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During September, as in all of **Ordinary Time** (formerly known as **Time After Pentecost**), the Liturgy does not focus on one particular mystery of Christ, but views the mystery of Christ in all its aspects. We follow the life of Christ through the Gospels, and focus on the teachings and parables of Jesus and what it means for us to be a follower of Christ. During **Ordinary Time** we can concentrate more on the saints and imitate their holiness as Christ's followers.

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What are your Knights up to lately?

I hate to repeat what we already know about the resurgence of the pandemic, so I won't. What I WILL do is tell you how your Council is responding to current restrictions as of this writing and what we expect to do.

Labor Day Pork Roast Sale: This very popular event is still on. Mark Miller is the Chairman of the Grill and will have the BBQ ready for pickup after the 4:30 Mass September 4th. The cost has remained \$40 and Mark asks that you text him at 901-870-3925 before August 30th to reserve your BBQ roast so he can ensure enough are available. We do these BBQ sales Memorial Day weekend and Labor Day weekend each year, the proceeds going toward the charitable events we sponsor. The social part of this event depends solely on conditions I cannot predict at this time. If we can, we will if we can't, we won't.

On the Radar: Knights of Columbus Coats for Kids: Your Council supports this worthwhile cause to provide winter coats for local children who otherwise would be without. We buy the coats in bulk to get the most warmth to kids for the bucks they cost. In the past we've used the money we've made selling donuts and breakfast biscuits but with just a couple of weeks sales followed by another shutdown, the kitty is not what we need it to be, and the future of breakfast sales is on hold. Knowing that we ask that you consider this program for your generosity.

St Patrick's Lunch for the Homeless: Our next meal we provide will be Sunday the 5th of September. We have a donor for the meal and your Knights will serve it. Thank you to the Warman family for their commitment to this much needed meal. I'd also like to thank those that have previously donated new socks, new underwear, and dental hygiene kits we've given out while feeding our Brothers and Sisters. If you'd like to provide those items, give them to any Knight and we will ensure they are passed on during our next meal.

My hope from this column is that you, the faithful Parishioner, are aware of the faithful commitment of your Knights of Columbus Council 6321 to our core values of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity. If you are a practicing Catholic Gentleman at least 18 years old please consider joining our ranks so you can help us. I promise you won't be disappointed.

Vivat Jesus!



from the Deacon's Desk...

Blessings all! School is back and PRE is beginning soon. I hope everyone had a good summer. As Fall nears just a reminder that we will have another Parish workday in October. Dates to follow. The first one in July was such a success we want to do another! Thanks to all who worked hard and helped in July. In October we plan to do some more tree trimming, weed pulling, and such. Shouldn't be as hot! Thanks in advance for your help. I'll let you know a date as soon as I get it.

Also in October we plan on doing another food drive. Our St. Lawrence food bank has helped many in our community these past two years. I can't thank you enough. Your generosity is overwhelming! Below is a list of things we need. These are considered staples for any food program as they supply much needed protein which is lacking in most diets. NO SWEETS please. We plan on doing this the first weekend in October. That's October 2/3, 2021. Again thanks in advance for your generosity!

Applesauce (Plastic jars)

Canned Beans

Canned Chicken

Canned Fish (Tuna and Salmon)

Canned Meat (SPAM and Ham)

Canned Vegetables

Canned Fruit

Crackers

Granola Bars

Pasta

Peanut Butter

Rice (Brown Rice)

Soup, Stew and Chili

Whole Grain Cereal



If you can start collecting these items and bring them to Church the weekend of October 2/3 it would be greatly appreciated. Again, thank you for your generosity.

Peace,

Deacon Jim



a note from the DRE...

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Parish Religious Education will begin again on Sunday, September 12th at 9:45am. If you have not yet registered your child, please contact Debbie Breckenridge at 901-359-7063 or the parish office for information. There is no cost to the program this year due to a very generous parishioner that wants there to be no hindrance to the education of our future! Please take advantage of the precious gift!

I would like to thank all the wonderful teacher volunteers that have stepped up to graciously give of their time and talents to pass on God's word to our youth! This is such an important ministry and all it really requires is a little time. All the information is provided.... we just need caring bodies that are ready to do God's work.... I think that is YOU! We can still always use some subs and fill-in's if you are interested! I think God is calling you! Find Debbie Breckenridge and she can tell you different ways you can get involved by the amount of time you have to give.

In September (God willing) we will resume our wonderful Children's Mass. The Children's Mass is where the youth of our parish will participate in the Mass instead of normal ushers and lectors. This will take place on the third Sunday of the month at the 11:00 Mass (4th Sunday in March due to spring break). This is such a powerful thing for our young people. Please join us in encouraging them and their efforts at this service and pray that the experience will bring them closer to God and the church. September our Confirmation class will be serving and I know that they will do a great job! Please take note that the Children's Mass might be slightly more crowded in the event those families normally attended a different Mass.

There will be a **mandatory parent meeting** for all confirmation students during class on September 26th in the FLC classrooms.

Saint William Women's Club (SWWC)

As summer draws to an end, we once again find ourselves masking up. The Women's Club would like to thank all who took advantage of the opportunity to enjoy fellowship with each other while partaking in donuts and coffee after Sunday mass. We pray that we may resume that fellowship again in the not-too-distant future.

Looking a little further into the future, we are taking donations for our silent auction which is scheduled for Nov 6th. Donations can be new or gently used, however, we ask that any used items be clean. Your donations are largely responsible for the success of the auction and we are confident this year will be no exception. Thank you in advance for your support!

Our annual gift exchange is coming up as well. If you are interested and want to know more about this event, contact any active member of the club. The gift exchange is a great opportunity to get gifts and the more participation we have, the better the selection of gifts to choose from. Please consider attending!

For more information on upcoming Women's Club events, check out our bulletin board in the FLC hallway. As always, we welcome you and would love to see you at our next meeting, Sept 8th, in the school cafeteria. Please don't just wonder what we are about, come and see for yourself!!!

God bless you all!





Preparing for Mass

Our Sunday attendance at Mass, requires us to participate wholly and completely in the Liturgy. We cannot do this, though, if we do not prepare ourselves for the Liturgy. Here are some ways we can prepare ourselves.

- **Receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Regular reception of this sacrament is good for healing and bringing us closer to God. If you have committed a grave sin, this is a must in order for you to receive Jesus in the Eucharist.
- **Read the readings for the Sunday Liturgy prior to Mass:** By doing this, we then tend to listen more to the Word of God proclaimed so that we can get the message the readings are telling us. Also, this practice helps us to become closer to God. By reading His word and praying on it, we become more open to God working in our lives.
- **Fast 1 hour prior to receiving communion:** This is required. Fasting does a couple things. It increases our spiritual hunger for receiving Jesus in the Eucharist and is a sign that we are preparing to receive Jesus wholly and completely, body, blood, soul and divinity. Fasting also is an offering of ourselves to God that we bring with us to Mass. We are empty and waiting to be nourished by his Word.
- **Arrive early:** Come to church 15-20 minutes early. In this way, you can use this time to pray. The prayer before Mass is helpful in calming ourselves to be open to the action of God in the Liturgy and his plans for us. It is a time that we can leave the “world” behind and enter into a spiritual realm with God. Many parishes use this time for the communal recitation of the Rosary – a beautiful prayer to prepare us for the Mass.
- **Be respectful of others:** Most people come early to pray and spend time with Jesus prior to Mass. If someone looks like they may be praying (kneeling, eyes closed, attention on the Tabernacle), do not disturb them. There is time for greeting each other within the Mass and time for fellowship after Mass.
- **Remember, when you enter the church, you are entering a Sacred place – Jesus is in the Tabernacle.** Show respect for this space and the presence of Jesus.
- **During Mass, participate:** we are called to actively participate in the Liturgy. This is done by singing, listening, responding and praying. The Mass is for all of us and we all have a part as the Body of Christ.

Celebrating the Mass

Every Sunday we go to Mass. Why do we go? What is the purpose of the Mass? Do you feel that you don't "get anything" from the Mass? Are these questions you sometimes ask yourself or someone may ask you and you may not know how to answer? We are going to address some of this so as to help you appreciate and look forward to Mass.

The first of the six Precepts of the Church states "You shall attend Mass on Sunday". We attend Mass on Sunday because it is the Lord's Day: the day he rose from the dead. The Catechism of the Catholic Church tells us

(Paragraph 1389) *The Church obliges the faithful to take part in the Divine Liturgy on Sundays and feast days, and prepared by the Sacrament of Reconciliation to receive the Eucharist at least once a year, if possible during the Easter season. But the Church strongly encourages the faithful to receive the holy Eucharist on Sundays and feast days, or more often still, even daily.*

Ok – the Church says we are required to attend, but there must be other reasons. Let's explore some of these:

- The Most important reason for participating is that it is through the Liturgy we experience the real presence of Jesus among us. Jesus is truly present in the Liturgy of the Word and even more so in the Liturgy of the Eucharist.
- The Liturgy of the Word is God speaking to his people, with Christ present in the midst of the gathered assembly of his faithful through his Word. It is in the Word that the mystery of redemption and salvation is opened to us and we are spiritually nourished. Also, by hearing the Word of God proclaimed, we enter into the dialogue between God and the covenant people, a dialogue sealed in the sharing of the Eucharist. It is in the Liturgy of the Word, which God speaks to us.
- The Liturgy of the Eucharist is where we celebrate the Last Supper by making the Actions of present to us. Jesus told his apostles to "Do this in memory of me". The Eucharist is the source and summit of our Christian life. Jesus is truly present body, blood, soul and divinity in the Eucharist. It is Jesus presence that provides us the spiritual nourishment for us to go forth and share the life of Christ with others. We are blessed to be able to receive Jesus in Word and Body and Blood each time we participate at Mass.
- Mass is meant to be celebrated in community. Jesus told us in the Gospels that when two or three are gathered in my name, I am present among you. Jesus is really with us. So, participating at Mass brings us together with our family, friends and lets us be a part of something much bigger than ourselves – we are the Body of Christ.
- The Eucharist is the pledge of future glory: The Eucharist unites us with those in heaven who are not experiencing the joy of complete union with God and it is the sign of the fulfillment of the Kingdom of God in the age to come.
- The Mass is the sacrificial. At the Mass we are re-presenting Christ's passion, death and resurrection – Christ's sacrifice he made for our salvation. We need to bring ourselves and all that we are going through and offer all as a sacrifice to God. It is through this appreciation of the "Sacrifice of the Mass" that we can fully appreciate and partake with Christ in the Mass.
- Through the Celebration of the Mass, we find joy in our relationship with God. This joy, then, allows us to be open to grow in our love and faith in God.



From the Catechism, In Brief: The Eucharist and the Eucharistic Celebration

1406 Jesus said: "I am the living bread that came down from heaven; if any one eats of this bread, he will live forever; . . . he who eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life and . . . abides in me, and I in him" (*Jn* 6:51, 54, 56).

1407 The Eucharist is the heart and the summit of the Church's life, for in it Christ associates his Church and all her members with his sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving offered once for all on the cross to his Father; by this sacrifice he pours out the graces of salvation on his Body which is the Church.

1408 The Eucharistic celebration always includes: the proclamation of the Word of God; thanksgiving to God the Father for all his benefits, above all the gift of his Son; the consecration of bread and wine; and participation in the liturgical banquet by receiving the Lord's body and blood. These elements constitute one single act of worship.

1409 The Eucharist is the memorial of Christ's Passover, that is, of the work of salvation accomplished by the life, death, and resurrection of Christ, a work made present by the liturgical action.

1410 It is Christ himself, the eternal high priest of the New Covenant who, acting through the ministry of the priests, offers the Eucharistic sacrifice. And it is the same Christ, really present under the species of bread and wine, who is the offering of the Eucharistic sacrifice.

1411 Only validly ordained priests can preside at the Eucharist and consecrate the bread and the wine so that they become the Body and Blood of the Lord.

1412 The essential signs of the Eucharistic sacrament are wheat bread and grape wine, on which the blessing of the Holy Spirit is invoked and the priest pronounces the words of consecration spoken by Jesus during the Last Supper: "This is my body which will be given up for you.... This is the cup of my blood...."

1413 By the consecration the transubstantiation of the bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Christ is brought about. Under the consecrated species of bread and wine Christ himself, living and glorious, is present in a true, real, and substantial manner: his Body and his Blood, with his soul and his divinity (cf. Council of Trent: DS 1640; 1651).

1414 As sacrifice, the Eucharist is also offered in reparation for the sins of the living and the dead and to obtain spiritual or temporal benefits from God.

1415 Anyone who desires to receive Christ in Eucharistic communion must be in the state of grace. Anyone aware of having sinned mortally must not receive communion without having received absolution in the sacrament of penance.

1416 Communion with the Body and Blood of Christ increases the communicant's union with the Lord, forgives his venial sins, and preserves him from grave sins. Since receiving this sacrament strengthens the bonds of charity between the communicant and Christ, it also reinforces the unity of the Church as the Mystical Body of Christ.

1417 The Church warmly recommends that the faithful receive Holy Communion when they participate in the celebration of the Eucharist; she obliges them to do so at least once a year.

1418 Because Christ himself is present in the sacrament of the altar, he is to be honored with the worship of adoration. "To visit the Blessed Sacrament is . . . a proof of gratitude, an expression of love, and a duty of adoration toward Christ our Lord" (Paul VI, *MF* 66).

1419 Having passed from this world to the Father, Christ gives us in the Eucharist the pledge of glory with him. Participation in the Holy Sacrifice identifies us with his Heart, sustains our strength along the pilgrimage of this life, makes us long for eternal life, and unites us even now to the Church in heaven, the Blessed Virgin Mary, and all the saints.

September

01 Job 40:1-42:17	2 Corinthians 5:11-21	Psalms 45:1-17	Proverbs 22:14
02 Ecclesiastes 1:1-3:22	2 Corinthians 6:1-13	Psalms 46:1-11	Proverbs 22:15
03 Ecclesiastes 4:1-6:12	2 Corinthians 6:14-7:7	Psalms 47:1-9	Proverbs 22:16
04 Ecclesiastes 7:1-9:18	2 Corinthians 7:8-16	Psalms 48:1-14	Proverbs 22:17-19
05 Ecclesiastes 10:1-12:14	2 Corinthians 8:1-15	Psalms 49:1-20	Proverbs 22:20-21
06 Song of Solomon 1:1- 4:16	2 Corinthians 8:16-24	Psalms 50:1-23	Proverbs 22;22-23
07 Song of Solomon 5:1-8:14	2 Corinthians 9:1-15	Psalms 51:1-19	Proverbs 22:24-25
08 Isaiah 1:1-2:22	2 Corinthians 10:1-18	Psalms 52:1-9	Proverbs 22:26-27
09 Isaiah 3:1-5:30	2 Corinthians 11:1-15	Psalms 53:1-6	Proverbs 22:28-29
10 Isaiah 6:1-7:25	2 Corinthians 11:16-33	Psalms 54:1-7	Proverbs 23:1-3
11 Isaiah 8:1-9:21	2 Corinthians 12:1-10	Psalms 55:1-23	Proverbs 23:4-5
12 Isaiah 10:1-11:16	2 Corinthians 12;11-21	Psalms 56:1-13	Proverbs 23:6-8
13 Isaiah 12:1-14:32	2 Corinthians 13:1-14	Psalms 57:1-11	Proverbs 23:9-11
14 Isaiah 15:1-18:7	Galatians 1:1-24	Psalms 58:1-11	Proverbs 23:12
15 Isaiah 19:1-21:17	Galatians 2:1-16	Psalms 59:1-17	Proverbs 23:13-14
16 Isaiah 22:1-24:23	Galatians 2:17-3:9	Psalms 60:1-12	Proverbs 23:15-16
17 Isaiah 25:1-28:13	Galatians 3:10-22	Psalms 61:1-8	Proverbs 23:17-18
18 Isaiah 28:14-30:11	Galatians 3:23-4:31	Psalms 62:1-12	Proverbs 23;19-21
19 Isaiah 30:12-33:9	Galatians 5:1-12	Psalms 63:1-11	Proverbs 23:22
20 Isaiah 33:10-36:22	Galatians 5:13-26	Psalms 64:1-10	Proverbs 23:23
21 Isaiah 37:1-38:22	Galatians 6:1-18	Psalms 65:1-13	Proverbs 23:24
22 Isaiah 39:1-41:16	Ephesians 1:1-23	Psalms 66:1-20	Proverbs 23:25-28
23 Isaiah 41:17-43:13	Ephesians 2:1-22	Psalms 67;1-7	Proverbs 23:29-35
24 Isaiah 43:14-45:10	Ephesians 3:1-21	Psalms 68:1-18	Proverbs 24:1-2
25 Isaiah 45;11-48:11	Ephesians 4:1-16	Psalms 68:19-35	Proverbs 24:3-4
26 Isaiah 48:12-50:11	Ephesians 4:17-32	Psalms 69:1-18	Proverbs 24:5-6
27 Isaiah 51:1-53:12	Ephesians 5:1-33	Psalms 69:19-36	Proverbs 24:7
28 Isaiah 54:1-57:14	Ephesians 6:1-24	Psalms 70:1-5	Proverbs 24:8
29 Isaiah 57:15-59:21	Philippians 1:1-26	Psalms 71:1-24	Proverbs 24:9-10
30 Isaiah 60:1-62:5	Philippians 1:27-2:18	Psalms 72:1-20	Proverbs 24:11-12



FORMED: Monthly Liturgical Calendar

5 ST TERESA OF CALCUTTA

Movie: [Mother Teresa](#)
Movie: [Mother Teresa: Seeing the Face of Jesus](#)
Movie: [Brother Francis: The Saints](#)
Video: [Hermano Zeferino: Los Santos](#)
Movie: [The Good Samaritan](#)
Video: [El buen Samaritano](#)
Book: [The Kiss of Jesus](#)
Book: [Love: A Fruit Always in Season](#)
Audio: [Mary: Handmaid of the Lord](#)
Audio: [Face of God](#)
Audio: [Mother Teresa of Calcutta](#)

8 NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Program: [The Woman](#)
Program: [33 Days to Morning Glory](#)
Program: [Footprints of God, Mary: Mother of God](#)
Movie: [Cat. Chat, Episode 1: Celebrating Mary](#)
Movie: [Ready Reasons: Is There Biblical Proof for the Immaculate Conception?](#)
Book: [Mary: God's Yes to Man](#)
Book: [Mary in the Redemption](#)
Audio: [El Santo Rosario](#)
Audio: [The Eternal Woman](#)
Audio: [Face of Mercy Rosary](#)

12 HOLY NAME OF MARY

Program: [Symbolon: Knowing the Faith, Session 9: Mary and the Saints](#)
Programa: [Symbolon: Conociendo la Fe, Sesión 9: María y Los Santos](#)
Movie: [Mary of Nazareth](#)
Book: [Faith Basics: Understanding Catholic Teaching on the Blessed Virgin Mary](#)
Audio: [Praying the Rosary Like Never Before](#)
Audio: [Answering Common Objections: Mary](#)
Audio: [El Ave María y la Oración](#)

14 EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

Book: [The Kiss of Jesus](#)
Book: [Saint Helena and the True Cross](#)
Audio: [Understanding the Crusades](#)
Audio: [Holiness Is Always in Season](#)

15 OUR LADY OF SORROWS

Movie: [Sorrowful Mysteries](#)
Audio: [Drawing Strength from Our Lady of Sorrows](#)
Audio: [15 Things to Do in the Midst of Suffering](#)
Audio: [Sorrowful Mysteries with Vin Scully](#)

16 ST CYPRIAN OF CARTHAGE
Audio: [Holiness Is Always in Season](#)

17 ST HILDEGARD OF BINGEN
Movie: [Hildegard's Gift](#)
Book: [The Young People's Book of Saints](#)

18 ST JOSEPH OF CUPERTINO
Movie: [The Reluctant Saint](#)
Movie: [El Santo Renuente](#)

19 ST JOHN HENRY NEWMAN
Movie: [Lead Kindly Light](#)
Movie: [One Step Is Enough](#)
Audio: [The Logic of Being Catholic](#)

21 ST MATTHEW, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST
Program: [Symbolon: Knowing the Faith, Session 3: The Bible](#)
Programa: [Symbolon: Conociendo la Fe, Sesión 3: La Biblia](#)
Movie: [Lost Gospels or False Gospels?](#)
Book: [Sacraments in Scripture](#)
Book: [You Can Understand the Bible](#)
Audio: [Lectio Divina](#)
Audio: [The Gospel of Matthew](#)

23 ST PADRE PIO
Program: [Symbolon: Living the Faith, Session 4: Penance and Anointing of the Sick](#)
Programa: [Symbolon: Viviendo la Fe, Sesión 4: Reconciliación y Unción de los Enfermos](#)
Program: [YDisciple: Hot Topics, Session 5: This Present Darkness \(Spiritual Warfare\)](#)

Movie: [Padre Pio: Between Heaven and Earth](#)
Video: [Padre Pio Entre el Cielo y la Tierra](#)
29 STS MICHAEL, GABRIEL, & RAPHAEL, ARCH-ANGELS
Program: [YDisciple: Hot Topics, Session 4: The Dark Angels](#)
Program: [YDisciple: Hot Topics, Session 5: This Present Darkness \(Spiritual Warfare\)](#)
Movie: [Defeating the Devil](#)
Audio: [Former Satanist Becomes Catholic](#)
Audio: [Winning the Culture War](#)

29 ST JEROME
Program: [Symbolon: Knowing the Faith, Session 3: The Bible](#)
Programa: [Symbolon: Conociendo la Fe, Sesión 3: La Biblia](#)
Book: [The Book of Saints and Heroes](#)
Audio: [The Dead Sea Scrolls](#)
Audio: [Holiness Is Always in Season](#)
Audio: [Lessons from the Early Church Fathers](#)

FLAME OF LOVE PRAYER CENACLE

“We are blessed to be meeting in person again. ALSO, we have a virtual meeting over Zoom, as well. The in-person Prayer Cenacle will meet in the Church on the 2nd and 4th Sundays from 9:45 to 10:45am (between the masses), all while keeping socially distanced with a mask. The virtual Prayer Cenacle will be over the internet on Zoom, at 2pm on the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Sundays. Contact Teresa Elliott at 901-604-7225. Newcomers are welcome! Please, join us!

“My Adorable Jesus,
May our feet journey together.
May our hands gather in unity.
May our hearts beat in unison.
May our souls be in harmony.
May our thoughts be as one.
May our ears listen to the silence together.
May our glances profoundly penetrate each other.
May our lips pray together to gain mercy from the Eternal Father. Amen.”



Our Lady's Promises
“With this Flame you will light all hearts in the world. This Flame will become a fire, and with its shining Light, this fire will blind Satan.”



Our Lord's Promises
“The Renewal of the Earth will take place through the power and imploring force of the Blessed Virgin Mary.”



Come deepen your faith and prayer life! Learn about and pray the devotion “Flame of Love” given by Jesus and Mary to Elizabeth Kindelmann of Hungary between 1961 and 1983 as written in her diary. The Flame of Love Movement has the Apostolic Blessing of Pope Francis, was encouraged by Pope John Paul II, and received the Imprimatur number 494-4/2009 from Cardinal Peter Erdo, Archbishop of Esztergom-Budapest and Primate of Hungary. Since then the diary has received the Imprimatur by numerous bishops in various jurisdictions including Archbishop Charles Chaput in Philadelphia, the Fountainhead of this Movement in the United States. The Diary will be provided to participants. PLEASE JOIN US ! Call Teresa Elliott for any questions at 901-604-7225

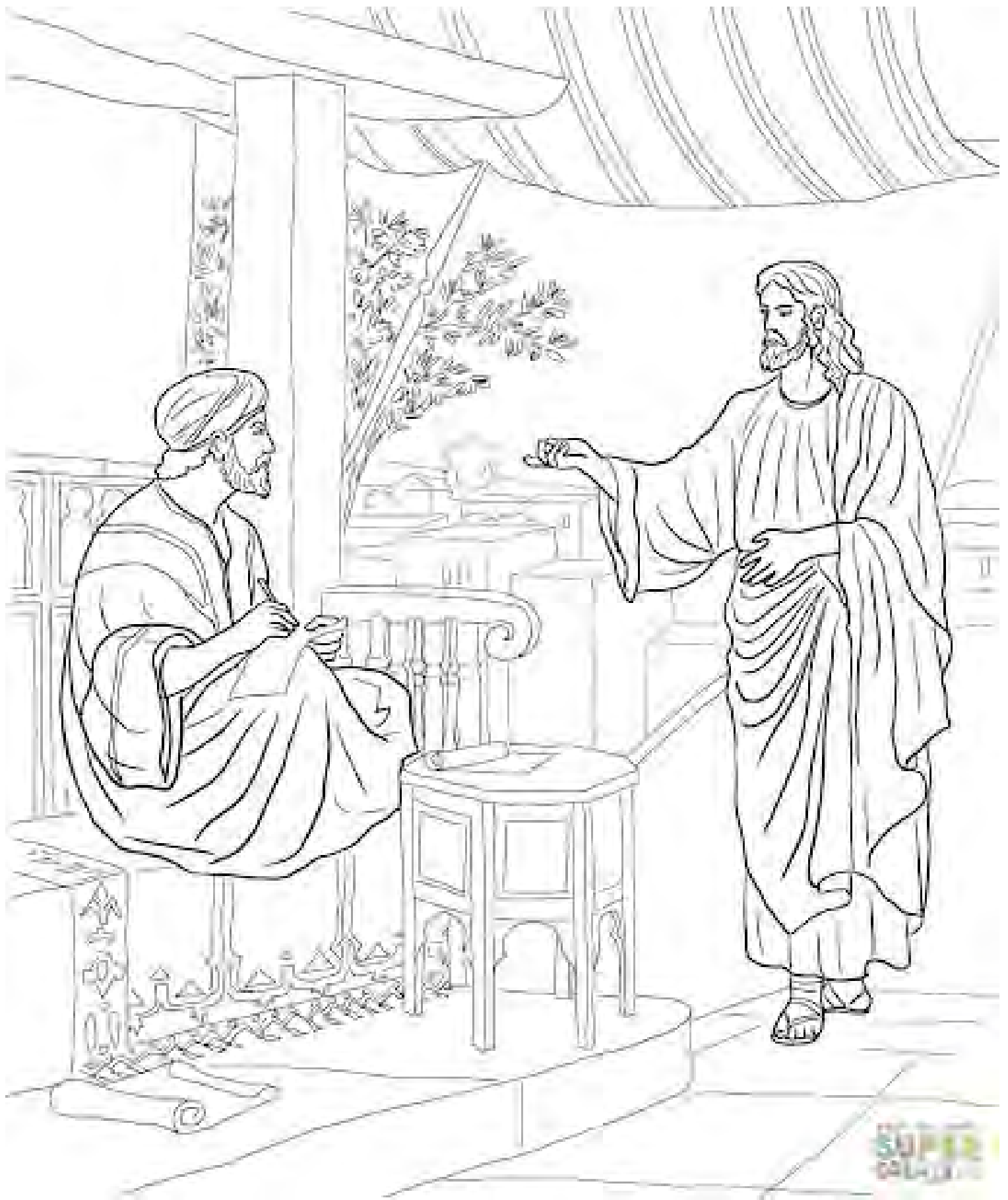
Please join us for Bunco on the third Friday of each month. We meet at 7:00 start rolling at 7:30. NO WORRIES if you have never played! No skill involved, just a desire to have a good time and get to know your fellow parishioners. Call Debbie Breckenridge with any questions or if you need a ride 901-359-7063.



The Holy Father's Intentions for the Month of September

We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.





Archangels: Michael, Gabriel and Raphael

The three Archangels Michael, Gabriel and Raphael are the only angels named in Sacred Scripture and all three have important roles in the history of salvation.

Saint Michael is the "Prince of the Heavenly Host," the leader of all the angels. His name is Hebrew for "Who is like God?" and was the battle cry of the good angels against Lucifer and his followers when they rebelled against God. He is mentioned four times in the Bible, in Daniel 10 and 12, in the letter of Jude, and in Revelation.

Michael, whose forces cast down Lucifer and the evil spirits into Hell, is invoked for protection against Satan and all evil. Pope Leo XIII, in 1899, having had a prophetic vision of the evil that would be inflicted upon the Church and the world in the 20th century, instituted a prayer asking for Saint Michael's protection to be said at the end of every Mass.

Christian tradition recognizes four offices of Saint Michael: (i) to fight against Satan (ii) to rescue the souls of the faithful from the power of the enemy, especially at the hour of death. (iii) to be the champion of God's people, (iv) to call away from earth and bring men's souls to judgment.

"I am **Gabriel**, who stand before God." (Luke 1, 19)

Saint Gabriel, whose name means "God's strength," is mentioned four times in the Bible. Most significant are Gabriel's two mentions in the New Testament: to announce the birth of John the Baptist to his father Zacharias, and the at Incarnation of the Word in the womb of Mary.

Christian tradition suggests that it is he who appeared to St. Joseph and to the shepherds, and also that it was he who "strengthened" Jesus during his agony in the garden of Gethsemane.

"I am the angel **Raphael**, one of the seven, who stand before the Lord" (Tob 12:15)

Saint Raphael, whose name means "God has healed" because of his healing of Tobias' blindness in the Book of Tobit. Tobit is the only book in which he is mentioned. His office is generally accepted by tradition to be that of healing and acts of mercy.

Raphael is also identified with the angel in John 5:1-4 who descended upon the pond and bestowed healing powers upon it so that the first to enter it after it moved would be healed of whatever infirmity he was suffering.

St. Matthew

Feast day: September 21

Patron: Bankers

Little is known about St. Matthew, except that he was the son of Alpheus, and he was likely born in Galilee. He worked as a tax collector, which was a hated profession during the time of Christ.

According to the Gospel, Matthew was working at a collection booth in Capernaum when Christ came to him and asked, "Follow me." With this simple call, Matthew became a disciple of Christ.

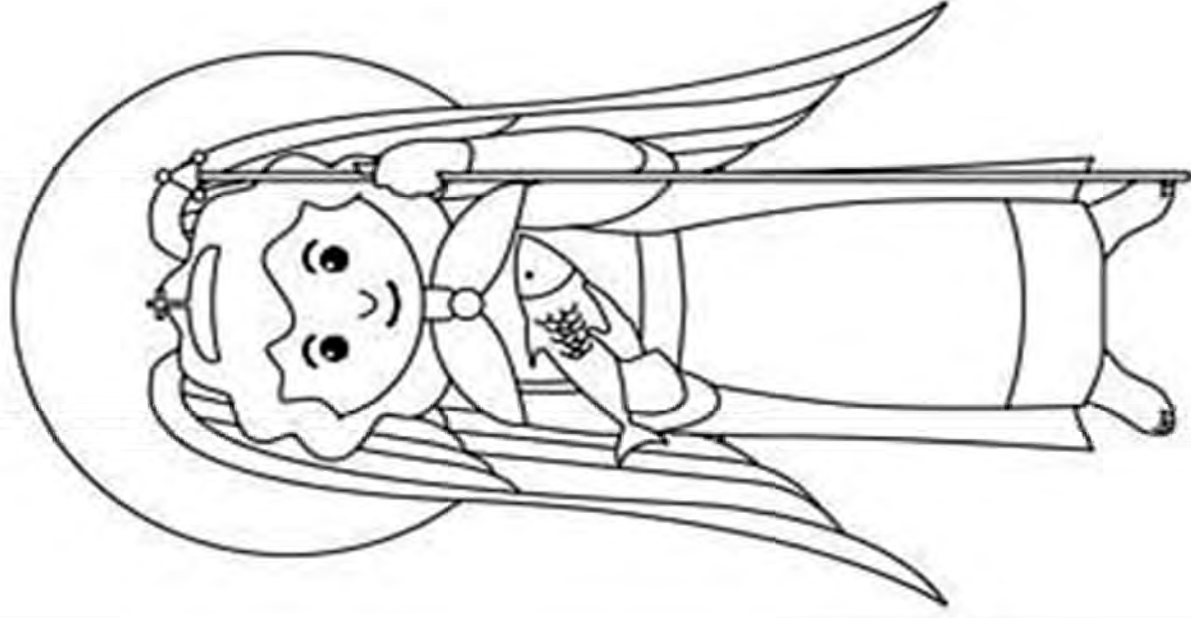
From Matthew we know of the many doings of Christ and the message Christ spread of salvation for all people who come to God through Him. The Gospel account of Matthew tells the same story as that found in the other three Gospels, so scholars are certain of its authenticity. His book is the first of the four Gospels in the New Testament.

Many years following the death of Christ, around 41 and 50 AD, Matthew wrote his gospel account. He wrote the book in Aramaic in the hope that his account would convince his fellow people that Jesus was the Messiah and that His kingdom had been fulfilled in a spiritual way. It was an important message at a time when almost everyone was expecting the return of a militant messiah brandishing a sword.

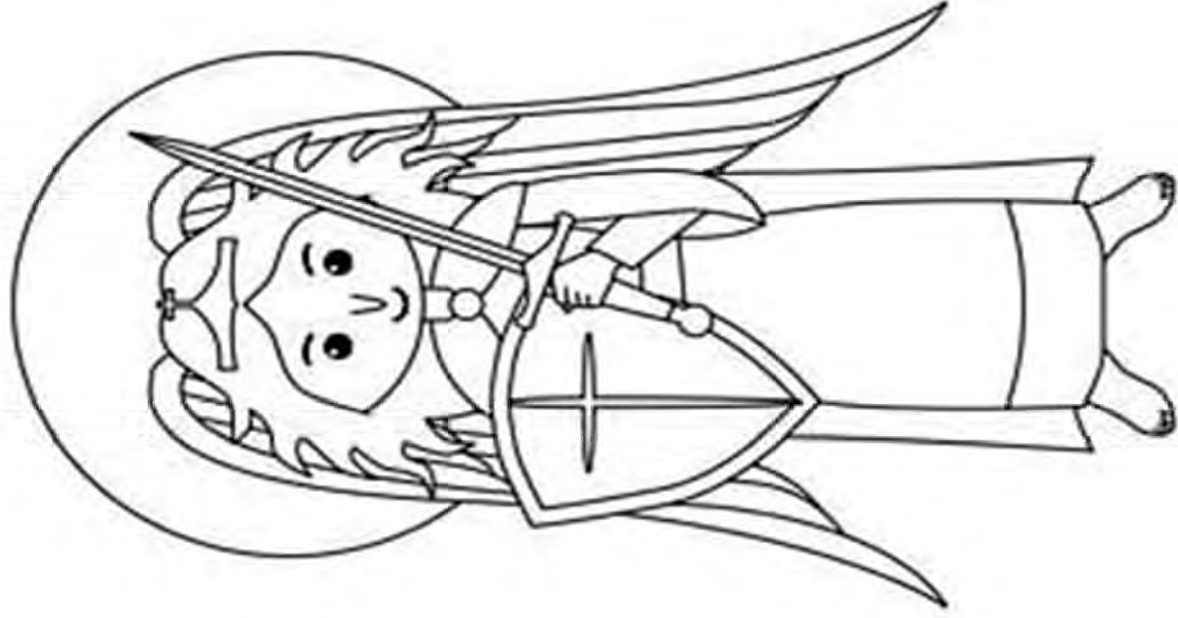
It is thought he departed for other lands to escape persecution sometime after 42 AD. According to various legends he fled to Parthia and Persia, or Ethiopia. Nothing is recorded of Matthew's passing. We do not know how he died, if his death was natural or if he was martyred.

Saint Matthew is often depicted with one of the four living creatures of Revelation 4:7, which reads, "The first living creature was like a lion, the second like a bull, the third living creature had a human face, and the fourth living creature was like a flying eagle."

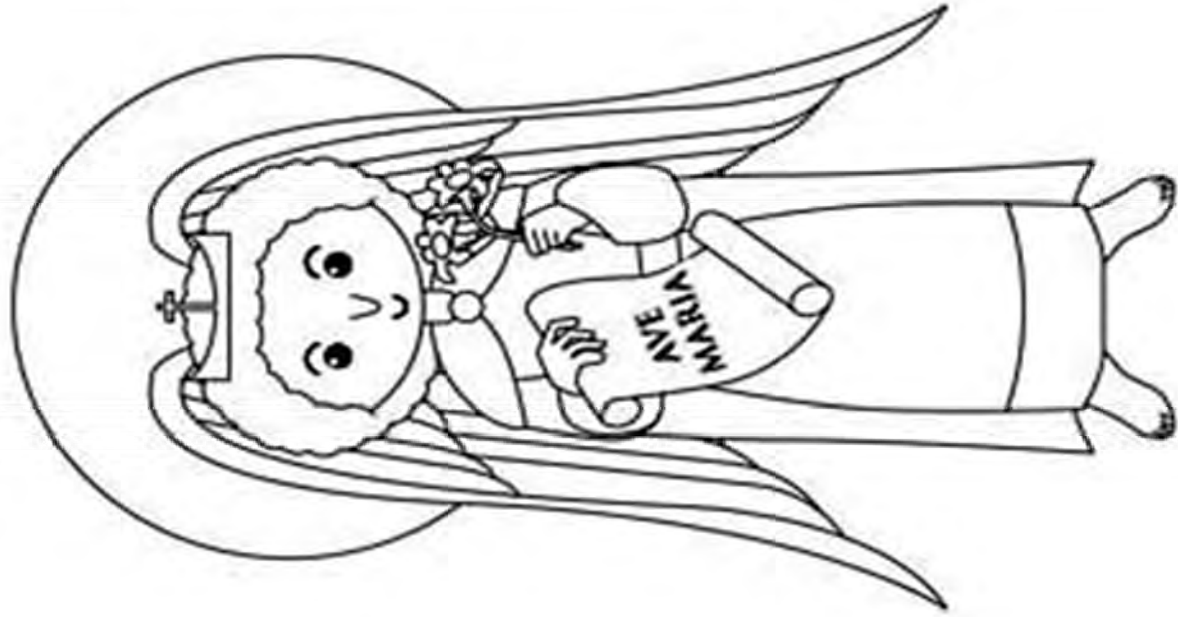
St. Gabriel



St. Michael



St. Raphael



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Liturgical Year (Traditional)

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- Advent
- All Saints
- Annunciation
- Ascension
- Ash Wednesday
- Assumption
- Christmas
- Christmastide
- Corpus Christi
- Double Rite
- Easter Sunday
- Ember Days
- Epiphany
- Feasts
- Feria
- First Class
- Good Friday



- Holy Family
- Holy Thursday
- Holy Week
- Holydays of Obligation
- Immaculate Conception
- Lent
- Octaves
- Palm Sunday
- Paschaltide
- Passion Sunday
- Passiontide
- Pentecost
- Purification
- Quinquagesima
- Rogation Days
- Rosary
- Sacred Heart



- Sanctoral
- Second Class
- Semi Double Rite
- Septuagesima
- Sexagesima
- Simple Rite
- Simples
- Temporal
- Trinity Sunday
- Vigils
- Votive Masses
- Whitsunday

Holy Week

