



Best Friends

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

Henry David Thoreau was a naturalist and philosopher who lived in Concord, Massachusetts, in the early 1800s. He spent a year living in a small one-room cabin in the woods at Walden Pond “because,” he said, “I wished to live deliberately, to front only the essential facts of life, and see if I could not learn what it had to teach, and not when I came to die, discover that I had not lived. I did not wish to live what was not life, living is so dear.” Thoreau seems to have sought the same reality pursued by the author of the Book of Wisdom, who preferred Lady Wisdom to power, deemed riches to be nothing, and loved wisdom more than health or beauty.

Like the man who comes to Jesus wanting to know what he must do to inherit eternal life, most of us have a difficult time surrendering that to which we cling. It may be our possessions, our power to control others, the need to be youthful and stylishly dressed, or an addiction to drugs or gambling or pornography—anything that has become our “best friend.” Just as the apostles wonder who can then be saved, all of us wonder, because we, too, have one or another such “best friends.” It is God who breaks through, says Jesus. It may be a painful breaking through; it may be an upheaval; it may not be until the end of our lives. Always, it is God who ultimately turns us around. ●

Reflect

Who or what is your “best friend” that replaces God in your life?

[Jesus said,] “Go, sell what you have, and give to [the] poor and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.”

MARK 10:21

Catholic Communities

Parish Pastor

Rev. William Pifher

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Our Lady of Mercy

409 E. Main St.

Fayette, OH 43521

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday 8:30 a.m.
Thursday 9:00 a.m.

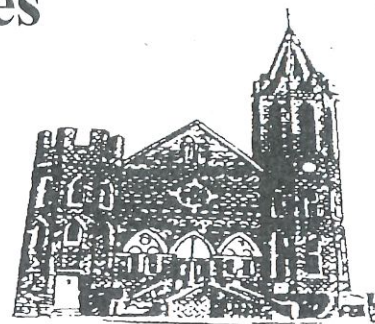
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Clothing items can be donated via our drop off site on the east side of the building. Our store is open on Thursdays from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Contact Rhonda Monahan at 517-306-7986 for information.



St. Peter

614 N. Defiance St.

Archbold, OH 43502

MASS SCHEDULE

1st Saturday of month 8:30 a.m.
Saturday 4:30 p.m.
Sunday 10:30 a.m.
Tuesday 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday 9:00 a.m.
Friday 9:00 a.m.

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SACRAMENT INFORMATION

- **Baptism:** Please call Father Pifher at 419-446-9288 to make arrangements for Baptism. A month's notice would be helpful.
- **Reconciliation:** Father will be available for confessions **starting 30 minutes before Mass each week.**
- **New Parishioners:** A warm welcome as you enter our Parish Community! You are asked to register at the parish office or see the pastor as soon as possible. If you are moving from the parish, please inform the office so we may remove your name from our parish records.
- **Anointing of the Sick:** Those who can participate: Anyone who is seriously sick or suffering a grave illness (not a cold, or flu) which is treated or medicated for by a doctor. Also for those of old age which often brings morale or depression factors (body, mind, or spirit). Please make arrangements with Father or call the parish office.
- **Matrimony:** Please contact the Parish Office six months ahead of your planned wedding date, for Marriage Preparation and scheduling.
- **RCIA:** The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a series of classes designed to bring new members into the Catholic church. Weekly sessions begin in September. People who have not been baptized, who have not been practicing or who have been raised in another faith are all welcome to register. Parishioners are encouraged to invite interested family members and friends. There is no obligation to join the church. This is simply an opportunity to learn more about the Catholic faith. Contact Fr. William Pifher at 419-446-9288.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Please note that the bulletin deadline is **Tuesday, Noon.** Please either call, email at

OLOMFayette@olom2441.onmicrosoft.com or put in the collection basket any announcement for the following week's bulletin.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2024

28TH Sunday of Ordinary Time

ROSARY WILL BE PRAYED SUNDAY'S AT 8 A.M.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Oct. 20 – class at Home
Oct. 13 & 27 class after Mass

DIRECTORY & PRAYER CHAIN FORMS

If you did not get a directory / prayer chain form to update your information, extras are on the tables in the back of church. Please put in collection basket or drop off at the office on Tuesday or Thursday's.

ROSARY

The Rosary will be prayed every Wednesday in the month of October at 7 p.m. here at Our Lady of Mercy.

FAYETTE COMMUNITY DINNER

Fayette Community Dinner is October 16, 2024, 5 p.m. – 6p.m. Please come enjoy the meal or if you are interested in helping please see Barb Bruggeman.

WINTERIZING THE GARDEN

All who are able we will be winterizing the garden on Saturday, October 19, 2024 at 10 a.m.

BFF'S ARE RETURNING

The 1st BFF will be on Sunday, October 20, 2024 after Mass. All are invited to come and enjoy Breakfast, Friends & Fellowship.

MONEY COUNTERS

There will be a meeting of all money counters in the church office on October 20, 2024 after Mass.

HURRICANE HELENE – from CATHOLIC CHARITIES DIOCESE OF TOLEDO

Hurricane Helene Relief Collection Announcement:

Our prayers go out to those who perished, their families, and untold numbers of people who were injured and suffered devastation wrought by Hurricane Helene, a storm that took lives, livelihoods, destroyed homes and entire communities across six states. As in past disasters, Catholic Charities Diocese of Toledo is collecting and forwarding donations dollar for dollar to Catholic Charities agencies in impacted areas for this disaster relief effort. You may donate on our secure website:

www.catholiccharitiesnwo.org, noting Hurricane Helene Relief as your donation designation.

Checks made out to Catholic Charities Diocese of Toledo, with a notation designating Hurricane Helene Relief, can be mailed to Catholic Charities Diocese of Toledo, 1933 Spielbusch Ave., Toledo, OH 43604. Thank you for compassionately supporting those in need!

THE WISDOM OF THE SAINTS – Introduction by Matthew Kelly

“Depart, accursed father and mothers! Depart into the hell where the wrath of God awaits you, you and the good deeds you have done, while all the time you have let your children run wild. Depart into hell; they will not be long in joining you there.” - St. John Vianney

DIARY OF SAINT MARIA FAUSTINA KOWALSKA

Notebook 1

617 O Holy Trinity, Eternal God, I want to shine in the crown of Your mercy as a tiny gem whose beauty depends on the ray of Your (79) light and of Your inscrutable mercy. All that is beautiful in my soul is Yours, O God; of myself, I am ever nothing.

ST. PETER NEWS

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Every Tuesday starting at 8 a.m. ending with Mass at 7 p.m.

Did you know that Deacon Larry Zachrich is also available for Baptisms and Weddings? Contact Larry at 419-966-7091.

FAYETTE/SURROUNDING AREA COMMUNITY EVENTS

---Oct. 16 – Fayette Community dinner 5 -6 p.m. Our Lady of Mercy Altar Rosary is hosting this month

---Oct. 22 – Fayette Schools – All you can eat Pancake & Sausage supper – 5 p.m. – 7 p.m. - \$8 adults – 10 & under \$5 – 2 & under FREE

If you know of any Fayette Community events, please either call or visit the office or email to OLOMFayette@olom2441.onmicrosoft.com

Prayer chain-ANYONE wishing to submit prayer requests can email or call Our Lady of Mercy office. Email olomprayerchain@olom2441.onmicrosoft.com

Privacy Issues for Parish Office:
IMMEDIATE FAMILY – must contact the parish office for all prayer requests to be posted in the parish bulletin. Please submit with the exact verbiage requested. Contact Sherry Renner at the parish office at 419-237-2441, no later than Thursday at noon. By law, the parish office does not divulge private information we receive from hospitals.



DIOCESE OF TOLEDO NEWS

HELP WANTED

The Diocese has openings for employment. Check out the list at toledodiocese.org/careers

DIOCESE OF TOLEDO CALENDAR

For additional happenings in the Diocese of Toledo please visit toledodiocese.org/calendar

PROJECT RACHEL

A one-day healing retreat for woman who are hurting after an experience with abortion will be offered in the Diocese of Toledo on Saturday, November 16, 2024. To register or learn more, contact Kerstin, Project Rachel Coordinator in the Diocese of Toledo, at kpakka@toledodiocese.org or 419-260-5811.

OUR LADY OF MERCY ACA – 78.49% - Goal \$4,190.00 Pledged & Paid \$3,288.89 Over/(Under) (\$901.11)

BISHOP DANIEL E. THOMAS 10 YEAR ANNIVERSARY

In celebration of Bishop Daniel E. Thomas' 10-year anniversary as Bishop of the Diocese of Toledo, we are building a "spiritual bouquet" to present to him.

WHAT IS A SPIRITUAL BOUQUET?

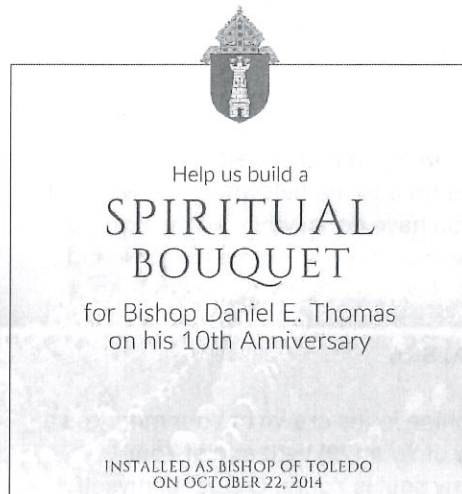
A spiritual bouquet is a collection of prayers, sacrifices, or devotional acts offered by one person or a group of people for a particular intention or as a gift to another person. It is a way to show support, love, and gratitude through spiritual means. Instead of physical flowers, the "bouquet" consists of spiritual offerings like:

- Prayers: Specific prayers, such as the Rosary or Divine Mercy Chaplet.
- Eucharistic Holy Hours: Spending an hour in front of the Blessed Sacrament praying for the intention.
- Masses: Having Masses offered for the person's intentions.
- Fasting: Offering a period of fasting or abstinence.
- Acts of Charity: Engaging in acts of kindness or service.

These spiritual gifts are often presented to the recipient in a card or letter, sometimes beautifully designed to resemble a bouquet of flowers, indicating the types and numbers of spiritual acts being offered.

Visit toledodiocese.org/10years to send in your offerings for the spiritual bouquet. They will be presented to Bishop Thomas on October 22, 2024.

Please note: This will be a surprise for Bishop Thomas! Please do not mention it to him.



Saints of the Day

(www.morningoffering.com)

Week of Oct. 13 – Oct. 19

Sunday, Oct. 13 - St. Edward the Confessor - St. Edward the Confessor (1003-1066 A.D.) was a prince born to the King and Queen of England. His family was exiled from the kingdom when the Danish took control of the country in 1016 A.D. Edward spent much of his life in exile, probably in Normandy. Witnessing the folly of worldly ambition, he became attracted to the life of the Church and grew in piety. When opportunity arose he was persuaded to reclaim the throne of England, which he did in 1042 as one of its last Anglo-Saxon kings. The people supported his rule, and he gained a reputation as a just king committed to the welfare of his subjects. He thwarted invasions, ended unjust taxes, and was profoundly generous to the poor. His reign was marked by peace and prosperity throughout his kingdom. He married a beautiful woman to satisfy the people's desire for a queen, but, having already made a vow of chastity, he obtained his wife's agreement to live together as brother and sister. He was buried in Westminster Abbey, which he built, and after his death many miracles were ascribed to his intercession. This led to his canonization in 1161, and in 1163 the transferral of his body to a new tomb. This was presided over by St. Thomas Becket, the Archbishop of Canterbury, who found Edward's body to be incorrupt. Edward was called "The Confessor" to distinguish him from St. Edward the Martyr. He is buried behind the high altar in Westminster Abbey. He is the patron of kings, difficult marriages, separated spouses, and the English royal family. His feast day is October 13th.

Monday, Oct. 14- St. Oscar Romeo - Óscar Arnulfo Romero y Galdámez was born on August 15, 1917 in Ciudad Barrios, a small town in El Salvador. Oscar discerned very early that God was calling him to be a priest. When he was only fourteen years old he left home to study for the priesthood. He was ordained a priest for the Diocese of San Salvador in 1942. He was a parish priest, editor of the diocesan newspaper, worked with the bishops of El Salvador and in 1977 became Archbishop of San Salvador, the capital city of El Salvador. During this time there was much violence and unrest, with many civilians being killed. Archbishop Romero denounced the actions of the military and the government. He advocated for the poor and oppressed, becoming a "voice for the voiceless". The government turned against the Catholic Church and began arresting and killing priests and closing Catholic institutions. Despite all the violence, Archbishop Romero advocated for non-violent protests and urged the military to obey God, not the orders of men. On March 24, 1980, he was assassinated while saying Mass in the Chapel of the Hospital of Divine Providence. Pope John Paul II gave him the title of "Servant of God" in 1997. In 2015, Pope Francis declared Archbishop Romero a martyr. He was formally beatified on May 23, 2015 and canonized by Pope Francis on October 14, 2018. His feast day is October 14th.

Tuesday, Oct. 15- St. Teresa of Avila - St. Teresa of Avila (1515-1582), also known as St. Teresa of Jesus, was born in Spain to a large, devout, and prominent Catholic family. Fascinated with the lives of the saints taught to her by her pious parents, as children she and a brother tried to run away from home to seek martyrdom among the Moors. After an uncle found them and returned them home, they built hermitages for themselves in the family garden. At the age of 14 Teresa was plunged into sorrow upon the death of her mother; to find consolation she asked the Virgin Mary to be her new mother. When she began to exhibit worldly vanities, her father placed her in a convent to be educated with other ladies of her social class. Determined to avoid marriage, and motivated more by the need for security than love for God, at the age of twenty Teresa entered religious life as a Carmelite nun. For two decades she led what she describes as a mediocre prayer life, hindered by too much socialization with visitors. However, an intense prayer experience in her forties helped her to renounce worldly attachments and enter deeper into a life of prayer. She advanced rapidly and taught others to do the same, being encouraged by a vision of the place reserved for her in hell if she was unfaithful to God's graces. She had many profound mystical experiences for which she was often slandered and ridiculed. After the reform of her own life she worked hard to reform the laxity of many Carmelite convents, and was successful even while being greatly opposed in her efforts. She was a strong and important female figure of her era, and her great progress in the spiritual life led her to write the spiritual classics *Interior Castle* and *The Way of Perfection*. For these works St. Teresa of Avila was named the first female Doctor of the Church. Her feast day is October 15th.

Wednesday, Oct. 16- St. Margaret Mary Alacoque - St. Margaret Mary Alacoque (1647-1690) was born in France to a virtuous and distinguished family. As a child she showed great devotion to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, and by the age of 9 was practicing severe penances. In her childhood she became sick with rheumatic fever and was confined to bed for four years. She made a vow to the Blessed Virgin to consecrate herself to the religious life, after which she was instantly healed. She often had visions of Jesus, which she thought was a normal experience in the spiritual life. When she turned 17 her mother insisted that she establish a place for herself in the world. Margaret imagined that her childhood vow was not binding, and persuaded herself that she could serve God while living at home and continuing her penances and charity to the poor. She then joined her brothers at dances and began considering marriage. One day, upon returning home from a carnival ball, Jesus

(St. Margaret Mary Alacoque – cont.)

appeared to her and reproached her for her infidelity, reminding her of her promise. Margaret then entered a Visitation convent at the age of 24. Jesus appeared to her frequently, and entrusted to her the mission of establishing devotion to his Sacred Heart during a time when religion in France had grown rigorous and cold. Because of her visions she was greatly persecuted by those around her, until her virtue under suffering won over her enemies. Her visions were determined to be genuine and officially recognized by the Catholic Church 75 years after her death. Her feast day is October 16th.

Thursday, Oct. 17 – St. Ignatius of Antioch – St. Ignatius of Antioch (d. c. 98-117) was a Syrian who became a disciple of St. John the Apostle. Tradition holds that he was the infant whom Jesus took in his arms, saying, "Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me" as recounted in Mark's Gospel. St. Ignatius was a pagan convert to Christianity and succeeded St. Peter the Apostle as the third bishop of Antioch, being ordained by St. Peter himself. He was an important Church Father of the Apostolic age, an ideal pastor, and a fearless soldier of Christ. He was tireless in supporting his flock against dangerous heresies and the terrors of the persecutions of the Roman Emperors. When Ignatius violated the imperial edict to worship false gods, he was arrested and led before Emperor Trajan. After boldly proclaiming the truth of Jesus Christ, he was condemned to be devoured by wild beasts for public sport in the Roman Colosseum. On his journey from Syria to Rome he wrote many letters to his fellow Christians, encouraging them with his apostolic zeal and exhorting them to obey their bishops. He also pleaded that none try to obtain his release, as he was eager to lay down his life for Jesus, saying, "The only thing I ask of you is to allow me to offer the libation of my blood to God. I am the wheat of the Lord; may I be ground by the teeth of the beasts to become the immaculate bread of Christ." He was devoured by lions in Rome in the early second century. St. Ignatius of Antioch is the first to have used the term "Catholic" Church, meaning "Universal." His feast day is October 17th.

Friday, Oct. 18 – St. Luke the Evangelist - St. Luke the Evangelist (1st c.) was a well-educated Greek physician and a native of Antioch in Syria. He was a follower of St. Paul the Apostle and spent most of his life evangelizing with him in Asia Minor up until the time of Paul's martyrdom in Rome. Luke wrote a canonical account of his apostolic journeys with Paul (the Book of Acts) as well as a biography on the life of Christ (the Gospel of Luke). The two books of Luke's Gospel and the Acts of the Apostles were originally a single work. The intimate accounts contained in Luke's gospel of the early years of Christ's life (the Visitation, the Nativity, the Presentation, etc.) lead many scholars to believe that one of the eyewitnesses he interviewed was the Blessed Virgin Mary herself. According to tradition he was also a skilled artist and painted the first icons of Our Lady with the Child Jesus. Several of these icons are still venerated today, the most famous of which hangs in the Church of St. Mary Major in Rome. St. Luke is the patron saint of many trades including artists, painters, doctors, surgeons, and bachelors. His feast day is October 18th.

Saturday, Oct. 19 – St. Isaac Jogues - St. Isaac Jogues (1607-1646) was born in France to a middle-class family, and at the age of 17 entered a Jesuit seminary where he displayed a talent for writing and teaching. He was ordained in January of 1636 at the age of 29, and three months later was sent as a missionary priest to the rugged wilderness of New France (now Canada) to work among the Huron and Algonquin Native American tribes. Despite the hardship of life in the wilderness, Isaac experienced great spiritual joy in his mission. One day, six years into his work, he was captured by a Mohawk-Iroquois war party. He was enslaved and ritually tortured, in addition to being malnourished and inadequately clothed. His hands were severely mutilated and many of his fingers destroyed, which prevented his ability to say Mass. He continued to preach the faith and was named Ondessonk, "the indomitable one," by his Mohawk captors. After over a year in captivity he escaped with the help of Dutch settlers. He went back to France where he was honored as a "living martyr." He obtained special permission from the pope to say Mass with his mutilated hands. Instead of continuing his life in peace, St. Isaac was zealous to return to his mission field. He returned to New France, and by that time a peace treaty was arranged between the warring native tribes allowing him to work among the Mohawks. However, when they suffered a crisis of crop failure and epidemic disease, the Mohawks blamed the Christians for sorcery and attacked the settlers. St. Isaac Jogues died after being tomahawked in the head, and his body was thrown into the Mohawk River. He is the patron of the Americas and Canada. Isaac Jogues earned the name "Apostle of the Mohawks" for his work. New York state's first Catholic baptismal record was due to his priestly ministry. He and his companions were the first martyrs of the North American continent officially recognized by the Church. His feast day is October 19th.



Our Lady of Mercy Parish

OCTOBER 13, 2024



PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church is united by our commitment to minister to the physical and spiritual needs of our rural families and steward the resources entrusted to us. We value the diversity within our Catholic community and invite all to walk with us on our journey of faith.

THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE

Date	Time	Church	Intention
Sun. Oct. 13	8:00a.m.	OLM	Jeannette Tidwell, Giovanni Stella, Joy Short
	10:30a.m.	SP	Jane Wlasiuk, Mikolaj Wlasiuk
Tues. Oct. 15	7:00 p.m.	SP	For the People
Wed. Oct. 16	9:00 a.m.	SP	For the People
Thurs. Oct. 17	9:00a.m.	OLM	For the People
Fri. Oct. 18	9:00a.m.	SP	For the People
Sat. Oct. 19	4:30p.m.	SP	For the People
Sun. Oct. 20	8:30a.m.	OLM	Ronald & Joanne Keil
	10:30a.m.	SP	Frank O & Mary Smith Gina Damman

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

- Religious Ed. Dates
- Oct. 13 & 27, Nov. 10 & 24 – Religious Ed. After Mass
- Oct. 20, Nov. 3 & 17 – Religious Ed. at Home
- Wednesdays in October 7 p.m. – Rosary prayed
- Oct. 20 BFF breakfast after Mass
- Nov. 1 All Saints Day – 9 a.m. Mass at OLOM and 7 p.m. at St. Peter

SACRIFICIAL OFFERING REPORT

Reported for October 6, 2024

SUNDAY OFFERTORY (16 envelopes)	\$ 1,201.00
LOOSE OFFERINGS	\$ 15.00
BUDGET	\$ 1,747.00
Over / (Under)	(\$ 531.00)

OTHER COLLECTION

Votives	\$ 5.00
Maintenance	\$ 425.00
Festival – Auction	\$ 70.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 130.00
Altar Rosary Dues	\$ 5.00
Rel. Ed. Tuition & donation	\$ 50.00
TOTAL COLLECTIONS (Sunday & Other)	\$ 1,901.00

SILENT FESTIVAL

Festival Auction 9/29/2024	\$ 70.00
Balance of 9/22/2024	\$ 9,984.50
INCOME TO DATE	\$ 10,054.50

Word(s) of the week (from The America College Dictionary)

POSSIBLE – that may or can be, exist, happen, be done, be used, etc.

NEXT WEEK'S MINISTERS

	October 20, 2024
Greeters/Gifts	Mary Bird Shelley Gruman
Reader	Shelley Gruman
Servers	Kennedy Kunkle
Ushers	Dennis & Denise Miller
Ministers of the Eucharist	Until further notice
Money Counters	Barb Bruggeman Dennis Miller Michelle Miron

Jesus looked at them and said, "For human beings it is impossible, but not for God. All things are possible for God."

Mark 10: 27

Dear Padre,

When should confirmation take place? I read that baptism, confirmation, and Eucharist were received all at the same time in the early Church.

Confirmation is one of the three sacraments of initiation. The other two are baptism and Eucharist. In the early Church, all three sacraments were usually received at the same time because most people receiving baptism were adults. As infant baptism started to become the norm, this sacrament was separated from the other two. After Vatican II, the trend moved the age of confirmation into the teenage years, so that in many places, confirmation takes place in seventh or eighth grade, or even later. There is still an argument among liturgists, educators, and theologians about whether such a separation should exist. Some think of confirmation as a coming-of-age sacrament, marking, as it were, the transition from childhood into adulthood in the Church. The theology of this sacrament, however, is based upon baptism and connects it to the commission to go out and touch the world with our faith. The ideal age for confirmation is the age at which we can, with the grace of the Holy Spirit, conscientiously and reasonably witness to our faith. ●



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The Redemptorists / DearPadre.org

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
October 14 <i>Weekday</i> Gal 4:22–24, 26–27, 31–5:1 Lk 11:29–32	October 15 <i>St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church</i> Gal 5:1–6 Lk 11:37–41	October 16 <i>Weekday</i> Gal 5:18–25 Lk 11:42–46	October 17 <i>St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr</i> Eph 1:1–10 Lk 11:47–54	October 18 <i>St. Luke, Evangelist</i> 2 Tm 4:10–17b Lk 10:1–9	October 19 <i>Sts. John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs</i> Eph 1:15–23 Lk 12:8–12	October 20 <i>Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> Is 53:10–11 Heb 4:14–16 Mk 10:35–45 or 10:42–45



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A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

A faith without giving, without gratuitousness, without works of charity makes us sad in the end: just like that man who returned home “sorrowful” with a fallen countenance, even though he had been looked upon with love by Jesus in person. Today we can ask ourselves: “At what point is my faith?”

ANGELUS, ROME, OCTOBER 10, 2021