

### Daily Reflections

**Sunday, Oct 17, 2021:** TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Come face-to-face with Jesus

Spiritual truths often sound mysterious and paradoxical. God is a Trinity; Jesus is human and divine; the last will be first. But not everything in the life of faith is a mystery. Take poverty. It's where Jesus said we'd always see him face to face. Poverty's roots are well understood: malnutrition, limited healthcare, unsafe housing, dangerous work conditions, unequal access to justice, and no political voice. In founding today's Poverty Eradication Day, French priest Joseph Wresinski dared us to rewrite these terms of modern civilization. Pray the Rosary's Sorrowful Mysteries and commit to undercutting poverty's roots.

TODAY'S READINGS: Isaiah 53:10-11; Hebrews 4:14-16; Mark 10:35-45 (146). "Whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant."

**Monday, Oct 18, 2021:** FEAST OF LUKE, EVANGELIST

First in line for Marian devotion.

As the author of the Gospel of Luke and the Acts of the Apostles, Luke the Evangelist penned over a quarter of the New Testament — more than anyone else. The Virgin Mary has a special place in his gospel—it is only here that we find the story of the Annunciation, her visit to Elizabeth, the Presentation of the infant Jesus in the temple, and the finding of the child Jesus preaching in the temple. In art, Luke is sometimes depicted painting images of Mary (and he is the patron saint of painters). Revisit the richness of what we know about Mary thanks to Luke by giving his gospel another good read.

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Timothy 4:10-17b; Luke 10:1-9 (661). "The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest."

**Tuesday, Oct 19, 2021:** MEMORIAL OF JOHN DE BRÉBEUF AND ISAAC JOGUES, PRIESTS, AND COMPANIONS, MARTYRS

Learn the language of God's love.

In 1642, Jesuit missionary John de Brébeuf penned "The Huron Carol." Drawing from the experience of indigenous Americans, it lauds a babe born into modest means—wrapped in a "ragged robe of rabbit skin." Instead of shepherds and Magi, Native American hunters and chiefs arrive to pay homage to "Jesus, your King." While the famous Canadian carol comes under some cultural scrutiny in modern times, it also gets credit for preserving the Huron/Wendat language it was written in.

Mostly, it reminds us to speak other people's languages—figuratively, if not literally—when sharing the Good News.

TODAY'S READINGS: Romans 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21; Luke 12:35-38 (474). "Where sin increased, grace overflowed all the more."

**Wednesday, Oct 20, 2021:** MEMORIAL OF PAUL OF THE CROSS, PRIEST

Need some passion in your life?

"Passion" is a fiery word with various meanings, from an intense love relationship to an activity that we give our all to. Christians also have a unique understanding of "passion" as the suffering and death of Jesus. Saint Paul of the Cross was so fired up by this that he founded a religious community dedicated to the Passion of Jesus. But wait a minute, how did we get from intense love to suffering? Paul makes the

connection for us—the Passion is about Jesus' great love, a love so great that he was willing to suffer and die for us. Take a moment to reflect anew what you live—or would die—passionately for.

TODAY'S READINGS: Romans 6:12-18; Luke 12:39-48 (475). "But thanks be to God that . . . you have become obedient from the heart."

**Thursday, Oct 21, 2021:** God at work.

Summer vacations are now a faded memory as workplaces and schools operate at full swing. The Catholic Church has a rich tradition of seeing work as more than a necessity and duty. Through work we transform nature—a creative act, just as God's ongoing creation of the world is a creative act. A job that contributes to well-being can also be a path toward personal fulfillment. Whatever your work involves today, offer it up to God and take note of how God is able to work through you.

TODAY'S READINGS: Romans 6:19-23; Luke 12:49-53 (476). "I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing!"

**Friday, Oct 22, 2021:** MEMORIAL OF JOHN PAUL II, POPE Reasonable faith.

In this era of "alternative facts," it is challenging to find the truth. Saint John Paul II gave us good counsel on seeking truth. In the encyclical letter *Fides et Ratio* ("Faith and Reason") he wrote, ". . . believers do not surrender. They can continue on their way to the truth because they are certain that God has created them 'explorers,' whose mission it is to leave no stone unturned, though the temptation to doubt is always there. Leaning on God, they continue to reach out, always and everywhere, for all that is beautiful, good and true." How might you be an "explorer" in situations where truth is difficult to find?

TODAY'S READINGS: Romans 7:18-25a; Luke 12:54-59 (477). "Why do you not judge for yourselves what is right?"

**Saturday, Oct 23, 2021:** MEMORIAL OF JOHN OF CAPISTRANO, PRIEST

You get as good as you give

Jesus, his disciples, and the early evangelists were all clear about one thing: "the wages of sin is death." Beyond physical death, the selfishness of sin cuts off our relationship with God and the opportunity for true peace and joy. Paying attention to the needs of others as well as yourself keeps us alive in Christ. Study after study shows that happiness comes from social connectedness and a spirit of generosity. Franciscan Saint John Capistrano says of the faithful: "The brightness of their wisdom must make them like the light of the world that brings light to others."

Ponder the ways that you can acquire wisdom to share with others.

TODAY'S READINGS: Romans 8:1-11; Luke 13:1-9 (478). "The concern of the flesh is death, but the concern of the spirit is life and peace."

## SAINTS FREDERICK AND STEPHEN

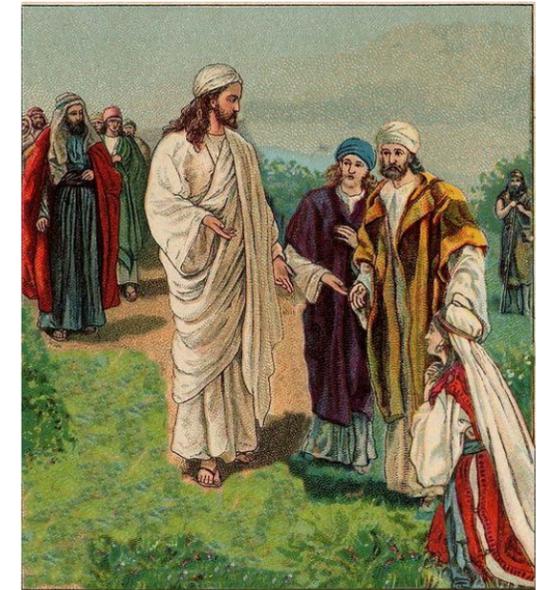
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## Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 17, 2021

### Mission Statement

**Our mission is to form Christian Communities that will glorify God by our loving and serving one another, and to extend our love, support, and compassion to the needy.**

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### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday	5:00pm
Sunday	11:30 am
Tuesday Rosary	8:30 am
Tuesday	9:00 am
Thursday	5:00 pm
Confessions on Thursdays and Saturdays	at 4:00 pm

## PARISH NEWS AND ACTIVITIES



**WELCOME: THE PARISH COMMUNITY OF ST. FREDERICK AND ST. STEPHEN WELCOMES ALL NEWCOMERS TO OUR COMMUNITY. PLEASE FILL OUT A REGISTRATION CARD, WHICH CAN BE FOUND IN THE BACK OF THE CHURCH AND DROP IN THE COLLECTION BASKET.**

**Visitors:** We ask our visitors to sign our Guest Book, so we may have a record of your attendance and remember you at the Church.

**Food Bank:** The Church of St. Frederick and St. Stephen is a member of the Edisto Food Bank. Please leave items for the bank in the basket. Canned fruit in light syrup is often needed.

**God's Tender Loving Care: (GTLC):** If you know someone in the parish who has had a death or illness or needs some "TLC". Please call Dolores Marcano (540)254-2555 or Joan Brodnicki (843) 217-8014.

**If you have bulletin announcements, please call the office at 843-889-8549 or even better email [Stmarys165@charlestdiocese.org](mailto:Stmarys165@charlestdiocese.org) or [stmarys165@gmail.com](mailto:stmarys165@gmail.com)**

### Synod Mass and livestream

As a reminder, the Opening Mass for the Synod on Synodality is Sunday, Oct. 17, at 11:15 a.m. at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist in Charleston. For those who cannot attend, Mass will be streamed live on Facebook at this link: [fb.me/e/1Cyay3cFS...](https://fb.me/e/1Cyay3cFS...)

A recording of the Mass will be posted on YouTube after the event.

For more information regarding the Synod, visit [charlestdiocese.org/...](http://charlestdiocese.org/...)



### **PRAY FOR US**

June Alberti, Lynn Bagnal, Rita Cullen, Dan Cutler, Marlis Egbers, Theresa Garrido, Conchi Gelner, Susan Gomez, Elizabeth Good, Nelson Hartrich, Tara Huck, Cubby Huffines, Vic Ketchum, Ding Kizer, Wilbur Kizer, Ken Korpanty, Andrew Lee, Priscilla Martin, Tom Mack, Mimi McCole, Lenore McDonald, Stephanie McDonald, Shannon Montgomery, Elizabeth Neustadt, Mott Parker, Bunny Perkins, Christy Petillo, Voyta Sailer, Patsy Sheahan, Bob Smith, Bill Smyer, Marge Suchman, Fran Taylor, Harriet Tindall, Bubba Unger, Dickie Unger, Layla Venegas, Brice Voorneveld, Susie Voorneveld, Samuel Wenthe, Samuel Wingate, All Parishioners of our Parish.

### **Record of Faithfulness**

**Thanks to all who have mailed in their contributions.**

**10//10/21**

Parishioners	625.00	Maint. & Repair	225.00
Loose	275.00	Seminary	25.00
Votives		Parish Charity	5.00
Total 1 <sup>st</sup>	900.00		
Total 1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup>	1155.00	Building Fund	545.00
Saturday	32	58	
Total Attendance	90		

### **Second Collection:**

**Today:** Parish Charity

Next week: World Mission Sunday

**Lectors Today:**

**Saturday, Oct. 16:**

**Sunday, Oct. 17:**

All are Invited to St. Mary's Annual Shrimp Boil - Pot Luck, on Sunday, October 17th at 3 pm. (Set-up 2:30)

Please bring a dish to share and the beverage of your choice.

Please email the office if you can attend

[Stmarys165@charlestdiocese.org](mailto:Stmarys165@charlestdiocese.org)

### **All Saints' Day, Monday, November 1<sup>st</sup>, is a Holy Day of**

**Obligation.** Father Timothy will have Mass at 5:00 PM at Saint Frederick and Saint Stephen.

**Tuesday November 2<sup>nd</sup> is All Soul's Day Mass will be at 5:00 PM.**

To prepare for this service, we ask that you use one of the index cards on the table in the vestibule to list deceased family members that you want remembered on that day. Please use full names, not nicknames. See sample card on the table. Please leave completed card in the holder. At Mass on the 1st, the cards will be available for a family member to bring to the front of the church and leave by the candle that they light. This will take place during the Offertory.

**Grant that in your glory we may sit one at your right and the other at your left.**

**(Mark 10:37)**

James and John didn't quite get it, but then again neither did the other apostles! To their credit, James and John did believe that Jesus would reign in glory. They had heard him predict his passion (Mark 10:32-34), and seemed to believe that some kind of glory would follow whatever suffering Jesus had foretold. And they wanted to be part of it. They wanted to have seats of honor right next to Jesus' throne.

Maybe these two saw Jesus' passion and death as just one step in the process—a sad but necessary step toward their own glory. They seemed to miss the fact that giving himself up for us defined the mission of Jesus, and it characterized his kingdom. Jesus came to serve, not to be served (Mark 10:45). He wanted James and John—and all his followers—to understand that his glory was at its height when he emptied himself. His followers would be counted as great to the extent that they imitated his attitude, humbling themselves and becoming the servants of all (10:43-44).

So, what will it look like when Jesus comes in glory? The Book of Revelation describes a heavenly throne room with Jesus looking like a lamb that had been slain (5:6). In heaven, he still bears the marks of his sacrifice, and the angels and saints praise him for the beauty of his humble self-gift. The lofty throne James and John were imagining was actually more like an altar of sacrifice than a seat of government.

As you come to Mass today, know that the glorious Lord, the Lamb of God, is offering himself to you once again in the sacrifice of the Eucharist. There is glory in this sacrifice, in his life poured out for you. Let it inspire you to go and pour yourself out for others.

**“Lord, let me see your glory today!”**