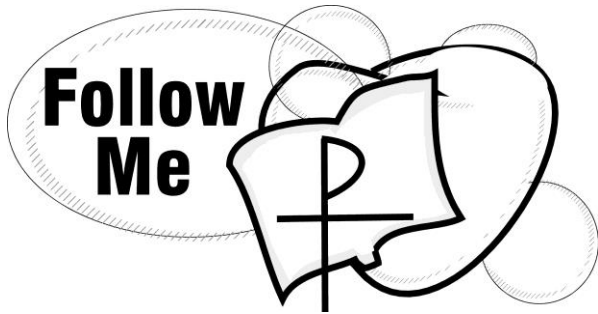


# 28<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – October 10, 2021

*"Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said to him, "You are lacking in one thing. Go, sell what you have, and give to the poor and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me" – Mark 10:21*



## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

<b>Sunday</b>	Wis 7:7-11; Heb 4:12-13; Mk 10:17-30
<b>Monday</b>	Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5:1; Lk 11:29-32
<b>Tuesday</b>	Gal 5:1-6; Lk 11:37-41
<b>Wednesday</b>	Gal 5:18-25; Lk 11:42-46
<b>Thursday</b>	2 Tm 4:10-17b; Lk 10:1-9
<b>Friday</b>	Eph 1:11-14; Lk 12:1-7
<b>Saturday</b>	Gal 3:22-29; Lk 11:27-28

## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday –	October 9	4:00 PM	Kathy Bozzo (Mary Ferris)
Sunday –	October 10	9:00 AM	Margaret A. Petersen (Cheryl Kurosky)
Monday –	October 11	12:00 PM	Intention of Donor
Tuesday –	October 12	12:00 PM	Intention of Donor
Wednesday –	October 13	12:00 PM	Dr. Charles Driscoll
Thursday –	October 14	12:00 PM	Intention of Donor
Friday –	October 15	12:00 PM	Intention of Donor
Saturday –	October 16	4:00 PM	Vincent Freeman, Jr. (Fran & George Calafut)
Sunday –	October 17	9:00 AM	Susan Corbett (The Sullivan Family)

### 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Wisdom 7:7-11

Of course the story of Solomon requesting wisdom above all, including riches, is well known. To value an attribute of God above anything, including those things valued by humans, demonstrates love of God and rejection of false 'gods' simultaneously. Curiously, Solomon's later downfall came as a result of allowing idol worship in his kingdom. To be granted wisdom is good, but to love God is better.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Hebrews 4:12-14

The word of God here refers to the teachings of the great Hebrew prophets. The prophets always reminded the people that God's Law must be followed and to stray from the Law would lead to disaster. In the time when this passage was written, the community being addressed was straying from the Gospel, and the Gospel was the word of God spoken by Jesus Christ. In later years the Word became synonymous with Jesus.

### Gospel Reading: Mark 10:17-30

The key here is: *what would we do to follow Jesus?* The young man in the parable couldn't give up his possessions, even though he seemed to be a dutiful follower of the Law. Notice that Jesus doesn't condemn wealth, but does condemn putting wealth before discipleship. What Jesus teaches here is that God must come first, not those 'things' that have only human value. Another way of saying it is that loving God is first, not second. Note that Jesus asked the young man if he had obeyed the second group of commandments, those directed towards others, and he said that it was so. What Jesus then directed him to do, effectively, is to love God with all of his heart, mind, and spirit and not consider loving anything (including wealth) ahead of God. The young man thought that he obeyed the commandments but in fact he missed the first and most important one: *I am the LORD your God. You shall worship the Lord your God and Him only shall you serve.* The young man served worldly possessions. But, fortunately for of us, God loves us even when we lose our priorities. The proof of this is found in this passage, verse 21: *'Jesus, looking at him, loved him.'* Jesus knew the young man's heart better than he knew it himself; it is always that way.



**MEMBERS OF THE HOLY NAME OF MARY PRAYER CHAIN** are available to pray for you or your loved ones in need of prayer. Please call Maureen Van Nostrand at: 570-278-4590.

### LET US PRAY THIS MONTH:

We remember in prayer those who are ill & pained in body, heart & mind. We pray especially for Betsy Arnold, Richard Arnold, Frank Bayer, Anne Belles, Jerry Blodgett, Ralph Blodgett, Brad Booker, Ellen Booker, Brad Bozzo, Al Breiner, Ellen Burns, Tanya Calafut, Katie Calvin, Jo-Anne Catlin, Becky Cole, David Conklin Jr., Odessa Cornell, Wilma Daniels, Manny DeBonis, Jeanne Falk, Larry Ferris, Mary Ferris, Harvey Fletcher, Geraldine Flynn, Maria Garvey, Brandy Golden, William Hector, Gerard Heiser, Wayne Hibbard, Byron Hilgner, Susan Jennings, Timothy Jones, Deb Kessler, Bill Kozerski, Ken Landes, Nancy Landes, Sue Landes, Josh Landis, Dolores Makowski, Barry Markow, Walter Miller, Alexis Mock, Christian Mondy, Luis Muloski, Jamie Myers, Mike Rayias, Kimberly Richey, Luke Richey, Bob Roccia, Ann Paolucci, Debbie Rossi, Rob Rossi, Jack Rozanski, Lennas Russell, Dorothy Sergent, Caesar Siedlecki, Edith Siedlecki, Kathleen Sitkowski, Delores Slatter, Jerry Stahl, Florence Trowbridge, Ruth Vandermark, Jesse Wells, Rosemarie Whalen.



### LET US PRAY FOR THOSE WHO PROUDLY SERVE IN THE MILITARY:

Floyd Beamer, Thomas Butler, Daniel Daly, Christopher Jordan, James Kane, Mark Nowalk, Michael Pelicci, Nate Seymour, Julie Snyder, Aaron Taylor, Nancy Travis, and Travis Walter.

### PARISH FINANCES

**10/3/2021**

(FY18/19 Budget)	\$	(4867.00)
Sunday Collection	\$	3,472.00

*Thank you for your generosity & support*



Please remember that during these difficult times, Holy Name of Mary is relying on your continued support to meet our financial obligations. Thank you!!

## NEXT WEEKEND IS IN-PEW COMMITMENT WEEKEND

Please bring your mailed pledge envelope to Mass the weekend of Oct. 16 & 17 and drop it in the offertory collection.


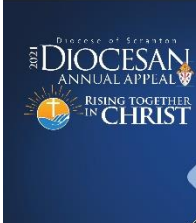
Prayer intentions submitted by parishioners will be remembered at the 10:00 a.m. Mass celebrated by Bishop Bambera at the Cathedral of Saint Peter in Scranton on Sunday, Nov. 21, 2021.

### Gifts to the 2021 Diocesan Annual Appeal Support:

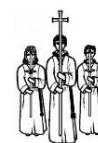
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### Sunday, October 10<sup>th</sup> – 9:00 AM

Lee John Sullivan

### Sunday, October 17<sup>th</sup> – 9:00 AM

Bernadetta & Albert Paolucci

### Sunday, October 24<sup>th</sup> – 9:00 AM

Isaiah Torres

### Sunday, October 31<sup>st</sup> – 9:00 AM

Lee John Sullivan

**Would you like to become an Altar Server?** If so, please contact Pam Tometchko at 570-278-0497 or speak to Fr. Philip directly.

## **PARISH EVENTS**

**October 16/17** – In-Pew Commitment Weekend

**October 23/24** – World Mission Sunday

**December 4** – Christmas Bazaar; Parish Center, 9AM – 3PM

### **2021 CHRISTMAS BAZAAR**



#### **Changes to Bazaar for this**

**Year:** Due to continuing concerns about COVID-19 and declining membership in the Altar & Rosary Society, we have decided that for this year,

**the Bazaar will be held in the Parish Center** rather than in the basement of the church (where it is necessary to move all the Treasure House furnishings).

Also, we are limiting our offerings to the **homemade wreaths and Christmas items**. We will also have our customary paper raffle of a few select items.

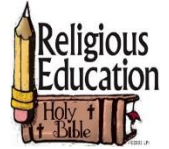
There will be no food served nor baked goods for sale. We will not have the basket raffle nor the white elephant sale.

**Since we are limiting our offerings, that means we need more things for our Christmas tables. We are asking you to start now by looking through your Christmas items for things that you are willing to part with. They can be for indoors or outdoors.**

If you are able to help us to set up, take down, or work during the Bazaar times (9-3 on December 4), please email Sally McGrath at [sallymcg@epix.net](mailto:sallymcg@epix.net) or call 570 289-4302 and leave a message if no one answers.

**Please bring your donations to the rectory during office hours or place them in the crying room when you come to mass with a label on your box indicating it is for the Bazaar. We will start collecting them now. Thank you!**

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS**



### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION BEGINS**

**Welcome Back! Religious Education classes have started!**

Classes are being held in person in the Parish Center beginning at 10:00 AM, since Sunday Mass will remain at 9:00 AM. As per Bishop Bambera, **masks are required to be worn by all vaccinated and unvaccinated children and adults**. Families previously registered last year should have received a registration form in the mail. Please fill out this form and return it in the enclosed envelope. If you are new to the parish and would like to register your child, forms will be available at the rectory. You may register for classes at any time. We look forward to seeing you all once again.

The following parishioners have thankfully and graciously agreed to participate in the Religious Education program this year as teachers:

**2nd & 3rd Grades:** Mrs. Cecilia Hibbard  
First floor, Parish Center

**4th, 5th & 6th Grades:** Ms. Jennifer Tometchko  
First floor, Parish Center

**7th Grade:** Mrs. Diana Shreffler  
Second floor, Parish Center

**8th Grade:** Mr. Joseph Tometchko  
Second floor, Parish Center

**9 to 12 Grades:** Mr. Michael Vaccaro  
Second floor, Parish Center

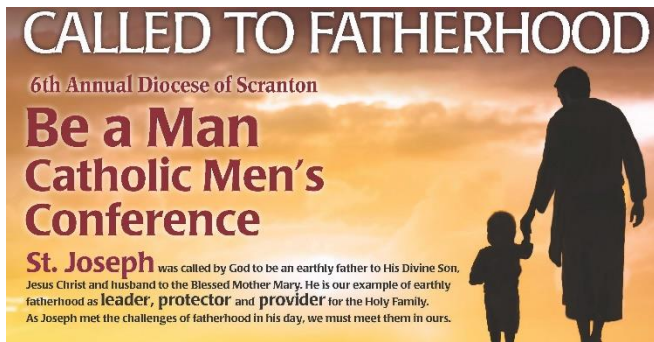
**THANK YOU** so much to all these teachers for their time and service!



The rectory will be closed Monday, October 11<sup>th</sup> in observance of Columbus Day.

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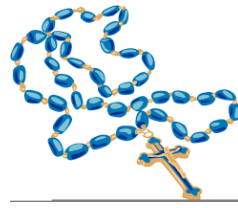
## CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE



A Catholic Men's Conference is planned for Saturday, October 30, 2021, at The Woodlands Resort, 1073 Highway 315, Wilkes-Barre, PA. **(PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF LOCATION.)** This will be the sixth such Event. The theme is "Called to Fatherhood" under the patronage of Saint Joseph and is sponsored by 'Be a Catholic Man.' This event (from 8 am to 3 pm) will be blessed with nationally known Catholic Speakers: Father Glenn Sudano (Franciscan Friars of the Renewal), Jim O'Day (active in Men's Ministries, Lacrosse Coach, and Self-Defense Instructor), and Karl Keating (Author and Catholic Apologist). All men --- single, married, and clergy, challenged to live virtuous lives in this very secular world are encouraged to attend. There will be Rosary, Eucharistic Adoration, and Sacramental Confession --- a lunch break. Mass will be offered by the Most Reverend Bishop Joseph Bambera. Register Online: (\$30 till Oct. 9<sup>th</sup>) [www.BeaCatholicMan.com](http://www.BeaCatholicMan.com) or pay that day (\$40). Questions, please contact Michael Kilmer 570-746-0100 or [michaelkilmer71@gmail.com](mailto:michaelkilmer71@gmail.com).

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## Rosaries for Myanmar



We are currently collecting rosaries which will be sent to a missionary church in Myanmar. Rosaries may be new or previously used and may be placed in the marked box in the back of the church, or brought to the rectory. Thank you for your help!

-- "The Rosary is a magnificent and universal prayer for the needs of the Church, the nations and the entire world." -- Pope John XXIII

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**We are in need of flowers for our altar!** Taking on the custom of having live flowers in the church (when liturgically appropriate) is a wonderful way to honor Our Lord, the Holy Spirit, and Our Blessed Mother. It is also a special way to honor beloved family members who have predeceased us, or to recognize a significant family event such as an anniversary or birthday.

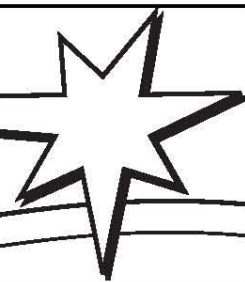
**This does not have to be an expensive endeavor!** Consider donating flowers from your garden, or purchasing inexpensive bouquets from the grocery store. We will be happy to arrange them for you! You can even simply place an envelope with your intention and monetary donation in the collection basket labeled "Flower Donation".

Please help us continue to keep Holy Name of Mary looking beautiful! Please call the rectory if you are interested in donating flowers. Thank you!





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## Thoughtful Moments

### "No" is a loving response

Parents know that to build responsible adults, we have to wean children from an expectation of instant gratification. Youngsters must learn to separate wants from needs. They don't always want what is good for them. When we say "no," we empower them to practice virtues of self-control, prudence, and moderation.

### Always pray

Remind children that even when they feel alone, God is there. Explain that He never will leave them and always hears when they talk to Him. Teaching your children to pray whenever they are frustrated, angry, and nervous, or even when they are happy, helps them remember that they have a direct line to Jesus. He promised to be with us always, even to the end of time.

"The secret of happiness is to live moment by moment and to thank God for all that He, in His goodness, sends to us day after day."

St. Gianna Molla



## Raise children who care

Studies show that children have the capacity to be empathetic and compassionate from a young age, but to become caring, ethical people, they need adult guidance to develop the necessary virtues. Teaching children to care about others is a powerful step toward helping them to live Jesus' commandment to "love one another."

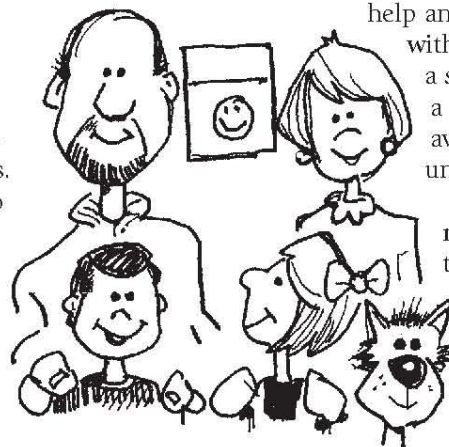
**Show that it matters.** A popular reaction to others' misfortune is to laugh or find it funny. Don't indulge. Instead, point out the reaction of the person involved. For example, "That girl who got splashed when the car hit the puddle is not laughing. Look at her face. She looks sad and uncomfortable."

**Demonstrate that you care.** Let children catch you in the act of kindness by putting yourself out to help an elderly neighbor with yardwork, giving a sympathetic ear to a troubled friend, or avoiding uttering an unkind word.

**Don't respond to rudeness.** Explain that there are many reasons why someone could be rude, "Wow, that cashier must have had a really bad day to talk in such a mean voice to us at the supermarket. What

do you think?" This teaches your child that when someone is nasty to you, you don't have to be mean in response.

**Acknowledge kindness.** Show that you notice when your child does something kind. Acknowledge and praise the effort.



## Why Do Catholics Do That?

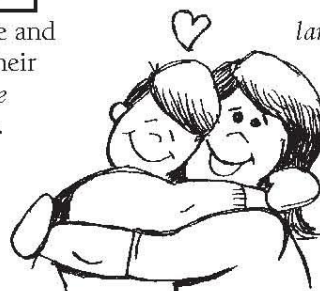
Filial piety is reverence and respect children show their parents (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, #2215). This helps children respond to the Fourth Commandment, "Honor your father and your mother, that you may have a long life in the

## Why do Catholics teach children filial piety?

land the LORD your God is giving you" (Exodus 20:12).

Catholics also expect children to respect their brothers and sisters as a contribution to harmony and holiness in family life.

In turn, parents build in children the foundation for a life of faith.

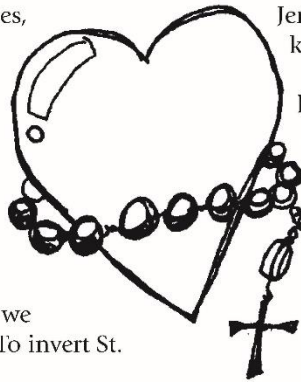




## October is the month of the Rosary

The Rosary is a powerful prayer to which popes, saints, and Catholics have turned over the centuries for miraculous help in seemingly impossible situations. When we inspire a love for this time-honored devotion in our children, we gift them with the skill to avoid sin and strengthen their faith throughout their lives.

**A connection to the Gospels.** The mysteries of the Rosary describe the events of Jesus' life, death and Resurrection. By praying the Rosary, we remember these events described in Scripture. To invert St.



Jerome's famous quote, knowledge of Scripture is knowledge of Christ.

**The prayer of virtue.** We are all called to be holy and virtuous, but what does that look like? Praying the Rosary and meditating on the lives of Jesus and Mary gives us models of virtuous lives, from Mary's obedience during the Annunciation and her fortitude during the crucifixion, to Jesus' entire life of virtue – justice, temperance, and courage, in particular. Regular Rosary meditation opens us to the graces needed to acquire those very virtues.

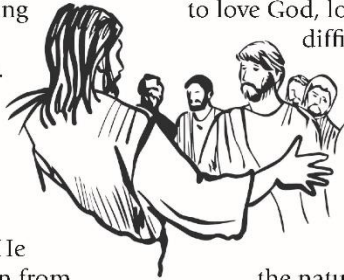
### Scripture LESSON

#### Mark 12:28-34 – What is most important?

Jesus threatened the comfortable life of hypocrisy the scribes and pharisees enjoyed at the expense of the Jewish people. The worked to discredit Him by tempting Him to say something that violated Jewish law. The strategy never worked for them. In fact, Jesus' wisdom impressed one of the scribes so much that he asked to hear more. He sincerely wanted to learn from Jesus' answer.

The scribe asked which of the commandments was most important. Jesus said everything starts and ends

with love – love of God and love of each other. To love God is to love one another. They are as inseparable as the beams of the cross. While it is easy to love God, loving others is more difficult.



**What can a parent do?** True love of neighbor is measured by how we treat those who are neither family nor friends. It means including people when

the natural inclination is to exclude them. Remind children that Jesus loved thieves, lepers, even His political enemies. This is how God loves and He wants us to do the same.

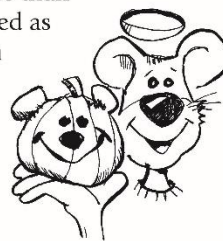
### Feasts & Celebrations

**October 14 – Saint Callistus I (222).** Born a slave in a Roman household, St. Callistus was ordained a deacon by Pope Zephyrinus, whom he later succeeded. Callistus fought against heresy and showed compassion toward sinners. He was martyred in Rome.

**October 20 – Saint Paul of the Cross (1775).** Born in Italy to a poor but noble family, St. Paul was inspired by a vision to start a religious order dedicated to the Passion of Christ. He founded the Passionists in 1720 and was elected superior general of the order. He became a priest, lived a

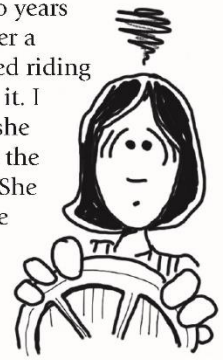
penitential life, and cared for the poor and sick.

**October 24 – Saint Anthony Mary Claret (1870).** St. Anthony became a traveling preacher in the Catalonia region of Spain before becoming the archbishop of Cuba. In 1849, he founded the Claretian orders and the Religious Publishing House that published more than 200 works. He served as confessor to Queen Isabella II and defended the doctrine of infallibility in the First Vatican Council.



### Parent TALK

When Kara was two years old, my sister gave her a toddler car. Kara loved riding around the house in it. I watched one day as she rammed the car into the wall and stopped it. She got out, slammed the door and yelled, “\$#&\*!”



I admit, I used profanity and showed more temper than I should. Seeing my beautiful toddler mimic my behavior was shocking. It was a clear signal that my tiny daughter was watching what I did with an eye toward imitation. I felt humbled and ashamed.

Since that time, I have worked to authentically live my Catholic faith each day, not just on Sundays during Mass. I realized that if I wanted my children to be faithful Catholics, I had to be one myself. Now we are all aware Jesus is present in our family and we want Him to be pleased by how we live.

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