



Saint Anthony's



Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 11th, 2026

MESSAGE

GOD'S TERMS

The bottom line of today's Gospel is that if we are to enter into the Kingdom of Heaven, it is on God's terms and not our own. The man who was expelled from the wedding feast was thrown out because he had refused to wear the wedding garment. The custom in the Middle East at that time was that a wedding garment would be provided for every guest at a great feast like this. So the guest could have put on the wedding garment that was provided, but he had refused to do so.

God wants us in heaven, but he wants us there on His terms and not our own.

Too easily in life we think we can get by with appearing to be good rather than being truly good to the core. It's easier to keep up appearances than it is to carry out the good we're called to do. In other words it's easier to talk the talk than to walk the walk.

God's terms are the terms of love. As God is love, He wants us to be truly loving people in everything we do, everything we say, and in the very being that we are called to be. Thus we are transformed and enclothed with the wedding garment: the wedding garment that is Christ Jesus himself.

May God bless you all
Father Rob.

Mass Schedule

Weekdays: Daily 9am

Saturday: 5:30 pm

Sunday: 10am

In Elk: Saturday at 4pm

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EVENTS

7@7 Prayer Group with Fr Rob -
Mondays at 7pm
on Zoom7

Bible Study - Tuesdays at 10am

Men's Lunch at Patterson's -
Thursdays at Noon

Rosary in Church -
Weekdays at 8:30am

Knights of Columbus Meeting -
1st Wednesday of the Month
At 6:30 pm

K of C Pancake Breakfast -
2nd Sunday of the Month
8am - Noon

Games and Ping Pong Night
Thursdays at 6:30pm

Silent Meditation Group -
Wednesdays at 4pm

Second Collection
Next Weekend

For World Mission Sunday



Saint John Henry Newman - Doctor of the Church - Feast Day October 9th

In my lifetime it seemed like it took a long time before Cardinal Newman was named Blessed and this finally happened in 2010. In 2019 he was canonized and thus made a Saint and in 2025 Pope Leo named him Doctor of the Church. He was of course part of the Oxford Movement at a time for renewal of the Church in England in the 1800's. Two of his most important teachings were:

- **Development of Christian Doctrine** - that dogmas and traditions grow and deepen in human understanding over time while preserving their core identity. Much like a tree that grows outward changes color according to the seasons but has the same roots and remains essentially the same.
- **Grammar of Assent** - that personal assent to religious truth involves both the conscience and the cumulative weight of probabilities: like aiming at a target and getting closer and closer to the bull's eye. In this sense everything seems to point in the right direction and helps to develop a final conviction.

These two ideas have certainly been very formative in my own understanding of the Faith. Fr Rob

On that day it will be said: "Behold our God, to whom we looked to save us!"

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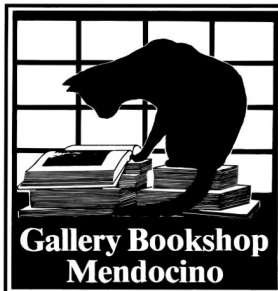


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