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Masses

Saturday

9:00 a.m.
5:00 p.m. (Vigil)

Sunday

7:00 a.m.
9:00 a.m.
11:00 a.m.
5:00 p.m.

Weekday

M—F 8:00 a.m.

Holy Days

Mass times as announced

Reconciliation

Saturday
4:00 pm—4:45 pm

SEPTEMBER 25, 2022 — TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Woe to the complacent. Their wanton revelry shall be done away with (Amos 6:1a, 4-7).

Psalm — Praise the Lord, my soul! (Psalm 146).

Second Reading — Compete well for the faith. Keep the commandment until the appearance of the Lord Jesus (1 Timothy 6:11-16).

Gospel — The parable of Lazarus and the rich man (Luke 16:19-31).

CARE FOR EACH OTHER

Don't delude yourselves, Jesus says through the parable of the rich man and Lazarus. We really are supposed to care for others. It is not enough to go to Mass and occasionally serve at a parish or outreach function. We cannot remain complacent and consider ourselves followers of Jesus. No matter how much or how little material wealth we have, we always have something to give—our time and attention, care, and, when possible, our money.

The way we treat and care for others, especially the poor and vulnerable, is the manner in which we show our love of God. As disciples, we must "pursue righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience, and gentleness." Jesus calls us to see and respond to the least among us, because, as God's children, we are all part of one another.

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Church of the Ascension: Youth Faith Formation Program

Church of the Ascension offers faith formation, youth ministry, and sacramental preparation programs to help families build a relationship with Christ and deepen their faith. Faith Formation sessions are held immediately after the **9 am Mass** on Sunday.



Last Sunday (Catechetical Sunday) our parish commissioned Catechists for the new faith formation year. They are: (Pictured) Loy Oppus-Moe, Tony Moreno, Arlene Quiogue, Agnes Sison, Theresa Ito. Not in the picture are Ann Liebman, Karen Patel and Purita Belmonte.



"Do not wait until a priest retires or is transferred to celebrate their service. Like Father's Day, let Priesthood Sunday be the one day a year when we make it a point to make priests feel truly appreciated and special."
—Serra International

Priesthood Sunday (Sept. 28) is a special day set aside to honor priesthood in the United States. It is a day to reflect upon and affirm the role of the priesthood in the life of the Church as a central one. This nationwide event is sponsored by the US Council of Serra International and celebrated the last Sunday in September.

Thoughts on Angels

September is almost over and liturgy planning is already underway with discussions about Advent preparation and Christmas decor. Christmas reminds me of angels and angels are evident on September 29th, feast of the Archangels: Michael, Gabriel and Raphael. The word angel as used in the Bible means “messenger” but angels also watch over and safeguard God’s creatures. Psalm 91:10-12 tells us: “No evil shall befall you, no affliction come near your tent for God commands the angels to guard you in all your ways. With their hands they shall support you, lest you strike your foot against a stone.”

The date of September 29th, was once dedicated only to St. Michael (thus called Michaelmas: from the angel Michael and mas, indicating a holy day) but now commemorates all three archangels. St. Michael is a warrior against evil (Revelation 12:7-9) and protector of Israel (Daniel 12:1) St. Gabriel is a messenger who announces the Messiah’s coming (Daniel 9) and the births of John the Baptist and Jesus (Luke 1). St. Raphael served as a guardian angel protecting Tobias on his journey (Tobit 5-12). It is comforting to know we are in good hands with our angels; sometimes we are lucky enough to encounter human angels who serve us in these very same roles.

Note: October is around the corner. It is traditionally the month of Our Lady with emphasis on Our Lady of the Rosary celebrated on October 7th.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Monday	Sts. Cosmas & Damian (3rd cent. Arabian twin brother physicians & martyrs; patrons of doctors, dentists, veterinarians)
Tuesday	St. Vincent de Paul (17th cent. French priest; patron of all charities, hospitals)
Wednesday	St. Wenceslaus (10th cent. Bohemian duke; patron of Czech Republic) St. Lorenzo Ruiz & Companions (17th cent. Filipino layman & martyr, along with Dominican priest companions martyred in Japan; patron of Philippines, Filipinos, people working overseas & altar servers)
Thursday	Sts. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael (archangels, the only angels named in Sacred Scripture, each with a different role in salvation history: Michael—Guardian of the faith & fighter against heresies; Gabriel—Herald of the mysteries of God; Raphael—Healer)
Friday	St. Jerome (5th cent. Roman priest, theologian & historian; patron of archeologists, archivists)
Saturday	St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus (“the little flower” - 19th cent. French nun & Doctor of the Church; patroness of missionaries, Aids sufferers, florists)

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sep 24	Sat	9 a.m.	All Parishioners
		5 p.m.	All Parishioners
Sep 25	Sun	7 a.m.	All Parishioners
		9 a.m.	Sister Maria Ca Do (L)
		11 a.m.	Marietta Sokol +
		5 p.m.	All Parishioners
Sep 26	Mon	8 a.m.	Genevieve Garvey (L)
Sep 27	Tue	8 a.m.	Kathy Weeks (L)
Sep 28	Wed	8 a.m.	All Parishioners
Sep 29	Thu	8 a.m.	Anthony Lau (L)
Sep 30	Fri	8 a.m.	Mia Boulanger (L)
Oct 01	Sat	9 a.m.	Joan Vanderhorst & Family (L)
		5 p.m.	The Leano Family
Oct 02	Sun	7 a.m.	All Parishioners
		9 a.m.	Father Glen Dion (L)
		11 a.m.	Stan & Tina Richard +
		5 p.m.	All Parishioners

Church of The Ascension’s
Rosary Group invites you to

Praying with Mary
THE HOLY ROSARY



Saturday, October 08, 2022 @ 9:35 a.m.

*Reflection on the Joyful Mysteries
Singing/Flower offering/Candle lighting/
Offering of prayer petitions/Procession*

Please join us for refreshments at the grotto after the Rosary.

THANK YOU

Sept. 18, 2022	Our Weekly Offering
NEEDED	\$5,400
COLLECTED	\$3,085
WESHARE	\$ 287
TOTAL	\$3,372

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

**Sunday, October 2,
after the 9:00 am Mass,
outside the church’s
main entrance.**

**Please have your pet in
a carrier or on a leash
for the safety of the pet.**