

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 1, 2017

Have in you the same attitude that is in Christ Jesus.

-- *Philippians 2:5*



Week of October 2nd – 7th

Monday: 8:00 John Morgan+
 Tuesday: 8:00 Robert Rapatz+
 Wednesday: 8:00 Robert Wilkie+
 Thursday: 8:00 Ivonne Cunarro+
 Friday: 8:00 Rose Mary Escobar+
 Saturday: 8:00 Michael B. Murphy+



Please remember the sick in our Parish, especially Donald Mulvey, John Miller, Thomas Lee, Michael Kluziski, Betty Perkins, Dennis Reeve, Sebastian Romeo, Louise Ahern, Bonnie Danielson, Owen Burns, Bernice De Vries, Michael Vasquez, Paul Cummings, Patricia Dombink, Laura Pierce, Marvin Johnson, Cora Rose, Tom Reid, Henry Souza, Rosa Santos and Juanita Estrelles.

Weekly Collection	September 24 th
Plate	\$9,378.67

Today's Readings!

First Reading -- When the wicked turn away from their wickedness they have committed and do what is right (Ezekiel 18:25-28).

Psalm -- Remember your mercies, O Lord (Psalm 25).

Second Reading -- Consider others as better than yourselves; look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others (Philippians 2:1-11 [1-5]).

Gospel -- Tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God ahead of you (Matthew 21:28-32).



My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I want to share with you a few thoughts about the significance of the under appreciated Virtue of Humility.

In this week's reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Philippians, St. Paul writes about Jesus humbling himself for the sake of the cross. He invites us to live our lives in imitation of Christ. This perspective may seem to be in conflict with the values of our society which encourages us to be assertive, to stand up for ourselves and be proud of who we are. It is important to appreciate our self-worth.

But, the Virtue of Humility requires that we acknowledge a deeper truth about ourselves. St. Paul states this truth beautifully in another letter, "We were made incomplete, we find our completeness in the Lord." The Virtue of Humility leads us to this honest self-assessment of who we are and what we need.

In order to be our best and most complete selves, we must live in the Lord and allow the Lord to live in us.

Love, Fr. Leo

The Catholic Voice Annual Collection!

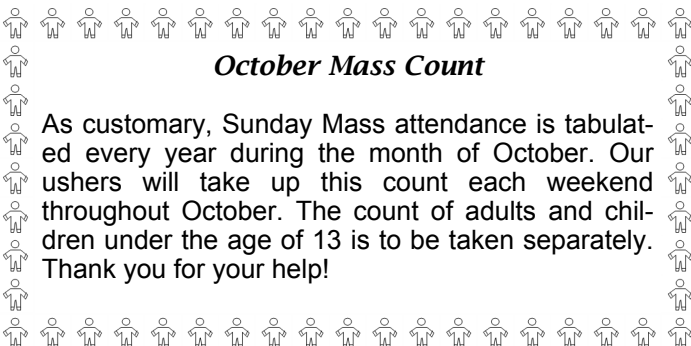


This weekend, September 30th and October 1st, will be the annual collection for **The Catholic Voice**. Your donation helps our Parish offset its payments for this important communications ministry. The Voice and its other operations -- *El Heraldo Católico*, websites and social media -- are the only regular source of Catholic news and information for all parishioners in the Diocese. Please make checks payable to **Corpus Christi Church**. Thank you!

Forgive Others!

There are many kinds of alms the giving of which helps us to obtain pardon for our sins; but none is greater than that by which we forgive from our heart a sin that someone has committed against us.

-- *St. Augustine*



October Mass Count

As customary, Sunday Mass attendance is tabulated every year during the month of October. Our ushers will take up this count each weekend throughout October. The count of adults and children under the age of 13 is to be taken separately. Thank you for your help!

Want to Grow Your Faith?

Whether you have a small spark of faith that you wish you could fan into a flame or you have a robust faith life that you would still like to deepen, you are welcome to join Corpus Christi's RCIA program which began on Thursday, September 28th. This is a program for adults who are interested in being a part of a community that is exploring faith topics and spiritual practices. For those who may decide to become Catholic or Catholics who have not yet been confirmed, this is a great place to begin. If you are interested in learning more about this program, please contact Ann at 521-8011 or email: ann@gospelliving.org.

Lori's News! Family Faith Formation

Preparation for First Holy Communion begins on Saturday, October 28th, with our kickoff retreat from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. The retreat is mandatory for 2nd graders and parents. Children who are not enrolled in the Parish School must be registered in Faith Formation classes in order to prepare for receiving First Communion. Please contact Lori as soon as possible at: corpuschristisundayschool@gmail.com if you need to register or have any questions. We're excited about our new program that strengthens the role of parents in the preparation process. See you soon!

Treasures From Our Tradition!

Over time, the severe form of one-chance penance collapsed under lack of enthusiasm for its burdens and its public nature. As ordinary Christians prayed for the great sinners, it must have occurred to them that they were sinners no less, and they required a form of penance also. The Irish came to the rescue, never having had a public form of penance, but inventing a system called "tariff penance," which was completely private, available to everyone and wildly popular. After a detailed confession, priest and penitent would lie on the floor before the altar and recite a number of psalms. The priest then pronounced a judgment, a tariff, giving a task or a prayer to complete before reconciliation.

The surviving guidebooks for confessors make for hair-raising reading as the sins of which the Irish people were supposedly capable were catalogued and keyed to penances. Cattle or sheep rustling might require stripping down to sing psalms in an icy brook, for example, or adultery could be the occasion for rolling in a thicket of thorns. All of this might have stayed in Ireland had not the monks had a desire to travel, blazing across Europe with their theology and their rituals, and their sense that Christians needed strong medicine for sin and the assurance of God's forgiveness.

Extra Yarn Needed!

If anyone has any extra yarn that they are not using, please drop it by the Parish Office. Sally Costello will be making items with it. If you have any questions, Sally's number is 339-1771. Thank You!

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Oktoberfest



Upcoming Potluck!

Hospitality's next Potluck is Saturday, October 14th, after the 5:00 p.m. Mass. It will be a great opportunity to enjoy the fall weather with a little Oktoberfest! There will be sausages, cider and pretzels. Everyone is welcome to bring a side dish, dessert or beer to share! For additional information, contact Carol at: heardwhart@yahoo.com.

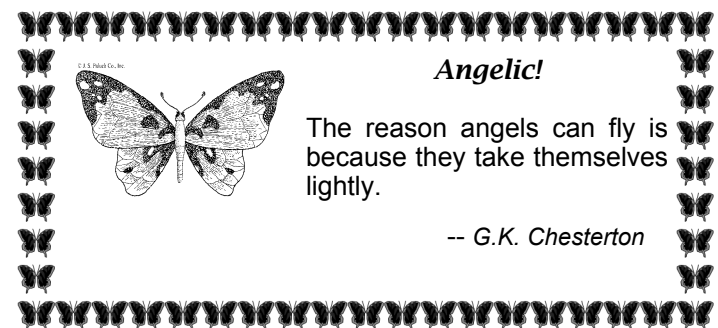
Corpus Christi School Open House!



On Tuesday, October 3rd, from 8:15 to 10:00 a.m., our School will hold their first Open House for prospective families to visit the classrooms, talk with parents, meet the principal and learn more about our wonderful School. If you or anyone you know is interested, we welcome you to come join us. For more details, please contact Evelien Verpeet at: everpeet@gmail.com or Heidi Catapusan at: heidi.wagner510@gmail.com or call the School at 530-4056, ext. 200. Hope to see you there!

Wings (Women in God's Spirit)!

Wings is back on Wednesday, October 11th. This is a faith enhancement group that encourages spiritual growth through prayer, Scripture study, catechesis, life sharing and community. Meetings take place on Wednesdays from October through May at St. Theresa's Event Center, Meeting Room 1, 4850 Clarewood Drive in Oakland; 9:15 a.m., hospitality followed with a guest speaker and program until 11:15 a.m. The guest speaker presentations will uplift you and keep you informed. Women from local parishes and other denominations are welcome. Bring a friend. The Fall season is devoted to catechesis, exploring and enriching knowledge of Catholic tradition. The theme for this year is *Gather Your People*. Contact Gaby Miller at: gabymiller275@gmail.com for more information.



Angelic!

The reason angels can fly is because they take themselves lightly.

-- G.K. Chesterton