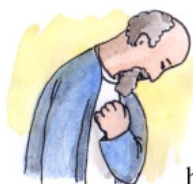


Be humble.

In today's Gospel reading Jesus tells the story about two men praying in the temple. One of them, a Pharisee, always looked like he loved God, but on the inside he really only loved himself. The other man was a tax collector. The people in those days hated tax collectors because they took too much money and worked for their enemies.

When the Pharisee was praying he was really just telling God how much better he was than other people. Do you think that God was pleased with his prayer?



The tax collector, on the other hand, was standing far off and prayed to God with his head bowed down, asking God to have mercy on him. He knew that he was a sinner and that he needed God's help. Do you think that God was pleased with the tax collector's prayer?

Being humble isn't a sad or bad thing. It means knowing that all the good things we have and do come from God. Being humble also lets us be sorry for the selfish things we have done, because it lets us admit that it was our own fault and God can help us overcome our selfishness.

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of 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.

October, Month of the Holy Rosary.

"These last times in which we live have given a new efficacy to the recitation of the Rosary to such an extent that there is no problem, no matter how difficult, whether temporal, or above all spiritual, in the personal life of each one of us, of our families...that cannot be solved by the Rosary".

Sister Lucia dos Santos

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.

Eucharistic



Adoration

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.



30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 23RD OCT 2022 - YEAR C

A Humble and Contrite Heart.

Jesus draws a blunt picture in today's Gospel. The Pharisee's prayer is almost a parody of the thanksgiving psalms (see for example Psalms 30, 118). Instead of praising God for His mighty works, the Pharisee congratulates himself for his own deeds, which he presents to God in some detail. The tax collector stands at a distance, too ashamed even to raise his eyes to God. He prays with a humble and contrite heart. He knows that before God no one is righteous, no one has cause to boast. We see in the Liturgy one of Scripture's abiding themes: that God "knows no favorites," as the First Reading tells us. God cannot be bribed. We cannot curry favor with Him or impress Him, even with our good deeds or our faithful observance of religious duties such as tithing and fasting. If we try to exalt ourselves before the Lord, as the Pharisee does, we will be brought low.

This should be a warning to us not to take pride in our piety, not to slip into the self-righteousness of thinking that we're better than others, that we're "not like the rest of sinful humanity." If we clothe ourselves with humility, if we recognize that all of us are sinners in need of His mercy, we will be exalted.

The prayer of the lowly, the humble, pierces the clouds. Paul testifies to this in the Epistle as He thanks the Lord for giving him strength during his imprisonment. Paul tells us what the Psalmist sings, that the Lord redeems the lives of His humble servants.

We too must serve Him willingly. And He will hear us in our distress, deliver us from evil, and bring us safely to His heavenly kingdom.

(excerpt: stpaulcentre.com)

SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading
Ecc1.35:12-14,16-19

Second Reading
2Tim.4:6-8,16-18

Gospel
Lk.18:9-14

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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World Mission Sunday- October 23rd - "You Shall Be My Witnesses"

World Mission Sunday, observed in every nation on earth, is a day set aside for Catholics worldwide to recommit themselves to the Church's missionary activity through prayer and sacrifice. World Mission Sunday was created by Pope Pius XI in 1926, and reminds us that the world is our parish.

This year's theme refers to the Risen Jesus' last conversation with his disciples, before ascending to Heaven - "You shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and shall be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria and to the ends of the earth". (Acts 1:8).

The Pope analyzes the different segments of this verse to illustrate the foundation, the ends, and the modalities of action of each missionary. Starting from the central passage, "**you shall be my witnesses**", the Holy Father recalls the bond between every missionary and Christ himself, "the first to be sent, as a missionary of the Father", "His faithful witness", and reminds us that the Church's sole mission is to bear witness to Christ.

Secondly, the Pontiff underlines the plural form of the exhortation "you shall be my witnesses". It speaks of the community/ecclesial dimension of the missionary call, and expresses the fact that no missionary acts alone and on his behalf, but in every circumstance, "performs an act of the Church," Pope Francis says citing St. Paul VI. He also reiterates the centrality of the theme: "In evangelization, then, the example of a Christian life and the proclamation of Christ are inseparable. One is at the service of the other. They are the two lungs with which any community must breathe, if it is to be missionary."

This Sunday, we are called through our baptism to be part of the Church's missionary efforts, and to offer, through this Eucharistic celebration, our prayers and our generous financial support, to continue the mission of Jesus. Today, we are "sent" out to witness to Mission in the world through our prayers and personal sacrifices for our brothers and sisters around the world. Your gifts support and sustain priests, religious and lay pastoral leaders in more than 1,100 mission dioceses who build the Church and serve the poor around the world.

In a world where so much divides us, World Mission Sunday rejoices in our unity as missionaries, and it provides an opportunity to support the life-giving presence of the Church among the poor and suffering.

The collection for Mission Sunday will be taken up in our local church next Sunday October 30th.

(excerpt: diopitt.org)
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PLEASE PRAY FOR

THE SICK

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

DECEASED

Henry Philip
Jacob Morille
Shani Francis
Anthony Joseph
J. Wiston Charles

WEEKDAY READINGS



MONDAY

Eph.4:32--5:8
Lk.13:10-17



TUESDAY

Eph.5:21-33
Lk.13:18-21



WEDNESDAY

Eph.6:1-9
Lk.13:22-30



THURSDAY

Eph.6:10-20
Lk.13:31-35



FRIDAY

Eph.2:19-22
Lk.6:12-19



SATURDAY

Phil.1:18-26
Lk.14:1,7-11



MASS INTENTIONS

GROS ISLET

CLERGY/RELIGIOUS

INTENTIONS

30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C

Sat Oct 22 - 6:00 p.m.

*I will Bless
the Lord
at all times:
his praise shall
continually be in
my mouth.*
Psalm 34:1 (KJV)

Thks: The Destang family
Wedd Ann: Sirah & Rohan Phillip
Int: Ike Blanchard & family

Sun Oct 23- 7:30 a.m.

MISSA PRO POPULO

10:00 a.m.

30th Wedd Ann: Linus & Nina Joseph

Grande Riviere - 7:30 a.m.

108th B'day: Eldica Nicholas

Monchy - 10:00 a.m.

Guid: Missionary Childhood Assn. members

WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS

Mon Oct 24 - 6:00 a.m.

Fr. Vincent Arulanandam
Rev. Girard Glace
Sr. Mary Muskosa

B'day: Raphael St. Hill, Daria Paul
Guid: Luciene Reinette & children

12:30 p.m.

Dc'd: Jeannette Knights
Maureen Mc Gowan
Members of the Clement family

Tue Oct 25- 6:00 a.m.

Fr. Henry Nmor
Fr. Konrad Mair
Fr. Kenneth Haakyav

Healing: Maurane Reinette
Guid: Nathalie Reinette & family & friends

Wed Oct 26 - 6:00 a.m.

Rev. Nathalbert Husbands
Sr. Stephania Banda

Healing: Alexander Berkeley Blanchard
B'day: Rochelle Theophilus, Niara Williams

12:30 p.m.

Dc'd: Rita & Edison Edmunds
Wilhelmina Guillette, Anton St. Rose

Thu Oct 27 - 6:00 a.m.

Fr. Kevin Murray
Rev. Gabriel Geoffrey

B'day: Serena Jean
Guid: Jocelyne & Jean-Yann Café
Kelly & Tom Café & children

Fri Oct 28- 6:00 a.m.

Sts. Simon & Jude, Apostles

Fr. John Milton
Rev. David Popo

IHO St Jude: Perlin Verdant & family
Guid: Marie Georges Arnaud

12:30 p.m.

Dc'd: Josephine Erilien
Members of the Casimir family

Sat Oct 29- 6:30 a.m.

BVM

Rev. Herald Wilson
Rev. Peter Fevrier
Rev. Gerard Calderon

B'day: Renand & Joyce Aneville
Guid: Joseph Ikh, Kenny Egen