

A reflection from the Pastor

Peace. "What do you want me to do for you?" Jesus asks Bartimaeus in today's gospel. Bartimaeus' answer was simple, "I want to see." Not only was his physical sight restored, but his spiritual sight was restored: "and he followed Jesus on the way."

Jesus asks us the same question, because at times we don't ask or we may even wallow in our own pride and pity. We need to be able to speak plainly and confidently to him, so that he can restore us to seeing as he sees and then follow him.

I am making the final preparations for the new **Reconciliation Room**. The room will be handicap accessible and allow for face to face confession in a more pleasing and inviting atmosphere – better lighting, more space. Of course, the option for behind the screen and anonymity will be maintained also. We will begin using the new confessionals next weekend, November 4th.

Each week I am going to try to answer a new question about what the Church teaches. This week, what the Church teaches about the Communion of Saints.

Have a blessed week, Fr. Ty

Liturgy / Mass Schedule and Intentions

October 31 - November 5

Please note time changes for Adoration this week!

- Tuesday, 31st 5:45 p.m. Adoration Blessed Sacrament
6:45 p.m. Reservation of Blessed Sacrament
7:00 p.m. Mass - *Robert Canchola, Jr.*
- Wednesday, 1st **All Saints Day**
7:00 p.m. Mass - *Pro Populo*
- Thursday, 2nd **All Souls Day**
8:00 a.m. Mass - *All Souls*
- Friday, 3rd **First Friday**
8:00 a.m. Mass - *Jesse Olguin, Jr.*
- Saturday 4th **Thirty-First Sunday- Ordinary Time**
6:00 (vigil) Mass - *Arthur Trujillo*
- Sunday, 5th 8:00 a.m. Mass - *Pro Populo*
10:00 a.m. Mass - *CDA*



First Reading Deuteronomy 6:2-6
Second Reading Hebrews 7:23-28
Gospel Reading Mark 12:28b-34

What is the Communion of Saints?

The Catechism (teaching) of the Catholic Church says:

960 The Church is a "communion of saints": this expression refers first to the "holy things" (*sancta*), above all the Eucharist, by which "the unity of believers, who form one body in Christ, is both represented and brought about" (LG 3).

961 The term "communion of saints" refers also to the communion of "holy persons" (*sancti*) in Christ who "died for all," so that what each one does or suffers in and for Christ bears fruit for all.

962 "We believe in the communion of all the faithful of Christ, those who are pilgrims on earth, the dead who are being purified, and the blessed in heaven, all together forming one Church; and we believe that in this communion, the merciful love of God and his saints is always [attentive] to our prayers" (Paul VI, CPG § 30).

Liturgical Assignments for the week ahead

Lectors

- Saturday, 6 P.M. Lisa Canales/ Carol Sutton
Sunday, 8 A.M. Martina Aguayo/Bacilio Gonzalez
10 A.M. Melinda Valenzuela, Martha Matura

Ministers of the Precious Blood

- Saturday, 6 P.M. Veronica Garcia/ Paulette Brandl
Sunday, 8 A.M. Santos / Mary Alvarado
10 A.M. Mary Helen Garcia/Margaret Escalante

Gift Bearers

- Saturday, 6 P.M. M/M Joe Canales, Sr.
Sunday, 8 A.M. Pete/Elena Guerra
10 A.M. Mary Helen/Connie Garcia

Ushers

- Saturday, 6 P.M. S. Torres, R. Reyes, B. Cantu, D. Hybner
Sunday, 8 A.M. J. Cantu, T. Cabral, E. Ledezma, A. Escalante
10 A.M. H. Longoria, J. Troncoso, C. Martin, M. Gonzales

Altar Servers

- Saturday, 6 P.M. Gabriella & Madeline Canales, Olivia Garza
Sunday, 8 A.M. Maurizio Ledezma, Jessica Gonzalez, Briana Avitia
10 A.M. Anaysa Gonzalez, Natasha Rameriz, Derek Folmar

Church Cleaners for November



Rafaela Cabrera, Concepcion Garza,
Dominga Hernandez, Isabel Lopez,
Maria Eugenia Garcia



In Sympathy

Please remember in your prayers,
Magdalena Estrada Partida
who was called to her eternal rest.

Remembering the Saints

The feast of All Saints is a holy day of obligation. Catholics are obligated to attend Mass on this day. Mass times will be:

Tuesday, October 31, 2006 7:00 p.m. Vigil

Wednesday, November 1, 2006 7:00 p.m.

Remembering All Souls

In a particular way, in the month of November we remember all the faithful departed. In order to remember our beloved dead, please take part in the following:

1. Sign the names of those who have died and whom you would like to pray for. This book will be located on the stand at the door of the baptistery – our gateway to life in Christ.
2. You may make use of the envelopes to include names of those you would like to include in the Mass of All Souls, at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 2. These envelopes will be located at each church entrance. They may be returned in the parish collection basket.



Last Sunday's Collection:

General: \$ 1,575.50
Second Collection (World Missions): \$242.27

Religious Education Classes

**This week: Attend Mass – in the Church
7:00 p.m.**



Lawn Maintenance Crew

Raymond Brandl, Thomas West,
Patrick Canales, Rodney Neubauer,
Robert Liserio, Trinidad Gomez

Congratulations

To Melissa Rameriz and Robert Garcia Jr.
who were united in the Holy Sacrament
of Matrimony.



Catholic Daughters Tamale (pork) Sale

Order forms for the sale are now at the entrance of the Church or contact any Catholic Daughter.

Price: \$ 6.00 per dozen

Pick up Date for Orders: Friday, November 17, 2006

Church Picnic Calendar

Nov. 4-5 – Incarnate Word Convent – Christmas Arts Sale 10 – 4 p.m.

Nov. 12 – Our Lady of Lourdes, Victoria Community Center
Turkey/dressing

Parish office is closed on Mondays. Thank you!

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 5:15 - 5:45 P.M. and by Private Appointment

Sacrament of Baptism

Please contact the parish office to register for the preparation class. Godparents should be practicing, churchgoing Catholics, who have celebrated their Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Couples planning to marry should contact the parish at least six months prior to their desired time of marriage.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

This healing sacrament is available when one is preparing for medical procedures or is seriously ill.

New Parishioners

Welcome. Please stop by the parish office to register.

The bulletin is provided for the explicit purpose of communicating information weekly to the people of God in Bloomington, Texas concerning the pastoral mission of the parish. For more information or to have something included, please call the pastor.

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Quinceañeras

Young ladies approaching their fifteenth birthday, who are members of the parish, are attending religious education classes, and have been enrolled for three years, may contact the pastor six months in advance to arrange the celebration.