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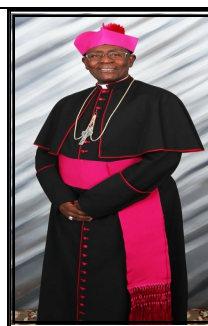
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**TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR A
OCTOBER 08, 2023**

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ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Call anytime

FUNERAL: Tuesdays through Fridays
Please call prior to final arrangements.

MASS SCHEDULES

Weekend

Saturdays: 4:00 p.m.

Sundays: 7:00 a.m. & 9:30 a.m.

CONFESSION: Saturdays: 3:30 p.m.

or by Appointment

Weekday

Tuesdays & Thursdays: 12:15 p.m.

Wednesdays & Fridays 7:00 a.m.

HOLY HOUR

**EXPOSITION AND ADORATION
OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
FRIDAYS IMMEDIATELY
AFTER THE 7:00 AM MASS**



“TOGETHER BUILDING THE KINGDOM OF GOD.”

27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: Isaiah 5:1-7

Isaiah sang of his friend, "My friend had a vineyard/on a fertile hillside." The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel, and the people of Judah are God's cherished plant.

SECOND READING: Philippians 4:6-9

Paul wrote, "Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition...the God of peace will be with you." With thanksgiving, make your request known to God.

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 21:33-43

Jesus told the parable of the vineyard owner who sent out slaves and finally his son to the rebellious tenants who killed them. "The stone that the builders rejected/has become the cornerstone;/by the Lord has this been done,/and it is wonderful in our eyes."

Isaiah begins the parable-telling today, establishing the vineyard as the setting we will revisit throughout the readings. From the first reading through the Psalm and on to the Gospel, we are afforded the chance to consider the wonderful vineyard that God created for us and what has befallen it over the course of centuries. May God's Word inspire us to bear good fruit in the vineyard that is our world.

Daily Scripture Readings For The Week Of October 08, 2023

09 - Monday Sts. Denis, Bishop and his companions, Martyrs, St. John Leonardi, Priest

Jon 1:1—2:2, 11; (Ps) Jon 2:3-5, 8; Lk 10:25-37

10 - Tuesday St. Ghislain (Gislenus), Abbot

Jon 3:1-10; Ps 130:1-4, 7-8; Lk 10:38-42

11 - Wednesday St. John XXIII, Pope and St. Firminus, Bishop

Jon 4:1-11; Ps 86:3-6, 9-10; Lk 11:1-4

12 - Thursday St. Wilfrid, Bishop of York

Mal 3:13-20b; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 11:5-13

13 - Friday St. Gerald of Aurillac

Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Ps 9:2-3, 6, 8-9, 16; Lk 11:15-26

14 - Saturday St. Callistus I, Pope and Martyr

Jl 4:12-21; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Lk 11:27-28

15 - Sunday 28th Sunday In O.T.

Is 25:6-10a Ps 23:1-6; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10

MASS INTENTION

4:00 p.m.: Saturday October 07, 2023

- +Kaleb Edwards rb Wife and Family

7:00 a.m.: Sunday October 08, 2023

- B'day Blessing Brigett Ingles rb Theodosia Christopher
- B'day Blessing Sondra A. Antoine rb Bernadine Christmas
- +Cataleya Peguero rb Family

9:30 a.m.: - +Eula, Randolph and Dean Nelson rb Trevor Nelson and Family

- +John Bruno Giraud rb Rita Castro and Family
- B'day Blessing Ethan Victor rb Family

12:15 p.m.: Tuesday October 10, 2023

- +Karen Ferrier rb Theodosia Christopher
- B'day Blessing Theodosia Christopher
- B'day Blessing Carla Beharry rb Emanuel Beharry and Family

7:00 a.m.: Wednesday October 11, 2023

- +Blaise Koupie
- B'day Blessing Donna Morgan rb Mother

12:15 p. m.: Thursday October 12, 2023

- B'day Blessing Claudius Augustin rb Theodosia Christopher

7:00 a.m.: Friday October 13, 2023

- +Prisca Veneye Gham

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THIS WEEK'S SANCTUARY CANDLE

ST. JOACHIM CHURCH: B'day Blessing Theodosia Christopher

ST. ANN CHAPEL: B'day Blessing Brigett Ingles rb Theodosia Christopher

SHRINE: +Karen Ferrier rb Theodosia Christopher

ALTAR FLOWERS: +Kaleb Edwards rb Wife and Family

▪ **Welcome:** St. Ann's Parish Family gives a hearty welcome to Fr. Alexander MacDonald who has been visiting us from the main land.

▪ **Church Maintenance:** Abundant blessings and thanks to our Altar Society Group "E" that cleaned and prepared the Lord's house for church services this past Saturday. Group "A" is scheduled to clean on Saturday, October 14, 2023. Please think and pray about giving just one hour each month to this ministry.

▪ **St. Joseph's Church Concert:** The 7th annual concert in honor of Our Blessed Mother will be held this Sunday, October 8, 2023, at 3pm in the Hospitality Lounge at St. Joseph Church. There will be no Prayer Meeting at St. Ann's. All roads lead to St. Joseph.

▪ **Rosary Rally:** There will be a Rosary Rally on Saturday, October 14, 2023 from 11:30 a.m. to 12:00 Noon at the Village Mall in Barren Spot. Come join us!

▪ **Funeral:** The Funeral Service for Gemma Boland will be held on Friday, October 20, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. May her soul, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

▪ **Sympathy:** We are saddened to announce the death of Timothia Collymore, the mother of Danny Deterville, who passed away on September 27, 2023. The Funeral Service of Timothia Collymore is scheduled for October 26, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. May her soul, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

▪ **Holy Land Pilgrimage:** Fr. Andre Fillipucci, Vicar General, has announced plans for a Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land from July 23 - July 31, 2024. Bishop Jerome will be with us. There will be an informative meeting about the pilgrimage on St. Croix at St. Ann's Marian Hall on Friday, October 20 at 6 pm. There will also be a meeting on St. Thomas at Holy Family's Columban Hall on Friday October 13 at 6 pm.

▪ **Religious Education:** Religious Education Classes for all levels continue every Saturday from 9:00 - 11:00 AM.

▪ **Bookstore:** Come visit the Bookstore. We have an assortment of Anniversary T-Shirts, Rosaries, Birthday Cards, Crucifix, Bibles, etc. Come Browse!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

2023 — 2024

Saturdays: 9:00 a.m. — 11:00 a.m.

Classes for ALL LEVELS - 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 & 9

PLEASE BE ON TIME AND ALSO PICK UP THE STUDENTS IMMEDIATELY AFTER CLASSES



Saint Francis of Assisi, Founder of the Franciscans Order, Patron of Italy

A young man with great aspirations, small in stature and having an extrovert personality, Francis always had in his heart the desire to do great things. He demonstrated this in his 20s when he left for the war between Assisi and Perugia, and later to help end the conflict of the crusades. He was born in 1182 the son of a rich fabric merchant, Pietro di Bernardone, and a noblewoman from Provence, Pica, and grew up occupied with family duties and worldly affairs. When he returned from his war experience, he was ill and shaken, unrecognizable to all. Something left a deep impression on his soul beyond his experience of the war. He never forgot the words he heard in a dream while in Spoleto: “why do burden yourself seeking the servant instead of the Master?” His life took on a new direction, guided by his constant wish to know that to which God was calling him. Prayer and silent contemplation in the Umbrian countryside led him to embrace lepers and outcasts as brothers and sisters, those in the past he had always found disgusting and repulsive. In Spoleto he heard again this voice break the silence of his prayer before a Byzantine crucifix in the small abandoned church of San Damiano. The voice said: “Francis, go repair my church, which as you can see is in ruin”. Saint Francis first interpreted that call as an invitation to reconstruct the ruins of the small chapel stone by stone, but in later years he came to understand the full meaning of the call. He was called to “great things - to renew”, with a spirit of obedience, the Church, which at that time was dealing with divisions and heresies. The uncontrollable joy unleashed by feeling loved and called by God helped strengthen the wish of young Francis to live by Providence, and in observance of the Gospel, he decided to give away all he had to the poor. At this point the distance between him and his father, Pietro Di Bernardone, became irreparable. His father denounced him publicly during an audience with Bishop Guido. Francis declared his deep desire to marry “Lady Poverty”, and he removed his clothes as a way of renouncing his father’s wealth. Francis gathered with his numerous companions, who shared his desire to live the Gospel to the letter in poverty, chastity and obedience. In 1209 the first group of brothers gathered in Rome to meet Pope Innocent III who, struck by “that short and thin young man with burning eyes”, approved the Rule, later confirmed definitely in 1223 by Honorius III. The charisma of Francis also attracted Clare, a noblewoman from Assisi. Francis welcomed her and gave origin to the second Franciscan Order, “The Poor Clares”. Later he founded the third Order for lay people. The life of Francis was a continuous expression of praise for the Creator. “The Canticle of Brother Sun”, a poetic masterpiece of Italian literature, was written when he was laid low by illness and expresses the freedom of a soul reconciled with God in Christ. Saint Francis accepted “sister death” with joy knowing he would be going to Jesus. He died the evening of 3 October 1226 at the age of 44 at the Porziuncola, the Chapel where he received the gift of the indulgence of the “Forgiveness of Assisi”. He was canonized a Saint two years later. The spirit of Francis continues to inspire so many in following Christ, in building dialogue among all in truth and charity, and in safeguarding creation. *Source: <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/saints>*

PRAYER CORNER

HURRICANE SEASON PRAYER

God our Father, all the elements of nature obey your command. Keep us safe from the dangers of hurricanes, floods, earthquakes, natural disasters and all acts of terrorism. May we be secure in your protection and always feel the presence of your love, as you turn our fear into praise of your goodness. Bless our families, bring peace to all nations and protect us from the Coronavirus and all other sicknesses. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ Your Son, who lives and reigns with You in unity with the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen!

FATIMA PRAYER

My God, I believe, I adore, I hope and I love Thee! I ask forgiveness for those who do not believe, do not adore, do not hope and do not love Thee. Amen!

ST. ANN CATHOLIC CHURCH FINANCIAL SUMMARY AUGUST 31, 2023

INCOME

Parish Collection	\$21,550.60
Donations	\$ 3,691.55
Second Collections	<u>\$12,891.19</u>
TOTAL INCOME:	\$38,133.34

EXPENSES

Administrative	(\$21,335.80)
Benefits	(\$ 5,032.97)
Taxes	(\$ 2,272.44)
Office Expenses	(\$ 495.37)
Maintenance	(\$ 3,459.07)
Insurance	(\$ 1,999.42)
Utilities	(\$ 2,893.11)
Broadcasting	<u>(\$ 250.00)</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES:	(\$37,738.18)

INCOME-EXPENSE: \$395.16

OUR LADY OF BARRENSPOT SHRINE Located In The Sugar Mill, Erected 1808



*Please feel free to visit,
meditate and pray.*

Please pray for the members of our Parish who are sick or suffering...

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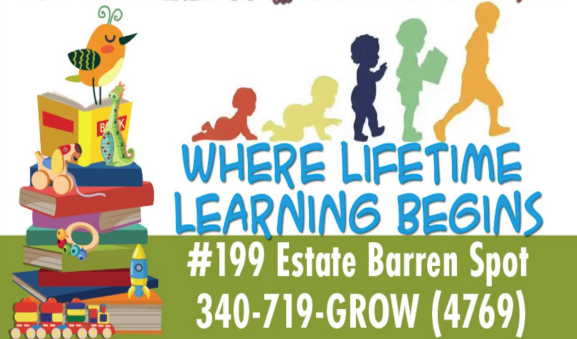
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