



THE TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY OCTOBER 12, 2025

OCTOBER - THE MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

By tradition, the Catholic Church dedicates each month of the year to a certain devotion. The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary. The feast of the Rosary is held on October 7th in memory of the glorious and triumphant victory at the battle of Lepanto. That battle was the most convincing military victory that proved without a doubt the great power of the Rosary.

The month of October is a good time to commit to praying the Rosary every day. The Rosary will bring great peace and holiness to your life. It is a powerful instrument for conversion. The Rosary is the best method of honoring Mary.

It protects the Church from false teachings and keeps her safe from the attacks from the Enemy.



The experience of the Saints bear witness to it: this popular Marian prayer [the Holy Rosary] is a precious spiritual means to grow in intimacy with Jesus, and to learn at the school of the Blessed Virgin always to fulfil the divine will.

To be apostles of the Rosary, it is necessary to experience personally the beauty and depth of this prayer which is simple and accessible to everyone. It is first of all necessary to let the Blessed Virgin take one by the hand to contemplate the Face of Christ: a joyful, luminous, sorrowful and glorious Face. Those who, like Mary and with her, cherish and ponder the mysteries of Jesus carefully, increasingly understand His sentiments and are conformed to Him.

WHO IS ST. TERESA OF JESUS?

Feast Day - October 15

Mystic - Teacher of Prayer - Doctor of the Church

Saint Teresa of Jesus, also known as Saint Teresa of Avila, lived in Spain during the 16th Century. Her life as a Carmelite, though far removed from the mainstream of modern culture, still speaks powerfully to us today.



Teresa entered the Carmelite Monastery in 1535, at the age of 20. After years of struggling with her prayer life, Teresa felt that she was still living in shadow rather than in God's light. Repeatedly, she asked God to help her... It was not until 1554 that she experienced the conversion that would mark the rest of her life. ... it set her on a whole new pathway that led her to an intimate experience of God. In visions and locutions, God poured out His love on His daughter, who had become a willing and open receptacle. With God so close to her, not only was Teresa able to change her own ways, but she also came to realize that God wanted her to begin reforming the Carmelites. Convinced that God was with her, she set about reforming the Carmelite order, founding new houses, with a renewed spirit of detachment, charity, and obedience.

Fortunately, Teresa's superiors ordered her to document the remarkable events of her life and her original works exist today: *The Autobiography of St. Teresa*, *The Way of Perfection*, and *The Interior Castle* are some of her writings. It is through these profoundly human yet mystical writings that we may experience the spirit of Teresa, and enter into her remarkable path to God. These books are available in our Parish Library.

Teresa died in 1582, at the age of 67. In 1622 she was canonized, and in 1970, Pope Paul VI declared her a Doctor of the Church, the first woman ever to be so recognized.

Please remember to keep Saint Francis Parish in your will.



OCIA--Adult Education on Monday night October 13th at 7p.m. is

Creation - the Fall - Redemption. The story of salvation history.

How we are all, each one of us, an important part of the story. Breaking our relationship with God and reconciling again through the one who came as our mediator. Come join your fellow parishioners in the spirit of fellowship. Deacon David and Education team



All ladies of the Parish are invited to join the Faith Sharing Group. We select a book to read, discuss, and share our faith. We meet on the 2nd and the 4th Thursday of the month at 10:00 a.m. for approximately two hours. Feel free to drop by to see if you are interested - just show up no need to call. You are welcome to text or call Winnie Uebehler with questions. (828) 342-0537.



The Parish Office will be CLOSED this Monday for Columbus Day. There will still be daily Mass that day.

World Mission Sunday will be observed next Sunday, October 19th. This year's theme is "Missionaries of hope among all peoples." To help you promote this important celebration of the Church's missionary work, please go online to <https://pontificalmissions.org/wms>



Pray for healing: Shirley Allegretti, Donna Barbaro, Dolores Botti, Chad Cook, William Crunkleton, Susan Darby, Lillianne Duong Davis, Tony Frede, Sarah Fricks, Daniel Hellerer, Wayne Hirsch, Sarah Holloran, Bill Holten, Guyla Ivers, Anette ML Jiglau, Sandra Kanter, Georgette Lee, Terry McConnell, Michelle Mercer, Dee Moffitt, Matthew Morgan, Delphine Moss, Monica Moya, Benjamin Nemeth, John Ontiveros, Freeman Robinson, Josette Roisin, Kathleen Rogers, Patricia Ruehle, Mike Scarborough, Bill Shaw, Roxanne Lumia Smith, Wanda Stamey, Irene Tisdale, Art Todesco, Alan Tucker, Ruby Christina Tucker, Joe and Charlene Youdell, Marguerite Deimel, Rosalie Perreault, David Ramsey



Please pray for our parishioners and all men and women in the armed forces: Angel Avila, Stephen Fox, Lauren Richards, Christopher Richards, Jesus Rodriguez and Elizabeth Scoon



Rosary is prayed ½ hour before every Mass.

Adoration every Friday after our 9:00 a.m. Mass with the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 11:30 a.m. and benediction till noon.

Reconciliation ½ hour before Vigil Mass and Wednesday at 6:15 p.m.

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday, October 11

Saint John XXIII, Pope

5:00 P.M. † Frank Laux family
† Ann and Craig Patton and
† Edward Patton by Cheryl Vasky

Sunday, October 12

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 A.M. † Gonzalo Magana Rojas
by Dolores Zamudio
Felipa Diaz
11:30 A.M. † Maria Cruz, † Aristeo Cruz
Misericordia Group Intentions

Monday, October 13

Colombus Day

9:00 A.M. Josette Roisin and Brandon Hatch

Tuesday, October 14

Saint Callistus I, Pope and Martyr
NO MASS

Wednesday, October 15

Saint Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

5:30 P.M. † Gerald Hannah, † Donna Ceraso,
† Nancy Lovito

Thursday, October 16

Saint Hedwig, Religious,

Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin

9:00 A.M. Josette Roisin and Brandon Hatch

Friday, October 17

Saint Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr

9:00 A.M. † Michael, † Evelyn & † Patrick Holloran
by Jim Holloran

Saturday, October 18

Saint Luke, Evangelist

5:00 P.M. † Carl Galbrecht by Charlene

Sunday, October 19

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 A.M. Parish Peoples' Mass
11:30 A.M. † Petra Diaz Pacheco by Sele Ramos
† Ismael Trujillo Nunez
† Evangelina Rodriguez Marez



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