

A man and a woman are sitting on a boat or shore by a calm lake. They are both looking down at an open book held by the man. The woman is pointing at a page in the book. The background shows the water and trees reflected in it.

WORLD  
**SUNDAY**  
MISSION

As the  
Father  
has sent me,  
so I send  
you.  
John 20:21

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October 20, 2024



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9:00AM - 5:00PM

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MON, WED, FRI  
7:00AM

TUES & THUR  
5:30PM

SATURDAY  
5:30PM

*\*1st Saturdays - 8:00am*

SUNDAY  
8:30AM  
10:30AM  
12:00PM

#### CONFESSION/ RECONCILIATION

TUES, THURS, SAT  
4:45PM- 5:15PM

SUNDAY

*\*Please see weekly schedule*

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Call the office six weeks  
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#### WEDDINGS

Call the office at least six  
months in advance to reserve  
date and complete marriage  
preparation.



#### MONDAY, OCT 21

- 6:00pm Encounter  
School of Ministry

#### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22

- 6:15 am-TMIY

#### WEDNESDAY, OCT 23

- 9:30am-Bible Timeline  
Bible Study

- 6:45pm-SHE Women's  
Ministry

- 7:00pm- RCIA - The  
Bible & Divine  
Revelation

- 7:00pm -Choir Practice

#### THURSDAY, OCT 24

- 6:30pm- Women in  
Salvation History Bible  
Study

#### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25

- 6:30pm- Marriage  
Preparation Retreat

#### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26

- 9:30am Marriage  
Preparation Retreat
- 4:00pm -Trunk or Treat

#### SUNDAY, OCT 27

- 4:00pm- Marriage  
Preparation Retreat

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH

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SCAN ME

Our Lady of Grace  
Catholic Church

## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — My servant shall justify many, and their guilt he shall bear (Isaiah 53:10-11).

**Psalm** — Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you (Psalm 33).

**Second Reading** — Let us confidently approach the throne of grace to receive mercy and to find grace for timely help (Hebrews 4:14-16).

**Gospel** — Whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all (Mark 10:35-45 [42-45]).

The English translation of the Psalm Responses from *Lectionary for Mass* © 1969, 1981, 1997, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday:** Eph 2:1-10; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 12:13-21

**Tuesday:** Eph 2:12-22; Ps 85:9ab-14; Lk 12:35-38

**Wednesday:** Eph 3:2-12; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Lk 12:39-48

**Thursday:** Eph 3:14-21; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19; Lk 12:49-53

**Friday:** Eph 4:1-6; Ps 24:1-4ab, 5-6; Lk 12:54-59

**Saturday:** Eph 4:7-16; Ps 122:1-5; Lk 13:1-9

**Sunday:** Jer 31:7-9; Ps 126:1-6; Heb 5:1-6; Mk 10:46-52

Though Mark's gospel does not have the washing of the disciples' feet found in the gospel of John, today's passage has a similar message. While James and John seem to be close friends of Jesus, they obviously have not learned what it means to follow him. Jesus doesn't make any promises of worldly glory, but he does promise a share in his suffering. Imagine their surprise when he told them that the greatest of them would be the ones who served the rest.

They probably did not know what Jesus meant about their being baptized in death as Jesus would. But then how many people today know that leadership is a form of service? Whether you are head of a family, or of a nation, you were given that authority by God. And God expects leaders to not only direct those under them, but inspire and encourage them to do better.

This connection of leadership and service is all inclusive. A manager is called to help his employees do their jobs better, not by badgering, but by giving the support they need. Military leaders must support their troops with respect as well as discipline. God calls Church leaders in a special way to service of their flock: to protect the weakest members, to give an example of Jesus' love to all, and to be open to the movement of the Holy Spirit in both clergy and laity. Anyone who lives a life of loving service can be "greatest" in the Kingdom of God.

Tom Schmidt

## MASS, CONFESSION & INTENTION SCHEDULE

Monday, October 21

7:00 AM Fr. Jorge

Roman Gonzales III

Tuesday, October 22

4:45 PM *Confessions* - Fr. Abe

5:30 PM *Mass* - Fr. Abe

Killian Campbell

Wednesday, October 23

7:00AM Fr. Jorge

Mary LaBianco (d)

Thursday, October 24

4:45 PM *Confessions* - Fr. Abe

5:30 PM Fr. Abe

Eric A. Mursch's Birthday - Marylin Johnson

Friday, October 25

7:00 AM Fr. Jorge

Virgil 'Bud' Johnson (d) - Marylin Johnson

Saturday, October 26

4:30 PM *Confessions* - Fr. Jorge

5:30 PM *Mass* - Fr. Jorge

Cecilio & Becky Rodriguez

-Armando & Delia Salinas

Sunday, October 27

8:30 AM Fr. Jorge

Our Lady of Grace Liturgists

10:30 AM Fr. Jorge

Our Lady of Grace Parishioners

12:00 PM Fr. Arun Rozario, OMI

Jennifer Ellwood & Michelle Allen

-Larry Blume - Godfather

### This weekend's second collection



Holy Hour For Priests  
**Monthly - Every Second Tuesday**  
7 PM- 8 PM  
Rosary, Prayers and Benediction

All are welcome to join the Rosary Prayer Group. Please join us **every third Tuesday of the month** from **6:30-8:00 pm** in the Madonna Room. For more information, contact Greg Clary at 903-714-0232.



### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

All are welcome to the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Exposition begins on Tuesdays in the Adoration Chapel after the 5:30pm Mass and ends on Friday at 7am. For more information please contact Becky



**Altar Flowers:** If you would like to donate flowers for the altar in memory of a loved one, or in honor of a birthday or anniversary, please call the office at 734-7285. Each weekend in the bulletin we thank all those who sponsor the altar flowers.

OUR LADY OF GRACE

Thanksgiving

# Food Drive

Let's Share  
& Care

OCTOBER 27TH - NOVEMBER 10TH

**STUDENTS:**

**DROP OFF IN CLASSROOMS THRU NOV. 10TH**

**PARISHIONERS:**

**DROP OFF IN THE OFFICE THRU NOV. 13TH**

Pick up your  
'Thanksgiving Gift Bag'  
in **RE Class**, at the  
**Trunk or Treat** or at  
the **Church Office**  
and fill with a  
\$25 grocery card for  
turkey/main dish  
purchase and pantry  
items to complete the  
holiday meal!

**Recipient Pick-up Dates**

**NOVEMBER 20TH - 22ND**

THANK YOU to all the businesses who advertise in our Sunday bulletin.  
We are very grateful for this continuous support and invite parishioners to patronize their businesses.

*Through his suffering,  
my servant shall  
justify many, & their  
guilt he shall bear*

ISAIAH 53:11

The problem of evil is a tough one. When we look around the world we see so much suffering, pain and sin, and it is natural to ask the question, "Why?" For thousands of years the problem of evil has plagued even the best of theologians. Today's first reading starts with the words, "The Lord was pleased to crush him in infirmity." At first glance this doesn't make a lot of sense when we think about a God who loves us unconditionally. How could God be pleased with suffering?

I am not going to pretend to have all the answers to the problem of evil, but I think the first reading today reminds us that we cannot answer the problem of evil fully because we fail to see with the eyes of God.

The first reading goes on to say, "through his suffering, my servant shall justify many, and their guilt he shall bear." This brings a little more sense to why God is pleased with infirmity because it is through this suffering that the guilt of many is justified. This does not make it any easier when we are faced with the loss of a loved one, a cancer diagnosis, or any of the other forms of suffering we could face, but it does help us see a glimpse of the workings of God.

We essentially know two things that should give us comfort. The first is that God does not directly cause evil. He may permit it because of free will or other factors, but he does not actively participate in evil. A loving God could not contradict his very nature in this way. The second is that He would only permit evil if a greater good could come from it. This is what makes it difficult because we do not see perfectly with the eyes of God. We cannot see all the good that He is bringing from the suffering that exists.

Let's not forget the worst evil to ever happen. The Son of God became man and suffered and died. From the very greatest of suffering to ever exist, God brought about the salvation of the entire human race. He endured the worst of suffering for me and for you. The problem of evil is tough, especially when it becomes personal and happens in our own lives, but if God himself could suffer and die to bring about the resurrection, then we can be assured that our suffering is also effective in bringing glory to God and his Church. This may not convince us fully but it does allow us to start to see the world how God sees it. He is in charge and he will ultimately make all things new.

From all of us here at Diocesan, God bless!

By Tommy Shultz

# TRUNK-OR-TREAT

SAT. OCTOBER 26TH @ 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

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THIS IS A PARISH FAMILY EVENT  
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## ALTAR OF REMEMBRANCE



A special Altar of Remembrance will be placed in the foyer of the church for All Souls Day. Beginning on Thursday, October 24th you are invited to bring photos or mementos of your deceased loved ones to place on the Altar. Please clearly I.D. them so they may be returned to you.

## RCIA

*Upcoming Session Topics*

- October 16 - The Holy Trinity
- October 23 - The Bible & Divine Revelation
- October 30 - Your Prayer Life & Catholic Prayers and Practices
- November 6 - The Saints

Everyone is welcome to attend these sessions!

Every Wednesday @7pm in the Madonna Room.

A new OLG women's program is being formed called "SHE SHALL BE CALLED WOMAN". Through vibrant conversations, authentic speakers, and enriching prayer experiences, this new women's program offers deeper insights into theological truths and practical wisdom.

We meet weekly on Wednesdays starting on September 18 at 7pm.

Please contact Amanda Claiborne at 210-365-4952 for more information or follow this QR code to register.



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**The Bible Timeline**  
*The Story of Salvation*

**OLG Fall Bible Study**

Wednesdays ~ 9:30am  
Beginning Sept. 18th  
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Parish Hall, 112 MARCIA PL

Adoration 6:30  
Talk + Discussion 7:00  
Social 8:00

**OLG ROSARY challenge**

October is the 'Month of the Rosary', and everyone is invited to join in our Parish **2500 Rosary Challenge**. Place a sticker on our rosary board for every rosary prayed to help reach our goal!

**THEOLOGY ON TAP**  
"Where Faith Meets Fellowship"

**Thursday**  
**October 24, 2024**

Time: 6:30 pm  
Location: Wild Barley Kitchen and Brewery (8403 Broadway)

Join us for an evening of conversation, community, and cheer as we explore faith over a good brew!

Bring a friend and your questions!

For more info contact:  
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**Masses as Gifts:** Having a Mass offered on a birthday, anniversary or other special occasion, is a most prayerful way to commemorate the special event. Mass cards are available to acknowledge special remembrance. Call or come by the Office to schedule.

**Parish Bulletin Deadline**

If ministry or parish organization needs something to be included in the bulletin, please submit the information by Friday afternoon before 5:00 PM **ten days** before your desired publication date. Please call the office or email your request to Teni at [office@olgsa.org](mailto:office@olgsa.org).

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