

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 12, 2025

If we have died with [Christ Jesus] we shall also live with him; if we persevere we shall also reign with him.

-- 2 Timothy 2:11-12a



Week of October 13th - 17th

Monday: 8:00 Special Intentions Tuesday: 8:00 Margaret Dougherty+ Wednesday: 8:00 John N. O'Shea+ 8:00 Mary Strother+ Thursday: 8:00 Dieter Schulze+ Friday:



Please remember the sick in our Parish, especially, Georgia Pontoniere, Maria Corrales, Dan McDonald, Lorraine Heinemann, Lisa Sts Wemple, Sarah Wren, Marian Flandick, James Breen, Janet Lau-

rent, Anil Siu, Peggy Delson-Rini, Frank Rini and Cecilia Uyeda.

Weekly Collections	
October 5, 2025	\$10,159.00
Rainy Day Fund	\$1,084.00



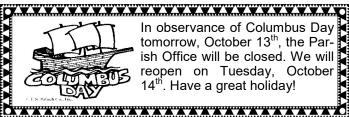
Today's Readings

Uave pily First Reading -- Naaman, cleansed from his leprosy, returns gratefully to Elisha (2 Kings 5:14-17).

> Psalm -- The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power (Psalm 98).

Second Reading -- If we have died with Christ we shall also live with Christ (2 Timothy 2:8-13).

Gospel -- Ten lepers are healed by Jesus, but only one, a Samaritan, returns to give him thanks (Luke 17:11-19).



In observance of Columbus Day tomorrow, October 13th, the Parish Office will be closed. We will reopen on Tuesday, October 14th. Have a great holiday!

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. Thank you.



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

There is one thing that Jesus says repeatedly in addressing people, "Do not be afraid." Our Lord is present always as the one who encourages, confirms.

from Fr. Basil

But we live today in a climate of fear, with threats and intimidation from our own gov-

ernment. This is especially true for immigrants and refugees.

Last Sunday our church dedicated the day to such people, those who are most in danger of vindictive actions by the government. Strong voices in the church were raised in support of those who are threatened. For example, the archbishop of Washington, D.C., Cardinal McElroy, expressed the moral objection to such governmental persecution. Bishop Seitz of El Paso, Texas raised a similar alarm.

These are not political statements, but voices that express the strong commands of the gospel to treat the stranger, the alien, with compassion. But also, we as citizens of a nation that once welcomed immigrants with open arms, and today still need their work in many areas, have to ask, are we betraying the basic principles of equality and justice upon which this country was founded?

Both the gospel and our national consciousness demand that we resist the forces of evil that threaten the wellbeing of all who live here. For this we pray and work with all our might.

Fr. Basil

Treasures From Our Tradition!

Christian liturgy has always contained an opportunity to make a choice for sharing. From the beginning, Christians pooled their resources, especially for the care of widows and orphans, at the weekly Eucharist. Over the years, the collection became detached from the liturgy and baskets or plates would be passed through the community while the Mass was going on at the altar, or contributions would be collected at the doors. In Milan's Ambrosian Rite, these gifts have always been brought to the altar by lay people in procession. In German countries, the ancient custom was for the entire assembly to process with their gifts -- first the men, then the women, then the priests and deacons -- to offer their gifts at the altar. The old ceremony of canonization included a curious vestige of this procession: people would present the pope with two loaves of bread, two barrels of wine and water, five candles and three cages containing pigeons or turtledoves!

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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 18th, 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 after the 10:30 a.m. Mass today, October 12th. More information can be found at: https://go.dojiggy.io/wat2025. Together, we can make this experience Out of this World!

RCIA: Discover the Catholic Faith!

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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: <a href="mailto:annezeh-ren@mac.com">annezeh-ren@mac.com</a> or call (917) 734-7928.

# World Mission Sunday & Catholic Home Mission Appeal!

Next weekend, October 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>, is World Mission Sunday and Catholic Home Mission Appeal, a special day of prayer and sacrifice for the missions of today. Through your prayers and your generous help, you will be a missionary yourself, reaching out to share your own faith with the world so in need of Christ's message. Please make checks payable to Corpus Christi Church!

### **October Mass Count**

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 13th -- 18th

Monday: First Reading Romans 1:1-7;

Psalm 98;

Gospel Luke 11:29-32

Tuesday: First Reading Romans 1:16-25;

Psalm 19;

Gospel Luke 11:37-41

Wednesday: First Reading Romans 2:1-11;

Psalm 62;

Gospel Luke 11:42-46

Thursday: First Reading Romans 3:21-30;

Psalm 130;

Gospel Luke 11:47-54

Friday: First Reading Romans 4:1-8;

Psalm 32;

Gospel Luke 12:1-7

Saturday: First Reading 2 Timothy 4:10-17b;

Psalm 145;

Gospel Luke 10:1-9

### The Word of God Unchained!

There is no chaining the word of God! But how many times do we attempt to do that very thing? Had the followers of Jesus or the teachers of the law or the Pharisees been asked if the lepers should be cleansed or healed, the answer would most likely have been, "No, they deserve their condition."

The lepers would have been, perhaps, a mixed group, Galileans and Samaritans alike, the bond of their awful disease overcoming the pettiness of former religious bickering. Jesus' actions once again illustrate his vocation and ours: to reach out when healing is needed, to challenge when conversion is needed, to console when comfort is needed. He also follows his own advice from last week's Gospel: do what you have been commanded to do. When the cleansed Samaritan has returned to give thanks, Jesus does not take it as an opportunity for self-aggrandizement, but rather offers insight into faith.

#### The Catholic Voice Annual Collection!

This weekend, October 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>, will be the annual collection for **The Catholic Voice**. Your donation helps our Parish offset its payments for this important communications ministry. Please make checks payable to *Corpus Christi Church*. Thank you!

### Please Note!

You may have noticed that our weekly Bulletins are somewhat faded and not as clear as they should be. Our ten-year old copier is on its last copies and will be replaced by a new machine soon. Thank you for your patience!

Gail, Bulletin Editor