

# thankfulness

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus cured ten lepers. Leprosy is a horrible disease that eats away at a person's body until they die. It was pretty amazing for those people when Jesus just told them to go and show themselves to the priests and they realized that they were cured!



But then something interesting happened. Only one of the ten who had been cured came back to say 'Thank you' to Jesus. Do you think that the other nine were not happy that they were better? Why do you think they didn't come back to thank Jesus?

**THANK YOU FOR LETTING ME RECEIVE YOU!**



Now think about your life. You've probably never had a disease like leprosy, but God has still done amazing things for you. He made you and gave you everything you need to live. He gave you your friends and family, and most especially He gives Himself to us in the Mass and at Holy Communion. Do you remember to say 'Thank you' to God?

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## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Baptisms are usually celebrated on the fourth Sunday of every month. Please contact the Parish Office at least **6 weeks** before the date.

## SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Couples must contact the Parish Office to arrange at least **6 months** before the desired date.

## MASS INTENTIONS:

Intentions must be booked at least by the Wednesday, one week before the desired date.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING

♦ The closing liturgy for the end of the diocesan phase of the Synod of Synodality at the Minor Basilica will be held this Sunday, October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 4:00 p.m. All parishioners are invited to attend, particularly members of the parish Synodality team.

**Weekdays:**  
6:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.  
**Saturdays:**  
6:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
**Sundays:**  
12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.  
**Holidays:**  
7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.



### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

**Monday, Wednesday, Thursday  
& Friday: 9:00am to 2:00pm.  
Closed Tuesdays**

### PRAYER DURING THE HURRICANE SEASON

O Lord, our God and Father, who gives rain and sunshine to your children, we ask you in this rainy season to uphold us and provide for our needs.

You try our patience and test our faith and reliance on you; forgive our sin of ingratitude. So often have we forgotten to thank you for your goodness and acts of mercy. Teach us to look up to you each day, appreciative of rain and sunshine, as you, in your wisdom, through any kind of weather do feed us all.

In your mercy, protect us against hurricanes and tropical storms. Pour out your blessings upon our nation and our people, and make us grateful for the weather we receive from your bountiful hand.

We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



## 28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 9TH OCT 2022 - YEAR C

### *An Attitude of Gratitude.*

A foreign leper is cleansed and in thanksgiving returns to offer homage to the God of Israel. We hear this same story today in both the First Reading and Gospel. There were many lepers in Israel in Elisha's time, but only Naaman the Syrian trusted in God's Word and was cleansed. The Gospel likewise implies that most of the ten lepers healed by Jesus were Israelites, but only a foreigner, the Samaritan, returned.

In a dramatic way, we're being shown how faith has been made the way to salvation, the road by which all nations will join themselves to the Lord, becoming His servants, gathered with the Israelites into one chosen people of God, the Church.

The Psalm also looks forward to the day when all peoples will see what Naaman sees, that there is no God in all the earth except the God of Israel. We see this day arriving in today's Gospel. The Samaritan leper is the only person in the New Testament who personally thanks Jesus. The Greek word used to describe his "giving thanks" is the word we translate as "Eucharist."

Both Naaman and the Samaritan leper reveal to us the inner dimensions of the Eucharist and sacramental life. We, too have been healed by our faith in Jesus. As Naaman's flesh is made again like that of a little child, our souls have been cleansed of sin in the waters of Baptism. We experience this cleansing again and again in the Sacrament of Penance as we repent our sins, beg and receive mercy from our Master, Jesus. We return to glorify God in each Mass, to offer ourselves in sacrifice, falling on our knees before our Lord, giving thanks for our salvation.

In this Eucharist, we remember "Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, sprung from the race of David," Israel's covenant king. And we pray, as Paul does in the Epistle, to persevere in this faith, that we too may live and reign with Him in eternal glory.

(excerpt: stpaulcentre.com)

### SUNDAY READINGS

**First Reading**  
2Kgs.5:14-17  
**Second Reading**  
2Tim.2:8-13  
**Gospel**  
Lk.17:11-19

### MASS TIMES

#### GROS ISLET

Morning Prayers:  
5:45a.m.



#### MONDAY

6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.



#### TUESDAY

6:00 a.m.



#### WEDNESDAY

6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.  
G/Riviere: 6:00 p.m.



#### THURSDAY

6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.  
Monchy: 6:00 p.m.



#### FRIDAY

6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.



#### SATURDAY

6:30 a.m./6:00 p.m.



#### SUNDAY

Gros Islet/G. Riviere  
7:30 A.M.

Gros Islet/Monchy  
10:00 a.m.



#### HOLIDAY

Variable



### CONFESSIONS

Every Saturday  
9.00 - 10.00 a.m.  
5:00-5:45 p.m.  
&  
by appointment

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Gros Islet, Grande Riviere & Monchy

## October, the month of the Most Holy Rosary.

To understand this feast, we need to go back in time. In the 16th century, the Islamic Ottoman Empire presented a serious military threat to Western Europe. Pope Pius V recognized the grave danger and organized a fleet called the Holy League to confront the navy of the Ottoman Turks sent to attack Europe. On October 7, 1571, the two navies engaged in a battle to determine who would control maritime traffic in the Mediterranean, Adriatic and Aegean seas. The fate of Western Europe depended upon the success of the Holy League in this battle which involved more than 400 warships, the largest naval battle in Western history for centuries.

Pius V knew that more than military strength was needed to defend Christian Europe, so he asked that all the faithful pray the rosary requesting the intercession of the Blessed Mother. At the end of the Battle of Lepanto, the Holy League was victorious and the maritime expansion of the Ottoman Empire was permanently halted. The next year, Pius V established a feast, on October 7, in honor of the Blessed Mother. Originally called Our Lady of Victory, the name of the feast was changed to Our Lady of the Rosary after a few centuries to more clearly recognize that prayer was the greatest power at work that day on the seas.

In 1571, the rosary was still a relatively new prayer form for the universal church. Pope Pius V had issued a decree formally establishing the devotion to the rosary just two years before. The Holy Father's universal promulgation recognized the growing devotion to the Blessed Mother throughout Europe, as well as the increased praying of the rosary in various locations.

The structure of the rosary as we know it today developed between the 12th and the 14th centuries as the larger collection of 150 prayers was further divided into groups of 50 and separated by biblical verses or themes, now referred to as mysteries. It is these mysteries, like a grouping of roses in a garden, that gave the name *rosary* to this prayer form.

The rosary is a living prayer form and continues to develop even in recent times. The invocation known as the Fatima Prayer was added in the early 20th century. In 2002 Pope John Paul II added a new set of five reflections called the Luminous Mysteries which encourage additional meditations on the life of Jesus.

The rosary is an invitation to experience the grace of Mary's spiritual motherhood as she leads us to her Son, Jesus. For this reason, it has been an invaluable source of countless spiritual graces for the saints. The wealth of spiritual graces offered through the rosary comes from the imitation of Christ through obedience to the Father's will, according to the example of the Blessed Mother. Maybe October would be a good month to turn off the radio or podcast as you commute to work or school, and pray the rosary instead. See what graces the Lord wants to pour into your life from the rose garden of this prayer.

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### PLEASE PRAY FOR

#### THE SICK

Carmen Lord  
Coleta Henry  
Martha Mason  
Iris Macauldy  
Patsy Crafton  
Theresa Huntley  
Mary Alexander

#### DECEASED

Merona Joseph  
Agupite James  
Anthony David  
Mary Christophe  
Anne Marie Louisien

### WEEKDAY READINGS



#### MONDAY

Gal.4:22-24,26-27,31

5:1

Lk.11:29-32



#### TUESDAY

Gal.5:1-6

Lk.11:37-41



#### WEDNESDAY

Gal.5:18-25

Lk.11:42-46



#### THURSDAY

Eph.1:1-10

Lk.11:47-54



#### FRIDAY

Eph.1:11-14

Lk.12:1-7



#### SATURDAY

Eph.1:15-23

Lk.12:8-12



### MASS INTENTIONS

#### GROS ISLET

#### CLERGY/RELIGIOUS

#### INTENTIONS

### 28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C

Sat Oct 8 - 6:00 p.m.

Psalm 98:3

All the ends of the earth

have seen the

salvation

of our God

**B'day:** Kate Haywood  
Nicholas St. John, Kaleia George  
**Thks:** Zoey Hinkson, Sashla St. Omer

Sun Oct 9- 7:30 a.m.

#### MISSA PRO POPULO

10:00 a.m.

**B'day:** Hester Parker  
Rovana & Karrym Adjodha  
**Blessings:** Members of the Lastic family

Grande Riviere - 7:30 a.m.

**Thks:** Catherine Augustin & family

Monchy - 10:00 a.m.

**B'day:** Paul Lorde

### WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS

Mon Oct 10 - 6:00 a.m.

Sr. Petronilla Banda

**B'day:** Chiara Edward  
**Thks:** Althea & Ellen Regis

12:30 p.m.

**De'd:** Clarita Richard, Raman Charles  
Charmaine Blanchard-Johnson

Tue Oct 11- 6:00 a.m.

Sr. Scholastica Felician

**B'day:** Sheldon Goring  
**Guid & Protec:** Virginia d' Auvergne  
**Thks:** Stennett Bent & family

Wed Oct 12 - 6:00 a.m.

Rev. Arnold Clouden  
Rev. Wilfred Harris  
Rev. Marcellus Serieux

**B'day:** David Popo, Gerald Sidoine  
**Wedd Ann:** Russel & Glenda Myers

12:30 p.m.

**Deliv:** Gene Marulaz  
**Guid & Protec:** Nathalie Dusauzay  
Virginia d' Auvergne

Grande Riviere - 6:00 p.m.

#### Parishioners

Thu Oct 13 - 6:00 a.m.

Rev. Madison Stanislaus  
Rev. Vincent Norbert  
Rev. Anthony Pierre

**B'day:** Vimla St. Hill  
Shana Marius, Sarah Monplaisir

12:30 p.m.

**B'day:** Sancha Raggie-James  
**Guid & Protec:** Virginia d' Auvergne

Fri Oct 14- 6:00 a.m.

Msgr. Justin Barthelmy  
Sr. Mary Dungdung  
Sr. Mercy Masaka

**De'd:** Nathalie Joseph  
Dumond & Norman Joseph

12:30 p.m.

**B'day:** Nina Chong  
**Success:** Ethelina Hilaire  
**IHO BVM:** Ayinde Popo

Sat Oct 15- 6:30 a.m.  
*Teresa of Avila, Virgin & Dr*

Rev. Jeremy Joseph  
Sr. Marie Joseph

**De'd:** James Prudent, Davidson Michaud  
Sr. Margaret Mary, Magdalene Auguste