TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME **OCTOBER 6. 2019**

Come, let us bow down in worship; let us kneel before the LORD who made us.

— Psalm 95:6



A LITTLE FAITH

Today our readings are about faith, frustration, and how much is enough. Habakkuk is a complainer having an argument with God. Timothy is encouraging a community challenged by cowardice and the apostles want more faith than they have. Things aren't happening fast enough for any of them or for us. All of them and we want God to do something sooner rather than later and we want God to give us a reason to believe that it will all work out. What does God do? God puts it back on them-and us-telling Habakkuk to describe the world he wants; telling the apostles to do more than the expected. Doing more with less is a familiar phrase today and a reminder that a little faith may be enough even for the most difficult times.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The just ones, because of their faith, shall live (Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4).

Psalm — If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts (Psalm 95).

Second Reading — Bear hardship with the strength that comes from God (2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14).

GOSPEL — The apostles said to Jesus, "Increase our faith" (Luke 17:5-10)

SPECIAL PRAYER LIST

Edith Bolder Bishop Spencer's Place Jeanette Hamilton Evans Home V.A.Rehab Cameron Eddie Jennings. Inell Hunter Home Margaret G. Jones Research Hospital Martha Melton Addington House Ctr Marcheita Bush Home Carlos Nix Home Lavel McCullough Home Rosa Birch Home Sandra Cloyd Home Kevin Brown Home Jackie Countee Home Sharon Shackleford-Allen Home Earnestine Nard Home Mable Parson Home Earl Greene Home Michael Mize Home Cathy Johnson Home Chaunceyetta Mize Home Bernardine Givens Home

FAMILY MEMBERS

Please inform Father Leonard, when a loved-one has become homebound, or has been hospitalized.

> Call, 816-471-3696, or email:leombuthia@yahoo.com

OCTOBER 13th ASSIGNMENTS

SERVERS Coordinator: V. Ammons*

All Servers

LECTORS Coordinator, Rose Palmer*

8:00 a.m. Rosalind Smith. Deborah Scott

10:00 a.m. Dwight Mille, Ken Bacchus

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Coordinator. Dianna Miller*

8:00 a.m. Crystal Miller, Dianna Miller,

Julia Price, Rita Womack

10:00 a.m. Bernadette Cook, Angela Curry, Mary Ann Grayson, Pamela Green, Ronald Green, Carolyn Greene, Ben Gruber, Joann James, Margaret Jones, Syrtiller Kabat

USHERS Coordinators. Kim Urenda. Mary Pearison *

8:00 a.m. Elaine Johnson. Lawrence Blankinship

10:00 a.m. Team C:: Naomi Holt, Paulette Monroe, Barbara Parks, Mary Pearison, Shirley Thaw, Phyllis Weaver

WELCOME: David & Laiceha Holstein

COUNTERS: TEAM #2

Team Leader: Paul Alexander

3RD SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP HOST **KNIGHTS OF PETER CLAVER, #57**

MEETINGS / DATES / TIMES



What greater or better gift can we offer the republic than to teach and instruct our youth?

-Cicero

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Ramonda Doakes, Director

JUNIOR YOUTH GROUP.

Meetings will reconvene in October Coordinators: John & Debra Johnson

SENIOR YOUTH GROUP

Meetings will resume in October Coordinators: Eric & Burnetta Burtin. Elton & Phaedra Lombard

RCIA – Rite of Christian Initiation for

Adults. Meetings are held on Sundays. in the Small Chapel, following the 10 a.m. Mass. Deacon Ken Greene, Instructor

KNIGHTS OF PETER CLAVER

3rd Degree Knights 1st Sat 1:00 p.m. 4th Degree Knights 1st Sat. 1:45 p.m. Fr. Constantine Ct. 1st Sun. 9:00 a.m. Ladies of Grace 4th Sun. 2:00 p.m. 2nd Sat. 2:00 p.m. Jr. Daughters Jr. Knights 1st Sun. 4:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

9:00 a.m. Mass

6:00 p.m. Prayer Service

SATURDAY

8:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast/Bible Study 9:30 a.m. Women's Breakfast/Bible Study New members are welcome. Meetings are held in the Old St. Monica School

Building, St. Monica Room

HOMEGOING

Mr. Robert Eugene Tate, (St. Joseph Church), father of Robert Tate, Jr., brother of Dorothy Mustin, died on Monday, September 30, 2019, in Atlanta, Georgia.

Funeral Service for Mr. Tate, will held on Tuesday, October 8, 2019, at St. Monica Church.

Visitation: 9:30 a.m. Funeral: 10:00 a.m.

Internment: Leavenworth Kansas Military

Cemeterv.

Please remember the Tate and Mustin

Family in your prayers.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jon 1:1 — 2:2, 11;

Jon 2:3-5, 8; Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 130:1b

-4ab, 7-8; Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday: Jon 4:1-11; Ps 86:3-6,

9-10; Lk 11:1-4

Thursday: Mal 3:13-20b;

Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 11:5-13

Friday: JI 1:13-15; 2:1-2;

Ps 9:2-3, 6, 16, 8-9;

Lk 11:15-26

Saturday: JI 4:12-21; Ps 97:1-2,

5-6, 11-12; Lk 11:27-28

Sunday: 2 Kgs 5:14-17;

Ps 98:1-4; 2 Tm 2:8-13;

Lk 17:11-19

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: 27th Sunday in

Ordinary Time; Respect Life Sunday

Monday: Our Lady of the Rosary

Tuesday: Yom Kippur

(Jewish Day of Atonement)

begins at sundown

Wednesday: St. Denis and

Companions;

St. John Leonardi

Friday: St. John XXIII

Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary



TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Sometimes human relationships go awry, but Christ's choice for us is irrevocable. In marriage celebrations, the Church always recalls God's faithfulness to help prepare married couples for enduring the inevitable rough spots. The Byzantine liturgy does this by adorning the couple with crowns that remind them of the martyr's crown. The couple therefore takes on a vocation of witnessing to the sacredness of life in all of its suffering and joy, and of keeping their eyes fixed on the banquet of heaven.

In Eastern theology, people have a liturgical vocation to give God praise. and marriage fits within that plan. It is not so much saving prayers that but becoming counts. prayer. Interestingly, in this liturgy the couple never utters a word other than joining in the community's chants; there are no marriage vows as such. There is therefore not a hint of our Western Christian sense that marriage is a legal contract. Rather, it is all about living out one's baptismal vocation, embracing the cross, pouring oneself out in love, and opening to the grace of the Holy Spirit.

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HOLY HOUR FOR PRIESTS Oct. 17, 2019

7-8 pm

Sisters of St. Francis of the Holy Eucharist

2100 N. Noland Road Independence, MO

Our Lady of the Angels Chapel Please join us in praying for our PRIESTS!

MARY QUEEN OF THE HOLY ROSARY INTERCEDE FOR OUR PRIESTS

OUR ANNUAL FUNDRAISER CHILI SUPPER

Dear St. Monica Families, The Chili Supper Committee is preparing orders for the supplies, needed for our annual fund-raiser. You can assist us, by picking up your tickets ASAP. Please stop by the table in the Vestibule, after Sunday Mass, to pick up your Chili Supper Tickets. Each family is asked to purchase at least five (5) tickets, @ 8.00 per ticket.. **VOLUNTEERS** ARE NEEDED. Please sign up to help make this another successful St. Monica event!

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combatting sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you observe or suspect sexual abuse:

- 1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and
- 2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and
- 3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Joe Crayon, at: 816.812.2500.

or crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org, if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph.

The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact the Victim Advocate, Kathleen Chastain, at 816.392.0011 or chastain@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

Bulletin Deadline- Wednesday Noon



St. Monica Annual Chili Supper

Saturday, October 26, 2019.

WHERE: ST. MONICA CATHOLIC CHURCH

(DOWNSTAIRS-FERGUSON HALL)

Time: 2:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Tickets: \$8.00 each (5 tickets per packet)

Come to the vestibule for your tickets.

Ticket sales start September 15, 2019.

Entertainment for Children and Adults

SPECIAL EVENTS OCTOBER

19th Musical

20th **Second Collection**(World Mission)

25th **Set-up Day** for Chili Supper

26th Chili Supper

USM Fall Luncheon: The KC Alumni Council of the University of Saint Mary invite alumni, family and friends to its Fall Luncheon honoring Sr. Susan Rieke,

Professor Emerita of Language and Literature. Sun., Nov. 17th, Grand Street Café, 4740 Grand Ave., KC, MO. Social Hour: 11 a.m., Lunch: Noon - 2:00 p.m.

Cost \$35/person; additional contributions benefit student scholarships. RSVP to Maxine Mitchell Staggs - maxinestaggs@gmail.com or 816-304-3268.