



Weekly Bulletin

September 4 to September 11, 2010

“...finding himself unable to finish the work...”

Labor Day is a time to rest a little from our hard work. At the same time, it is an opportunity to give thanks to God for the skills and opportunities we have received so that we can work. We pray for those who are currently unemployed or under-employed in this difficult economic period. This weekend also marks the traditional end of summer... back to work for teachers and students!

It is fitting that Jesus uses a worker as an example in today’s Gospel. He describes a person wanting to build a tower and the need to calculate resources before undertaking a project that may not be able to be completed. This strikes a little too close to home as Archbishop Ireland ran out of funds before finishing the Cathedral’s dome and had to be bailed out by the downtown businessmen! The present recession has hopefully taught all of us to measure carefully before we commit to anything.

So what resources do we need in order to be a follower of Jesus Christ? What is required in order to become His disciple and enter the Kingdom of Heaven? Jesus says it’s going to take everything! We have to let God be first in our lives and take precedence over everyone and everything else. Often we find the price too steep and try a compromise approach. We’ll let God be our major consideration some of the time or in some issues. That is too shaky a foundation on which to build our hope for eternal life! Jesus gave His “all” for us and we can give nothing less in return.

Sometimes we find our faith unsatisfactory—usually when we are living it with less than our whole heart. Minimal prayer and haphazard keeping of the commandments isn’t going to make us happy and certainly doesn’t make God happy. Saint Paul compared faith to a woman in labor—it hurts in the birth process but the joy of new life more than compensates for the suffering. May we labor to increase faith in our hearts as the Cross strips away all obstacles to receiving the fullness of God’s Love!

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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 9/4
5:00 PM †Gregory Heintz, Sr.

Sunday 9/5
9:00 AM People of the Parish

Saturday 9/11
5:00 PM Altar & Rosary Society

Sunday 9/12
9:00 AM People of the Parish

GOSPEL READING AT MASS

Saturday 9/4(Vigil)
Luke 14: 25-33

Sunday 9/5
Luke 14: 25-33

Monday 9/6
Luke 6: 6-11

Tuesday 9/7
Luke 6: 12-19

Wednesday 9/8
Matthew 1: 1-16, 18-23

Thursday 9/9
Luke 6: 27-38

Friday 9/10
Luke 6: 39-42

Saturday 9/11(AM)
Luke 6: 43-49

Saturday Confession 1
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!**

Labor Day Mass

All are welcome to attend the 9:00 AM Mass at the Cathedral, Monday, September 6th.

Second Saturday Potluck

Every second Saturday of the month all are invited to gather in Wellisch Hall for a simple potluck following the 5 PM Mass. Please bring food to share.

Mass of Thanksgiving and Remembrance

On Saturday, September 11th, Auxiliary Bishop Lee A. Piché will celebrate Mass at the Cathedral of Saint Paul to publicly thank our law enforcement, fire and emergency personnel for their service to our community and commemorate all those who have lost their lives in the line of duty. Mass will be celebrated at 10 AM followed by a short reception in the Cathedral courtyard.

Papal Prayer Intentions For September

Knowledge of God's Word - That the word of God may be better known, accepted and lived as the source of freedom and joy.

Christians in Laos, Cambodia, and Myanmar – That by trusting the Holy Spirit, Christians in Laos, Cambodia and Myanmar may, amid great difficulties, courageously proclaim the Gospel to their brothers and sisters.