

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 18, 2026



From the Gusset

The **Psalmist** says, “Let Your **mercy** come to me, O Lord!” God is an endless source of **mercy**, and what is **mercy**? Well, in a very **simplistic formula** – **mercy** is **love** that we do not deserve. So, when we sin against God and we do not deserve God’s **love** – God **forgives** us and gives us even more **love** (isn’t God **crazy**? - **crazy** in **love** with us)! **St. Paul** was really on a roll when he wrote chapter 5 in his letter to **the Romans**: “where sin increased, grace overflowed all the more.” (Romans 5:20) When and where is the moment of **greatest grace poured** out into our **hearts** by the Holy Spirit? It was on Good Friday on **Calvary** – when the greatest sin was committed by mankind: the killing of God’s Son – the most **grace** was **poured** out – all the **Blood** of Christ is spilled. **The key** then is not to make the hilltop of **Calvary** barren and unpopulated, but **to stream** toward **Calvary** to be **the recipients** of God’s **grace**, God’s **love**, God’s **mercy** – to allow God to **pour out** into our **hearts** the **grace** of **the Eucharist**; and this of course, is **the Mass**! That is why the most important thing you will ever do in your **life** is to go to **Mass** on **Sunday**!!

Yours on the Path Fr. Randy



Rosary for Farmers

1:00pm at St. Mary of the Assumption Grotto
in West Brooklyn

Saturday, October 24th



St. Christopher blessing for all
cars and trucks after Masses the
Weekend of the 24th and 25th
of October!





RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Remember **Fr. Randy's new hero** (as of **the Eucharistic Congress** in Indianapolis in 2024) – remember **Bishop Flores** told us that there is something missing in **the Parable of the Prodigal Son**. What could be missing?!? This scripture passage is **inspired** and **inerrant** – this is a **Parable** composed by Jesus, Himself – what could be missing?? **Bishop Barron**, in trying to sum up Chapter Two's Path: **Knowing You are a Sinner**, reads Psalm 139 to us. The Theologian **Paul Tillich** says that Psalm 139 is the sinner, who is simply trying to escape God – the sinner asks God: **how can I get away from You?** God's answer (in sending Jesus to die and rise from the dead) is: **“you can't; so stop trying!”** Ever since **Adam** and **Eve** sinned against God and tried to hide themselves in **the bushes in Eden** – we could say mankind has been running away from God – trying to hide from God. **The Spirituality** of the Bible is God's relentless search for us. Despite all our efforts to avoid **friendship** with God – **the Divine finding** of ourselves is what brings **peace** to our anxious hearts. **Bishop Barron** puts it so succinctly: **Salvation is friendship with God**. God has sent His only begotten Son into **the world** to find us – or as **Bishop Flores** was hinting at in a **rewriting** of **the Prodigal Son Parable** – when we run away from the Father, we are running directly into the arms of the Son! Sometimes, we need to be the older brother in the **rewritten Parable** – we need to help Jesus search out our lost brothers and sisters and bring them back home to Dad. Because won't our **friendship** with God only be more **enjoyable**, if our neighbor is next to us in **Heaven** enjoying that same **friendship** with God as we are experiencing?! Chapter Two is all about **admitting our sinfulness**, because the assurance of **Divine Friendship** with God (despite our sins) gives us **the courage** to walk the Path that leads to **Heaven**.



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 17th

(+) Gertrude Hraback/ Roger Fronek

4:00pm **OLPH** (+) Patricia Painter/ Family &

(+) Roland Schuhler/ Carlene Schuhler

Sunday, October 18th 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am **St. Patrick** (+) Doug Blaine/ Diane Blaine

10:30am **SMA** (+) Rita Haefner/ Mr. & Mrs. Warren Provost &

(+) Ronald Vaesen/ Ruth Ann Vaessen

Pro Populo/ Fr. Randy

Monday, October 19th

(+) Rudy Manzec/ Fr. Randy

Tuesday, October 20th St. Paul of the Cross

7:30am **SMA** (+) James Meznarich/ Betty Meznarich

Wednesday, October 21st

8:00am **OLPH** (+) Julie Malach/ Mr. & Mrs. Mike Vaessen

Thursday, October 22nd Feast of Pope St. John Paul the Great

7:30am **SMA** (+) Howard McInnis/ Hollie Schlesinger

8:30am **OLPH** (+) Patricia Stenzel/ Fr. Randy

Friday, October 23rd

8:00am **St. Patrick** (+) Edward McLaughlin/ Fr. Randy

Saturday, October 24th

Sister Angelica Hraback/ Richard Fronek

4:00pm **OLPH** Pro Populo/ Fr. Randy

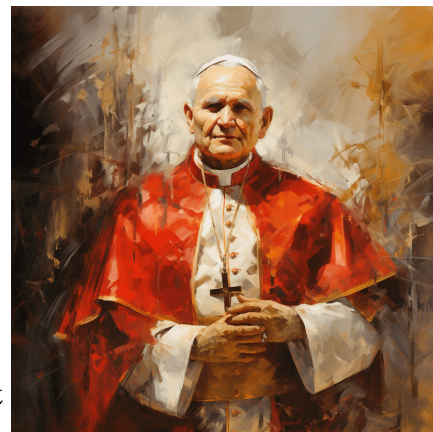
Sunday, October 25th 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am **St. Patrick** (+) Ron Leffelman/ Ronette Moore &

(+) Eileen Leffelman/ Mr. & Mrs. Mike Vaessen

10:30am **SMA** (+) Stephen Corcoran/ Mr. & Mrs. John Corcoran &

(+) James Meznarich/ Betty Meznarich



MASS TIMES FOR SUNDAY OBLIGATION

SATURDAY VIGIL

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

4:00pm

Sublette

Sunday

St. Patrick Church

8:00am

Maytown

St. Mary of the Assumption

10:30am

West Brooklyn

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