









29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR B | OCT. 17, 2021

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DEARLY BELOVED

Opening Prayer: May we always come to God in prayer and be full of confidence in the Lord so that we will be saved and have eternal life.

INTRODUCTION TO THE READINGS: The readings for the 29th Sunday in Ordinary time, Year B, call our attention to the saving works of Christ, which is His suffering, death, and resurrection, through which the whole world will be saved and have eternal life. The first reading from the prophet Isaiah deals with the fourth Song of the Suffering Servant. It tells us about the Suffering Servant who will give his life as an offering for sins. He will extend the lives of his descendants and he will accomplish the will of the Lord. Those who will be justified by the Suffering Servant will be all the nations of the world, not just one person or a nation or race, but through Christ many people will be made righteous. The details concerning the Suffering Servant in the first reading can be applied to Jesus who in today's Gospel attributes certain roles to himself: "For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many." From this statement of Jesus which confirms the remarks made about the Suffering Servant in the first reading, we see Christ as the one who suffered, died, and rose from the dead so that all the nations of the world will be made righteous.

WE SHOULD NOT BE AFRAID OR ANXIOUS: The two disciples-James and John were not only ambitious by their wanting places of honor for themselves when Jesus comes into his glory, but their life was filled with fear and anxiety. They lacked confidence in themselves and became anxious and fearful of their own future. Due to their fear and anxiety, they tried to secure a better future by requesting places of honor not just in the present life but in the life to come. This type of attitude is not proper of the children of God because everyone is precious in the sight of God. Christ loves us individually and always. All of us are important in the eyes of God, we are the chosen children of God, and we are the beloved of the Lord. Children of God are not to be afraid or anxious about their own future because when we are before God in eternity, we are already glorified or exalted given that we are before God. In heaven no more honor is needed because we are already before God, nothing more is needed. At the same time, in Heaven there is no need of any rank or position as the two Apostles-James and John had thought. Furthermore, in the kingdom of God there is no two star or three star or even six-star treatment because everything is the same for everyone.

SURRENDER ALL FEAR, ANXIETY AND SUFFERINGS TO GOD IN PRAYER: People who worry or are afraid or are suffering or are disappointed tend not only to give up or lose focus, but they tend to lose hope in God and refuse to turn to him in prayer. When we are put to the test and become lukewarm due to our concerns or preoccupations, we should turn our disturbed minds to God in prayer or focus the object of our desire or our concern in prayer to God so that whatever we want is given to us if it is the will of God. Instead of allowing the concerns or preoccupation we sometimes face to take up our time and attention for a long or short time, it is better to preoccupy ourselves with the thoughts of the issues that disturbs us by presenting them to God for his prayerful intervention. Our Lord Jesus himself felt the need to pray when faced with difficulty. Jesus prayed and asked his disciples to pray with him in the garden of Gethsemane: "My Father, if it is possible, may this cup be taken from me. Yet not as I will, but as you will" (Matthew 26: 39). Three times Jesus prayed before he died on the Cross. At three o'clock Jesus cried out in a loud voice, "My God, my God..." Jesus prayed for the forgiveness of those who tortured him to death: "Father, forgive them..." and before he died, Jesus expressed His faith in God: "Father, into your hands..." When Jesus lost Lazarus his friend, he prayed and brought his friend back to life. If Jesus prayed we too should endeavor to pray when things are rough or when we find ourselves in trouble.

BE CONFIDENT IN THE LORD: St. Paul asks us to "approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need" (Hebrews 4: 16). What this demands of us is to turn to God through Jesus our true High Priest, our Savor, and our friend with boldness, with courage, with the certainty or with the assurance that God is on our side. Jesus being human like us understands our weakness and can do all things for us, so we must turn to him in whatever situation we find ourselves because whoever turns to Him will not be turned away (John 6: 37). By His suffering Jesus cancelled our suffering, by His death he destroyed our death and by his raising to new life he restored our life. Moreover, Jesus our High Priest is in Heaven and He is in our hearts through the Spirit interceding for us. Not just Jesus alone, but God the Father, God the Holy Spirit, and the Angels are also on our side so we need to be contented and relaxed. Similarly, when we are suffering, in pain, in any distress, anxious or afraid, we should have confidence and serenity in the power of God to see us through and preserve us from all these. We may not receive everything that we want or even pray for, but it is a promise that we will receive "mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need," (Hebrews 4: 16).

Closing Prayer: May we never hesitate to come to God no matter the situation because if we endure until the end we will have eternal life with God.

~ FR. JOHN WILLIAM

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

"As each of us has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace" (1Pt 4:10). Thank you all for the sacrifices you make as we all labor in God's vineyard to bring the Good News of the Gospel of Jesus Christ to our neighbors. 10% of everything received is donated to support charities near and far.

	<u>St. Anne</u>	<u>St. Catherine</u>	<u>St. Gabriel</u>	<u>St. Raphael</u>
Needed Each Week:	\$2,242.45	\$2,548.08	\$508.62	\$800.60
Needed Year-to-Date:	33,636.70	38,221.20	7,629.30	12,009.00
Actual Year-to-Date:	29,786.26	37,556.79	7,826.30	11,821.89
Date: Oct. 10, 2021	3,825.14	TBD	TBD	640.55
Other Collections:	695.50	TBD	TBD	597.00

This Week in our Parishes

Saturday, October 16, 2021

3:30pm Reconciliation at St. Raphael
4:00pm Rosary at St. Raphael
4:30pm Mass at St. Raphael
(Alice Killewald)
6:00pm Rosary at St. Gabriel
6:30pm Mass at St. Gabriel
(Special Intention for Bill & Jane Capra)

Sunday, October 17, 2021

8:30am Rosary at St. Catherine 9:00am Mass at St. Catherine (Carol Mahalak) 10:30am Rosary at St. Anne 11:00am Mass at St. Anne (Nancy Goebel)

Monday, October 18. 2021

9:00am Mass at St. Anne (Parishioners of St. Anne, St. Catherine, St. Gabriel and St. Raphael)

Tuesday, October 19, 2021

9:00am Mass at St. Anne (Margaret Mary Boyd) 9:30am-10:30 Adoration & Reconciliation at St. Anne

Wednesday, October 20, 2021

9:00am Mass at St. Catherine (Special Intention for Rick Carstens) 5:00pm-6:00 Adoration & Reconciliation at St. Catherine

Thursday, October 21, 2021

9:00am Mass at St. Catherine
(Carolyn & Kathryn Carstens)
9:30am-10:30 Adoration at St. Catherine
NO Teen/Adult Faith Formation.
Next Class: Oct. 28th at 6:30pm

Saturday, October 23, 2021

3:30pm Reconciliation at St. Raphael
4:00pm Rosary at St. Raphael
4:30am Mass at St. Raphael
(Gerald Killewald)
6:00pm Rosary at St. Gabriel
6:30pm Mass at St. Gabriel
(Tom Kane)

Sunday, October 24, 2021

9:00am Mass at St. Catherine (Parishioners of St. Anne, St. Catherine, St. Gabriel and St. Raphael) 11:00am Mass at St. Anne (Daniel Bruske)

12:30pm-3:00pm - BOXES OF JOY SPOOKTACULAR in Marie Hall at St. Anne's

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

ST. GABRIEL ALTAR SOCIETY MEETING: Tuesday, October 26th at 2:00 pm

OCT 24th - BOXES OF JOY SPOOKTACULAR: Boxes of Joy brings hope to children in developing countries by sending them memorable Christmas gifts. We need help filling these boxes with little gifts! Come join in a day of joy and Halloween fun for the whole family! We Need Volunteers to help out!! (More details on the back page of the bulletin)

ATTENTION ALL PARISHES: St. Anne Church is in need of two sets of matching armchairs for use in the Confessionals. Please contact the office for further information at 724-6713.

ST. RAPHAEL LADIES SODALITY MEETINGS - WELCOMES LADIES FROM ALL 4 PARISHESSt. Raphael Ladies' Sodality welcomes all ladies, from all four of our parishes, to join us for our monthly meetings! The meetings are the 1st Monday after the 1st Sunday of the month at 4:15pm in the church's gathering space. **NEXT MEETING: November 8th**

ATTENTION: ALL FOUR PARISHES OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD:

2022 contribution envelopes are available and may be picked up at your parish. Contact parish offices if you have any questions.

St. Catherine: 8' Buffet Tables For Sale: \$25.00 per table. Call 471-5121 for details.

Do you have anything that you would like shared in the weekly Bulletin? Contact Kayla Adams at kadams@resurrectionacgr.org with your request.

To help reduce exposure to COVID-19, it is <u>strongly recommended</u> that all parishioners and visitors, regardless of vaccination status, <u>wear a mask.</u>

SCRIPTURE READINGS

For The Week (Year B)

SUNDAY:

IS 53:10-11, HEB 4:14-16, MK 10:35-45 OR 10:42-45

MONDAY:

2 TM 4:10-17B, LK 10:1-9

TUESDAY:

ROM 5:12, 15B, 17-19, 20B-21, LK 12:35-38

WEDNESDAY:

ROM 6:12-18, LK 12:39-48

THURSDAY:

ROM 6:19-23, LK 12:49-53

FRIDAY:

ROM 7:18-25A, LK 12:54-59

SATURDAY:

ROM 8:1-11, LK 13:1-9

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS AND RELIGIOUS

Sunday:

Rev. John McCracken

Monday:

Rev. Bryan Medlin

Tuesday:

Vocations to the priesthood and all religious life

Wednesday:

Rev. Ruben Munoz

Thursday:

Rev. Joseph Muszkiewicz

Friday:

Rev. Robert W. Nalley

Saturday:

All Seminarians

FAITH FORMATION FOR OUR 4 PARISHES

Teen/Adult Faith Formation THURSDAY, OCTOBER 28th from 6:30-8:30pm

Location: St. Catherine's Parish

Contact Adam Brege at bregeadam@gmail.com if you have questions.

Children's Faith Formation

Sundays from 10-11:15AM | Location: St. Catherine Parish Hall

Please sign up after Mass any Sunday, or contact Cathy Macfalda: Cathy@resurrectionacgr.org. There are options available if your child(ren) cannot physically join us.

Alcona County Community Baby Shower

October 23, 10AM-12PM

Westminster Presbyterian Church in Harrisville

Hosted by: CANPAC, Inc. (Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention for Alcona County)

The following items are needed for children ages 0-5 years: diapers sizes 3-6; new socks and underwear, new clothing (sizes 3T, 4T, 5T), formula, and bottles. Cash donations or gift cards are welcome. (Make checks payable to CANPAC, Inc.). A box will be in the foyer to collect donations. Everyone is welcome to attend! Please bring an unwrapped gift. For more information or to volunteer, please call Heather at (989) 657-1120.

Aquinas College Open House - OCT. 16 & NOV 13

Aquinas College welcomes any high school students and families to our Fall Open Houses! Choose your own path through sessions throughout the day as you get the inside scoop on academics, athletics, service learning, study abroad and more! Details and registration information can be found at aquinas.edu/open house.

LIFE CHAIN EVENT - 10/21/21

Tours of the mobile ultrasound unit will begin at 6 pm. The program begins at 7 pm. www.lifechain.org

> DOWNRIVER AFFILIATES OF RTL OF MICHIGAN



SAVE THE DATE

> THURSDAY 10/21/2021

METRO CITY CHURCH TAYLOR PROGRAM BEGINS AT 7 PM

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! St. Vincent de Paul, St. Catherine conference, is looking for members of our parishes to join our Conference. We are an active conference, doing the work of our namesake, St. Vincent de Paul. We have a food pantry in Alpena at the St. Vincent store, where we provide food thru a drive thru only to those in need. In addition to that we also provide services that help with rent, power, gas, and medical, to name a few. Our conference is very active, and we meet about once a month. At this time, our greatest need is volunteers to help in the pantry. Please consider joining us or offering your help by contacting Lorna at 989-464-5447 or Mary Kay at 989-727-2535

DIOCESE OF GAYLORD JOINS THE "CIVILIZE IT" CAMPAIGN

As a Church and a nation, we are polarized and divided. Pope Francis challenges us to respond by building a "better kind of politics, one truly at the service of the common good" (Fratelli Tutti, no. 154). We are called to overcome division, promote encounters with our neighbors, and seek the truth. Join Catholics across the country in living out A Better Kind of Politics by pledging charity, clarity, and creativity to promote the common good.

Civilize It: A Better Kind of Politics is a nonpartisan initiative from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops that seeks to assist Catholics to counter polarization and division in Church and society by following the example of the Good Samaritan, who challenges us to "become neighbors to all" (Fratelli Tutti, no. 80). Along with a pledge to charity, clarity, and creativity, additional materials, including an examination of conscience, individual and communal reflection guides, action steps, and more, are available to empower individuals, families, and communities to be bridge builders across perspectives. Commit to A Better Kind of Politics and respond creatively to the problems facing our world at civilizeit.org.

PARISHES OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD



BOXES OF JOY SPOOKTACULAR

OCTOBER 24TH FROM 12:30-3:00 AT ST. ANNE'S PARISH - HARRISVILLE

Box of Joy brings hope to children in developing countries, providing them memorable Christmas gifts and a much-needed reminder of God's love. COME HELP US FILL THESE BOXES!!

LUNCH, GAMES, CHILDREN'S CRAFTS, TRUNK-OR-TREATING, A PUMPKIN STORY, ALL SAINTS DAY THEMED COSTUME CONTEST, AND MOST IMPORTANTLY, FILL THE BOXES!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! Contact Kadams@ResurrectionACGR.org