

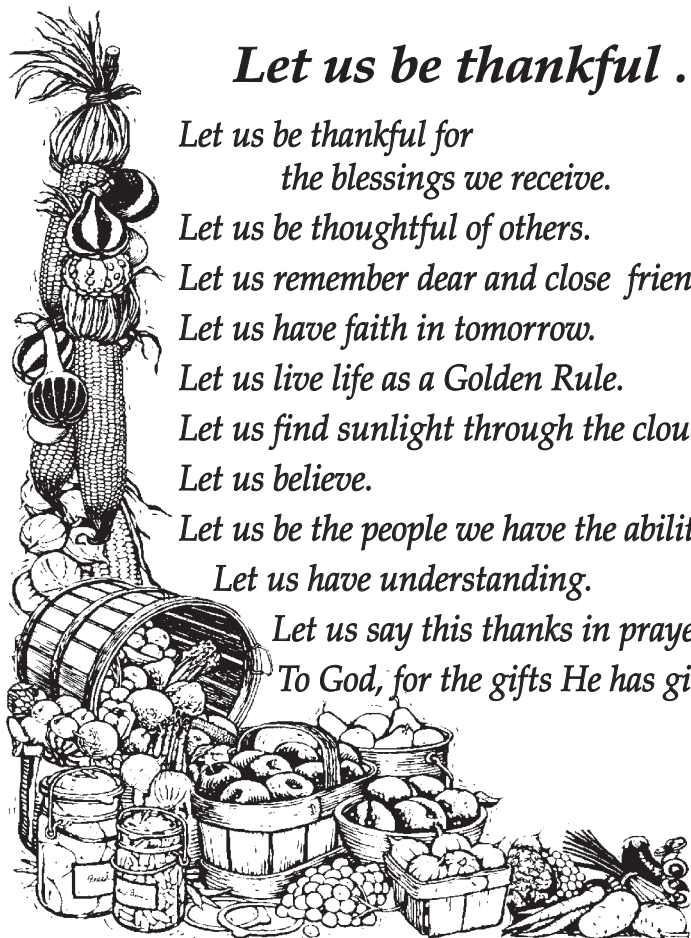
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Let us be thankful ...

*Let us be thankful for
the blessings we receive.*

Let us be thoughtful of others.

Let us remember dear and close friends.

Let us have faith in tomorrow.

Let us live life as a Golden Rule.

Let us find sunlight through the clouds.

Let us believe.

Let us be the people we have the ability to be.

Let us have understanding.

Let us say this thanks in prayer

To God, for the gifts He has given.

Pastor: Rev. Father Fernan Serrano **Parish Secretary:** Marichu Alo ext 201
Parish Custodian: Gerald Therrien

OFFICE HOURS:

Closed on Mondays

Tuesday-Friday 9am-5pm

Office closed for lunch 12:30pm-1:30pm

SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00pm

Sunday 9:30am, 11:15am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tues, Wed, Thurs & Fri 8:30am

Saturday 9:00am

CONFESSION

Saturday 4pm-4:45pm or by appointment

ANOINTING OF THE SICK & HOLY COMMUNION TO SICK/SHUT-IN

Call parish office for appointment

PARISH REGISTRATION

If you attend the Mass here, register at the church office and use the Sunday envelopes. Registration forms are available in the parish office and website. Please let the office know if you are moving out of the parish.

MARRIAGE

Contact the parish priest one year in advance. Please do not book the time and place of the wedding and reception before your appointment with the priest.

BAPTISM

(Last Sunday of the month @2:30pm)

Parents must be **REGISTERED PARISHIONERS** and regularly attend the Sacraments. The information package is available at the parish office.



First Reading: Wisdom 7:7-11

Wisdom is preferred above gold and silver.

Second Reading: Hebrews 4:12-13

The Word of God exposes the heart.

Gospel: Mark 10:17-30 (shorter form Mark 10:17-27)

A man with many possessions asks Jesus what he must do to gain eternal life.

Background on the Gospel Reading

In today's Gospel, an unnamed man approaches Jesus and inquires about what he must do to inherit eternal life. Jesus replies that one must follow the commandments of the Law of Moses. The man acknowledges that he has observed all of these since his childhood. Jesus then says that only one thing is lacking: he must give his possessions to the poor and follow Jesus. The man leaves in sadness, and Mark tells us that this is because he had many possessions.

The belief in resurrection and eternal life was a relatively recent development in Jewish thought at Jesus' time, and it wasn't shared by everyone. The Pharisees taught that there would be a resurrection from the dead; the Sadducees did not share this

belief. Jesus taught that there would be a final judgment for everyone and eternal life (the Kingdom of God) for believers.

Jesus makes two requirements of the wealthy man who approaches Him. First, he must give up his possessions. Throughout history, some Christians have taken this literally. Their example witnesses to us a radical commitment to the Gospel of Jesus. Some have read this as a particular requirement directed to this specific individual. Still others have sought to explain the meaning intended by the word possessions as those things that prevent one from following Jesus. Christians have generally understood that at the least, following Jesus requires that believers hold material possessions loosely and remain vigilant against seeking security in accumulating possessions.

The second requirement Jesus makes of this man is the invitation that Jesus extends to all would-be disciples: "follow me." Jesus very much wants this man to be His disciple. We believe that the Christian faith is one in which each believer is in a personal relationship with Jesus. Just as this Gospel tells us that Jesus loves the man and is sad when he departs, so too, Jesus loves us and is saddened when we are unable to follow Him.

We see in this Gospel reading another example of Mark's pattern, which shows Jesus offering further elaboration about His message and meaning to His disciples. To His disciples, Jesus laments the challenges faced by those who are rich in following Him and entering the Kingdom of God. In reply to the disciples' astonishment at the strictness of the standard that Jesus speaks about today, Jesus reminds His disciples that nothing is impossible with God. Salvation is determined by our ability to rely completely upon God.

Peter replies to Jesus by boasting that the disciples have already given up everything. Jesus acknowledges that those who have given up everything for the sake of the Gospel will be rewarded. This reward begins now, in the new community that one will gain in this life, and will continue in the eternal age to come. Our personal relationship with Jesus is also an invitation to the community of faith, the Church.

If there are errors or mistakes in the bulletin we are humans too. Nobody is perfect. -FZS

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION
FOR CONFIRMATION
TO ALL PARENTS OF GRADES 7 & 8

The first meeting for CONFIRMATION:
Saturday, October 16 @ 10:30 am

Parents and the candidate must be present for this information session.

REQUIREMENTS:

Bring the following:

- Baptismal Certificate (photocopy)
- Completed registration form for the sacraments. Available in the website.

Looking forward to meeting all of you.
Fr. Fernan Serrano



1973-2023

If you have any ideas to make our 50th Anniversary exciting and memorable please write it on a piece of paper and you can put it together with your donation envelope. Make sure that you write your name and contact information. Thanks.



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| Saturday
9:00 AM | OCTOBER 9, 2021
- BENITO SAMSON STA. ANA (†)
- CATHY BOURNE (†)
- IRENE YU (†)
- SPECIAL INTENTIONS OF MARGARET THOMAS FRANKLIN SEQUEIRA (†) |
| 5:00 PM
Sunday
9:30 AM | OCTOBER 10, 2021
FOR ALL THE INTENTIONS OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISHIONERS VALERIAN D'SOUZA (†) |
| 11:15 AM
Monday | OCTOBER 11, 2021
WHOLE DAY PASTOR'S REST DAY |
| Tuesday
8:30 AM | OCTOBER 12, 2021
INTENTIONS OF GOD THE FATHER PRAYER GROUP |
| Wednesday
8:30 AM | OCTOBER 13, 2021
LORENZO D'ANGELO (†) |
| Thursday
8:30 AM | OCTOBER 14, 2021
JOHN KISCHUK (†) |
| Friday
8:30 AM | OCTOBER 15, 2021
LETICIA SANTOLAN (†) |

BURNING THIS WEEK:

TABERNACLE LAMP:

SPECIAL INTENTIONS OF REFUGEE COMMITTEE



FEAST DAY
OCT. 15, 2021

St. Teresa of Avila



Trust is...

knowing someone is there to catch your fall. It's knowing someone will be there when you need a shoulder to cry on. It's knowing a promise made is a promise kept. Trust is something we earn everyday.



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