

**THIRTIETH SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME**

**October 23, 2016**

The prayer of the lowly pierces the clouds;  
it does not rest until it reaches its goal,  
nor will it withdraw  
till the Most High responds.

— Sirach 35:17-18a

**Masses for  
the Week**



**SUNDAY- October 23 -Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30 am - Paul Bittlebrun †

10:00 am - Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Family - Clergy

**MONDAY - October 24 - St Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop**

8:00 am - 58th Wedd.Annv: Franklin/Leona Sedlar

**TUESDAY - October 25**

8:00 am - Lillian Arredondo

**WEDNESDAY - October 26**

8:00 am - 71st Birthday: Dorothy Boehm

**THURSDAY - October 27**

8:00 am - † Wallace & † Kathy Bianchi

**FRIDAY - October 28 - Sts Simon and Jude, Apostles**

8:00 am - Matthew Barton

**SATURDAY - October 29 - BVM**

8:00 am - Eva Barrios

5:00 pm - Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Family - Clergy

**BAPTISM: Mason R. Venglar -Child of Bobby & Julie Venglar**

**SUNDAY - Oct 30 - Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30 am - Vivian Strelczyk †

10:00 am - Billy Yandell, Jr †

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

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

Mon: Eph 4:32 — 5:8; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 13:10-17

Tue: Eph 5:21-33 or 5:2a, 25-33; Ps 128:1-5; Lk 13:18-21

Wed: Eph 6:1-9; Ps 145:10-14; Lk 13:22-30

Thu: Eph 6:10-20; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Lk 13:31-35

Fri: Eph 2:19-22; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 6:12-16

Sat: Phil 1:18b-26; Ps 42:2, 3, 5cdef; Lk 14:1, 7-11

Sun: Wis 11:22 — 12:2; Ps 145:1-2, 8-11, 13-14; 2 Thes 1:11 — 2:2; Lk

**NEXT WEEKEND - October 29 & 30**

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS  
of HOLY COMMUNION**

and **LECTORS**

Sat. 5:00 pm - Lillian Berger Norman Schoener  
Helen John, Volunteer

Sun. 7:30 am - Lawrence Yanta Emily Yeary(sub)  
Connie Novak, Volunteer

Sun. 10:00 am - Patsy Whitaker Jeff Nunley  
E. J. Lara, Volunteer

**ALTAR SERVERS:**

Sat. 5:00 pm - Carson Miller, James Record, Suzie Ryan

Sun. 7:30 am - Katelyn John, Cameron & Jenny Marbach

Sun. 10:00 am - David & Abby Keyser, Felix Ramirez

**USHERS:**

5:00 pm - M. John, F. Motal, T. Goslin, R. Dominguez

7:30 am - Frank Marbach, James Novak, Michael Fikac

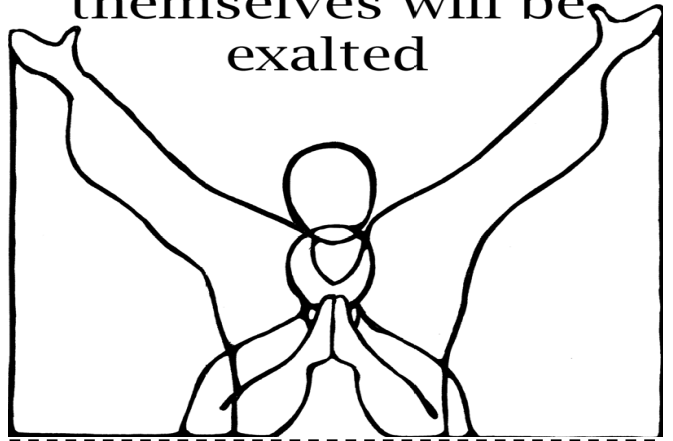
10:00 am - Kenny Spann, Alvin Schoener, Harrison Raska

ON  
ALL  
SOULS  
DAY

**REMEMBER**

OUR  
DEARLY  
BELOVED  
FAITHFUL

All who humble  
themselves will be  
exalted



*This Week*

**SUNDAY - Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

ExtrEnvlp: StVdP "Black Bag" Collection

*Faith Alive Sunday*

**TUESDAY - Sewing Circle - after 8:00am Mass**

**WEDNESDAY - R.C.I.A. - 7:00 PM**

**SATURDAY - Confessions - 4:00 - 4:30 pm**

**BAPTISM: Mason R. Venglar -Child of Bobby & Julie Venglar**

**SUNDAY - Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time**

2nd Coll. Extra Envlp: Building Repairs & Maint.



THANK YOU ..... *Your Generosity is Appreciated*

**WEEKEND of 10-15/16-16 Count - 512**

**Total Operating Income.....\$ 3,578.05**

2nd Coll.ExtrEnvp:.....( D.S.A. ).....\$ 75.00

**Please Pray for Our Sick**

*Tina Moya, Clifton Lau, Dora Schilhab, Jewell Correll,  
Amy Bernhard, Dianne Knippa, Ann Hagel,  
Eva Kimmel, Mary Ann Leblanc & Jean Biederman*

**Jubilee Year of Mercy**

**Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Oct 23, 2016**

Today's Gospel graces us with a beautiful prayer that can make every day of our lives a jubilee of mercy: "O God, be merciful to me a sinner" (Luke 18:13). Religious Israelites despised the tax collector who prayed it, for collaborating with Gentile occupiers and handling currency that bore the "divine" emperor's graven image. But the Pharisee's long-winded self-congratulation, mixed with self-righteous condemnation, was no "prayer" at all. "The Pharisee . . . spoke this prayer to *himself*" (18:11, emphasis added). Praying the tax collector's simple, sincere, succinct cry for mercy acknowledges our own sinfulness, and "welcomes" other sinners as brothers and sisters with whom we can identify, even empathize, echoing Pope Francis' famous comment about not being the one to judge. Indeed, the tax collector "went home justified" (18:14), that is, restored to God's friendship, for God's mercy is not prize achieved but gift received. "Let your prayer be brief: for tax collector, prodigal son, and dying thief were all reconciled to God by a single phrase!" (Saint John Climacus, 7th century).

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### Live AUCTION Items

If you or your business would like to donate this year, please contact **Tammy Fikac** at 573-1179. You may wish to donate a specific item, services, trips, antiques, seasonal items, etc. All donations are deeply appreciated. *Thank You*

### RAFFLE TICKETS

Pick up tickets from the table at the entrance to the church and.....

**SELL.....  
SELL.....  
SELL**

### PLACEMAT ADS

#### DEADLINE COMING UP...

If you would like to advertise yourself or a business, fill in a form found on tables at the church entrance. **TURN IN THE COMPLETED FORM SOON. DEADLINE** is drawing near. If you have any questions, contact Elaine M. 575-5040.

### CHILDREN'S GAMES

We are still in need of new prizes and toys or monetary donations for games at the Parish Festival. Donations of 12-pack sodas are also needed. Sign up sheets to help run games will be going up soon at the REBldg. Contact Stephanie 550-5772.

### Silent AUCTION Items

The committee is again asking for your help to make the Silent Auction at the 2016 Festival a huge success. Donations of hand-crafted items, seasonal autumn, Christmas items, baked goods, baskets of homemade canned goods, and/or anything else you can think of would be greatly appreciated. Thanks to those of you who have already donated items and baskets. *Thanks, Chairpersons: Sherron B. 361-573-3956 & Josie M. 361-580-2090*



### VOCATION CRUCIFIX

At the 5:00 pm Mass **Raymond and Esterleen Spann** will take possession and continue our prayers. **Next** to take possession, on **Oct. 30th** at the 7:30 am Mass is **Evelyn Simper**.

### KEEPING KIDS SAFE

Presentation to youth, grades 5 - 6

Date: October 30, 2016

Parents/Guardians encouraged & welcome to attend

Topic: "Bully No More - Stop Abuse"



### Generations of Faith ~ GOF Religious Education Classes

#### 2016-2017 GOF Calendar

Oct 23 GOF Class **FaithAlive Sunday**

Oct 30 GOF Class

Nov 6 GOF Class

Nov 13 No GOF - **OLL FALL FESTIVAL**

See you at the Community Center!



#### Baptism and 1st Communion of Older Children

If you have a child or know a child 3rd grade or older who has not been baptized or received 1st Communion, please let us know so we can prepare them for their Sacraments.



#### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

RCIA meets each Wednesday

7 pm-9pm ~ in the Rel Ed Bldg.

**RCIA The RCIA door is ALWAYS open**

For more info, please contact: Bob/Laurie Bautista-573-9561  
laurie.bautista@gmail.com, or Rectory -575-3813



If you and your family would like to volunteer for a few hours at this year's Festival please contact **Donna Maxey, 361-550-7158**. We're looking for a Ch'rmn for Split the Apron, plus looking for someone to transport dressing. **Call Donna. She can fill you in on details.**



Fresh Flowers




Fresh Flowers



Offerings of flowers to adorn the altars of the sanctuary of the church in honor of a loved one or a special occasion are now being accepted. You may request placement on altar(s) of your choice. Call the rectory, 575-3813, for more details.



Do you like to sing or play an instrument?  *note this!*

Practices are Wednesdays at 6:15 pm. Come join us. If you have any questions, contact Elaine at 575-5040.



### News Around Town

### Questions about Annulments ?

Join us for an informal question and answer session, led by Rev. Matthew Huehlefeld, J.C.L., Judicial Vicar of the Diocese of Victoria, regarding the declaration of nullity (annulments). Some items that will be discussed are:

- The different types of annulments
- Misconceptions about annulments
- The annulment process itself

**Tuesday, October 25, 2016 - 6:30 pm**  
in **St. Robert's Auditorium (Building B)**  
**Holy Family Catholic Church, Victoria, TX**

This session is for anyone who would like to have more information on this topic. For more info, please contact **Debbie Vanelli @ 361-573-5304** or [dvanelli@hfcvcc.org](mailto:dvanelli@hfcvcc.org)

### MASS at Resurrection Cemetery - Bishop Brendan Cahill Sunday October 30<sup>th</sup> 4:30 pm

You are invited to join in a Mass honoring all the faithful departed. This is our third year to gather together at Resurrection Cemetery and remember the lives of those who have gone before us. We will read the names of all of the departed of our community from **Nov.1st 2015 to October 30th 2016**. If parishioners would like to join us for this special Mass, please bring a list of names from the previous year to be read. We will bless the graves of your loved ones immediately after the Mass. Priests are welcome to concelebrate.

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**GAMES PARTY** hosted by Catholic Daughters Court St. Ann #369 on **Thursday, October 27, 2016 at 6:00 pm** at the **KC Hall**. Meal served at 6:30 pm. There will be a raffle, silent auction and door prizes. Admission \$8/person. For reservations, call **Joan at 485-2387, or Dolores at 575-6111**.  
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**GRIEF GROUP:** An on-going Grief Group meets at Holy Family Catholic Church, in the Conference Room, at **7:00pm** on the **1st and 3rd Thursday of every month**. Before attending please call **Sharon at 578-7572**.  
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**St Andrew's Altar Society, Hillje, TX** invites all to **Turkey Dinner** **October 30, 2016** at **St. Andrew Parish Hall**. Serving begins at 11 am. until... \$9 per plate. Raffle, Country Store, etc.  
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**St Peter's Catholic Church, Blessing, TX** will hold their **ANNUAL BBQ Turkey w/Dressing Dinner** on **Sun. October 30, at the Parish Hall**. Serving at 11 am. Live Auction, Raffle, etc.