
TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ OCT. 5, 2008

Question for Reflection

The good news of today's Gospel is that the kingdom will survive no matter how the "tenants" act because the cornerstone is Christ. This provides a metaphor for our own living. No matter what shape the vineyard of our own lives is, if we keep our eyes on Christ as the cornerstone of our lives, we will be fruitful, enjoy being tenants in God's kingdom and not fear judgment. A message of judgment is often hard for us to hear. However, it is an essential aspect of the faithful proclamation of the gospel and calls us to accountability for the way we live. All we need do is to be faithful; God will take care of the rest. *What helps me to remember God has called me to work in his vineyard? What fruit have I produced?*

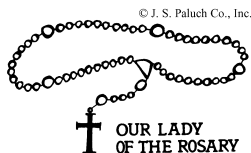
Saints and Special

Observances

Tuesday, Oct. 7 – Our Lady of the Rosary – this memorial was established by Pope St. Pius V in thanksgiving for the victory of Lepanto (Oct. 7,

1571). It recalls the rosary and its meditation on the mysteries of Christ and our salvation.

Thursday, Oct. 9 – St. Denis and St. John Leonardi – **St. Denis**, or Dionysius, died in 258, being the first bishop of Paris. He was martyred with the presbyter Eleutherius, and the deacon Rusticus, on Montmartre (or the Mount of Martyrs). He is the patron of Paris and of France. **St. John Leonardi** died in 1609 at Lucca, Italy. In 1574 he founded the Congregation of Clerics Regular of the Mother of God. He helped found the Propaganda Fide, the Vatican congregation in charge of missionary activity, known today as the "Congregation for the Evangelization of Peoples."



Blessing of the Animals & Pets

In honor of St. Francis of Assisi, Blessing of the Pets will occur today, Sunday, Oct. 5, at 12:00 noon in our parking lot.

We celebrate this blessing in association with St. Paul Episcopal Church and we welcome Pastor Don Dallmann and his parishioners! Please have your pets on leash and pick up after them.

Parking Lot and Today's Second Collection

This week we will overview the many bids for asphaltting our parking lot. A decision will be taken and hopefully, we will start paving in a short time period. Most probably, the cost of the asphalt will cost between \$150,000.00 – 180,000.00. It is the highest cost of our parish in the last 5 years, and, as everyone can see, we have to do it right this time. As previously specified, the project will include the following: the parking lot truck lanes - which are the major driving lanes around the lot – will be asphalted with a new and proper 12" sub-base; the remaining of the lot will be repaired and top coated with asphalt. The collection today is precisely going toward this purpose and we thank you for your generosity.

BIBLE STUDY

Unfortunately we will not have a session this coming Wednesday, since Fr. Emil is required to be at a diocesan function. We will resume our study on Wednesday, Oct. 15th. The following themes will be covered: the fall of Rome; the Irish Catholicism and St. Patrick; the Byzantine Empire, Theodora, and the birth of Islam. The remaining themes of *Christianity in the First Thousand Years* are: Iconoclasts; King Charlemagne; the issues between Church and State; King Louis; the Vikings, and Otto the Great. Snacks, pop-corn & drinks are provided.



LAST WEEKEND OFFERINGS

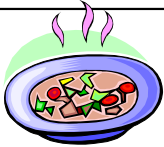
Plate:	\$3,602.50
Other Donations:	\$1,388.00
Total:	\$4,990.50
Viatorian Missions:	\$1,732.00

THANKYOU for your generosity. We need \$6,607.69 each week to meet expenses.

Masses for the Week

Sat., 5:00 PM- +Tom Mullen
+Don Haskins
+Dodie Ruml
Sun., 9:00 AM- +Margaret Soto
+Sandy Stevens
+Katherine Mc Micking
+Dodie Ruml
Sun., 6:00 PM- People of the Parish
Mon., 9:00 AM- Communion Service
Tues., 9:00 AM- Communion Service
Wed., 9:00 AM- Communion Service
Thurs., 9:00 AM- Communion Service
Fri., 9:00 AM- Communion Service

Finance Council members are invited to attend a meeting on Thurs., Oct. 16, at 6:00 PM in the parish hall. We will discuss the current financial situation, our diocesan debt, and the use of our Loaves & Fishes account.



Mexican Food Dinner Fundraiser

Next Saturday after the 5:00 PM Mass there will be a fundraiser dinner in the hall to help with medical expenses for long-time parishioner Juana Torres. A delicious Mexican food dinner will be available to eat there or take home, for only \$10. Thank you in advance for your support.

THIS WEEK AT SANTA ROSA...

Baptism Preparation- For parents and godparents on Wednesday at 7:00 PM in the hall. You must contact the parish office to register for the class.

Youth Group- Meets on Thursday at 6:00 PM in classroom #4. Middle and High School youth are invited to participate.



PLEASE PRAY for the sick...

Mary Collins, Cornelia Carey, Laverne Fisher, Richard Macedo, Jim Adams, Glen Graham, Linda Hotchkiss, Michele Krohn, Elie Crettol, Steve Richardson, Timothy Maschler, Michelle Moran, Fr. Scott Hill, Robert Brennan, Charlotte Greathouse, Tammy Graham, Dennis Manders, Duane Kasulka, Gary Pontrellia, Thomas Kelly, Denis Scarberry, Byron Blais, Tommye Brennan, Terry Briebel, Mary Bianchi, Juana Torres, Troy Kelly, Patricia West, Salvador De Alba, Dorothy Cissna, Ginny Matakovich, Mary Trotter, Jackie Shannon, Lisa Reardon, Dee Dee Ricci, Joan Alford.

Women's Club News

The next meeting of the Santa Rosa Women's Club will be on Tues., Oct. 14th, at 11:30 AM in the hall. At this meeting, members will be able to assist Tish Rogers in making ornaments for the Santa Rosa Tree at Cambria's annual Decorated Tree Auction. Proceeds from the tree go to our parish. You may bring small artificial Christmas flowers or small pinecones if you wish. Please use the sign-up sheet at the table near the church entrance. All women are welcome and encouraged to attend.

PROTECT MARRIAGE – Marriage is a covenant by which a man and a woman establish between themselves a partnership of love and life and, by its nature, it is ordered toward the good of the spouses and the procreation and education of offspring. Christ himself raised this covenant to the dignity of a sacrament. God himself, not human judges, is the author of marriage. The vocation to marriage is written in the very nature of man and woman as they came from the hand of the Creator. Thus, marriage is not a purely human institution.

Holy Scripture affirms that man and woman were created for one another: "It is not good that the man should be alone." The woman, "flesh of his flesh," his equal, his nearest in all things, is given to him by God as a "helpmate"; she thus represents God from whom comes our help. "Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and cleaves to his wife, and they become one flesh." *Gen 2:24*. Only a man and a woman can be open to the fertility, which is part of marriage. By its very nature the institution of marriage and married love is ordered to the procreation and education of the offspring and it is in them that it finds its crowning glory. Unity, indissolubility, and openness to fertility are essential to marriage. A gay relationship is incompatible with the unity of marriage. Thus, only a man and a woman can enter the sacred bond of marriage and the Church taught this for 2000 years. For more information on supporting Prop. 8 for protection of marriage visit www.CatholicsforProtectMarriage.com.