prayed in the sanctuary by priests, often hidden by a curtain or screen; a liturgy sung by the assembly and led by a deacon in front of a screen formed of painted icons; and a third layer of private prayer by the priest, who prays in support of the deacon and the faithful. It is an eyes-wide-open experience, gorgeous in visuals, and filled with the sound of God’s people singing prayer. The energy of the worship centers on the presence of Christ, largely through an awareness of heaven touching earth when the Church gathers to celebrate.

In the late twentieth century, Latin Rite Catholics were encouraged to embrace a style of worship that was “full, conscious, and active,” a value that has never been lost in the East. The liturgy has great impact in its beauty, in its poetry and contemplation, and by the actions of bowing, signing with the cross, and chanting that are required of the assembly. Contact with the Eastern Church reveals some key values that have been obscured in our own Church and are slowly being recovered.

Archdiocesan Annual Appeal Update

Thank you to everyone who has made a donation to our 2019 AAA. If you haven’t donated yet, please consider making a donation.

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Please Pray for our Holy Father’s Intention for September

Pope’s Intention: The Protection of the Oceans. That politicians, scientists and economists work together to protect the world’s seas and oceans.
Religious Education Classes

The staff and catechists of St. Patrick Church are dedicated to helping your children grow in faith and be closer to God. As parents, you are the primary educators of your children and are their best teachers. Your children learn the most from the example you set when you pray together and actively participate in Mass and the sacraments as a family.

Our Religious Education Program is designed to assist you in the faith formation of your children. Enroll your child after all Masses every Sunday in August. First-time students must provide a valid baptismal certificate. Classes began on Saturday, September 7th and will run through May. Class hours are from 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.

Are You Someone or Do You Know Someone Who...

- ...has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- ...has a child over the age of seven who has not been baptized?
- ...was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is an opportunity for you to come together in a small group to learn more about the Catholic faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights, and your faith story in a warm accepting setting. For information please contact the parish office during normal business hours.

Ministers Schedule

Sep 14 - 15, 2019
Saturday, 5:15 p.m.
Readers - Amy Mohler, Rowena Cruz Diaz
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion - Barbara Villanueva, Amy Mohler, Luzviminda Grajales, Mary Josue, Jeannette Chafe

Sunday, 7:30 a.m.
Readers - Therese Guintu, Cathy Bohol
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion - Therese Guintu, Cathy Bohol, Julius Vedasto, Vida Ventura, Albert Chin, Tessie Gallardo

Sunday, 9:30 a.m.
Readers - Renniel Santos, Julie Santos
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion - Ligaya Gementera, Celso Mangoba, Rose Mangoba, Miguel Herrera, Ben Banatao, Malou Pulanco, Rufina Oviedo

Sunday, 12:00 p.m.
Readers - Belinda Rodrigues, Virginia DIlim
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion - Sandra Cea, Mary Josue, Fe Macatangay, Carlito Pantig, Trini Raymundo, Judy Labaria, Jeannette Bird

Sunday, 2:00 p.m. (Charismatic Mass)
Reader - Evelyn Bird
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion - Aliw Bandalaria, Jeannette Bird, Frazier Ataide

Sunday, 5:15 p.m.
Readers - Ellen Gayapa, JM Valencia
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion - Zachary Duldualo, Teng Sullivan, Luzviminda Grajales, Mary Josue

Receive him no longer as a slave
but as a beloved brother

"Other than Sr. Mary Francis having a short fuse, what else did you learn in religion class today?"
Today's Readings

First Reading — You sent your holy spirit from on high and thus were the paths of those on earth made straight (Wisdom 9:13-18b).

Psalm — In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge (Psalm 90).

Second Reading — Paul asks Philemon to accept back his slave Onesimus as a brother (Philemon 9-10, 12-17).

Gospel — Which of you wishing to construct a tower does not first sit down and calculate the cost to see if there is enough for its completion? (Luke 14:25-33).


Parental Rights in Education

Did you know that new California law now requires sex education in public and charter schools—and that the recommended curricula include aggressive promotion of morally objectionable concepts of human sexuality? What can we do to protect our children? Join us to learn more.

English: Thursday, September 12, 6:30-8:30 pm
Address: St Dominic Church 2390 Bush St San Francisco, CA
Spanish: Sunday 9/8/19 2-4 pm, St. Anthony in Menlo Park
https://sfarchdiocese.org/myfamilyrights

Catholic Corner

PIERCED WITH SORROW

Today is the feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The Bible does not record the day of Mary’s birth and it contains very little information about her life. What do we know? God planned in connection with the life of her Son, Jesus. When Mary and Joseph presented their child to God in the temple, the prophet Simeon told Mary that a sword—sorrow—would pierce her heart (Luke 2:35). Mary must have remembered that prophecy as she stood at the foot of the cross when Jesus was dying.

Mary knew the great sorrow of seeing her son die, so she is the perfect companion for all those who grieve. We can look to her for comfort, especially this week as we remember the lives that were lost eighteen years ago on September 11, 2001. Many mothers lost children and wives lost husbands. Many people lost their mothers. Each year since then people around the country and around the world have paused to remember this great loss. Family members gather together to comfort and support one another. The whole country pauses for a moment to pray for all the people who lost someone on that day.

This Wednesday, September 11, take a moment to pray this traditional prayer, the Act of Love. It reminds us that we should love God and love and forgive others. It is good to think about these things on this sad day in our country.

This Wednesday, September 11, take a moment to pray: O my God, I love you above all things, with my whole heart and soul, because you are all good and worthy of all love. I love my neighbor as myself for the love of you. I forgive all who have injured me, and I ask pardon of all whom I have injured.

Save the Date

Fr. Dan Maguire will be celebrating his 50th anniversary as a priest on Saturday, October 12 and we are honored that he will celebrate here with us at St. Patrick with a Mass and reception. Stay tuned for more details in future issues of the bulletin.

The Value of Education

What greater or better gift can we offer the republic than to teach and instruct our youth?

~ Cicero
**Mass Intentions for Sep 08 - 14**

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**Welcome to St. Patrick!!**

Welcome to all of our out-of-town visitors, especially the delegates from **The American Dental Association**

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**WORLD DENTAL CONGRESS**  
September 4-8, 2019  
San Francisco

Thank you for worshipping with us!!

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**Continue to Change**

When you’re through changing, you’re through.  
— Anonymous

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**Readings for the Week**

**Monday:**  
*Col 1:24-2:3; Lk 6:6-11*

**Tuesday:**  
*Col 2:6-15; Lk 6:12-19*

**Wednesday:**  
*Col 3:1-11; Lk 6:20-26*

**Thursday:**  
*Col 3:12-17; Lk 6:27-38*

**Friday:**  
*I Th 1:1-2,12-14; Lk 6:39-42*

**Saturday:**  
*Nm 21:4b-9; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17*

**Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*Ex 32:7-11,13-14; Ps 51:3-4,12-13,17,19; I Th 1:12-17; Lk 15:1-32 or 15:1-10*

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**Follow Your Path**

You have to do your own growing no matter how tall your grandfather was.  
— Abraham Lincoln