



Weekly Bulletin

October 24 to October 31, 2009

Life Lessons from the Saints

It is fitting that the recent canonization of St. Jeanne Jugan and St. Damien of Molokai took place during this Respect Life month. Each one in a particular way manifested a profound reverence for the sanctity and dignity of human life. Pope Benedict XVI is clearly emphasizing the basic Gospel mandate to care for the downtrodden and marginalized. By canonizing these saints of compassion, he is giving a reminder to all Christians of how Christ seeks to transform the world through our faithful service.

Saint Jeanne Jugan started by simply giving her bed to an elderly widow who had no place to sleep. She had no intention to found a religious congregation or make a statement on social justice. She saw a fellow human in need and did what she could. We are blessed that the Little Sisters of the Poor have been providing loving care and a good example to our archdiocese for well over a century!

Saint Damien worked with Hawaii's lepers. These people had physically been removed to a remote settlement and only Saint Damien was brave enough to go care for them. We saw similar treatment for AIDS patients when that disease first appeared. Fear can still powerfully hinder us from reaching out to others, such as the mentally ill or immigrants. Mother Teresa of Calcutta stunned medical personnel when she bravely opened the first hospice for AIDS patients in New York. Thirty years ago last week, she accepted the Nobel Peace Prize on behalf of the poorest of the poor and stated:

"I feel the greatest destroyer of peace today is abortion, because it is a direct war, a direct killing - direct murder by the mother herself. And we read in the Scripture, for God says very clearly: 'Even if a mother could forget her child - I will not forget you - I have carved you in the palm of my hand.' We are carved in the palm of His hand, so close to Him that unborn child has been carved in the hand of God. And that is what strikes me most, the beginning of that sentence, that even if a mother could forget something impossible - but even if she could forget - I will not forget you."

God will never forget a single one of His children. We are all precious to Him—and called to manifest His Love to one another! If we are attentive to the Holy Spirit, each one of us can find daily opportunities to bring consolation to those suffering around us.

Father Joseph

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SCHEDULES

Masses:

Saturday 5:00 PM
Sunday 9:00 AM

Confession:

Sunday 8:00AM-8:45AM

Eucharistic Adoration:

Friday 7:00PM-8:00PM

Religious Education:

Sunday 10:30AM-12:00PM

1st Sat. of Month:

- Mass at 8:30AM
- Altar & Rosary Society Meeting

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 10/24
5:00 PM Ronald & Kathleen
McGraw

Sunday 10/25
9:00 AM People of the Parish

Saturday 10/31
5:00 PM For Living and Deceased
Members of the Steve &
Mary Lauinger Family

Sunday 11/1
9:00 AM People of the Parish

GOSPEL READING AT MASS

Saturday 10/24(Vigil)
Mark 10: 46-52

Sunday 10/25
Mark 10: 4-52

Monday 10/26
Luke 13: 10-17

Tuesday 10/27
Luke 13: 18-21

Wednesday 10/28
Luke 6: 12-16

Thursday 10/29
Luke 13: 31-35

Friday 10/30
Luke 14: 1-6

Saturday 10/31 (AM)
Luke 14: 1, 7-11

Saturday Confession

Saturday Confession will be at the
Cathedral of Saint Paul from
3:30PM-5:00PM

Lus ceeb toom

Vim tsis muaj tus teb xov tooj hauv
peb lub Tsev teev Ntuj lawm, mas
yog nej hu tuaj, tus yuav teb xov
tooj yog tus khiav hauj lwm nyob
pem lub niam Tsev teev Ntuj
Cathedral). Tso nej npe thiab xov
tooj, Txiv Plig mam li hu rov rau
nej.

**St. Vincent de Paul,
Pray for us!**

Pledge Sheets

Have you prayerfully considered your gift to Saint Vincent de Paul Church for the coming year? An important, in fact, necessary part of the budgeting process is to know how much income will be coming in to properly monitor expenditures. All completed pledge sheets should be returned to the Sunday collection in a sealed envelope by the end of October.

Seminary Collection

Next weekend a second collection will be taken up for the Saint Paul Seminary. All contributions will directly benefit our seminarians through the “I Will Give You Shepherds” campaign.

Daylight Savings Time Ends November 1

Be ready for the end of Daylight Savings Time which concludes in the early hours of Sunday, November 1st. Clocks should be turned back one hour the previous Saturday night to avoid confusion.

All Souls Day – November 2

The Mass to commemorate the souls of the faithfully departed will be celebrated at 7 PM, Monday, November 2nd.

Confirmation

Please pray for the candidates from Saint Vincent de Paul who will be confirmed at the Cathedral of Saint Paul, November 3rd at 7 PM. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.