# **Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

# St. Rose of Lima Council Grove St. Anthony Strong City

October 17, 2021

Weekly Bulletin

#### **OUR PARISH**

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#### Weekday Masses

Tuesday & Thursday 12:15 p.m. @ St. Anthony Wednesday 5:30 @St. Rose Friday 8:30 a.m. @ St. Rose

#### Weekend Masses

Saturday 5:30 p.m. @ St. Rose Sunday 8:30 a.m. @ St. Anthony Sunday 10:30 a.m. @ St. Rose

#### Confessions -

Anytime at request St. Rose -Saturday 5:00 p.m. St. Anthony - Sunday 8:00 a.m.

## Stewardship of Treasure St. Rose

October 10, 2021

Contributions........\$ 2,576.77 Building Fund........\$ Total Collections.......\$ 2,576.77 Avg. Weekly Expense......\$ 2,320.40





# Stewardship of Treasure

St. Anthony October 10, 2021

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Contributions\$	1,612.00	
Building\$	900.00	
Votive\$	10.00	
Hall Rent\$	75.00	
Total Collections\$	2,597.00	
Avg. Weekly Expense\$	2.352.58	

Saturday	@ St. Rose	October 16th
5:30pm	†Max Byran	1
Sunday	@ St Anthony	October 17th
8:30am †Karen Crichton		
Sunday	@ St. Rose	October 17th
10:30am	People of the	Parishes
Monday	@ St. Rose	October 18th
No Mass		
Tuesday	@ St. Anthony	October 19th
	No Mass	
Wednesda	y @ St. Rose	October 20th
	No Mass	
Thursday	@ St. Anthony	October 21st
	No Mass	
Friday	@ St. Rose	October 22nd
	No Mass	
Saturday	@ St. Rose	October 23rd
5:30pm	†Flay Davis	
Sunday	@ St. Anthony	October 24th
8:30am	3:30am †Brad McLinden	
10:30am	@ St. Rose	
People of the Parishes		

# LOOKING AHEAD

**Altar Society** We will be cleaning the Chapel on October 27, after the 5:30pm Mass. We would like for you to bring cleaning supplies, vacuums, stepstools and dust rags.



## **Background on the Gospel Reading**

In this Sunday's Gospel, we continue to read from the section of Mark's Gospel that reports Jesus' journey to Jerusalem. Last Sunday we heard Jesus lament the particular challenges those with many possessions face in order to enter the Kingdom of God. Jesus then predicts his passion to the Twelve, who are amazed and afraid. In this part of Mark's Gospel, Jesus' words to his closest disciples seem to be intended to prepare them for the events that will occur in Jerusalem.

In today's Gospel, James and John ask to be given seats of honor when Jesus enters into his glory. Once again, the disciples seem to be selective in what they hear Jesus say. They want to share Jesus' glory, but do not appear to understand that his glory will be preceded by his suffering. Jesus notes their lack of understanding and predicts the suffering they will endure for the sake of the Gospel. Jesus says that the honor they seek is not his to give. When the other ten hear what James and John have asked, Mark reports that they are indignant. Jesus takes the opportunity to teach them.

Jesus explains the importance of service and sacrifice in the life of a disciple. In particular, he seems to be preparing the Twelve for their leadership roles in the emerging Christian community. Echoing the Gospel we heard several weeks ago (on the 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Mark 9:33-37), Jesus acknowledges that his teaching is countercultural. In today's Gospel, Jesus contrasts the dynamics within the community of disciples with those shown by the rulers of the Gentiles.

Following Jesus' example of sacrificial love continues to be countercultural in our day as well. We might take this opportunity to consider our models of authority and examine our own exercise of authority. On whose example do we model our leadership?

#### MARK 10:35-45

#### Reading closely

- I. Why do you think James and John make their request?
- 2. What future do these two disciples envision for themselves?
- 3. How might Jesus have felt about this request?
- 4. Why do you think James and John speak with such certainty about themselves?
- 5. What all might the other disciples be saying?
- 6. How would you have reacted to James and John's request?
- 7. How might the Gentile lords have made their authority felt?
- 8. In what ways are Christian leaders to act differently from Gentile ones?
- What does Jesus keep trying to help his disciples understand?
- 10. What all might the disciples be thinking and feeling by the end of this passage?

#### Living the word

- II. How do you struggle to understand Jesus?
- 12. Have you ever lorded your status or authority over someone? Why/Why not?
- 13. When has someone with authority over you served you?
- 14. What do you want to ask of Jesus? Are you willing to "drink the cup?"

#### THE GOSPEL READING

#### Scrambling to be first

Although Jesus repeatedly explains that God favors the lowly, his disciples still yearn for glory and prestige. James and John ask to be second-incommand, and the other disciples resent the fact that these brothers beat them to it. Even when Jesus tells James and John that they don't understand what they're asking for, the two disciples confidently claim that they do.

#### The cup

To drink from the cup means to participate in. The metaphor is used in the Old Testament (examples include Psalm 11:6 and 16:5, Isaiah 51:17, and Jeremiah 25:15f). A person's cup might be full of joy, but sometimes it's full of suffering.

In this passage the cup also alludes to the Eucharist. By drinking from this cup a person pledges to follow Christ, come what may.

#### Baptism

Baptism is from the Greek word for immersion and refers to drowning. Jesus uses the term to refer, once again, to his forthcoming suffering and death. Baptism also recalls the Christian ritual in which believers are immersed into the death of Christ.

#### High and mighty

Roman military strength was feared throughout the region. Anyone who opposed the empire was dealt with swiftly and severely. Roman officials pledged loyalty to the emperor. Some tried to gain his favor in exchange for more power and prestige.

Jesus contrasts these fearsome and self-serving tactics with the language of service. In God's kingdom those who hold positions of authority work only to bring others into his kingdom. Such leaders don't care about power or recognition.

#### Servant leadership

Jesus assures James and John that they will share in his suffering, but he makes it clear that only God assigns people places of honor. As it turns out, the "honor" of being to the right and left of Jesus is reserved for the two criminals who are crucified alongside him (15:27).

#### PRAYER

by St. Teresa of Ávila

Lord.

grant that I may always allow myself to be guided by you, always follow your plans, and perfectly accomplish your holy will.

Grant that in all things, great and small, today and all the days of my life,

I may do whatever you may require of me.

Help me to respond to the slightest prompting of your grace, so that I may be your trustworthy instrument, for your honor.

May your will be done in time and eternity by me, in me, and through me. Amen.



## PLEASE PRAY FOR -

#### **OUR SICK:**

Brooklyn Barrett, Chuck Bowen, Brad Brintle, Margaret Mary Buchman, Sally Colbert, Stephanie Diehl, Patrick Disberger, Brooke Dragone, Eddie Ebert, Charlie Fooke, Ranell Foxoven, Tana Griffith, Mark Hayes, Norma Hisey, Mikala Hodges, Cindy Hogman, Christy Jimerson, Tylor Kaminsky, Brendon Kassleman, Doug Kohlhase, JoAnn Larson, Judy Mahoney, Wilma Manhart, John Newland, Anne Robidou, Gary Schout, Malinda Schraeder, Patricia Seiler, Dona Selby, Gary Sevenans, Patty Sevenans, Larry Siegrist, Nick Simmons, Cole Svensen, Elizabeth Thornton, Marie Tonkins, Connie I. Werth, RaeLynn Werth, Vince Werth, David Wertzberger, Pete Wolf

#### **OUR MILITARY:**

Col. David Buchanan, Sgt. Brian Ash, SSgt. Stevi Makripodis, PR2 Teryn Grafel, PFC David Hutley, A1C Aaron LeMay

**SOULS OF OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED**: Jim Luder, Loretta Luder, Kenny Hiegert, D. J. Bremer, Peggy Siegrist, Michael Murphy, Brad McLinden, Bill Rudisill, Mary Ann McCallum, Max Byram, Duane Biehler, Russell Sigle



The most important feast in the Church is what? A. Christmas, B. Easter or C. Pentecost

Before Jesus began preaching He what? A. Prayed on a High Mountain Top, B. Went to the Desert and Fasted or C. Gathered His Friends and Prepared a Feast

At the foot of the Cross, Jesus gave His Mother Mary to whom as her son? A. Peter, B. John or C. Matthew

During Lent we prepare by prayer and good works. True

During Lent, what color vestments are used? Purple

Another name for "Little Christmas" is what? Epiphany

