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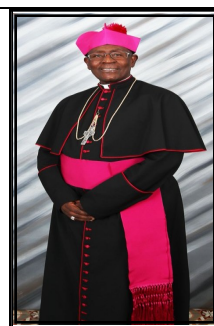
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**TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR A
OCTOBER 15, 2023**

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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.”

28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: Isaiah 25:610a

Isaiah prophesied, "On this mountain the Lord of hosts/will provide/...a feast of rich food and choice wines/...The Lord God will wipe away/the tears from every face;/...The hand of the Lord will rest on this mountain."

SECOND READING: Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20

Paul wrote, "I have learned the secret of being well fed and of going hungry." When people share each other's hardships, God supplies their needs fully in Christ Jesus.

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 22:1-14 or 22: 1-10

Jesus likened God's reign to a great wedding banquet that a king gave for his son. Many were invited; some ignored the invitation. One guest was thrown out for disrespectful dress. In God's reign, "many are invited, but few are chosen."

Both Isaiah and Jesus describe a feast in the readings we hear today, a feast given by God, a feast to which all are invited. Isaiah describes a banquet on a holy mountain, full of food, joy, and life. Jesus' story is of a wedding banquet, given by a king. Between these two readings, we hear Paul encourage the Philippians to have faith that God will always provide. May God's word help us realize that the feast we celebrate together here is a sign of God's bounty and generosity.

Daily Scripture Readings For The Week Of October 15, 2023

16 - Monday Sts. Hedwig, Religious, Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin and Gerard Majella, Religious

Rom 1:1-7; Ps 98:1-4; Lk 11:29-32

17 - Tuesday St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr

Rom 1:16-25; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 11:37-41

18 - Wednesday St. Luke, Evangelist

2 Tim 4:10-17b; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Lk 10:1-9

19 - Thursday Sts. John de Brebeuf, Isaac Jogues and Paul

Of the Cross, Priests and Companions, Martyrs

Rom 3:21-30; Ps 130:1-6; Lk 11:47-54

20 - Friday Blessed Adeline, Abbess

Rom 4:1-8; Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11; Lk 12:1-7

21 - Saturday St. Celine

Rom 4:13, 16-18; Ps 105:6-9, 42-43; Lk 12:8-12

22 - Sunday 29th Sunday In O.T.

Is 45:1, 4-6 Ps 96:1, 3-5, 7-10; 1 Thes 1:1-5b; Mt 22:15-21

MASS INTENTION

Saturday October 14, 2023

4:00 p.m.: - +Deacon Raymond Leonce rb Julia Dominique

7:00 a.m.: Sunday October 15, 2023

- +Cynthia Diggs rb Family
- +Lucille and Kenneth Henry rb Carr Family
- Spl. Int. Stedman and Patricia Dublin rb Agnes Carr and Family

9:30 a.m.: - B'day Blessing Luna Williams rb Family

- Spl. Int. Dante Modeste rb Grandmother
- +Joseph W. and Helena Griffith rb Deacon Denis and Patricia Griffith and Family

12:15 p.m.: Tuesday October 17, 2023

- +Sylvia Harding, Mary Estephane and Augustas Billy Sr. rb Patricia Griffith and Family
- +Martina Elliott and Henrietta Liger rb Simone Gaston

7:00 a.m.: Wednesday October 18, 2023

- +Sylvain Gustave, Ethel Joseph and Family rb Patricia Griffith and Family

12:15 p.m.: Thursday October 19, 2023

- B'day Blessing Jude Gaston rb Mother

7:00 a.m.: Friday October 20, 2023

- +Edmond and Bernadette Koupie

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THIS WEEK'S SANCTUARY CANDLE

ST. JOACHIM CHURCH: B'day Blessing Luna Williams rb Family

ST. ANN CHAPEL: +Cynthia Diggs rb Family

SHRINE: +Shemar Coward rb Family

ALTAR FLOWERS: St. Ann's Parish Family

▪ **Church Maintenance:** Abundant blessings and thanks to our Altar Society Group "A" that cleaned and prepared the Lord's house for church services this past Saturday. Group "B" is scheduled to clean on Saturday, October 21, 2023. Please think and pray about giving just one hour each month to this ministry.

▪ **St. Joseph's Church Concert:** St. Joseph's would like to extend a huge thank you to all those who came out and supported this year's concert in Honor of Our Blessed Mother. It was a HUGE success. Special thanks to all our participants and to those who donated, whether it be monetary, a dish, and/or your time. You are greatly appreciated! Our Blessed Mother is indeed pleased as we paid her homage during this month of the Holy Rosary. Let's continue to pray the Rosary, more so now than ever, and not only in October, but every day, as our Mother asks of us in her apparition in Fatima: *Pray the Rosary every day in order to obtain Peace for the World.* God Bless you all.

▪ **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.

▪ **Holy Land Pilgrimage:** Due to the current unrest in Israel, Fr. Andre Filippucci has informed us that the meeting about the pilgrimage to the Holy Land to be held at St. Ann's Marian Hall on Friday, October 20 at 6 p.m. has been postponed until further notice. The Pilgrimage is still on, but we must wait to see what happens before proceeding. Sorry for any inconvenience.

▪ **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.

▪ **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. We have two books on sale for \$2.00 each - Catholic Prayer for Catholic Families and A Parent Guide to Prayer. Come Browse!

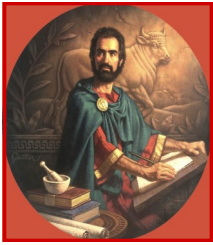
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

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



The Story Of Luke The Evangelist

On October 18, Catholics and other Christians around the world will celebrate the feast of St. Luke, the physician and companion of St. Paul whose gospel preserved the most extensive biography of Jesus Christ. St. Luke wrote a greater volume of the New Testament than any other single author, including the earliest history of the Church. Ancient traditions also acknowledge Luke as the founder of Christian iconography, making him a patron of artists as well as doctors and other medical caregivers. Luke came from the large metropolitan city of Antioch, a part of modern-day Turkey. In Luke's lifetime, his native city emerged as an important center of early Christianity. During the future saint's early years, the city's port had already become a cultural center, renowned for arts and sciences. Educated as a physician in the Greek-speaking city, Luke was among the most cultured and cosmopolitan members of the early Church. Scholars of archeology and ancient literature have ranked him among the top historians of his time period, besides noting the outstanding Greek prose style and technical accuracy of his accounts of Christ's life and the apostles' missionary journeys. Other students of biblical history adduce from Luke's writings that he was the only evangelist to incorporate the personal testimony of the Blessed Virgin Mary, whose role in Christ's life emerges most clearly in his gospel. Tradition credits him with painting several icons of Christ's mother, and one of the sacred portraits ascribed to him – known by the title “Salvation of the Roman People”-- survives to this day in the Basilica of St. Mary Major. Some traditions hold that Luke became a direct disciple of Jesus before his ascension, while others hold that he became a believer only afterward. After St. Paul's conversion, Luke accompanied him as his personal physician-- and, in effect, as a kind of biographer, since the journeys of Paul on which Luke accompanied him occupy a large portion of the Acts of the Apostles. Luke probably wrote this text, the final narrative portion of the New Testament, in the city of Rome where the account ends. Luke was also among the only companions of Paul who did not abandon him during his final imprisonment and death in Rome. After the martyrdom of St. Paul in the year 67, St. Luke is said to have preached elsewhere throughout the Mediterranean, and possibly died as a martyr. However, even tradition is unclear on this point. Fittingly, the evangelist whose travels and erudition could have filled volumes, wrote just enough to proclaim the gospel and apostolic preaching to the world.

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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!

FOR THE SANCTIFICATION OF PRIESTS

Divine Savior, Jesus Christ, who has entrusted the whole work of Your redemption, the welfare and salvation of the world, to priests as Your representatives, I offer You through the hands of Your most Holy Mother, Mary this present day, whole and entire, with all its prayers, works, and sacrifices, its joys and sorrows, for the sanctification of Your priests, and for all those preparing for the priesthood. Give us truly holy priests, inflamed with the fire of Your divine love, who seek nothing but Your greater glory, and the salvation of souls. And You, Mary, good Mother of priests, protect all priests from dangers to their holy vocation, and with the loving hand of a mother, lead back to the Good Shepherd, those unfortunate priests who, unfaithful to their exalted vocation, have gone astray. AMEN!

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meditate and pray.*

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Members of the Armed Forces Serving Our Country

Aliyah Brooks, Justin Joseph, Malachi Gaston, Meriano Jacobs, Marquis Joseph, Natasha Massicott-Alcala, Erica Toussaint, Herman Bardouille, Jr., Nicholas Philogene, Alexander Buchanan, Rashad A. Richards, Tre'Von Portor, Akeem Grenidge, Enja Gumbs, Ganesia Milligan, Marvin Del Sol, Adrian Nelson, Brianna Nelson, Shawn Pryce, Michael Matthews, Rodney A. Fabio, III, Christopher Samuel, Recqiem Serrano, Jahkeel Richardson

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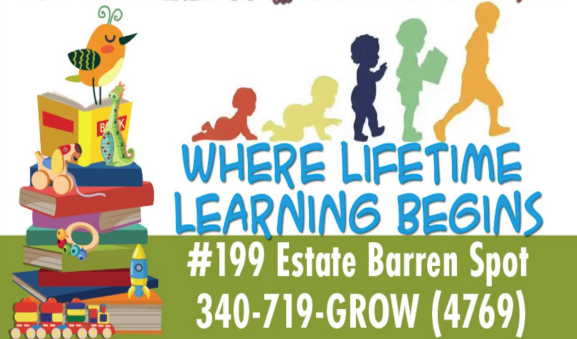
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