

OCTOBER 18, 2020
TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

Reflection from Fr. Bernard Doré

Jesus teaches us how to reconcile our earthly commitments with our obligations to God. Today's Readings show that there need not be a conflict between fulfilling our civil obligations and our obligations to God.

In the First Reading, after the Jews had suffered through the Babylonian captivity, the Persian King, Cyrus, permitted them to return to their homeland. The Prophet calls Cyrus God's anointed servant, the only time in the Old Testament that a foreigner is given such a title, though Cyrus himself did not know the true God of Israel who raised him up to serve His interests.

In the Second Reading, St. Paul first thanks God the Father and the Son for the growth of the Thessalonians in the virtues of faith, love and hope. Their growth in these virtues is not and cannot be from their human efforts but purely a gift to them because God chose them to live a life of these virtues.

In the Gospel, Jesus, without answering the question of what is Caesar's and what is God's, tells the people that Caesar indeed reigns and that thus they are bound to pay the tax. Christ makes it very clear that we must do our duty in the world, not as opposed to our duty to God, but because of our duty to God. God has called us to his service; he has called each of us individually so that, through us men will come to recognize that there is a God. Therefore we cannot hide from our responsibility. We have our duties to be faithful and loyal to God. We also have our duties to our country by loyally obeying the just laws of the State, by paying all lawful taxes, and by contributing our share, whenever called on, toward the common good. Both St. Peter and St. Paul stress our obligation to be examples to all in our loyalty as citizens of the state.

So, let us sincerely pray for the grace, to be loyal citizens of the state and true and faithful Christians, all for the Glory of God and for the good of the people.

Give the Lord
glory and honor.
Psalm 96



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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

Saturday	October 17
9:30—11 AM	Food Closet Open
5:00 PM	Mass: Paul Joseph (RIP)

Sunday	October 18
8:00 AM	Mass: Richard A. Boyes (RIP)
9:15 AM	Rosary
10:00 AM	Mass: Valentino, Teresa, & Elizabeth Pieri (RIP)

Monday	October 19
8:35 AM	Rosary
9:00 AM	Mass: People of the Parish

Wednesday	October 21
8:35 AM	Rosary
9:00 AM	Mass: : The Grandchildren of Mary O'Reilly: Dunn, Cavanagh, O'Reilly & Crane

Friday	October 23
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	Open for your Intentions
10:00 AM	Mass: Mosca Family (RIP)

PLEASE CONSIDER COMMEMORATING
A LOVED ONE AT THE EUCHARIST

MONTH OF THE Rosary

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 and 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 Dore

Rosary for Families

St. Paul's Council, Knights of Columbus invites everyone to a family rosary next **Sunday, October 25th at 9:15AM** here at St. Paul's Church. We are asking Mary's intercession for an end to abortion in our country and the world, for peace in our country and families, and for an end to the pandemic.

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

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

Pro-Life Rose Sale

Long-stem roses will be available after Masses on Saturday & Sunday, October 24th & 25th. All proceeds from the sale will benefit Catholic, pro-life Mother of Life Pregnancy Center (motheroflife.org) in Providence.

Congratulations Chris

Last Friday, Chris Skerrit, became the newest Council 95 member as he was sworn into the order. He received his 1st, 2nd, and 3rd degree during this exemplification. Congratulations!

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. As part of learning about faithfulness to Christ we are especially asking the children as well as all parish families to help fill these baskets. **Please drop off all items at the church by Sunday, November 8.**

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

World Mission Sunday Collection

This weekend, October 17/18, we will celebrate World Mission Sunday. Support for the missions is coordinated by the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, the oldest international organization tasked by the Pope with this responsibility. Our generosity makes it possible for local clergy, religious, and catechists to reach out to communities, families, and children in desperate, bringing the light of Christ to the most difficult of circumstances.

GIFTS RECEIVED

Offertory Collection - October 10/11
\$2,077.75

Monthly 2nd Collection - October 10/11
\$1,902.00

Thank you for your support!

Living the Liturgy

Inspiration for the week

In the time of Jesus, a Roman coin bore the image of Caesar and it was precisely this coin that was returned to the emperor in the form of tax. What bears God's image? Scripture tells us that human beings are made in the likeness and image of God. In truth, however, all of creation, even the entire universe, is fashioned in the image of God! Everything radiates Divine Presence and the spark and essence of God's very life exists in all things. God breathes the life of himself into all things. If we have to give back to civil authorities what speaks to them, then what do we give back to God? While the answer is simple, the implications are profound. We are asked to give back to God our very selves! Ultimately, all creation is in the process of returning to God and is on a journey of finding its final truth and essence in him. As we continue that journey, all we have, all we are, all we see, and all we are responsible for must be offered back to him. God is the beginning and the end of all things. Do our lives reflect this Divine Allegiance?

The Christmas Bazaar Raffle

Everyone should have received Raffle Tickets in their mailbox this week. Please consider buying /selling to friends and family. **Return date is November 29th.**

KIDS CORNER

Sharing the Gospel

When you grow up and earn money, you will have to pay taxes. Taxes pay for many good things that keep us safe and healthy. When you grow up in your faith, you will want to give God some of the money you earn, because all you have is a gift from God.

Prayer

God, teach me to use money wisely so my community and my church can grow.

Mission for the Week

Take care of God's world. Together as a family, clean up trash that's lying around in your neighborhood.