



SANTA CRUZ ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH
DISCALCED CARMELITE FRIARS



September
18
2022

God wills everyone
to be saved and to
come to knowledge
of the truth.

1 Timothy 2:4

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME



BEREAVEMENT
SUPPORT
SERVICES

Group support for those who are dealing with the painful loss of a loved one. Group meets this week on **Thursday, September 22nd at 6:30 pm**. Come to find comfort and support from others who share the same experience.

Reflection for the 25th Sunday of Ordinary Time

You cannot serve both God and mammon, Lk. 16:13.

What would you do if you won a million dollars in the lottery? I have had people ask me to pray that they win the lottery assuring me that if they won, they would make a big donation to the church. Would I be doing a good thing to pray for this person. To be honest with you, I am not sure. I usually pray, but half-heartedly.

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus tells his disciples a parable about a rich man who a steward who was reported to him for squandering his property. The word in Greek for steward is *oikonomos* from which we get the English word economist. (Need I remind you that the New Testament was written in Greek?) In other words, the steward was a property manager who took care of the rich man's business. The rich man holds his property manager accountable and tells him he can no longer work for him. So, what does the manager do? He "adjusts" the accounts of those who owed money to the rich man in the hope that these debtors would receive him into their homes when he lost his job.

Here is where the parable of Jesus takes a curious turn. Instead of being angry with his manager for remitting some of the debt owed by the debtors, the rich man commends him for his shrewdness. For this reason, Jesus says, "For the children of this world are more prudent in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light." Jesus is contrasting two types of persons, "children of this world" and "children of light." The first type is a person who is only concerned about his life in the world. It is often true that this type is more prudent and wiser about how to get what he wants and needs here and now whereas the one who professes to be a disciple of Christ and bound for glory is careless about the business of heaven.

Jesus says, "I tell you, make friends for yourselves with dishonest wealth, so that when it fails, you will be welcomed into eternal dwellings." How are we to understand this teaching? St. Ignatius has a meditation in his Spiritual Exercise that might help us. It is a reflection on three men who have each acquired unexpected money. Let us say they won the lottery. They all want to save themselves and find peace in God our Lord, ridding themselves of the weight and hindrance they experience on account of the attachment they have for the money. They are children of light who want to follow Christ.

The first man wants to rid himself of the attachment which he has to the money to find peace in God our Lord, and be able to save himself, but he does not use the means do this up to the hour of death. The second man wants to rid himself of the attachment but wants so to rid himself of it as to remain with the money, so that God should come to what he wants, and he does not decide to leave it to go to God, although it would be the best state for him. The third man wants to rid himself of the attachment, but in such a way as to be indifferent to keeping it or not keeping it. He only wants to want it or not want it according as God our Lord will show him what is better for the service and praise of His Divine Majesty. His only desire is to better serve God our Lord. This is true detachment, and it is what our Lord is teaching in this parable. We must understand that we are stewards of His gifts to us. We will have to render and account like the wily manager.

Let us pray this prayer that Ignatius included in his Spiritual Exercises: *Take, Lord, and receive all my liberty, my memory, my intellect, and all my will—all that I have and possess. You have given all to me: to you, Lord, I return it! All is yours, dispose of it according to your will. Give me your love and grace, for this is enough for me.*

~ Fr. Stephen F. Watson, O.C.D.

Arizona Rosary Celebration

Holy Hour & Dinner the night before the celebration on

Friday, October 14, 2022 at Our Mother of Sorrows Church, (1800 S Kolb Road)

6:00 p.m. Holy Hour with Prayer, Scripture, Guest Speaker Fr. James Phalan, Rosary inside the Church

7:15 p.m. Dinner in the Social Hall, \$15 per person, *ticket required*

Arizona Rosary Celebration on Saturday, October 15, 2022

At St. Augustine Cathedral (192 S. Stone Avenue)

10:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.: Blessing Procession, Music, Guest Speaker, Rosary

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ADULTS needing to receive sacraments, please call the Religious Education office for registration information.



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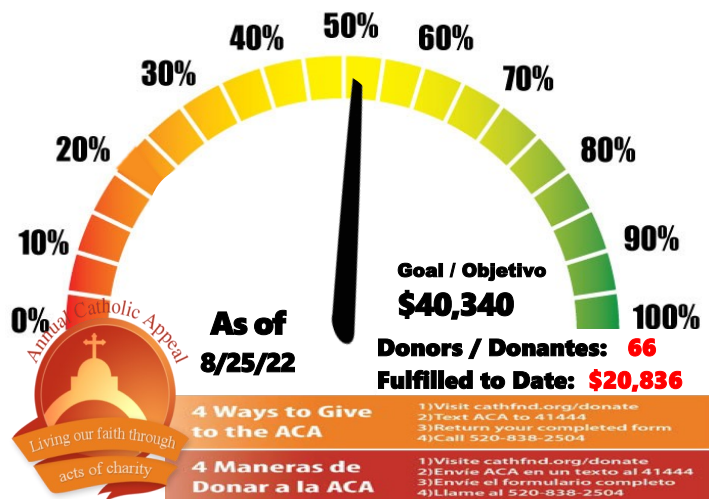
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Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 17th

8:00am Penny Green/Happy Birthday
5:30pm Eydie Rivera/R.I.P.

Sunday, September 18th

6:30am Santa Cruz Parishioners
8:00am Jose & Beatrice Bustamante/R.I.P.
10:00am Juan Lopez, Jr./R.I.P.
12:00pm Frank Ahumada/R.I.P.
6:00pm Sally Lee/R.I.P.

Monday, September 19th

In Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Guadalupe
8:00am Grace Alejra/R.I.P.

Tuesday, September 20th

Special Int./The Aytona Family
8:00am Rosa Medeiros, Lydia Mankel & Ruth Ortiz/R.I.P.

Wednesday, September 21st

In Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Guadalupe
8:00am Delma Huggins & Damian Higgins/R.I.P.

Thursday, September 22nd

Deceased Members of the Fullenkamp & Carter Families/R.I.P.
8:00am Lucy Flores/R.I.P.

Friday, September 23rd

Sister Yvonne of the Angels, O.C.D./R.I.P.
8:00am In Honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus/
Int. Nieves Ortiz & Family

Parish Collection August 21st, 2022
Collection: \$ 4,370.31

Thanking You for Your Service to Our Parish

Most Rev. Edward J. Weisenburger
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Business Hours Monday - Friday 8:30am - 3:00pm

Pastor: Rev. Stephen Watson, O.C.D.
In Residence: Rev. David Costello, O.C.D.

New Parishioners: Always welcome!

Please register by using our forms available in the church.

*Please note that the 12 noon Mass is following full COVID protocols:
social distancing, masks required and distancing in pews

Masses: Sun. 6:30 am, 10 am, *12 noon & 6 pm

8 am Spanish at Capilla de Guadalupe (409 E. 31st Street)

Mon. - Fri. 8:00 am, Sat. 8 am & 5:30 pm (Vigil)

Confessions: Sat. 3:30 pm - 5:00 pm

Baptisms: Call the parish office for more information / Llame a la oficina parroquial

Matrimony: Please call at least six months in advance.

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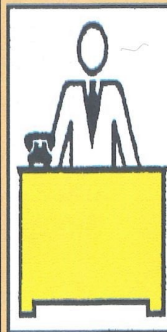
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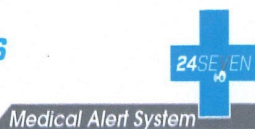
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