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September 17, 2023

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Brothers and sisters: None of us lives for oneself, and no one dies for oneself. For if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord; so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's. For this is why Christ died and came to life, that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living." (Rom 14:7-9)

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Please contact Fr. Martino for an appointment
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WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday-,5p.m.-Sunday, 8:30 & 11a.m.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday, 4:00-4:30 p.m. or Upon Request

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday, 12:00 p.m.

Wednesday, 8:30 a.m.

Thursday, 8:30 a.m.

Friday, 7:00 p.m.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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Sunday 9:45 a.m.-10:45 a.m.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

We welcome your contributions to the
bulletin. Deadline is Wednesday, by 12:00 p.m.

SAVE THE DATE



INTERNATIONAL POTLUCK

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14 AT 6PM

Please join us for fellowship and share your favorite international dish. Don't limit your creativity to the food, but also feel free to decorate or dress to identify the culture.

**SIGN UP SHEETS
COMING SOON**

The Debt We Owe

Mercy and forgiveness should be at the heart of the Christian life.

Yet, as today's First Reading wisely reminds us, often we cherish our wrath, nourish our anger, refuse mercy to those who have done us wrong. Jesus, too, strikes close to home in today's Gospel, with His realistic portrayal of the wicked servant - who won't forgive a fellow servant's debt, even though his own slate has just been wiped clean by their Master.

It can't be this way in the kingdom, the Church. In the Old Testament, "seven" is frequently a number associated with mercy and the forgiveness of sins. The just man sins seven times daily; there is a seven-fold sprinkling of blood for atonement of sins (see Proverbs 24:6; Leviticus 16). But Jesus tells Peter today that we must forgive not seven times, but seventy times seven times. That means: every time.

We are to be merciful as our Father in heaven is merciful (see Luke 6:36; Matthew 5:48). But why? Why does Jesus repeatedly warn that we can't expect forgiveness for our trespasses unless we're willing to forgive others their trespasses against us?

Because, as Paul reminds us in today's Epistle, we are the Lord's. Each of us has been purchased by the blood of Christ shed for us on the cross (see Revelation 5:9). As we sing in today's Psalm, though we deserved to die for our sins, He doesn't deal with us according to our crimes. The mercy and forgiveness we show to others should be the heartfelt expression of our gratitude for the mercy and forgiveness shown to us.

This is why we should remember our last days, set our enmities aside, and stop judging others. We know that one day we will stand before the judgment seat and give account for what we've done with the new life given to us by Christ (see Romans 14:10,12).

So, we forgive each other from the heart, overlook each other's faults, and await the crown of His kindness and compassion.

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Sunday's Readings

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Sept. 17, 2023

First Reading – Sirach 27:30—28:7: “Forgive your neighbor’s injustice; then when you pray, your own sins will be forgiven.”

Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 103: “The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion.”

Second Reading – Romans 14:7-9: “None of us lives for oneself, and no one dies for oneself. For if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord; so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord’s.”

Gospel – Matthew 18:21-35: “Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?”



*Be as
kind and merciful
as the Lord*



September 17, 2023-24th Sunday in Ordinary
Time: “For if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord; so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord’s.” – Romans 14:8

This is the essence of stewardship – everything we have and everything we are is a gift from God. We aren’t “owners” of anything, we are merely “stewards” of the gifts that God has given us, especially our very own lives. Pray to God, daily, and ask Him how He is calling you to live the life that He intended for you.

17 de septiembre de 2023-Domingo 24o del Tiempo Ordinario: “Si vivimos, para el Señor vivimos; y si morimos, para el Señor morimos. De manera que, tanto en la vida como en la muerte, pertenecemos al Señor.”- Romanos 14:8

Esa es la esencia de la corresponsabilidad - todo lo que tenemos y todo lo que somos es un don de Dios. No somos los "dueños" de nada, somos simplemente “administradores” de los dones que Dios nos ha dado, especialmente en nuestras propias vidas. Ore al Señor, diariamente, y pregúntele como lo llama a vivir la vida que Él ha destinado para usted.

Weekly Collection with YTD Figures
Weekend of September 10, 2023

Offertory/Online Collection	\$5,693.92
YTD Offertory Collection	\$69,092.59
Bills Paid this Week:	\$5,688.15
Bills Paid to Date:	\$65,585.72
Building Fund Collection	\$1,321.50
YTD Building Fund Collection	\$14,993.00
Special Projects Donations	\$1,172.00

Annual Catholic Appeal

Goal: \$29,271.00

Given: \$29,921.49

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Pray for the Sick

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Mass Intentions

Sunday 09/17	♥ Gloria & Randy O’Sako
Tuesday 09/19	♥Linda Santo-Morgan
Wednesday 09/20	+Joe Overton
Thursday 09/21	♥Pat Overton
Friday 09/22	+Souls In Purgatory
Saturday 09/23	+Pat Tanlu



CW5 Scott Durrer, MSGT Brian Lafond, A1C Aubriana Butchko, SFC Steven Liebl, PVT Dylan Dickerson, SR Christopher Meinert, SSGT Patrick Gleaton, PFC William Bland, PFC, Dalen Baldwin, ENS Sean Garrett, LTJG Riley Garrett, TSGT David Van Buren

Ministry Schedule

Sept. 23

5:00 p.m.

AS R & T Liebl & C Reynolds
EM N McEvoy, C & R Kitchen
L R Smith
U G Hixenbaugh & D Avard

Sept. 24

8:30 a.m.

AS R Oliveira, A Negron & B Fogarty
EM B Ellis, L Ganser & C Cordeiro
L P Walters
U R Beckwith & J Richtman

11:00 a.m.

AS CCW
EM CCW
L CCW
U CCW



It's amazing how the smallest home improvement can make someone feel so much better. A room gets cleaned, a new shelf is installed, an old door gets fixed, or a room gets painted and suddenly everything looks different and feels better. Those small changes can make a big difference in our attitude and the way we look at things. A simple home improvement can make a huge impact and change our whole perspective.

If a physical change can be so dramatic, a better relationship or a more positive attitude or improved communication can be even more dramatic. There are always bumps and bruises in a family. We live together and in such close contact there are sure to be moments of disagreement, irritation and conflict. But when we add forgiveness, tolerance and love, everything changes. We feel better, relieved and relaxed and our whole perspective changes. A little improvement goes a long way in changing our perspective about ourselves and about those we love.

So what holds you back? How difficult can it be to say, "I forgive you" or "I'm sorry"? Does it really matter whose fault it is, or how you got off track. A fresh start—a little in-house improvement—is free for the asking, free for the accepting and priceless for the results. Upgrade your house today. Everyone will benefit.

~James Gaffney © Pilot Bulletins

Reading for the Week of Sept. 17

Monday: 1 Tm 2:1-8/Ps 28:2, 7, 8-9/Lk 7:1-10
Tuesday: 1 Tm 3:1-13/Ps 101:1b-2ab, 2cd-3ab, 5, 6/Lk 7:11-17
Wednesday: 1 Tm 3:14-16/Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 7:31-35
Thursday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Mt 9:9-13
Friday: 1 Tm 6:2c-12/Ps 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20/Lk 8:1-3
Saturday: 1 Tm 6:13-16/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Lk 8:4-15

Saints & Special Observances

Sunday: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Tuesday: Saint Januarius, Bishop and Martyr
Wednesday: Saints Andrew Kim Tae-gõn, Priest, Paul Chõng Ha-sang and Companions, Martyrs
Thursday: Feast of Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist
Saturday: Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

Catechetical Sunday

A Prayer for our Catechists

Loving Father, we pray today for our catechists. We thank you for their gift of ministry in your Church. Grant them your wisdom that they may grow in the understanding and teaching of your Word. Grant them also your love that they may be fruitful heralds of your Word and lead others to love you. Pour forth your Holy Spirit upon them to grant them wisdom about what is important; knowledge of the truths of faith; understanding of their meaning; right judgement about how to apply them in life; courage to persevere even in the face of adversity; reverence before all that is sacred and holy; and that loving zeal which leads others to a transforming encounter with your Son.

We pray this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Faith Formation-September

Faith Formation classes take place on Sunday from 9:45 - 10:45 a.m. We begin in the parish hall with prayer and announcements, and parents are welcome to join us. Afterwards, students will be dismissed with their catechists for class. When picking up your child from class, please wait along the sidewalk in front of the Faith Formation building. If you have any questions about Faith Formation, please contact Sara Folland at (912) 754-7473, ext. 24, or DRE@sbcatholic.com.

Thank You DONUTNV Savannah

Faith Formation open house was a huge success thanks to our very own parishioners Tiffany and Patric Fluegel. They brought out their business, Donut NV Savannah, to donate all proceeds and non-perishables to our outreach program. To date we received over 400 lbs. of food and \$302 in monetary donations. Please contact them at savannahga@donutnv.com for your next event!

What is the Way the Truth and the Life ? Join us in RCIA, A Journey of Faith, to find it. Jesus said "I am the way, the truth, and the life." Since then, the image of journey has been used to describe those who follow Him. Faith is a journey marked with moments of conversion along the way. The purpose of RCIA (The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is to help unbaptized adults (or non-Catholic Christians) seek the way, the truth, and the life. Join us on the journey, Mondays from 6:30-8:00PM in the Hope Meeting Room. The first session was Aug. 28, but you can still register by contacting Denise Curtis at 912-547-3936. The next session is Sept. 18.

Altar Server Training:

Are you interested in becoming an altar server? Youth servers must be in at least the third grade and have received the sacraments of Reconciliation and First Communion. Adult servers must have current VIRTUS Protecting God's Children training, background check, and code of conduct prior to being trained. The goal is to schedule you to serve once a month. You will be scheduled to serve your preferred weekend mass. We are particularly in need of servers for the Saturday evening mass. If you are interested in becoming an altar server, or are a server in need of retraining, please contact Bill Fogarty. Training may be done before or after any of the weekend masses. You may contact Bill at telephone number 912-754-9796 or at email address asministry@sbcatholic.com.

Parish Life Meeting

Our Parish Life ministry will have a meeting on Monday, September 18, at 6:00pm. If you are interested in helping plan our parish events, please join us. We would love to have new ideas and new fellow parishioners join us!

Prayer & Play

We would like to invite Mothers and Caregivers to bring their little ones for snacks, prayer and fellowship every other Wednesday in the nursery, at 9:30 am. our next meeting is September 27. Hope you can join us!



Wine & Cheese

Our first event will be held on Saturday, September 30th, after 5 o'clock Mass. Wine and non-alcoholic beverages will be provided. If you would like to donate cheese and cracker plates, crackers, cheese, fruit, chips, pretzels, etc., please call Claire Kitchen at 912-856-7587. Thank you. Hope to see you there!



Coffee and Pastries. Sunday morning after the 8:30 am Mass, join us for A selection of pastries and croissants, coffee, orange, and apple juice will be served. If you would like to donate to offset the cost please contact Corrine McCumber at 912-441-4568. Hope you will stay and join us!



Tea & Brunch Sunday noon after the 11 am Mass, we will have a light brunch with a selection of fruit and vegetable platters, tea & soda. Contact Claire Kitchen at 912-856-7587 if you would like to donate any items. We hope to see you there!

Life Chain


Please join us for the Life Chain event on October 8th, for the sanctity of life. Immediately after the 11:00 Mass, We will have a live Rosary as we did last year. We will stand in the shape of the Rosary, each person representing a prayer on the Rosary and reciting the prayer. There are 72 prayers, so we are in need of at least 72 people to make this successful! Sign up sheets will be in the narthex. Please let us come together to pray for all the lives at risk, and families affected. If you have any questions, please contact Gloria Bazemore at 912 -665-4604 or Allan Bazemore 912-665-0966.

Medicare Insurance-Melissa McBride Stille with DeWitt Health Brokerage, LLC will have two session at St. Boniface to answer any insurance questions you may have. The first session will be on Tuesday Oct 17 - 3pm-5pm and then again on Friday Oct 27 - 9am-11am. If you are unable to get to either of these sessions you can call and make an appoint with Melissa in one of her two locations, Springfield or Rincon offices, call 912-239-7119.




Do you want to be more involved in your Catholic faith? Share your time, talent and treasures in fellowship with other women.

For more information, call Yvette Carr 912 657-5423 or email: ydchubby@windstream.net.



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