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## **TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ OCTOBER 20, 2024**

### **WEEKEND MASS TIMES**

**Saturday, October 26** - 4:30 p.m. - St, Vincent de Paul - ♥*For the Faithful*

- 6:00 p.m. - St Joseph - †*Elizabeth Greencorn*

**Sunday, October 27** - 9:30 a.m - St. Agnes Hall - †*Winnie Boudreau*

- 11:00 a.m. - Star of the Sea, Canso - †*Marlaine Boudreau*

**WEEKDAY SCHEDULE:** Thursday, October 24, 6:30 pm - ♥*For the Faithful*

**COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED:** (All Souls) will be celebrated at St. Joseph Church, Saturday, November 2 at 6:00 p.m. **Please advise the parish who will be representing your family if you have received a letter.**

**MEMORY TREES** - November 2<sup>nd</sup> - Sunday, January 12, 2025. Minimum donation will be \$5.00 and a loved one's name will be written on a ball. Donations will be deposited to the parish of your choice. Memorial cards are available in the entrance of the Church.

**COMMUNION CALLS** - Available when requested, please contact the parish office.

### **REFLECTION ON TODAY'S READINGS:** *The Path that Leads to Glory!*

*Our following of Christ is motivated by the faith that he alone can grant us eternal life. To obtain the eternal life that Jesus offers, we need to be ready to share in the Passion of Christ. This implies that we should be faithful to him in all circumstances and be ready to accept the crosses that may come our way. The crosses that we may have to carry may be very heavy, painful, and demanding, and yet, like Jesus, we should cling to them so that we may come to share in his Resurrection. We also should know that our discipleship implies our readiness to accept whatever Jesus has gone through in his life. To be so closely united to Jesus would mean possessing Christ-like attitudes and values. It means voluntarily walking the way of the cross with unquestioning, unwavering faith and unconditional commitment.*

***“Can you drink the cup that I shall drink, or be baptized with the baptism with which I shall be baptized?”*** By Putting this question to James and John, the sons of Zebedee, who wanted to occupy the most influential positions in the reign of Christ, Jesus is calling us to examine the true path that leads to glory. Drinking his cup and being baptized in his baptism means sharing in his suffering and death. For Christians, sharing in the glory of Christ comes by way of sharing in the paschal mystery. Some might wish it away. But the way of glory is the way of the cross.

## **SUNDAY COLLECTIONS - THANK YOU!**

<b>Star of the Sea (24)</b>	415.00
Loose	30.00
<b>St. Agnes (16)</b>	195.00
Loose	10.00
<b>St. Joseph Oct 6 &amp; 13)</b>	332.00
Loose	27.00
<b>St. Vincent de Paul (5)</b>	95.00
Loose	5.00

## **STAR OF THE SEA NEWS**

Free items - a microwave and a microwave stand, located in the vestry of Star of the Sea Church. Please advise Marie if you pick these items up. Thank you.

Vestry Set - up for Winter Mass - will take place **Tuesday, October 22** at 3:00 p.m.

Property/Finance Committee - will meet Tuesday, November 5 at 6:15 p.m. We need members for this committee.

Ministries Schedule, October 27

Lector - Harry Delorey

Cleaners - Oct 27 - Nov 2 - Harry Delorey

Ways & Means

Grocery Prize Bingo (Meal in a Box) - will be held Sunday, October 20, 2:00 p.m.. This will be a grocery bingo. We are accepting donations of grocery items, gift cards, etc.

Trivia Night - will be held Saturday, November 16 at 8:00 p.m. at Canso Hazel Hill Fire Hall. Preregister with a committee member.

Ticket Sale - a grocery certificate from the Canso Coop. Tickets are available from committee members.

**WILMOT CEMETERY** - A public meeting will be held at All Saints Anglican Church Basement Sunday, October 20th at 2:30 pm for those interested in forming a stewards committee.

## **ST. AGNES NEWS**

Fall Fun Day - realized a profit of \$4,001.00! Just amazing, this will give the bank account a much needed boost! A huge thank you to the organizers, those who donated and those who helped in any way. **Thank you so much!**

**RELICS OF BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS** – Tuesday, October 22 - St. Ninian's Cathedral at 11 a.m. with adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, and display of the relic at 2 p.m. Msgr. Anthony Figueredo, who is accompanying the relic from Italy, will talk about Bl. Carlo and lead prayers. While prayer and opportunities for confession continue in the Church throughout the afternoon, there will be a fellowship room available with refreshments. At 4:30 p.m., all are invited, with a special emphasis on youth and families, to gather in St. Ninian Place for supper, while taking part in a special presentation by youth and a "Journeying with Christ" session. Bishop Kirkpatrick will celebrate Mass at 6:30, including a special blessing with the Relic, Reception to follow.

## To Serve or Be Served?

*This Week's Readings at Mass*

- ▶ Isaiah 53:10-11 - The suffering servant
- ▶ Hebrews 4:14-16 - Jesus, compassionate high priest
- ▶ Mark 10:35-45 - Ambition of James and John

Mark's Gospel, more than any of the other three Gospels, paints a picture of the twelve apostles as a bumbling, immature group that keeps getting things wrong, misunderstanding their teacher, and arguing amongst themselves.

The passage today follows immediately after Jesus' third prediction of his upcoming death. How do the disciples respond? James and John change the subject and ask for a special favor—they each want a position of honor when Jesus comes into his glory.

As usual, Jesus turns their thinking upside down. Now is not the time to talk about glory. Now is the time to be realistic about how the world treats people who speak up for justice and work for peace. The Old Testament was clear that prophets who spoke truth to power were often killed. Jesus realizes his apostles will face similar opposition, and he asks them if they are willing to risk such suffering. As readers, we get the feeling James and John don't know what they are committing themselves to when they say they can



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“Can you drink the cup that I drink?”

### Sheepish Question:

With all God's given me, what's stopping me from reflecting his image for others to see?

drink the same cup as Jesus. They just want to get to the glory.

It is not surprising that the other disciples get upset with James' and John's power-grab, and their anger leads to yet another lesson by Jesus about the alternative nature of God's kingdom. Jesus raises up the position of lowly servants and demotes the rulers. He puts the slave first and the first last. He is clear that rather than racing to the top, the apostles should be humbling themselves to serve.

### Questions of the Week

- 1 Have you been or are you in a “race to the top” in some particular area of your life? How does it leave you feeling?
- 2 In what area of your life are you being called to serve more rather than be served?

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