

OCTOBER 4, 2020  
TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME

Reflection from Fr. Bernard Doré

The Church is a Vineyard, with Christ as the True Vine. In the First Reading, Israel is compared to a vineyard which fails to produce fruit, in spite of the fact that God has lavished the utmost love, care and attention on it. Sadly, it is destined to become a wilderness.

In the Second Reading, St. Paul is encouraging his converts to put their full trust in God. Fervent prayer of thanksgiving and petition will keep their hearts and minds on Christ. They should live exemplary Christian lives, following the teaching and example of their Apostle. Their reward will be peace of mind in this life and everlasting peace in the world to come.

The Gospel speaks of the infinite goodness, patience and mercy of God and also the infidelity and ingratitude of the chosen People of God. In the Old Testament, God chose the Jews to be His People and made covenant with them. But many times they failed in their relationship with God. Yet God was patient with them; again and again He pardoned their infidelities. He sent them prophet after prophet to invite them for conversion, but they maltreated these messengers of God and refused to listen to them. Finally God sent His own Son to them. But they put to him to death on the cross.

In God's plan of love and mercy, the death of Christ on the cross brought salvation and life to the world and opened the gates of God's Eternal Kingdom for all nations and races and today we Christians are the Chosen people of God. But we too many times fail to be faithful, grateful and obedient to God.

Therefore, let us sincerely pray for the grace to be faithful, grateful and obedient to God and produce good fruits of our Christian life.



The Vineyard of the Lord  
is the house of Israel.  
Psalm 80



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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

**ST. PAUL'S UPCOMING SCHEDULE**

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>October 3</b>
9:30—11 AM	Food Closet Open
5:00 PM	Mass: Paul Joseph (RIP)
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>October 4</b>
8:00 AM	Mass: James & William O'Connell (RIP)
9:15 AM	Rosary
10:00 AM	Mass: Robert Carnevale (RIP)
<b>Monday</b>	<b>October 5</b>
8:35 AM	Rosary
9:00 AM	Mass: Intentions of the Dunn Family
6:30 PM	Knights of Columbus Meeting
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>October 7</b>
8:35 AM	Rosary
9:00 AM	Mass: Gerald Mullen (RIP)
<b>Friday</b>	<b>October 9</b>
8:35 AM	Rosary
9:00 AM	Mass: Souls in Purgatory

NEXT WEEKEND'S MASS INTENTIONS

5:00 PM	Mass: Alex Pizzano (RIP)
8:00 AM	Mass: Priscilla Moscone (RIP)
10:00 AM	Mass: Anthony Lena (RIP)

PLEASE CONSIDER COMMEMORATING  
A LOVED ONE AT THE EUCHARIST

## Vatican Urges Catholics to Return to Public Sunday Worship

Kindly read the Very Important Letter from Rome about Our Sunday Obligation to attend The Holy Mass. Those who have real health issues and are elderly, are always exempted. But others should return to attend Sunday Mass in Person and receive The Holy Eucharist Sacramentally as The Letter stresses very clearly that Online Streaming of The Holy Mass is no substitute for Public Worship of God. This Coronavirus Pandemic is not just a health and medical problem and it is also a Spiritual problem. When God allows sufferings, He also gives The Solution. The Holy Eucharist is The Best Solution and Medicine for all sufferings and sicknesses. The Eucharistic Lord Jesus Christ is The Divine Physician and He and He alone can cure all illnesses and sufferings. Please don't be afraid and Put all your Faith and trust in The Eucharistic Christ and Our Blessed Mother Mary The Health of The Sick. Please return to The Sacraments of The Holy Eucharist and Penance.

May Our Lord Jesus Christ and Blessed Mother Mary bless and keep you all safe and healthy.

Thanks for your understanding and with my love, prayers and blessings always.

Fr. M.J. Bernard Doré

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## Act of Spiritual Communion

*My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire to receive you into my life. Since I cannot receive you sacramentally, come then spiritually into my heart. So that I may embrace you and unite myself completely to you. And never let me be separated from you.*

### Let's Stay Connected

We've been emailing a weekly parish update to help us stay informed and to share resources. Please add your name and email to the list via our website:

[www.stpaulsfoster.org](http://www.stpaulsfoster.org)

Your information is never shared with anyone else and is only used to communicate with you about the parish.

## K of C Winter Coat Drive

The Knights of Columbus are organizing this year's annual coat collection.

**Please donate clean coats in good condition.** There'll be a drop off box.

## The Christmas Bazaar Raffle

Be on the lookout for Christmas Bazaar Raffle tickets to be arriving in your mailbox this week. Please consider buying /selling to friends and family. Return date is November 29th.

- \$1000 Gift Card Tree
- Stihl Farm Boss Chain Saw with Case, Gear Bag, and Gallon MotoMix
- Stihl Back Pack Blower
- Emeril LaGasse Pressure AirFryer

## Living the Liturgy

*Inspiration for the week*

Who has authority over God's kingdom? While we know that the obvious answer is Jesus, that is not the answer our lives always reveal. We struggle with wanting control over God's kingdom. We wrestle with ownership, privilege, status, and the protection of our rights. However, at the end of the day nothing in this world or in the one to come belongs to us. All that we see and know to be true belong to God, and Jesus is the only one who has any authority. How often do we defer any of our decision making to God? We often conduct our business as if we are the Owner, Lord and Master of it all, but sadly we are not. God gives us the means and the potential to bear good gospel-centered fruit. This desire and capacity exist within each individual. Unless we really acknowledge and accept who is ultimately in charge, the type of love, justice, peace, and other good fruits God desires for the world will never be realized.

### Support St. Paul's

Set up a reoccurring donation (or make a gift at anytime) using our secure, online giving tool by ParishSOFT.

Visit our website at [stpaulsfoster.org](http://stpaulsfoster.org), and click the "Donate Now" button.

Thank you!

### GIFTS RECEIVED

Offertory Collection - September 26/27

**\$2,929.00**

**Thank you for your support!**

## Teaching your child to pray

**Make family time to reflect on Scripture together**

Similar to making personal time for prayer, praying together as a family is a very enriching and spiritually healthy practice. Spend time reflecting on stories from the gospels, asking your children to describe the scene, or why Jesus said or did what he did in that passage. Conclude by asking everyone to make a short prayer of petition or thanksgiving to God.

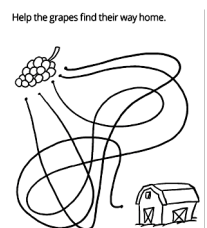
## Give your child prayer suggestions

During your child's prayer time, give your child suggestions for praying with Scripture. Suggest younger children drawing or coloring a scene from the Bible. Older children can be encouraged to use imaginative prayer and either draw or write about their prayer experience with a Scripture passage.

## Make a monthly plan

After becoming more familiar with praying with Scripture, set a monthly plan for the whole family. Remember, with any plan for prayer, God is always the one who leads and guides the progress. Be patient and trust God.

## KIDS CORNER



## Sharing the Gospel

You are God's child. He made you and He loves you. Make sure you act like God's child. He created a beautiful world for you to live in. God expects you to take care of it. God also created people to live around you. Love them. Then you will make God happy.

## Prayer

Dear God, help me to take care of your world and love the people around me.

## Mission for the Week

Recycle paper, plastic and glass at home, instead of throwing it away. Recycling is a great way to take care of God's world.