October 9, 2022: 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Jesus asked, "Were not all ten cleansed? Where are the other nine? Has no one returned to give praise to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Rise and go; your faith has made you well."

Gratitude is the attitude of a sensitive soul appreciative of its gifts. It is a sign of a good heart which, while it enjoys the gifts, is never forgetful of the giver of gifts. The nine lepers of our gospel were so engrossed with the blessings they had received and forgot their benefactor; this of course saddened him. We may try not to be like them. Beloved brethren always remember that "A grateful heart is a humble heart; a humble heart is a religious heart, a religious heart is a reverential heart; a reverential heart; a liturgical heart is a praising heart which is in turn always joyful and healthy". For the grace to be always thankful to God and man we pray through Christ our Lord. Amen. **Catholicforlife.com**

A true disciple must live in an attitude of gratitude, not entitlement. We must not think of the blessings in our lives as things we deserve or have earned. There are others with less blessings who are just as good and just as beloved as we are. When we live in gratitude, we understand that God has given us gifts to share with others. Jesus heals all ten lepers in the gospel. And he tells them that their faith was essential to this healing. In fact, he does not even touch them, as he often does when healing people. Instead, he just tells them to go to the priests. They believe his word and are made clean. But nine of them don't seem to realize that this healing is a gift from God. Only the foreigner, who worships differently than the Jews, returns to give thanks. In a similar way, it can be easy for us to forget that we receive gifts from God every day. And we can take our faith for granted. This can be especially true for cradle Catholics. We go to Mass on Sunday without really thinking about what we are doing. We think that we are deserving of salvation because of the good things we do. But salvation is a gift from God, it is not earned. So let us thank God for it every day.

Today we hear about how Jesus, continuing his journey to Jerusalem, heals 10 lepers. This story is a lesson about faith and reminds us that faith is sometimes found in unlikely places. Ten people afflicted with leprosy cry out to Jesus. Struck with pity, Jesus heals all 10. However, only one is described as glorifying God and returning to thank Jesus. The one who returns is a Samaritan, a foreigner. In the Jewish circles in which Jesus lived, Samaritans were looked down upon because of the differences between the two communities in their observance of Judaism. It is significant, therefore, that Jesus commends the Samaritan for his faith, which has been his salvation. Throughout Luke's Gospel, faith is found in surprising places. Another lesson for us in this Gospel has to do with salvation. All 10 of the lepers were given the gift of healing, but in his gratitude to God for this gift, the Samaritan found salvation. Our salvation is found in recognizing the gifts we have been given and knowing to whom we must offer our thanks.

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Sacred Heart Parish

A Stewardship Parish in Union with Christ



Parish Information

<u>Pastor</u>: Monsignor Jim Robertson <u>Office Administrator</u>: Joseph Stany Moothedan <u>Office Hours</u>: Tuesday and Thursday: 8:30 am – 4:30 pm Friday: 8:30 am- 12:30 pm

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Weekend Masses:	Saturday 4:30 pm, Sunday 11 am
Mass During Week:	Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday at 7 pm. Friday at 10 am.
Lohnes Complex	First Fridays - 2 pm at the Lohnes Complex, <i>closed to public.</i>
Bible Study:	Bible study will resume on October 16, 2022
Holy Hour of Adoration:	Post-poned until further notice.
Reconciliation:	By request.
Marriages:	Six months' notice required. A year's notice is recommended.
<u>Baptisms</u> :	Please call the Parish Office to schedule preparation session.
Family Connections:	At www.rcchurch.com you will find a link to family connections.
St. Vincent de Paul:	To assist those in need. Call 638-9010.

RECEIVED WITH THANKS October 1st – October 2nd, 2022

Regular Sunday	\$1625.25
Building Fund	375.00
St. Vincent de Paul	35.00
Needs of the Canadian Church	115.00

MASS INTENTIONS

No Mass
Priest on Retreat
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Late Norman Poole
Parish Community

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

October 15		
Art Hall	Joan Penney	
	Bernadette Stone	
October 16		
Basil English	Brian Sparkes	
	Elizabeth Carew	
Communion to the Sick – Joan Penney		

<u>BIBLE STUDY:</u> The parish will start the bible study on October 16th. Please call the parish office if you are interested.

POPE'S PRAYER FOR OCTOBER: For a church open to everyone - We pray for the church ever faithful to and courageous in preaching the Gospel, may the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality.

PRIEST RETREAT: The annual Priest retreat will take place October $10^{th} - 14^{th}$. A Priest will remain at the Cathedral Parish to provide pastoral service in our area. Please pray for the Priests during this time of retreat.



THANKSGIVING DAY: It is

fitting for God's people to offer public thanks for all the gifts we have received. The bountiful produce of the earth is a visible sign of the many blessings God wants to shower on us through

Christ. Our God also wants us to share the goods of the earth with all people.

THE ROSARY: October is the month of the Holy Rosery. During this month we are encouraged to make the Rosary a part of our daily prayer routine. K of C will be leading the Rosary at 4:30 pm on Saturdays, before the mass at Sacred Heart during the month of October. The Ladies Group will be leading the Rosary at 10:30 am every Sunday.

TWO NIGHT MISSION: The Newfoundland Catholic Renewal will be sponsoring a twonight mission with Catholic Evangelist Father Mark Cherry, which will be held on October 18th and 19that Holy Redeemer Cathedral starting at 7:00 pm each evening. Come and be renewed in your faith and receive hope for the future. There will be a free will offering taken up each night to help cover the cost of the mission. All are welcome! Tuesday evening will consist of praise/worship and a presentation by Fr Mark Cherry. There will also be a personal testimony of faith, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, and the Sacrament of Reconciliation. On Wednesday evening there will be a celebration of Holy Mass, a personal testimony of faith at the end of Mass and a prayer of empowerment of the Holy Spirit.

4YOUTH: Climate change and the use or misuse of the earth's resources has become a major concern for many members of our society. As Catholics, we believe that care for God's creation is an everyday thing. The Youth Catechism of the Catholic Church (YouCat, for short), which is written in question-andanswer format, speaks of the environment in Paragraph 436. "How should we treat the environment? We fulfill God's commission with regard to creation when we care for the earth, with its biological laws, its variety of species, its natural beauty, and its dwindling resources, as a living space and preserve it, so that future generations also can live well on earth." It goes on to explain that, while God gave humanity dominion over the earth, this does not mean that God gave humanity dominion over the earth. this does not mean that God wants us to use nature and its creatures in a selfish way. It mean that we should use the earth's resources and creatures wisely and that we should save them from destruction.

FIONA RELIEF: The Diocese of Corner Brook and Labrador is now accepting monetary donations to support the people of Port aux Basques and surrounding communities, most affected by Hurricane Fiona, to assist and rebuild homes and livelihoods that were lost. If anyone would like to make a donation. you may do so by placing it in an envelope marked "Hurricane Relief" and dropping it in the Sunday collection. Please do not forget to include your envelope number and name, so that you may be credited with a tax receipt. All funds, made payable to the parish and marked as "Hurricane Relief", will be forwarded to the Diocese and given to the local effort to help those most in need."

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY - OCTOBER 23rd

2022: Every parish and diocese throughout the world from the poorest to the most affluent will celebrate this day, and will contribute to the universal solidarity fund which is then shared among countries according to their need.

<u>CHILDRENS LITURGY</u>: We are hoping to continue our Children's Liturgy program. Grandparents and parents are encouraged to bring young children to the masses of Sunday Morning.

NOTICE: This is to inform our fellow parishioners that the Sunday Missals are available at the church \$5 each. Please call the parish office for more details.

BINGO - OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA: Our

Lady Star of the Sea Parish will be having a bingo on **Sunday, October 23 at 2:00 pm** in the Church basement. Anyone wishing to donate prizes please contact Kathleen Compagnion or the Office at 709-640-4659 or email ourladystarofthesea1@gmail.com. Your support and generosity are greatly appreciated.

