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of the Lord**

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HOLY AND INNOCENT CHILDREN OF GOD,

Opening Prayer: *May those who experience better life never neglect or forget those who are struggling to make ends meet.*

Belief and Trust in God as a Basis For Seeing God: Lazarus was not only a poor beggar, but he was also sick and unable to fend for himself. It is very clear that the poor man Lazarus did not do anything extraordinary in the true sense of the word in order to get to heaven. Hence, Lazarus did not end up in Heaven because he was simply poor or because of something good he accomplished. Lazarus found himself in the presence of God because he was a poor man who believed and trusted God. Despite a life of misfortune and suffering, Lazarus did not lose hope in God. His eyes were set on a treasure stored up for him in heaven. This explains why the name “Lazarus” is the Hellenised form of the Hebrew name “Eleazar” which means “God is my help.” Since Lazarus found himself in Abraham’s bosom in Paradise because of his faith and trust in God, not just because he was poor, all of us, rich or poor despite our status before God are called to believe and trust God, be mindful and never neglecting or forgetting those who are less fortunate.

Engaging in Doing what is Good as Basis For Seeing God: In today’s second reading, Paul a soldier of the Lord instructs to Timothy to strive after what is good and commendable: “But you, man of God, avoid all this. Instead, pursue righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience, and gentleness” (1 Timothy 6: 11). He continued to admonish Timothy to live a life of complete submission to the will of God: “Compete well for the faith. Lay hold of eternal life, to which you were called when you made the noble confession in the presence of many witnesses” (1 Timothy 6: 12). Finally, St. Paul called on Timothy to cultivate a better relationship with God and neighbour: “to keep the commandment without stain or reproach until the appearance of our Lord Jesus Christ” (1 Timothy 6: 14). Just as St. Paul admonished Timothy to carry out noble practices, within the context of today’s celebration we who are followers of Christ are invited to also act dynamically to liberate people from the circle of poverty which enslaves and precludes their development. We are never to ignore the needs and injustices that others are subjected to but to be conscious of their sufferings and to share our blessings generously with them. Hence, the prophet Amos invited the people to be aware of and sensitive to the sufferings of others. The act of charity by the rich man-Dives could have opened the gate of heaven for him but he missed it because he was not mindful of the poor man lived at his doorsteps. The sin of the rich man which landed him in hell is the sin of omission. Whatever happened to Lazarus outside the gate was none of his business.

Saints who were Mindful of the Needy: There are some Saints who now enjoy the beatific presence of God because during their life here on earth they came to the aid of the poor who were in need. These great man and women forgot about themselves and dedicated their lives to serving the poor who are in need. Some of these great men and women are saints like St. Vincent de Paul, St. Anthony of Padua, St. Theresa of Calcutta and St. John Bosco. Along with many others they were able to open the gates of heaven for themselves by making life better for many people throughout the world. They did what they can to overcome poverty, sickness, corruption, racism, pain and discrimination. These remarkable saints refused to allow unfair, self-centred, prejudiced people and societies to stop them from making the world a better place. They worked tirelessly to give oppressed people the care, dignity, and the opportunity they deserved. They lived according to the powerful teachings of Christ that are spelt out in the Sermon on the Mount.

We too are Called to Share our Resources with the Poor so as to See God: We too are all rich enough to share our blessings with others. Accordingly, God has blessed each of us with life, health, wealth, special talents, social power, political influence and even a mixture of these many blessings. The parable of the rich man presented by Jesus today invites us to share what we have been given with others instead of using everything exclusively for our individual and selfish gains. Sharing what we have with those who suffer and go want is an essential aspect of our life as Christians. This accounts for why sharing is the criterion of Last Judgment (Cf. Matthew 25: 31ff). Before Jesus comes in glory as judge, our main responsibility for the time being is to share our food, drink, clothing, home, mercy and compassion with each other on this earth so that we may merit to inherit the eternal reward of God. Just as Jesus identified himself with us, we are also supposed to identify ourselves with our brothers and sisters who suffer as a result of poverty, sickness, corruption, racism, pain and discrimination. Like the Lord who entered fully into our world, we too are to enter the world of those in pain or in need of support.

Called to Share our Right to Be Alive with the Unborn: Just as today’s readings stress the truth that wealth without active mercy for the poor is great wickedness, so also we can say that being alive, while we deny others-the unborn, the chance to be born and live is a great inhumanity to the unborn. Since we act selfishly, wickedly, and ungodly when we refuse to come to the aid of those who are less fortunate than us, it follows too that it is wrong to deny the unborn of the opportunity to live while we are alive ourselves. Since Dives the rich man was condemned because he did not recognise and treat Lazarus as his brother, on judgment day we too will be condemned for our selfishness if we do not treat the preborn as our brothers and sisters who should be given the opportunity to live and determine their eternity with their creator.

Closing Prayer: *May the Almighty God bless us and grant us the grace to manage our resources with due consideration to those who suffer or are in need.*

~ FR. JOHN WILLIAM

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Everything I have is yours.” Luke 15:31 Our Heavenly Father gives us everything, including the chance to share in His eternal kingdom. Yet, like the Prodigal Son, we are often lured away by the materialism of our society. Do you really want to turn your back on all that God offers in exchange for material wealth that has no lasting value? God wants us to be happy on earth as well. But, that requires us to freely accept His gift of faith; putting Him first in all things and detaching from our own self-sufficiency.

	<u>St. Anne</u>	<u>St. Catherine</u>	<u>St. Raphael</u>	<u>St. Gabriel</u>
Needed Each Week:	\$2,467.41	\$2,807.70	\$815.76	\$533.66
Needed Year-to-Date:	29,608.92	33,692.40	9,789.12	6,403.92
Actual Year-to-Date:	30,625.56	32,956.54	8,872.29	7,501.15
Date: Sept. 18, 2022:	852.00	1,888.65	462.00	721.00
Other Collections:	264.75	-	7.00	-

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISHES

Saturday, September 24, 2022

****BISHOP WALSH IS VISITING ST. RAPHAEL AND ST. GABRIEL TODAY!! RECEPTION AFTER MASS @ BOTH CHURCHES***

3:30pm Reconciliation at St. Raphael

4:00pm Rosary at St. Raphael

4:30pm Mass at St. Raphael

(For the Youth of our Parishes)

6:00pm Rosary at St. Gabriel

6:00pm Reconciliation at St. Gabriel

6:30pm Mass at St. Gabriel

(Fr. Robert Bissot)

Sunday, September 25, 2022

8:00am Reconciliation at St. Catherine

8:30am Rosary at St. Catherine

9:00am Mass at St. Catherine

(Vincent Klemmer)

10:30am Rosary at St. Anne

11:00am Mass at St. Anne

(For the Parishioners of St. Anne,

St. Catherine, St. Gabriel and St. Raphael)

Monday, September 26, 2022

9:00am Mass at St. Anne

(Antonija Ovcjak)

Tuesday, September 27, 2022

9:00am Mass at St. Anne

(For all of our faithful departed)

9:30-10:30am Adoration/Reconciliation

2:00pm St. Gabriel Altar Society Meeting

Wednesday, September 28, 2022

11:00am Anointing of the Sick Mass at St. Catherine with luncheon following.

(For the sick)

5:00pm-6:00pm Adoration and

Reconciliation at St. Catherine

Thursday, September 29, 2022

Mass for the Archangels

9:00am Mass at St. Gabriel

(Oliver DeRocher)

4:30pm Mass at St. Raphael

Friday, September 30, 2022

No Mass Today

Saturday, October 1, 2022

3:30pm Reconciliation at St. Raphael

4:00pm Rosary at St. Raphael

4:30pm Mass at St. Raphael

(For the Parishioners of St. Anne,

St. Catherine, St. Gabriel and St. Raphael)

6:00pm Rosary at St. Gabriel

6:00pm Reconciliation at St. Gabriel

6:30pm Mass at St. Gabriel

(Alice Kohut)

Sunday, October 2, 2022

9:00am Mass at St. Catherine

(William Kramer)

11:00am Mass at St. Anne

(Jim Barth)

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **St. Gabriel Altar Society Meeting 9/27-** Tuesday, September 27, 2022 at 2:00 pm
- **St. Raphael Sodality Meeting 10/3-** Monday, October 3rd at 4:15pm @ St. Raphael church in Mikado. We welcome all ladies to join us – Hope to see you there!
- St. Catherine /St. Gabriel Lector and Eucharistic Minister schedules are now in the works, if there is a weekend you are not available please contact the parish office by Sept 25th. 989-471-5121.
- **COFFEE & DONUTS ~ A GREAT WAY TO ENJOY SOCIAL TIME WITH FELLOW PARISHIONERS!**
St. Catherine: The next Coffee & Donuts will be Sunday, October 9th following mass.
St. Anne: Coffee & Donuts will be after mass on Sunday's!
St. Raphael: Refreshments will be after mass on Saturday's!
- **ATTENTION ALL PARISHES!!** We are ordering new envelopes for next year soon. Please call the church office to register if you would like to receive envelopes for your offerings to the church.
- Volunteers needed in the St. Anne Cemetery to fill in the potholes. There is a pile of topsoil behind the shed. Please contact the office to get all the details.
- Volunteers are needed to clean St. Anne Church for the months of October - December.
- **MASKS AND HAND SANITIZER IS AVAILABLE**

SCRIPTURE READINGS

For The Week (Year C)

SUNDAY:

AM 6:1A, 4-7, 1 TM 6:11-16,

LK 16:19-31

MONDAY:

JB 1:6-22, LK 9:46-50

TUESDAY:

JB 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23,

LK 9:51-56

WEDNESDAY:

JB 9:1-12, 14-16,

LK 9:57-62

THURSDAY:

DN 7:9-10, 13-14,

JN 1:47-51

FRIDAY:

JB 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5,

LK 10:13-16

SATURDAY:

JB 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17,

LK 10:17-24

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS AND RELIGIOUS

Sunday:

Rev. Gerald Okoli

Monday:

Rev. Leonard Paul

Tuesday:

Alfred Pillarelli

Wednesday:

Rev. Benjamin Rexroat

Thursday:

Rev. Mitchel Roman

Friday:

Rev. Richard Schaeffer

Saturday:

Pope Francis

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OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS:

COFFEE FOR VETERANS - 10/2

Come join Alcona County Department of Veterans Affairs at a Coffee for Veterans hosted by the AHS National Honor Society.

On October 2, 2022 from 2 - 4p.m.
at the high school auditorium lobby.

Aquinas College Open House – Saturday, October 8 and November 12

Aquinas College welcomes any high school students and families to our Fall Open Houses on Saturday, October 8 or Saturday, November 12! Choose your own path throughout the day to get the inside scoop on academics, athletics and scholarships, as well as our Dominican pillars of prayer, study, community and service! Details and registration information can be found at aquinas.edu/openhouse.

Prayer Project Bulletin Article #2: *When Anger Gives Ways to Hope*

As we walk through life, various emotions accompany each step of the way. Joy, despair, excitement, and fear are all normal to experience as they ebb and flow through our lives. When anger enters our lives, we might be tempted to let it fill our day. What starts as being angry about working late can turn into anger at a spouse when you arrive home to discover the garbage hasn't been taken out.

Anger can lead us down a destructive path that ends in isolation. For some, anger is only fleeting and shows up occasionally in life. For others, anger leads down a darker path where one feels lost with no clear way back. Psalms 16:11 tells us, "You will show me the path to life..." God has a plan for our lives, and will lead us through the trials and tribulations we face.

When we stumble, we can find support from friends, family, or outside agencies like Catholic Human Services. They support those struggling, including those looking for ways to turn anger into hope. Hope opens doors and leads you down God's path for your life. Our parish is featuring the work of Catholic Human Services during the next four weeks. We encourage you to learn more about CHS and consider joining the Prayer Project to support this vital ministry. Visit www.catholichumanservices.org to learn more.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR PARISHES OF THE RESURRECTION:

CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL 2022

Catholic Service Appeal (CSA) provides the financial support for a number of important services maintained by the Diocese of Gaylord. It is expected that the parishioners of each parish will provide the assigned amount of support projected by the Diocese as that parishes' goal.

As of Monday, September 19th, 2022:

St. Anne has reached in one-time gifts and pledges, \$17,720 which is 75.8% of our goal. We need an additional \$5,672. To date, 46 parishioners have contributed or pledged to the CSA. This represents 28% of our members. St. Catherine has reached in one-time gifts and pledges, \$26,770.00 which is 91% of our goal. We need an additional \$1,334.00. To date 77 parishioners have contributed or pledged to the CSA. This represents 63% of our members. St. Gabriel & St. Raphael have both reached their CSA goal in contributions but not in participation. If you have not already contributed or pledged, please do so soon! It is imperative that we reach our goal. Thank you to all who have responded so far!

FAITH FORMATION - Sunday's at 10:30am at St. Catherine

Faith Formation classes for Pre-K- 12th grade will be on Sunday's from 10:30-11:45am at St. Catherine. Families may register following the 9 am Mass at St. Catherine in the church office.

BISHOP WALSH IS COMING TO VISIT OUR PARISHES!!

October 16: St. Catherine at 9am and St. Anne at 11am. There will be refreshments after 11am mass in Maria Hall. All parishioners are welcome and encourage to join in welcoming Bishop Walsh.

RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY - OCT 2, 2022 ~ ROSARY TO END ABORTION

Sunday October 2 is Respect Life Sunday. Join us after the 11:00 am mass on the church lawn by US-23 as we pray the rosary for the end of abortion. We'll be making signs in the coming weeks. **Please come and stand for the unborn!**

Join us after mass in Maria Hall Sunday September 25 to make signs for our pro-life rosary chain for October 2. Bring a posterboard if you can; markers and extra posterboard will be provided. Feel free to text your ideas to Anne 989-335-1692!



'FIGHT LIKE HEAVEN' AND JOIN CAMPAIGN TO PRAY AND FAST FOR DEFEAT OF PROPOSAL 3

Catholics know the battle to defeat Proposal 3 must also be waged on the spiritual front. That's why the faithful across the state are invited to join a 54-day Rosary Novena that will cover the entire campaign season leading up to Election Day on November 8 to pray for the defeat of Proposal 3. **The novena began this past Thursday, but sign-ups are still welcome. To do so, text the phrase "FightLikeHeaven" to 84576 to receive text alerts and daily prompts.** The prayer campaign was initiated by Bishop Boyea of the Diocese of Lansing, but the invitation to pray and fast is extended to every Michigander and beyond.