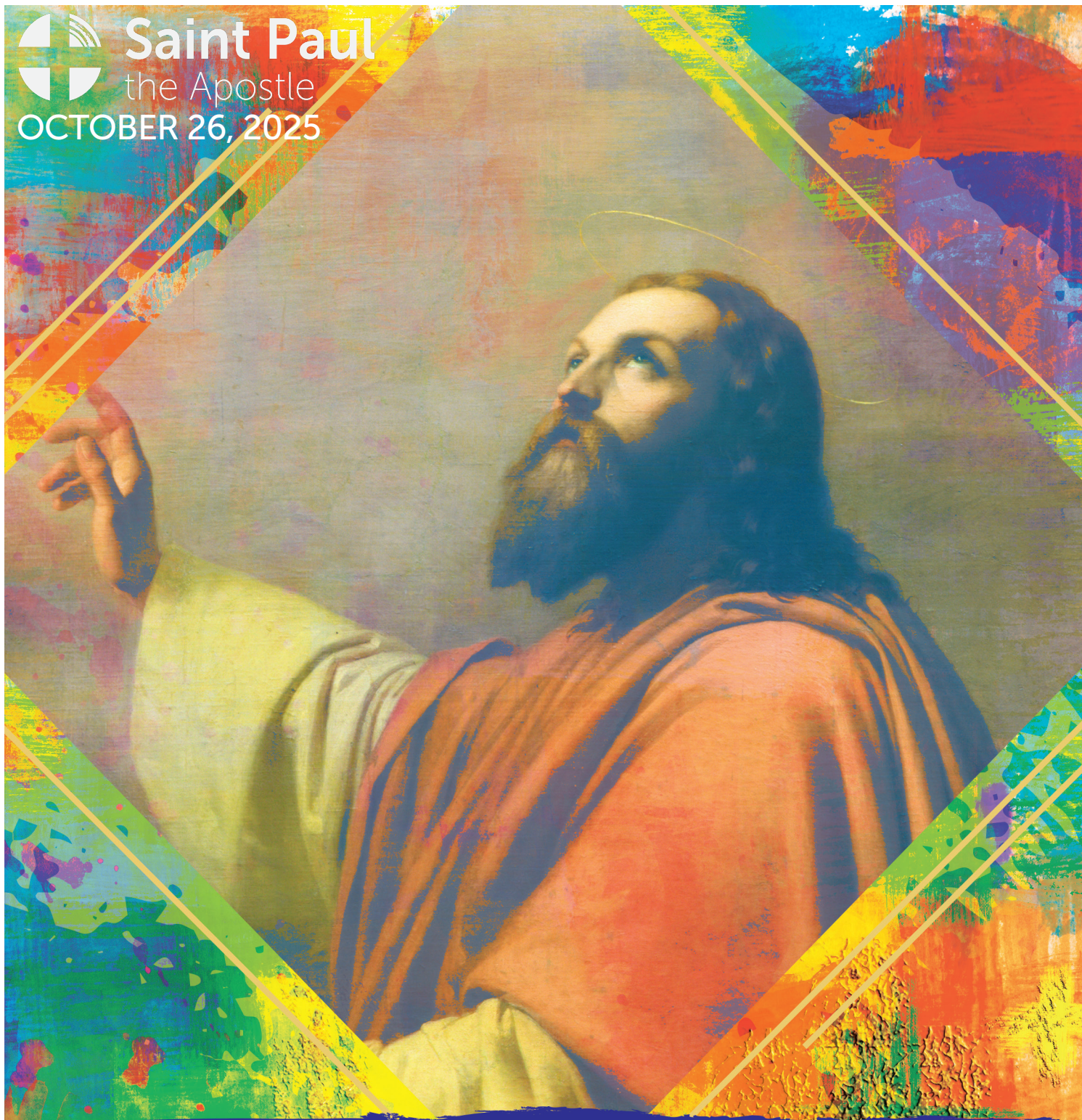




Saint Paul

the Apostle

OCTOBER 26, 2025



30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted.” - Lk 18:14

Dear SPA Family,

Self-evaluation or evaluation of others – which one is more present in me...? To ensure one's full personality development, a person should verify the decisions made and, consequently, the actions and steps taken to fulfill those decisions. We should be able to see ourselves as we are. As mature people often say, this is the best school of life when life teaches and shapes us. Someone will say, well, surprisingly, this is not a new discovery. Yes, we discover neither 'America' nor anything new with this statement, but as life shows, there is often a discrepancy in our lives between 'to know it' and 'to follow it.'



For this to be possible, a person should first of all be able to look at themselves and evaluate themselves. How does it look today? When observing modern people, one can get the impression that a person lives and observes... but that he observes and lives the life of another person, not his own.

This weekend's Gospel passage, according to Saint Luke, shows us two praying people and two different attitudes accompanying this prayer. Attitudes, but at the same time, how different those two men are looking at each other.

A Pharisee - yes, he prays, talks about himself, but in incredible pride and arrogance, and at the same time assesses the tax collector in relation to himself. Does he really pray and see himself fully before God? Can he see himself as he is?

The tax collector - who does not even look up, stands afar, beats his chest, and utters very simple but true words: *"God, have mercy on me, a sinner..."* He stands before God in the truth, he calls it as it is without 'beating about the bush.' He speaks truthfully, frankly, and directly about his situation, and he stands before himself and God in truth. He knows who he is... what he is... that he acknowledges his guilt for what he did in his past - but he can face it all as it is, he can regret it, apologize, and most importantly, he wants to change and transform.

These two attitudes from two thousand years ago are still present and current today, where people - as it seems - already know more, understand more, and all should be easier. One thing remains constant, although everything around us changes. The environment and conditions change, but each of us is still a person who has their own life to live with others.

The ability to look at ourselves, to verify our lives, will allow us to live in real life, to truly perceive the reality in which we live; but it will also allow us to perceive and approach other people differently and more humbly. However, if we fulfill the above-mentioned conditions, then our conversations with God, our perception of God will be more true and more fruitful.

Have a blessed week, Fr. Chris

To read Mary Penich's Something to Think About...
please visit our website, click "Media" on the homepage, then click "Mary's Reflection"

YOUR SUNDAY WORSHIP AID

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

GOSPEL MEDITATION



Every now and then readers of these reflections write letters in which they object to something. Years ago, this Gospel of Luke 18 prompted such an email. A man wrote to me: “I find it deeply offensive that you suggest we are still sinners once we are God’s sons and daughters.” His objection stirred in me a profound awareness of the paradox at the heart of our faith. Are we sinners or beloved children of God?

In this Gospel (Luke 18:9-14), a tax collector appears as one who has missed the mark. His sins have isolated him. His breast-beating is not an act of self-flagellation for pride’s sake but a heartfelt admission of his failure and unworthiness. Remarkably, Jesus honors the candid humility of the parable’s penitent. Why? Because we are always in need of mercy, always. But even more, perhaps because on the cross, Jesus will fully embrace a similar place of humiliation and rejection. He will enter into the most shameful, offensive place of the sinner so that we might “go home justified.”

There is a sacred tension in admitting that we are sinners and yet have profound hope. We are beloved sons and daughters of God, growing precisely through our honest acceptance of failure. When we cry, “Have mercy on us,” during Mass or when we repeat the “Jesus Prayer” in quiet moments, or in the confessional, we embrace our imperfections as fertile ground for divine grace. In doing so, we follow Christ’s example — finding true exaltation in the humble acknowledgment of our human frailty.

— Father John Muir ©LPi

MASS HYMNS

Opening Song: **Spirit & Song #270 10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)** by Jonas Myrin and Matt Redman
At Sunday 5:00pm: **Who You Say I Am** by Ben Fielding and Reuben Morgan

Gloria: **MASS OF RESTORATION** by Josh Blakesley and Grae McCullough

Responsorial Psalm: **Gather #33 The Cry of the Poor** by John Foley

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia! Give the Glory** by Ken Canedo and Bob Hurd
At Sunday 11:30am and 5:00pm: **MASS OF THE DESERT** by Tom Booth

Preparation Song: **Lord, I Need You** by Jesse Reeves, Matt Maher, Christy Nockels, and Daniel Carson
At Saturday 5:00pm: **Spirit & Song #420 You Know Who I Am** by Tom Booth and Matt Maher
At Sunday 11:30am: **Shout to the Lord** by Darlene Zschech

Eucharistic Acclamations: **MASS OF RESTORATION** by Josh Blakesley and Grae McCullough

Communion Songs: **Be with Me** by Matt Wessel
At Saturday 5:00pm: **Pan del Cielo (Bread of Heaven)** by Iván Díaz, Tom Booth, and Estela García-López | **Spirit & Song #350 Shout to the Lord** by Darlene Zschech
At Sunday 11:30am: **On That Holy Mountain** by Joe Mattingly

Closing Song: **Spirit & Song #306 How Great Is Our God** by Chris Tomlin, Jesse Reeves, and Ed Cash
At Sunday 11:30am: **Alleluia! Raise the Gospel** by Bernadette Farrell
At Sunday 5:00pm: **Goodness of God** by Jenn Johnson, Jason Ingram, Ben Fielding, Ed Cash, and Brian Johnson

READING I

SIRACH 35:12-14, 16-18

The LORD is a God of justice,
who knows no favorites.
Though not unduly partial toward the weak,
yet he hears the cry of the oppressed.
The Lord is not deaf to the wail of the orphan,
nor to the widow when she pours out her complaint.
The one who serves God willingly is heard;
his petition reaches the heavens.
The prayer of the lowly pierces the clouds;
it does not rest till it reaches its goal,
nor will it withdraw till the Most High responds,
judges justly and affirms the right,
and the Lord will not delay.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23

The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

READING II

2 TIMOTHY 4:6-8, 16-18

Beloved:
I am already being poured out like a libation,
and the time of my departure is at hand.
I have competed well; I have finished the race;
I have kept the faith.
From now on the crown of righteousness awaits me,
which the Lord, the just judge,
will award to me on that day, and not only to me,
but to all who have longed for his appearance.
At my first defense no one appeared on my behalf,
but everyone deserted me.
May it not be held against them!
But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength,
so that through me the proclamation might be
completed
and all the Gentiles might hear it.
And I was rescued from the lion's mouth.
The Lord will rescue me from every evil threat
and will bring me safe to his heavenly kingdom.
To him be glory forever and ever. Amen.

GOSPEL

LUKE 18:9-14

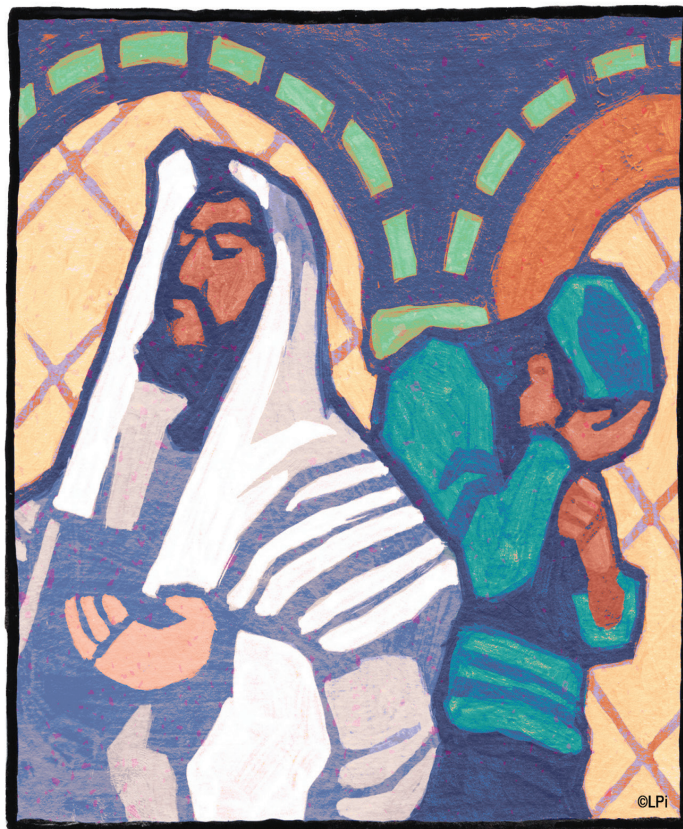
Jesus addressed this parable
to those who were convinced of their own righteousness
and despised everyone else.

"Two people went up to the temple area to pray;
one was a Pharisee and the other was a tax collector.
The Pharisee took up his position and spoke this prayer
to himself,

'O God, I thank you that I am not like the rest of
humanity --
greedy, dishonest, adulterous -- or even like this tax
collector.

I fast twice a week, and I pay tithes on my whole income.'
But the tax collector stood off at a distance
and would not even raise his eyes to heaven
but beat his breast and prayed,
'O God, be merciful to me a sinner.'

I tell you, the latter went home justified, not the former;
for whoever exalts himself will be humbled,
and the one who humbles himself will be exalted."



GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the Glory of God the Father.
Amen.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
*who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,*
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God,
the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge
the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting.
Amen.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Sir 35:12-14, 16-18/Ps 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23 (7a)/2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18/Lk 18:9-14

Monday: Rom 8:12-17/Ps 68:2 and 4, 6-7ab, 20-21/Lk 13:10-17

Tuesday: Eph 2:19-22/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Lk 6:12-16

Wednesday: Rom 8:26-30/Ps 13:4-5, 6/Lk 13:22-30

Thursday: Rom 8:31b-39/Ps 109:21-22, 26-27, 30-31/Lk 13:31-35

Friday: Rom 9:1-5/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Lk 14:1-6

Saturday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a

WEEKDAY PSALMS

Monday: Psalm 68:2 and 4, 6-7ab, 20-21
Our God is the God of salvation.

Tuesday: Psalm 19:2-3, 4-5
Their message goes out through all the earth.

Wednesday: Psalm 13:4-5, 6
My hope, O Lord, is in your mercy.

Thursday: Psalm 109:21-22, 26-27, 30-31
Save me, O Lord, in your mercy.

Friday: Psalm 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20
Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.

Saturday: Psalm 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6
Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face.

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Tuesday: Sts. Simon and Jude, Apostles

Friday: All Hallow's Eve

Saturday: All Saints

Next Sunday: The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day); Daylight Saving Time Ends

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2025

5:00pm: Gerry & Chuck Suhling | William E. Vasilius | Narciso Hilo, Sr. | Karen & Tim Copeland | Harry Pulvermacher | Scott Kohler
John Carter Bennett | Gerena O. Monis | Fran Fishwick

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2025

7:30am: Walter & Rosa Krissek | Mary & Andy Borzick | Maureen Wojciehowski | Jossie Chandy | Sheila John
9:30am: Victor & Joyce Schwartz | Thomas R. Rajchel | Winston Casis
11:30am: Celia J. Auguste
5:00pm: Matthew Vallely

MONDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2025

7:30am: Rosemary Hanley | Janet Kobiella

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2025

7:30am: Tom Wessel

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2025

7:30am: Our Parish Family

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2025

7:30am: Our Parish Family

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2025

7:30am: Theresa Galucka

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2025

9:00am: Lloyd D'Cruz | John Carter Bennett | Gerena O. Monis | Harry L. Kapp | Harriet Sutton
5:00pm: Gerry & Chuck Suhling | Nancy Jo. Vaseloff | Scott Kohler
Gerena O. Monis | Alice De Silvia | Nancy Martin | Consolacion Garibay

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2025

7:30am: Lou & Marianne Porreca | Michael Kinahan | Richard V. Siegel | Charlotte V. Siegel | Linda Sue Shepard | Richard P Siegel | Ben Serrano | Augustin Vazquez | Lucila Vazquez
9:30am: Rita & William Kleinow | Raoul & Raoul Joseph Gravel | Cecele & Rita Gravel | Maria Dominguez | Robert Chester Buttrey
Jim Krier | Nina Pagliese | Helena Czyzewski
11:30am: Mikko Bautista | Durban - Cuasay Family | Celso Balita Castor | Celia J. Auguste | Silvestre & Crescencia Elefanté | Paulina Negrillo | Roger Willy Hansen | Remigio Payawal | Ben Benesa
5:00pm: Our Parish Family

DONATIONS SUMMARY

Week of October 20, 2025

Sunday- \$14,562
Sharing- \$30
SVdP- \$45
Seminary Education- \$265
Holiday Dinners - \$1,744
World Mission Sunday- \$1,909

Online Sunday- \$5,372
Online Sharing- \$325
Online SVdP- \$245

Month to Date - October

Sunday- \$40,818
Online Sunday- \$26,613
Sharing- \$285
Online Sharing- \$2,135
SVdP- \$10,525
Online SVdP- \$1,341
Seminary Education- \$2,186
Holiday Dinners - \$5,792
World Mission Sunday- \$2,239



PRAY FOR THE SICK

Emily Meyer	Roberto Movilla
Laura Hopkins	Shani Stahnke
Rosa LaBellarte	Abby Swygard
Ruben Querubin	Rod Reyes
Rachel Ciullo	Betty Falotico
Patricia Freeman	Keith Kellogg
Toni Lynn Mengarelli	Lisa Mischke
Shannon Bremmer	Linda Smith
Karen Swazas	David Zilligen
April Grandgeorge	Eduardo Perez
Alma De Torres	Maria Domitila Zambrano de Polanco
Stephanie Rappe	Rafael Gloria
Vicki Shafer	Collen Wishall
Ruth Blood	Silvia Pinedo
Maria Delannoy	Consuelo Vargas
Tom Asma	Juan Miguel Currea
Karla Arce	Gloria de Cardenas
Jeanne Sypien	Helena Sznicer
Glenn Garamoni	George Lawrence
Daniel Schmelz	Michael Miller
Russell Yanow	Cynthia D. Caudell
Victoria Sofia	Daniel Pawlak III
Luquez Mogollon	Glaflira Bunsen
Kinga Szymoniak	Jackie Herrera-Giron
Chris Lucy	Gino LaBellarte
Donna O'Brien	Dianne Scirri
Norilyn Querubin	Pat Wilson
Rey Querubin	Kimmy Cozart
Obdulia Elizalde	Mark Wilson
Jovita Menes	Pat Gundrum
Reginald Dulaca	Mary Thachil
Melody Cook	Daniela Gaborik
Brian Smolicek	

Please know that we pray for all of the sick at every Mass. However, if you would like your name or that of a sick loved one to be included in the list above, please email or call

Catherine in the Parish Office:
info@spa.church or 847-918-0600



In loving memory of our recently deceased parishioners. May God's perpetual light shine upon them.

Sebastian "Nello" C. Gallo

Don. Andy Nosacek

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2025

8:30AM BCBP MEETING
11:00AM RECONCILIATION
12:30PM BAPTISM - GARCIA
1:30PM BAPTISM - VERGARA
5:00PM MASS

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2025

7:30AM MASS
9:00AM OCIA
9:00AM FF | SUN K-6
9:30AM MASS
11:30AM MASS
3:30PM CF 1-2-HS & SCU2
4:00PM TEEN CHOIR REHEARSAL
5:00PM MASS
6:00PM LIFETEEN NIGHT: LIFENIGHT

MONDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2024

7:30AM MASS
10:00AM CHOSEN SEASON 5
6:30PM CF- FAMILY ENRICHMENT SESSION 1

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2024

7:30AM MASS
8:00AM HOLY HOUR
2:00PM FAITH SHARING
6:30PM HANDBELL ENSEMBLE
6:30PM SPRED
7:00PM FIEPLACE TALKS

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2025

7:30AM MASS
9:30AM BIBLE STUDY - AM
6:30PM BIBLE STUDY - PM
7:00PM LIFETEEN CORE TEAM MTG
7:00PM ADULT CHOIR REHEARSAL

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2025

7:30AM MASS
8:00AM HOLY HOUR
6:00PM CHOSEN SEASON 5

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2025

7:30AM MASS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2025

ALL SAINTS DAY
6:30AM MEN'S LEGACY/PAUL'S GARAGE
9:00AM ALL SAINTS DAY MASS
11:00AM RECONCILIATION
12:30PM BAPTISM - ZALEWSKI
1:30PM FIRST SATURDAY PRAYER GROUP
5:00PM MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2025

ALL SOULS DAY
7:30AM MASS
9:00AM OCIA
9:00AM FF | SUN K-6
9:30AM MASS
11:30AM MASS
1:00PM BAPTISM - GRUM
3:30PM CF 1-2-HS & SCU2
4:00PM TEEN CHOIR REHEARSAL
5:00PM MASS
6:00PM LIFETEEN NIGHT: LIFENIGHT

NOVEMBER 1/2 | LITURGY SCHEDULE

	USHERS	LECTORS	COMMUNION MINISTERS		GREETERS	PRESIDER
SATURDAY 5:00PM	A. Rusnak T. Rusnak G. Johnson K. Gaston B. Murphy M. Mohrfeld	Judy Macrowski Warren Kati	Balmes, Pam Boswell, Tia Gorajski, Karen Johnson, Greg	Kati, Warren Wicinski, Carol Wicinski, Ed	J. Wedell	Fr. Martin Dn. Mike
SUNDAY 7:30AM	J. Siegel R. Sekany P. Rothacker T. Burns T. Shurtleff R. Dizon	Nancy O'Keefe Bob O'Brien	Burns, Tim Holland, Lorraine Mumm, Dennis	Nieman, Doug O'Brien, Janice Pieper, Mary	M. Pieper J. Delgado	Fr. John Dn. Brent
SUNDAY 9:30AM	T. Mengarelli P. Mengarelli B. Kibtlewski D. Scheffler K. King R. Reed	Beth Penfold Keith Kouba	Anderson, Carolyn Bautista, Jeff Beaudoin, Michael Gbur, Ron	Klemman, Mary Lou Moriarty, Patrick Pratscher, George	T. Maus M. Maus	Fr. Chris Dn. Andy
SUNDAY 11:30AM	G. Galano P. Watson C. Haines C. Karl R. Terrazas S. Fragassi	Maribeth Hilo Terry Denecke- Dattalo	Denecke- Dattalo, Terry Fernandes, Melissa Galano, Gerry	Hortelano, Nichola Mozny, Tom Richardt, Annelise Stahl, Andrea	A. Brown T. Guziec	Fr. Chris Dn. Bob
SUNDAY 5:00PM	B. Marchioni JJ Plamoottill C. Johnson OPEN x 3	Cathy Roberts Teen or Lector I	Crow, Christine Marchioni, Bruce Marchioni, Tessie	Marino, Joe Plamoottill, JJ Robb, Tom Wattlett, Ana- Marie	Open x 2	Fr. Joe Dn. Ivan

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

JOIN US FOR
REHEARSALS ON TUESDAYS
5:00PM - 6:00PM

Register today on our website!



ALL SAINTS
Nov. 1st at 9am

ALL SOULS

Nov. 1st at 5pm

- Mass of Remembrance -

Nov. 2nd - 7:30, 9:30,
11:30am, 5pm



FIREPLACE TALKS

FR. CHRIS

Iconography

TUESDAY - 7PM - 10.28.25

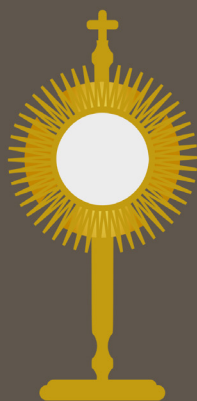


All adults are invited to Fireplace Talks this Tuesday at 7:00pm in the Gathering Space. Our speaker will be Fr. Chris who will speak about Iconography. Wine and snacks will be served.

Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament

(with Praise and Worship music)

Monday, November 3
at 7:00 PM



**First
Saturday
Prayer
Group**

For the last 20 years, the First Saturday Prayer group have prayed together without fail all the decades of the rosary every first Saturday of the month. Prayers for November 1, 2025 will be in the Chapel 1:30PM-4PM.

St. Paul the Apostle Craft Show & Sale 2025

Saturday, Nov. 8th 9 a.m.–3 p.m.

(lower level Gathering Space)

Over 50 Vendors!

Raffle Prizes! Food & Drinks!

FEEDING OUR VETERANS & NEIGHBORS DURING THIS HOLIDAY SEASON



So many families continue to struggle everyday to put food on the table and this holiday season is no exception. Your generous donation of \$20.00 will provide a delicious holiday dinner of turkey or ham and all the trimmings to a needy family or veteran within our local community.

Donation envelopes are still available in the gathering space. Please take one and place your donation in the collection basket during any weekend mass throughout the month of October.

You can also pledge online at:
www.saintpaultheapostle.church.church

THANK YOU so much for your continued kindness and generosity!





St. Paul the Apostle's Parish...Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

You CAN help

The Saint Vincent de Paul conference (SVdP) was formed in 2008 in reaction to the growing human needs within our nearby communities of Gurnee, Waukegan, and North Chicago. **Today we share information about how you can help.**

Community needs have grown so great. Our brothers and sisters in the community desperately need us to provide this emergency service. **This is not permanent aid. Financial aid is provided so that people can move forward on their own once the emergency has ended. We are their last call for help!**

Few of us can imagine that the person standing next to us in any line, or on any corner, might be abused, close to eviction, underemployed, without transportation or utilities, or have children who are hungry. However, it is real. Understandably, community needs have grown exponentially over the years, especially in these times of unprecedented price increases for virtually everything.

Meet Anna,

She is a 53-year-old woman who lost her job with a nonprofit in December 2024. Managing work and Divinity school had always been challenging, however after exhausting her savings, dropping out of school, and unemployment, she was facing a new reality. For the first time in her life there was the possibility of homelessness.

Anna was able to find a factory job working four days a week for ten hours each day. We were able to assist her with her rent which moved her towards future sustainability. She recent wrote to us "...Jesus said the poor are always with us, which resonates deeply with me. It reinforces the reality that we all go through difficult seasons, and it is during these times that compassion and support from organizations like SVdP is invaluable."

The 2025 Annual Saint Vincent de Paul Appeal will culminate in a

"Week of Giving", November 3 to 11

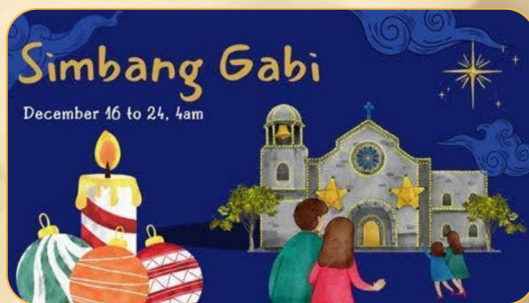
Today we ask for your assistance in meeting these growing calls for help.

If you are a past donor, please consider increasing your donation. If you are a new donor, please give generously.

For more information please call:

Maryalice Smith, SVdP Fundraising Committee Chair, 2025 Annual Giving Campaign, 847-918-1240

Simbang Gabi, meaning “Night Mass” in Filipino, is a cherished nine-day novena of dawn Masses leading up to Christmas Eve. Its roots trace back to 1669, during the Spanish colonization of the Philippines. Spanish friars—primarily Augustinians, Franciscans, Dominicans, and Jesuits—introduced Catholicism to the islands and sought ways to integrate faith into the daily lives of Filipinos.



Recognizing that most Filipinos were farmers who began work before sunrise, the clergy made a practical and pastoral decision: hold Masses at dawn so laborers could attend before heading to the fields. This adaptation gave birth to Simbang Gabi, a tradition that fused faith, agriculture, and community rhythm into one spiritual practice.

The Masses were originally called Misa de Aguinaldo or Misa de Gallo (“Mass of the Rooster”), referencing the early hour when roosters crow. Over time, this novena became a symbol of devotion and anticipation for the birth of Christ.

“The bells rang before the sun rose, and the faithful gathered in candlelit churches—offering their prayers with the dew still on the ground.” (Sinaunang Panahon, 2025)

Join us for our Simbang Gabi Mass at St. Paul the Apostle on December 23rd at 7:00 PM, followed by a reception in the Lower Level Gathering Space. All are welcome to attend.
Volunteers needed. Contact: Arleen Siap: Cell (224) 688-0479
Email: hcdirectesbcglobal.net



KnightsCorner

The Knights of Columbus is an International Order of Catholic men who are called to lead with faith, protect our families, serve others, and defend values in a busy changing world. Divine Mercy Council #11112 will be holding a membership drive after all masses the weekend of October 18-19th. When you become a member of our council you will find that a Knights of Columbus membership brings Catholic men together in a powerful way. Please scan the QR code above or contact a council member to learn more about our council.

The Vocations Raffle will begin in October. Last year, we were able to give \$500 to 6 seminarians. We hope to repeat if not give to additional seminarians this year. Please contact a council member to procure raffle tickets. You can return your completed booklet and donation to our basket at the information desk.

Vivat Jesus, Steve Bilas
 Grand Knight, Divine Mercy Council #1



EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

MORE THAN A BUZZWORD

If you roll your eyes at the mention of the term stewardship, it's probably because, in the modern Church, stewardship has become something of a corporate buzzword. It's often used interchangeably with the concepts of financial endowment and volunteerism.

What's wrong with supporting your parish monetarily? What's the issue with giving of your time in service and ministry? Nothing at all, in fact — we should all be doing more of these things.

But as we do them, we should be constantly asking ourselves the all-important questions: Why am I doing this? How am I doing this? For whom am I doing this?

A donation to the parish school is a great thing. But ideally, the donor would have made the gift regardless of the ability to name the school gym. A tireless volunteer who always finds time for her parish certainly glorifies God with her commitment. But hopefully, her commitment would be just as enthusiastic if she knew there was no prospect of being written up in the bulletin as Volunteer of the Month.

God knows no favorites. The prayer of the Pharisee in the temple did not justify him because the Pharisee didn't really mean it as a prayer. His intent wasn't to thank God, his intent was to draw attention to his gifts. God did not reject the Pharisee's fasting and his tithes, he rejected the spirit in which they were offered.

God desires to transform us — our hearts, our souls, our communities. When we give of ourselves — either through money or through time — he is honored by the act of giving, not the gift itself. We should never make the mistake of thinking that stewardship is “time, talent, and treasure.” Stewardship is the spirit of offering these gifts freely.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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Hay Ride and Bonfire
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October, 2025

PRAYER-
FOR EVERYDAY
AND EVERYBODY

PRAYER OF PRAISE

Dear God,
As we look to the week ahead,
help us to remember that You
will accompany us at every
moment – You who greet us
with mercy anew every
morning, and grace in
abundance each night.
Amen.



The Cause of Canonization of Fr. Willie Doyle, SJ World War I Military Chaplain

A Presentation by:

Bishop Thomas Deenihan, Diocese of Meath, Ireland

Fr. John Hogan, Postulator for the Cause of Canonization

Pat Kenny, President of the Willie Doyle SJ Association

Event is Free.

No Registration

Required.

Please join us for a special evening on the captivating journey of this heroic Catholic priest who gave his life for his sheep!

For detailed information on the life of Fr. Doyle visit our website at:

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Monday, October 27, 2025

7:00 PM Immaculata
Conference Room



CATHOLIC TRIVIA – JUST FOR FUN!

Question:
In Matthew's
Gospel, the Be-
atitudes are the
beginning of
which sermon by
Jesus?

Answer:
The Sermon on
the Mount.

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St. Gianna Beretta Molla | April 28

St. Gianna Beretta Molla (1922-1962) was born in northern Italy, near Milan. Her parents were both Third Order Franciscans and she was the tenth of 13 children. At just 12 years old Gianna became a member of Catholic Action, a movement which advocated for a more intense spiritual life for Catholic laity. She would continue as a member and leader of the movement her whole life.

In 1942, both of Gianna's parents died, only four months apart. Despite the loss, she continued to be active joining the St. Vincent de Paul Society, serving the elderly and sick. In 1949 Gianna completed her degrees in Medicine and Surgery from the University of Pavia. She opened her own medical office in 1950. Two years later she earned a specialty in pediatrics. While medicine was her calling, she also enjoyed skiing and mountaineering, the theater, the opera, and concerts.

She and Pietro Molla fell in love and were married in September 1955, fulfilling Gianna's vocation. Their first child, Pierluigi, was born the next year. By 1959 they had been blessed with two more children, Maria Zita, and Laura. Gianna was pregnant with her fourth child in 1961 when unusual pains revealed a uterine tumor. She elected to have a surgical procedure to remove the tumor but continued the pregnancy. This was incredibly risky for her at the time, but she insisted that whatever happened to her, the child should be saved. Gianna carried the baby to term, and Gianna Emanuela was born by C-section in April 1962. One week later the saint succumbed to septic peritonitis, giving her life for her daughter's.

Gianna is the first woman doctor and working mom to be canonized. She was beatified by Pope John Paul II on April 24, 1994, and officially canonized on May 16, 2004. St. Gianna Beretta Molla, pray for us!

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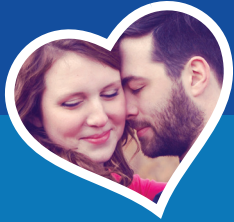


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