

Holy Spirit Catholic Church

*Twenty-Ninth
Sunday in
Ordinary Time*

October 16, 2022

Jesus asked, "Will not God secure the rights of his chosen ones who call out to him day and night?"

Luke 18:7

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HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH

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PARISH ANNEX

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MASS SCHEDULE

MASSSES ARE LIVE-STREAMED AT 6:30 AM MON/TUES/WED;
8:00 AM THUR/FRI; AND 9:00 AM ON SUNDAYS
(YOU TUBE HOLY SPIRIT CHURCH MARYLAND HEIGHTS)

Monday thru Wednesday.....6:30am
Thursday and Friday.....8:00am
Saturday:8:00am and 5:00pm (Vigil)
Sunday: 7:30am, 9:00am, and 11:00am
Holy Days: Please consult the bulletin.

Eucharistic Chapel Hours

Weekdays: 12am to 6am and 9am to 12 midnight.
Saturdays: 12am to 7am
Chapel will close at 7am Saturday until 9am Monday.
Eucharistic Adoration
1:00pm—6:50pm followed by Benediction

SPECIAL REQUESTS

COMMUNION CALLS

Please call the Parish Office to request Communion if someone is unable to attend Church.

HOSPITAL VISITS

Please notify the Parish Office concerning hospitalization.

SACRAMENTS

CONFESSION

Saturday 4:00 to 4:45pm or by appointment

BAPTISMS & CLASSES:

Baptism Class for parents/godparents is normally held on the first Monday of the month at 7 PM in the Church. To register for the meeting and/or to arrange for a baptism, call the Parish Office.

MARRIAGE

Couples planning marriage contact the pastor at least six months in advance.

Registration

New parishioners may register at Parish Office or download a registration form, www.holyspiritstl.org.

New information, such as change of address, phone numbers or moving from the parish, please call Parish Office at 314-739-0230

BULLETIN INFORMATION

Please submit information for the bulletin by Noon TWO Fridays before publication. Include name, daytime phone number of person submitting information, and group name.
Items can be e-mailed to msaputo@holyspiritstl.org.



A Note from Father Bob

Dear Friends,

Grace and peace to you!

All Things New Listening Sessions

Our parish listening sessions for the All Things New planning initiative are this Monday (Oct 17th) and Wednesday (Oct 19th) in our Parish Hall. Both start at 6 pm and conclude at 8 pm. As of this past Tuesday, 104 have signed up for the Monday session and 70 for the Wednesday session. At this point one does not need a reservation to attend. If you should choose to attend without a reservation, we will ask for your name and email address so that you might receive information for providing additional feedback following the listening sessions. If you wish to make a reservation, please go to our website or directly to the Archdiocese's website to signup. If you have any difficulty signing up, please call the parish office for assistance.

The Listening Sessions will not be live-streamed so I encourage you to attend one of the sessions this week. Following the sessions in our planning area, the Archdiocese will publish the information on each area so that all might review the proposals and provide feedback. Thank you for your participation in the planning process. Below is the All Things New prayer. May we all pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit during these days of planning.

Heavenly Father, you sent your Son Jesus as the first Evangelizer of the Good News.

Send forth the power of the Holy Spirit upon the Church of St. Louis and grant us the gift of true discernment so we may do your will in all things.

Help us be totally free to follow wherever you lead us, totally generous to be good stewards of your many gifts, and totally passionate to suffer all in order to be more closely united to you.

Commissioned by your Son and empowered by the Spirit to "Go and Make Disciples of all Nations," strengthen us by the power of your grace as we bring the Good News of Salvation into the lives of all those we touch, so that individual hearts and all of society may be converted to you and all things might be made new.

*Inspired by the apostolic zeal of previous generations, as we begin the process of planning for the future, may our only desire be to do all things for the greater glory and honor of your name and for the good of your people in the Archdiocese of St. Louis. Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.*

Let's pray for each other this week.

Peace,
Father Bob

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Sunday, October 16

7:30am Jane Dixon
9:00am People of the Parish
11:00am Hilary Dsouza

Monday, October 17

6:30am Dotty Noblitt

Tuesday, October 18

6:30am Bonaventure Suares

Wednesday, October 19

6:30am John Roberson, Sr.

Thursday, October 20

8:00am Evelyn Mareschal

Friday, October 21

8:00am Pat Dewitt

Saturday, October 22

8:00am Jane Dixon
5:00pm People of the Parish

Sunday, October 23

7:30am Dorothy Ellebracht
9:00am Marcelia Mente
11:00am Bob Lindner

PRO-LIFE NEWS



Naming & Commendation Rite

The loss of a child before birth can cause parents and families profound grief. The Rite of Naming and Commendation emphasizes the Church's respect for human life from the moment of conception. It also allows the family to acknowledge the reality of that brief but cherished life, identify the child by name and commend him or her in faith to the loving mercy of God.

On **Sunday, Oct 23, Immaculate Conception Church of Dardenne** will be hosting a Rite of Naming and Commendation **following the noon Mass**. We will meet in their gathering area and proceed into church together. All are welcome to attend this prayer service developed by the Archdiocese of St. Louis to meet the needs of families whose children died before birth for any reason (including miscarriage, accident, abortion, or stillbirth). Parents and families of any religious background are invited to attend, whether the loss was recent or long ago. For more information, please contact Kristin Krantz (kristin.roider5@gmail.com) or Debbie Hilke (4hilke@gmail.com) of the parish Reproductive and Child Loss Ministry.

Consider Electronic Giving Year-Round

TO SIGN UP FOR ONLINE GIVING, GO TO
<https://holyspiritstl.org/Online-Giving>

*If you need help navigating the website, please call
Mary Saputo at the Parish Office
314-739-0230*

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

Stewardship for Sept. 26 - Oct. 2, 2022

Sunday Envelopes	\$ 10,116.00
Loose Collection	\$ 477.80
Online Donations	\$ 4,347.00
Total	\$ 14,940.80
Weekly Budget	\$ 17,410.00
Weekly Surplus (shortfall)	\$ (2,469.20)

HandS	Parish Improvements
\$541.00	728.00



FROM DEATH TO NEW LIFE

We express our deep sympathy and assurance of our prayers to the families of

- ◆ KATHRYN ARNOLD, DAUGHTER OF JIM FLOOD & SISTER OF KEVIN FLOOD
- ◆ BILL CHAMBERLAIN, HUSBAND OF LYNN

MAY THEIR SOULS REST IN THE PEACE OF CHRIST.

GLUTEN FREE HOSTS AVAILABLE

Gluten allergy? Would you like a gluten-free host?
Please contact the Parish Office, 314-739-0230.

OUR MISSION:

We, the community of Holy Spirit Parish, centered in the Eucharist, and guided by the Holy Spirit, will use our shared wisdom to be a joyful, accepting and forgiving community. We encourage all to grow in the Catholic faith by teaching and proclaiming the Gospel, serving others and praising God.

SCHOOL NEWS

Congratulations to our Oct. 10 Red & Blue Raffle winner of \$25 ~ Sabrina Shelley
Thank you for supporting our school!

- Mon., Oct. 17:** First Day of wearing of the Winter Uniform (no shorts or skorts can be worn)
Scholastic Book Fair Set Up tonight School Gym
- Tues., Oct. 18:** Scholastic Book Fair begins today thru Thurs., Oct. 20
- Thurs., Oct. 20:** 8:00am— Kindergarten thru Grade 4 Mass led by Grade 1
12:30-2:45 pm—Keystore
6:00-8:00pm— Grade 5 DARE Skate Party
- Fri., Oct. 21:** 8:00am—Grades 5 thru 8 Mass led by Grade 5
3:30pm— Parent viewing & printing of Grades 1 thru 8 Student Report Cards.
Please sign the Report Card and return to your child's Homeroom Teacher.
4:30pm—Dusk Home & School Association sponsored "Might Me Food Truck"
fundraiser at Parkwood Park
- Sat., Oct. 22:** 6:30-8:30pm—Trunk or Treat sponsored by Boy Scouts (more info coming soon)
- Mon., Oct. 24:** "Show Me Dough" fundraiser ENDS today
- Tues., Oct. 25:** Health Screenings will take place today by our School Partnership Nurses through
Cardinal Glennon Preschool thru Grade 8

HOLY SPIRIT YOUTH MINISTRY

FACEBOOK & INSTAGRAM www.facebook.com/hsyouth AND as [hs_youth_stl](#) (HS Youth STL) on Instagram

HIGH SCHOOL TEENS:

EAT. PRAY. DISCUSS. gatherings are on **Thursday nights in the Resource Center from 6:30-8:00 p.m.** Over the next few weeks we'll be talking about friendship (and attempting to make Friendship Bread starters). We will have games, snacks, discussion and prayer together. Join us and bring a friend. Everyone is welcome. You don't have to commit to every Thursday. Just come when you can and stay as long as you like. We are always happy to have you. **We are inviting the 8th grade to join us this year to help build up our youth ministry and small faith community.**
WE HAVE A GROUP TEXT MESSAGE for 8th grade/high school gatherings USING REMIND APP. Contact Donna Eisenbath to be added to the group messages and reminders.

CONFIRMATION

• 8TH GRADE FAMILIES –

- ◇ **Session 9: The Church** is this month. The 3rd Wednesday group is on 10/19; 4th Sunday groups are 10/23; 4th Wednesday group is on 10/26. All meet in the Rigali Room at the Annex.
- ◇ **October 24** is a meeting for **Parents ONLY**.
- ◇ **October 30** is our retreat beginning with 9:00 a.m. Mass and ending at 3:30.
- ◇ ***Your Sacramental Record Form was due in April. Please be sure to turn this in to Donna Eisenbath as soon as possible. Thank you to those who have turned them in.***

WE NEED YOU!

PRAYER PARTNERS – The most important thing you can do for us is pray. Watch here for opportunities to pray for specific needs for youth ministry and our young people.

OCTOBER: We are focusing on friendship. Please pray that our young people are led to good friends and healthy relationships.

MIDDLE SCHOOL MADNESS (MSM) CHAPERONES – URGENT: Our first MSM is set to be on October 21 and we would like to have MSM this month, but as of now, have no chaperones! We will need PCG adults to help chaperone one Friday a month from 7-9 p.m. October to April. Please contact Donna Eisenbath if you able to help one month. We only have 7 months to cover. We should be able to make this happen for our young people. Volunteer for one or more months to help make this fun opportunity possible for our 7th and 8th grade.

Please remember in your prayers our
Sick and Home-Bound Parishioners
and those who care for them.

Don Abramovitz	Norma Gross	Pat Romano
Lorraine Bath	Sherry Holland	Peggy Rumph
Ronnie Bindbeutel	Kenneth Jordan	Jean Schepers
Carol Bonner	Sue Knoesel	Pete Schwaninger
Becky Bonner	Sr. Joan Kuester	Jim Smith
Jim Brockmeyer	Michael Lemp	Lois Smith
Karen Clarke	Charles Medvick	Rudi/Brenda
Dorothy Dailey	Susie Meyer	Torricelli
Leon Deimeke	Glenn Mueller	Charles VanDoren
Tom DuBois	Bob/Donna Pedrotti	Bill/JoanWeinzirl
Debbie Dufaux	Karen Piskulic	Tom/Jeanne
Till Fehrenbacher	Bob/Tootie	Zemblidge
Ray/Betty Garvels	Ponder	
Jim Gerdes	Carolyn Putnam	
Kathy Glaser	John Rath	

Please remember in your prayers our
Sick Relatives and Friends:

Kate Allen	Michael Gill	Liz Prange
Kathryn Arnold	Carol Heffner	Mike Prinzi
Bailey Family	Greg/Jane Hefley	Jan Redden
Kendell/Tina	Paul Hyduchak	Alford Snowden
Bedell	Suzanne Johnson	Grace Solimando
Ann/Bill Boewer	Karen Kohler	Caroline Van Scoyk
Teagan Bracken	Jenny Lemkemann	Barbie Schlenk
Brenda Joyce	Steve Mashmeyer	Bob Stroder
Crouch	Barb McDonald	Jerry Sutterer
Byron Difani	Alton Mercer	Will Vonder Haar
Steve Essner	Lou /Betty Merritt	Joyce Watts
Harold Feltmann	Colin Meyer	Chris Wells
Kathy First	John Misauraca	Paul Williams
John Garvels	Bill Nobles	Michelle Wilson
	Melinda Oeth	Ruby Winschel



PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Almighty ever-living God, grant that we may always conform our will to yours
and serve your majesty in sincerity of heart.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

ROSARY ~ SUN., OCT. 30th

Please join us for The Rosary, led by The Holy Spirit Knights of Columbus on the 5th Sunday this month, Oct. 30, at 10:15 in Church (after 9:00am Mass.) The Knights are also going to gather for lunch after the 11 am Mass .Check with the Knights in attendance that day.
All are welcome for both of these events.

For questions, contact Deacon Scott Kaufman deaconscoott@holyspiritstl.org or 314-229-6633.

PSR NEWS

FAMILIES

Be sure to invite your grandparents or a special adult to our game night this Tuesday, October 18 from 7-9 in the Parish Hall.

OLDER ADULT/GRANDPARENT GAME NIGHT

PSR will be hosting a game night on Tuesday, October 18 from 7-8:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Please contact Julie Spinner in the Parish Office to let us if you are coming. We look forward to having a fun night of community.

TED DREWES IS COMING BACK

We'll be selling Ted Drewes after all the Masses on October 22-23.

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION-IMPORTANT DATES

- *Wed., Oct. 12 – Dessert & Discernment for parents of 7th grade students of Confirmation Candidates
- *Tues., Oct. 18 – Older Adult Game Night
- *Sat/Sun, Oct. 22 & 23 – Ted Drewes Sales



WHAT'S HAPPENING

Sunday, October 16

HandS Blanket & Coat Drive

8:00am-11—Scrip Sales, Parish Hall

7:00pm—Al-Anon, Rigali Rm & Zoom

Monday, October 17

1:00-7:00pm—Eucharistic Adoration,
closing with Benediction at 6:50pm

6:00pm—Quilting, Annex

6:00-8pm—**ALL THINGS NEW:**
LISTENING SESSION, Parish Hall

Tuesday, October 18

9:00am—Quilting, Annex

Wednesday, October 19

9:00am—Senior Exercise, Rigali Rm.

6:00-8pm—**ALL THINGS NEW:**
LISTENING SESSION, Parish Hall

7:00pm—RCIA Inquiry Sessions, Parish H.

Thursday, October 20

9:00am—Senior Exercise, Rigali Rm.

6pm-7pm—Bell Choir Practice

7:15pm-8:30pm—Adult Choir Practice

7:00-8:15pm—Al Anon, by Zoom only

Saturday, October 22

4:00pm—Confessions

Sunday, October 23

Ted Drewes Fundraiser after ALL Masses

8:00-11am—Scrip Sales, Parish Hall

8:00-10am—St. Patrick Ctr. Salad Collection

7:00pm—Al-Anon, Rigali Rm & Zoom

ST. PATRICK CENTER SALAD

SUN. OCT. 23

Holy Spirit volunteers provide salads and/or
components to help feed the homeless.

**Salad and/or components will be collected
between 8 & 10 am**

The container will be in the Gathering Area. For more
information contact Ellen Staples, 314-422-2381

Holy Spirit Catholic School Fundraiser



We've partnered with Show Me Dough Fundraising
to raise money for our school! We're selling Butter
Braid® pastries, cookie dough and pizzas.
If you would like to place an order, please scan this
QR code with your phone and select
Holy Spirit Parish Orders.



All orders are due by October 24
(Delivery will be Friday Nov 7 at 2:00 pm)
Questions? Contact Jenni Dickinson at
dickinsonjenni@gmail.com

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



Save-The-Date **Holy Spirit Parish** **Advent by Candlelight** **Sunday, December 11**

5pm-Holy Spirit Parish Hall ~ 7pm Church

ST. PATRICK CENTER CASSEROLES

WED. OCT. 26

Casserole Collection will be from
6:30am—9am in the white bin curbside
outside of church

(In case of inclement weather, in the Parish Hall)
Pans/lids will also be available for you to pick up.
For more information, contact Mary Beth Schulte,
314-229-8067 or SpecRelEdu@aol.com.

HAPPY ARE THEY

Happy are they who grieve not for what they have not,
but give thanks for what they do have.

~ Anonymous



Lunch Bunch!
TUES., OCTOBER 25

*our older adult parishioners are
invited to gather at 11 am
for light-hearted conversation while
enjoying lunch together.*

***Please Call The Office to RSVP by Mon.
Oct. 24: 314-739-0230***

**SPORTS CAFÉ, 3579 Pennridge Dr.,
Bridgeton, MO 63044
Bring a Friend!**

***Holy Spirit
Contemplative Prayer Group***

This group meets on the **1st and 3rd Monday** of the
month: **3:30—4:45pm in the Resource Center.**

NEXT MEETING ~ Mon., Oct. 17

Contemplative prayer, such as Centering Prayer, can
lead one to discover the meaning of Psalm 46:
“Be still and know that I am God”.

If you have an interest, please contact
Karlye Keleher at 314-291-5209

The Holy Spirit ACTS community

wishes to thank everyone who made our recent
Women’s Retreat a success! From the wonderful
directors – Sharon Silver, Angie Breakfield, & Laura
Shambro – and their team, to the incredible
retreatants and their loved ones . . . from those who
organized support from Send-Off through to the
Return Reception, to all of those who were willing to
lend a helping hand in many different ways . . . thank
you so very, very much! The weekend was a lovely
display of the giving, sharing, and helping communi-
ty with which we are blessed to have
right here at Holy Spirit.



**THE HOLY SPIRIT
QUILT BINGO**

Sun., Nov. 13th

**Doors Open at 11:15
Games begin at 12:45
\$20 Admission**

**Food and refreshments Available
Tickets for the Grand Raffle will also
be available for purchase**

***Come play BINGO and you may be the
lucky winner of a beautiful quilt like the one above!***

**Full Time Opportunity: Holy Spirit
Maintenance Supervisor**

- Oversee all maintenance for the parish and school
- Coordinate with outside contractors and vendors
- Coordinate with local civil authority for routine required inspections
- Repairs to equipment and facilities as needed
- Lawn maintenance
- Snow removal (must be available on off hours as well)
- Secure the buildings each morning
- Routine building inspection and maintenance

**Please send cover letter and resume to:
Father Robert T. Evans: revans@holyspiritstl.org**



RCIA ~ RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS
Are you interested in finding out more about the Catholic Church?

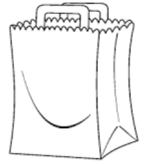
Is a spouse, fiancé, neighbor, friend, or co-worker interested?

The RCIA process enables those who are interested in the Catholic faith to “come and see” – to explore Catholic teaching and to discover what it means to be a Catholic Christian.

Most people come because they are invited. **Be the voice of Christ and offer the first invitation.** RCIA is for anyone unbaptized or baptized in another Christian tradition, as well as Catholics who are baptized but have never celebrated Confirmation or received First Communion, or Catholics who want to return to the Church but have questions. There is no commitment placed on any one who may be interested or who has questions. Please contact the Parish Office, 314-739-0230, or the RCIA coordinator, Deacon Jim DeNatale, deacon-jim@holyspiritstl.org, or have them contact us so we can invite them to attend inquiry sessions beginning **Wednesdays at 7 p.m. in the Parish Hall.**



Hands Food Pantry OCTOBER REQUESTS



Bottled Juice (2 qt size)
Canned mandarin oranges
Canned pineapple

Spaghetti noodles
Toilet paper
Baby Wipes

WE DO NOT NEED: Peanut Butter, Canned pasta (like Chef Boyardee & Spaghettios), pork & beans, plain cereals like Cheerios, Corn Flakes, any other dry pasta besides the spaghetti noodles.



Winter—it's right around the corner.
That means it's time for

Hands Blanket and Coat Drive.

We accept new and gently used coats, hats, scarves, gloves, and blankets. Please consider donating your warm items for those who are less fortunate and in need of warm clothing.

**We will continue to collect this weekend in the
Parish Hall vestibule Oct. 15th & 16th**

Questions, contact Lois, 314-739-6239



Way of Lights Volunteer Request Friday, Nov. 18—Sat., Dec. 31

Looking for a special way to share the holiday spirit? Volunteer for a shift or two during the Way of Lights greeting visitors to the Christmas tree display in the Shrine of the Our Lady of the Snows Visitors Center.

This is also a great opportunity for youth service hours. If interested, please programs@snows.org or call 618-394-6281.

ZECHARIAH MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST is about sharing the story of an encounter with Christ one man at a time. It involves breakfast, fellowship, a great talk, and prayer. In person seating is at the Fleur de Lis Room, Cardinal Rigali Center, by reservation only to gary.whitlock@att.net, telephone 636-215-0973, or the online form at stlrenewal.org/zpb. \$15 payment may be made at the door. Our speaker for **October 22, 2022 9:00am** is **Dr. Michael Meehan**, CEO of MaryGrove. There will be a free live 10 am broadcast (Youtube & Facebook) & recording to: stlrenewal.org/yt & stlrenewal.org/fb. See our web site at archstl.org/renewal for information.



ZECHARIAH Witness to Catholic Men



CATHOLIC RENEWAL CENTER
"AWAKENING THE GIFTS & FRUITS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT"



SPIRITED SENIORS FUN NIGHT

**Spirited Seniors Card Bingo
Oct. 22 at 7:00 pm
in the Parish Hall**

Cost is \$5.00 per person.
Don't forget to bring 5 each
nickels, dimes and quarters.
Snacks and beverages
will be provided!
Questions, contact Judy Alles
314-291-5948



Sometimes It's Hard to Ask for Help

We're brought up to be strong, self-sufficient, independent people. We tend to think that if we ask for help, it is a sign of weakness. So we try to keep our struggles hidden, stuffed deep inside. However, that's not God's plan. Galatians 6:2 says, "Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ."

God wants us to care for others—and allow others to care for us in our time of need. If you're sad or struggling inside, don't suffer alone. Ask for help. Holy Spirit has a team of Stephen Ministers who are ready to listen, care, encourage, pray, and help you through a tough time. (It's confidential too!)

To find out more, call the Stephen Ministry confidential Hotline today: (314) 739-0230 ext.130.

29th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Exodus 17:8-13
Psalm 121:1-8
2 Timothy 3:14-4:2
Luke 18:1-8

Monday October 17 St. Ignatius of Antioch

Ephesians 2:1-10
Ps 100:1b-5
Luke 12:13-21

Tuesday October 18 St. Luke

2 Timothy 4:10-17b
Ps 145:10-13, 17-18
Luke 10:1-9

Wednesday October 19 Sts. Isaac Jogues and John de Brebeuf & co.

Ephesians 3:2-12
Isaiah 12:2-6
Luke 12:39-48

Thursday October 20

Ephesians 3:14-21
Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19
Luke 12:49-53

Friday October 21

Ephesians 4:1-6
Ps 24:1-6
Luke 12:54-59

Saturday October 22

Ephesians 4:7-16
Ps 122:1-5
Luke 13:1-9

In our Gospel reading, God promises to secure the rights of his faithful ones who seek his justice. When we're abused, neglected, rejected, betrayed, or falsely accused, God comes to our rescue. And speedily, he says! What? He's not helping you fast enough? Is he breaking his promise with you?

Although God often seems way too slow, whether it takes months or years (and it often does) before your problem gets resolved, Jesus is in fact at your side immediately delivering you from evil, in the very moment you begin to cry out to him.

The real question is not "Where is Jesus?" nor "Why doesn't he care enough to help me sooner?" The question that matters – for the healing of our souls – is stated in the last sentence of this Gospel passage: As he's arriving to help us, do we greet him with faith? Or is fear

spinning our minds in such turmoil that we don't see him as he stands right next to us offering a helping hand?

If we're not living by faith, we inadvertently expand our problems. Are you feeling miserable after calling upon God for help? Look! Jesus is at your side begging for your trust. Are you feeling frustrated because God is not removing the obstacles you're facing? Look! Jesus

wants you to follow him in a direction that's different than where you think you should go.



We all have adversaries. Jesus is wielding his sword of truth against the spirits of darkness who are working against us; he is driving them away. But if we reject the truth he wields, his sword is no help.

What about the troublemakers who continually annoy you? When our eyes are on them instead of on Jesus, we miss the healing that he's offering to us as vindication.

When we live by faith, we experience God's vindication every day, even while injustices continue. We experience it in our hearts as we receive his peace and his patience and his endurance.

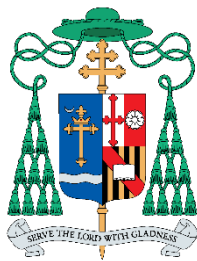
Reflect & Discuss:

1. What injustices are frustrating you today? What evil is being done against you?
2. What will you do right now to be a faith-filled follower of Christ? What action will you take to conquer your fears and choose to give God your trust?
3. Describe an injustice that you recently witnessed or experienced. What shocked and dismayed you the most about it?
4. What is fearsome about it? And what does trust for the Lord encourage you to believe about it?

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THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME —(OCTOBER 23, 2022)

**Sir 35:12-14, 16-18; Ps 34:2-3, 17-19, 23;
2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18; Lk 18:9-14**



October 12, 2022

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

On October 23, 2022, World Mission Sunday, we join Catholics worldwide in this annual Eucharistic celebration for the missions of the Church.

Pope Francis reflects on this year's theme: "You shall be my witnesses" (Acts 1:8). He emphasizes the call to every Christian to bear witness to Christ, to participate in the mission of universal evangelization, and to seek strength and guidance from the Holy Spirit.

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Blessed Pauline Jaricot began this work 200 years ago. As Pope Francis reminds us, "She accepted God's inspiration to establish a network of prayer and collection for missionaries so that the faithful could actively participate in the mission 'to the ends of the earth.'" Her vision would lead to World Mission Sunday, which helps the Pope support missionary activity.

When you contribute to the World Mission Sunday collection, you make it possible for the Holy Father to provide for the formation of our seminarians and religious men and women. You assist in building the schools and orphanages that care for children in places few visit. Missionaries can build churches in areas with scarce resources. Priests and religious Brothers and Sisters can buy food and the essentials that make it possible to proclaim the Gospel and celebrate the Sacraments.

I encourage your generosity on World Mission Sunday, especially in this bicentennial anniversary year. Your prayers remain your greatest gift, and your financial support is life-giving to our brothers and sisters in the more than 1,100 mission dioceses of the Church.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "† Mitchell T. Rozanski".

Most Reverend Mitchell T. Rozanski
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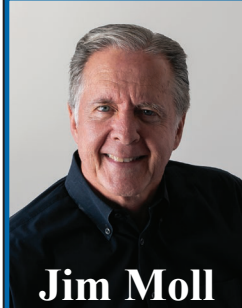


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