

OCTOBER 17, 2021
**TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY
 IN ORDINARY TIME**

Reflection from Fr. Bernard Doré

The teaching and example of Jesus call us to lay down our lives in humble service to God and others.

The First Reading tells of how the Lord's chosen and faithful servant would bring salvation to the world through his suffering and death.

The Second Reading Hebrews reminds us that the prayers we offer to the Father through Jesus will be heard and answered.

In The Gospel, Jesus had just given His Apostles the third prediction of the sufferings and death that awaited him in Jerusalem. These predictions fell on deaf ears as far as his Apostles were concerned. Two of their leaders, James and John, came forward to ask him for the principal places in the glorious kingdom they were sure he was going to set up when they reached Jerusalem. Jesus was gentle with them for he knew that they had not yet grasped that his kingdom was not of this world. He told them that if they would have a place in his kingdom, they must imitate the sacrifice he was about to make, to establish that Kingdom-the path to glory is only through suffering. Jesus teaches that true greatness in God's Kingdom is found by humbly serving others. Jesus demonstrated this clearly and definitely by freely offering his life for the sake of our salvation. As in all things, Christ lived what he preached. He did not seek his own glory. He did not lord it over others. He served others and gave his life to save them. Faithfulness to God is not easy, and suffering in some form is going to be a consequence of faithfulness. But we are not alone. Christ is always our model. He has gone before us, carrying the cross. He will definitely help us carry our own crosses.

Let us sincerely pray for the grace and follow Our Lord's example so that we might be found worthy of the kingdom of God.



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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 16
9:30—11 AM	Food Closet Open
5:00 PM	Mass: Eduardo Von Chong (RIP)
Sunday	October 17
8:00 AM	Mass: Thanksgiving to the Holy Family
9:15 AM	Rosary
10:00 AM	Mass: Teresa Mary Loraine Adamo (RIP)
Monday	October 18
8:35 AM	Rosary
9:00 AM	Mass: Healing for Mary Joseph
6:30 PM	Christmas Bazaar Meeting
Wednesday	October 20
8:35 AM	Rosary
9:00 AM	Mass: Healing for Cheryl D
Friday	October 22
8:35 AM	Rosary
9:00 AM	Mass: Souls in Purgatory

NEXT WEEKEND'S MASS INTENTIONS

5:00 PM	Mass: Continued Good Health of Michael and Maritza Ganem
8:00 AM	Mass: Paul Grimes (RIP)
10:00 AM	Mass: Eduardo Von Chong (RIP)

PLEASE CONSIDER COMMEMORATING
 A LOVED ONE AT THE EUCHARIST

Baby Bottle Boomerang

Please return the bottles to church by this weekend, October 17th.

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, October 31, 2021** followed by Benediction.

Please join us in asking for Mary's intercession for an end to abortion in our country and the world, for peace in our families and country, for an end to pandemic & healing of all affected.

Your Prayer Is Appreciated

Dear Friends,

This weekend I will be with fellow deacons for our yearly retreat. Please pray for us as I pray for you.

Thank you—Deacon Fernando

Christmas Bazaar Meeting

This Monday, October 18 at 6:30PM

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.

Help Fill Thanksgiving Baskets

We are collecting food items in order to prepare Thanksgiving Food Baskets which have been so important and appreciated by some of our neighbors. We ask all families to help fill these baskets. **Please drop off all items at the church no later than Sunday, November 7. Thank you!**

Canned Fruit/Applesauce
Gravy (Cans, Jars, Packages)
Cranberry Sauce Stuffing Mix
Instant Potatoes Muffin Mix
Biscuit/Roll Mix Pie Crust/Fillings
Canned Vegetables

GIFTS RECEIVED

Offertory Collection - Oct 9/10
\$3,014.00

Monthly 2nd Collection - Oct 9/10
\$2,511.00

Thank you for your support!

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1. Go to <https://signup.formed.org/>
2. Enter our parish's zip code
3. Enter your name and your email

What to watch?

Watch **The Search**, a 7-part video series that asks some of the important questions in life.



Episode 7 // Why a Church?

How do I access this man who lived 2000 years ago? How do I live this call of love? We uniquely encounter the love of God in His Church. But really? The Church? There are so many negative views of the Church. It's out of touch. It's full of bad people. It's just too boring.

Maybe when we say "The Church" we mean a little more. The Church is the family of God that's been lovingly gathered through our entire story. It's the place we were meant to encounter His grace that prepares us for every step of life.

The God that is love knows how we're made – material and spiritual – we need tangible ways to live our faith. We can't be spiritual but not religious. This is where we'll find ultimate happiness in life. This is where the God that has been seeking humanity, who wrote the deepest desires onto our human hearts, encounters us.

Jesus' first words to humanity in the Gospel of John are "what do you seek?" The one that asked the question not only knows the answer, He is the answer. The answer to everything. And you find him most profoundly here in His Church.

The Bishop's World Mission Sunday Message

My dear Brothers and Sisters,

World Mission Sunday — the annual, worldwide Eucharistic celebration for the Missions of the Church — will be on **October 24** this year. This important day in the life of the Church universal fortifies our understanding of our shared call to mission, bestowed upon us at Baptism.

Pope Francis' message for World Mission Sunday reflects on the theme: **"We cannot but speak about what we have seen and heard"** (Acts 4:20). The Holy Father shares his zeal, reminding us that, "as Christians, we cannot keep the Lord to ourselves," as we "recall with gratitude all those men and women who by their testimony of life help us to renew our baptismal commitment to be generous and joyful apostles of the Gospel." He invites us to speak of our faith!

World Mission Sunday provides us with that very opportunity. We can speak about our faith and respond to our missionary call — through prayer, participation in the Eucharist, and giving generously to the collection for the **Society for the Propagation of the Faith** on that special day. Your gifts support and sustain priests, religious and lay pastoral leaders in more than 1,100 mission dioceses in Asia, Africa, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe as they proclaim the Gospel, build the Church, serve the poor — and speak of our shared faith in all corners of the world.

"The global pandemic has brought to the fore and amplified the pain, the solitude, the poverty, and the injustices experienced by so many people," reminds Pope Francis. This year, as the world recovers from the loss and the challenges that resulted, let us respond with reciprocal generosity to the fullest extent that we are able.

In this spirit, I offer my sincere personal gratitude for your kind missionary heart, reaching out in love throughout Mission Month.

Sincerely,
Thomas J. Tobin
Bishop of Providence