

OCTOBER 9, 2022
**TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY
 IN ORDINARY TIME**

Reflection from Fr. Bernard Doré

Give thanks to God for the new life he offers us in Christ Jesus.

In today's readings, we hear two stories of healing. In the first reading, Naaman, a foreigner, was healed from his leprosy after plunging into the Jordan River seven times as instructed by the prophet Elisha. In the Gospel, ten lepers are healed of their leprosy as they are walking to present themselves to the priests, per Jesus' instruction. We can only imagine the relief and joy all these people must have felt at realizing they were healed. The years of suffering and ostracism from society were finally behind them and they could live an ordinary life.

This joy is reflected in Naaman's response. He wanted to give Elisha a gift to show his appreciation and gratitude. But Elisha would not accept a gift, and this redirected Naaman to a more appropriate response – to recognize that the God of Israel whom Elisha served was the only true God and the only one worthy of worship and praise.

With the lepers, we can only imagine the amazement and joy they must have felt when they looked at or touched their skin and found it was healed.

This entire experience prompted one of the lepers, a Samaritan, to turn around and return to Jesus and fall at his feet, recognizing that Jesus was no ordinary man. His gratitude, his recognition of what God had done for him through Jesus, brought about an additional gift – faith and salvation. Like Naaman, this healing was a catalyst for the Samaritan, and it led him on a new spiritual path. He was able to recognize that Jesus wasn't offering a return to his previous life but was inviting him to a new one.

Through this healing, Jesus had invited all ten lepers to this new path that leads to faith and salvation. But only one of them seems to have been able to recognize and to have accepted this invitation. What kept the other nine from doing so as well? We do not know.

But we do know that the Lord has done something amazing and life-changing for us. He has redeemed us through his passion, death, and resurrection and remains here, with us, in the Eucharist, to sustain and strengthen us. And should we fall into the temptation of walking away, the Lord works to draw us back and is always ready to receive us back into his fold. Let us give thanks to the Lord for his faithfulness and goodness. Let us give thanks for the new life God offers us in Christ Jesus



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OFFICE HOURS	9:00 AM – 2:00 PM (MON, WED, THU, FRI)
WEEKDAY MASSES	9:00 AM (MON, WED, FRI)
SATURDAY VIGIL MASS	5:00 PM
SUNDAY MASSES	8:00 AM 10:00 AM
HOLY DAY MASSES	9:00 AM 7:00 PM
CONFESSIONS	4:00-4:30 PM, SATURDAY OR BY APPOINTMENT

ST. PAUL'S UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Saturday	October 8
5:00 PM	Mass: Living & Deceased Parishioners
Sunday	October 9
8:00 AM	Mass: Mary W. Kayatta (RIP)
9:15 AM	Rosary
10:00 AM	Mass: Mary Fallon (RIP)
Monday	October 10
8:35 AM	Rosary
9:00 AM	Mass: Richard Blair, Sr. (RIP)
Wednesday	October 12
8:35 AM	Rosary
9:00 AM	Mass: Living & Deceased Members of the Wodziak & Tarsa Families
Friday	October 14
8:35 AM	Rosary
9:00 AM	Mass: Souls in Purgatory
NEXT WEEKEND'S MASS INTENTIONS	
5:00 PM	Open for your Intentions
8:00 AM	Mass: Richard Cooley (RIP)
10:00 AM	Mass: Albert Varatta (RIP)

PLEASE CONSIDER COMMEMORATING
 A LOVED ONE AT THE EUCHARIST

October- Month of Holy Rosary

My Dear Parishioners,
Greetings and prayers. The Month of October is devoted to The Holy Rosary very specially. At Fatima, Our Blessed Mother revealed herself as Our Lady of The Holy Rosary and asked all her children to pray The Holy Rosary daily for peace in the world. After the Holy Mass, The Holy Rosary is the most powerful and greatest prayer. Just see the world, increase in the Persecutions of Christians in different parts of the world, increase in the Natural Disasters like Hurricanes, Floods, Earth Quakes.

In this Month of October, let us renew our love and devotion to Our Blessed Mother Mary and go on our knees, by praying daily the Holy Rosary individually, as a Family and as a Parish, to stop all kinds and forms of violence and Natural Disasters and for peace in our hearts, Families, Parish, Community, Nation and the world and for The Triumph of Her Immaculate Heart soon.

With all my love, prayers and blessings always,

Yours lovingly in Jesus and Mary,
Fr. M.J. Bernard Doré

Congratulations & God's Blessing

Please add to your prayers of thanksgiving and petition, **Kayla Misto and Giovanni Illiano**, who celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony this weekend at St. Paul's. May they be strengthened by the Holy Spirit's gifts of faith, hope and love.

Monday October 10

Parish office will be closed Monday, October 10 observing Columbus Day.

Little Sisters of the Poor

Please joining us in welcoming the Little Sisters of the Poor to our parish next weekend. They depend greatly on charity to carry on their mission to the aged and infirm.

Second Collection- October 8/9

This weekend, the second collection will be to help with **cost of utilities**.

The Holy Eucharist Our All

The Tabernacle - An Open Treasury

Jesus is ever with us in the holy Tabernacle. He is with us in the fullness of His Godhead, and in the splendor of His glorified Humanity. He has erected His dwelling upon the altar, and He finds His delight among the children of men. (Prov. 8:13). Full of intimate love for us and full of most touching compassion for our weakness and poverty, He offers us the immeasurable riches of His Divine treasures of grace.

O, wonderful **Mystery of Divine Love!** Thou containest Jesus, the Source of all grace, the most precious Treasure! All the mysteries of His life, Passion and death are united in one; all the merits He has acquired are gathered here-gathered for you, **happy soul**, for each one of us. Here is contained the Incarnation, the Redemption, all the graces of sanctification and blessedness, yea, all that Jesus gave, could give and wished to give-all that. He is and has. The Father has given everything into His hand and with Him has give us everything. (Rom. 8:32)

Streams of graces and blessings flow from the living and personal presence of our Divine Savior in the holy Tabernacle into the hearts of those who approach Him with humility and confidence. As a flood of rays emanates from the sun and diffuses over the whole earth, so do the **rays of grace** glow from the Sacred Host and sink into every faithful, contrite heart.

Never does a soul that is penetrated with a lively faith approach Jesus and go away without being enriched. If we ourselves did not sow many weeds in the garden of our soul, He would soon have it covered with the treasures of grace.

In His unbounded love, Jesus most ardently desires us to come and take from Him the graces He extends to us, as though they were a burden which He could no longer support. Nothing, not even the sense of our unworthiness and sinfulness, should deter us from appearing before Him! Yea, the power we are, the more often should we hasten to the Divine Treasury that we may become enriched. The weaker we are, the more frequently should we approach the **Divine Fountain of Grace**, that we may be revived and strengthened.

Here, in the holy Tabernacle, is the wonderful pool of Bethsaida, that is the "house of mercy" or "place of healing," in which the Divine waters of grace are constantly in motion. Here every person can obtain the health of his soul, and if it be the Will of God, the health of his body likewise.

Are you sick in soul? Does the weight of your sins press you down? Are you blind? Are you wanting in the necessary light and knowledge on the path of salvation? Are you lame? Do you desire to make more rapid progress in virtue, but find yourself unable? Are you exhausted? Do your strength and energy flag when you are striving for grace and merit? Oh, then **come to the Divine place of healing**, to Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament. He will help you, He will heal you! He is present here, not for the Angels, but for you, **O happy child of man!** And he wills that you do not fear, that you do not hesitate, but that you come with joy and confidence and ask much of Him.

~ Fr. Lukas Etlin, O.S.B.

Baby Bottle Boomerang

After Masses next weekend, we will be distributing empty baby bottles. Please take a bottle home and fill it with your spare coins (cash /checks are also much appreciated) and return the bottle to church by October 30th. Your generosity helps Right to Life Services continue providing pregnancy tests and ultrasounds throughout Rhode Island in their Ancora Women's Mobile Care Center, and stocks the shelves of their maternity Hope Chest to serve mothers who have courageously chosen LIFE but need a helping hand caring for their precious little ones, whether it be diapers and wipes, clothing and blankets, and many other must have items. May the Good Lord Bless you many times over for your generosity.

Fifth Sunday Rosary for Families

The St. Paul Council, Knights of Columbus invites all families to join us and our families in praying the Rosary before the Blessed Sacrament after the 10AM Mass on **Sunday, Oct. 30, 2022** followed Benediction.

St. Philip All Saints Cemetery Walk & Bake Sale

Sunday, October 30th Tours from 6-9pm

St. Philip's Youth Ministry presents a free family event.

An immersive experience of the afterlife in which you'll learn about Heaven Hell & Purgatory from the Saints and other spirits. The walk ends with prayers for the deceased with Fr. Phillip Dufour. Visit the Bake Sale Café to purchase treats and drinks to support our youth and family ministry. For More information contact youth@saintphilip.com

GIFTS RECEIVED

Offertory Collection - Oct 1/2
\$3,502.00

Seminarian Collection - Oct 1/2
\$ 722.00

Thank you for your support!