

## Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 5, 2025

Come, let us bow down in worship; let us kneel before the Lord who made us.

-- Psalm 95:6



Daily Mass

Week of October 6<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>

Monday: 8:00 Jim McCrea+  
Tuesday: 8:00 Michael Bondiskey+  
Wednesday: 8:00 Archie Strother+  
Thursday: 8:00 Louis Edward Pedroza+  
Friday: 8:00 Leo Loh+



Please remember the sick in our Parish, especially, Georgia Pontoniere, Maria Corrales, Dan McDonald, Lorraine Heinemann, Lisa Wemple, Sarah Wren, Marian Flandick, James Breen, Janet Laurent, Anil Siu, Peggy Delson-Rini, Frank Rini and Cecilia Uyeda.

### Weekly Collections

September 28, 2025

\$10,115.00



Baptisms

The Parish Family of Corpus Christi has been increased and enriched through the recent baptisms of:

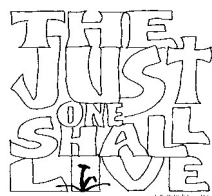
**Samantha Maeve Bussone**, daughter of Meaghan Beattie and Daniel

Bussone.

**George Francis Austin**, son of Julie Walton and Daniel Austin.

**Georgia Merrill and Jack McGuire Wehrley**, daughter and son of Stephanie Rogan and Andrew Wehrley.

Congratulations to the proud parents from all of us!



### Today's Readings

**First Reading** -- The just ones, because of their faith, shall live (Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4).

**Psalm** -- If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts (Psalm 95).

**Second Reading** -- Bear hardship with the strength that comes from God (2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14).

**Gospel** -- The apostles said to Jesus, "Increase our faith" (Luke 17:5-10).



My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

This is an excerpt from Pope Francis' reflections:

"If we love according to the law 'an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth,' we'll never leave behind the spiral of evil. The Evil One is clever, and he deludes us that with our human justice we can save ourselves and save the world. In reality, only the justice of God can save us! And the justice of God revealed itself on the Cross: the Cross is the judgment of God on all of us and this world. But how does God judge us? By giving his life for us! Here is the supreme act of justice that ... once and for all the prince of this world; and this supreme act of justice is likewise the supreme act of mercy. Jesus calls all of us to follow this way: 'Be merciful as your Father is merciful' (Lk 6:36)."

"I'm going to ask something of you now. In silence, all of us, let us think... let each one of us think of a person who we don't get along with, who we're angry with, who we don't love. Let us think of that person and, in silence, right now, let us pray for this person and that we might become merciful with them." [Silent pause -- 15 seconds]

So now, let us invoke the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy -- *Angelus Domini nuntiavit Mariae...*

Love, Fr. Leo

### Increase Our Faith!

Today's Gospel passage falls under the category that has come to be known as the "hard sayings" of Jesus. Hard to understand, hard to apply to life today. The Apostles' request, "increase our faith," is in response to a previous "hard saying" about how frequently we are called upon to forgive others. Curiously, Jesus seems rather unforgiving in responding to their request, or in describing the manner in which they are to serve others. Jesus uses exaggerations to wake us up to how God is present in our lives and how we are urged to live if God is with us. None of us is called upon to uproot trees or cast mountains into the sea. The faith we have is adequate for the task we are called upon to do: spread the gospel by our witness. And living that witness is done not for self-gratification or recognition, but out of the joy of helping the world to hear the Good News.

### Please Note!

Corpus Christi School is updating their Family, Friends and Alumni information. Please send your current contact information, including email address, to: [development@corpuschristischool.com](mailto:development@corpuschristischool.com). Thank you.

### **Support our Annual Walk-A-Thon!**

This year's Walk-A-Thon theme for Corpus Christi School is, "*Out of this World, a COMET Adventure*," and will take place on Saturday, October 18<sup>th</sup>, at the School. This event is a chance for everyone in the Parish and School community to support the School's Tuition Assistance Program and technology upgrades. Please consider supporting this year's event by purchasing raffle tickets at the Parish Picnic today and after the 10:30 a.m. Mass on October 12<sup>th</sup>. More information can be found at: <https://go.dojiggy.io/wat2025>. Together, we can make this experience Out of this World!

### **Special Meeting!**

Please join the Living Our Faith Ministry for a special meeting this Thursday, October 9<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 p.m. in the Gibson Center. Anna Rossi, the founder of Welcome the Stranger and Shelter in Place, will speak to us about these two programs that assist immigrant families. We are eager to learn more about how we might get involved. If you have any questions, please contact Nany Midlin at: [midlin.nancy@gmail.com](mailto:midlin.nancy@gmail.com).

### **RCIA: Discover the Catholic Faith!**

Curious about the Catholic faith? Searching for deeper meaning and spiritual community? The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is your invitation to explore, question and discover. It starts on Wednesday, October 15<sup>th</sup>, at 5:30 p.m. in the Gibson Center.

RCIA is a welcoming community designed for adults interested in receiving the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and/or First Communion, and for existing Catholics interested in deepening and rediscovering their faith. This program is for you if you have never been baptized; baptized Christians from other denominations interested in becoming Catholic; baptized Catholics who desire First Communion and/or Confirmation; and all Catholics interested in deepening your faith and prayer life.

You can expect that there is no pressure, creative ways to pray, personal support from trained spiritual directors and no commitment required to start. Come explore and see where God might be calling you. If you have any questions, contact Anne Zehren at: [annezehren@mac.com](mailto:annezehren@mac.com) or call (917) 734-7928.

### **October Mass Count**

**S**unday 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!

### **Readings For The Week October 6<sup>th</sup> -- 11<sup>th</sup>**

Monday: First Reading Jonah 1:1-2:2, 11;  
Responsorial Psalm Jonah 2:3-5, 8;  
Gospel Luke 10:25-37

Tuesday: First Reading Jonah 3:1-10;  
Psalm 130;  
Gospel Luke 10:38-42

Wednesday: First Reading Jonah 4:1-11;  
Psalm 86;  
Gospel Luke 11:1-4

Thursday: First Reading Malachi 3:13-20b;  
Psalm 1;  
Gospel Luke 11:5-13

Friday: First Reading Joel 1:13-15; 2:1-2;  
Psalm 9;  
Gospel Luke 11:15-26

Saturday: First Reading Joel 4:12-21;  
Psalm 97;  
Gospel Luke 11:27-28

### **Treasures From Our Tradition!**

Sometimes human relationships go awry, but Christ's choice for us is irrevocable. In marriage celebrations, the Church always recalls God's faithfulness to help prepare married couples for enduring the inevitable rough spots. The Byzantine liturgy does this by adorning the couple with crowns that remind them of the martyr's crown. The couple therefore takes on a vocation of witnessing to the sacredness of life in all of its suffering and joy, and of keeping their eyes fixed on the banquet of heaven.

In Eastern theology, people have a liturgical vocation to give God praise, and marriage fits within that plan. It is not so much saying prayers that counts, but becoming prayer. Interestingly, in this liturgy the couple never utters a word other than joining in the community's chants: there are no marriage vows as such. There is therefore not a hint of our Western Christian sense that marriage is a legal contract. Rather, it is all about living out one's baptismal vocation, embracing the cross, pouring oneself out in love, and opening to the grace of the Holy Spirit.

### **Saints & Special Observances!**

Monday, October 6<sup>th</sup>: St. Bruno, Priest  
Blessed Marie Rose Durocher,  
Virgin

Tuesday, October 7<sup>th</sup>: Our Lady of the Rosary

Thursday, October 9<sup>th</sup>: St. Denis, Bishop, & Companions,  
Martyrs  
St. John Leonardi, Priest

Saturday, October 11<sup>th</sup>: St. John XXIII, Pope