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Sunday, October 1st, 2023
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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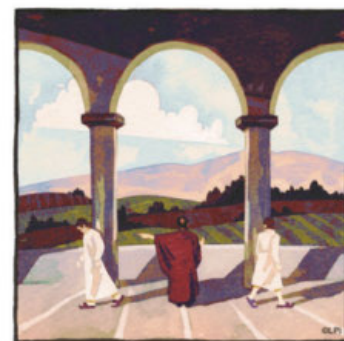
Gospel Meditation

A life-long Catholic friend of mine recently mumbled to me, "I can't stand all these converts to the faith. They're always rocking the boat." It surprised me because he is dedicated to evangelization, and yet he struggles with openness to new Catholics. It made me realize how easily I close my heart to those whom I perceive to be outsiders who become new members of the Catholic community. Almost unconsciously I reduce the world to the categories of "us" and "them." The result is that meaningful community silently shrinks in my life. Don't we all do that to some degree?

This week Jesus' punchy parable about the two sons blows up that black and white world. One son said he wouldn't get to work, and then did. The other said he would, and then he did not. "Which did the will of his father?" asks the Lord. Like so many of us, in identifying the first as the answer, the religious authorities manifest hidden hypocrisy in refusing to follow Jesus. They – like us – intuit the correct path but simply won't do it. The tax collectors and prostitutes are indeed following Jesus and thereby getting to work in the kingdom of God. Everyone is called to do God's will regardless of the labels we may apply to them.

This week let's reject the convenient but damaging categories of "insiders" and "outsiders." Instead, let's embrace a grateful attitude that Jesus is calling fallen, weak, and broken men and women like you and me. Then we begin to see that the tax collectors and prostitutes aren't them. They are us. And Jesus wants all of us working in his boat, no matter the rocking.

– Father John Muir ©LPi



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**Deadline for content in the weekly
bulletin is noon on Mondays**

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: Vigil Mass 4:30 p.m.

(Confession 3:15 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.)

Sunday: Mass 8:30 a.m. &

10:00 a.m.

(Confession 7:30 a.m.-8:15 a.m. &

9:35 a.m.-9:50 a.m.)

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday–Friday: **Mass 8:00 a.m.**

(Confession 7:30 a.m. - 7:50 a.m.)

*Confession can be heard anytime
outside of listed times by
appointment*

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesdays after 8:00 a.m.

Mass until 7:00 p.m.

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Daily Mass and Sunday 8:30 a.m.
Mass are broadcast on our YouTube
channel. Go to our parish website
homepage to find the direct link.

The Week Ahead

Monday, October 2nd

Tuesday, October 3rd

8:00 a.m. Mass: †Pius Malsom by Family & Friends memorials

6:30 p.m. KC Rosary & Meeting

Wednesday, October 4th

8:00 a.m. Mass: Jerry & Jill Aarseth by Paul & Wanda Kalamaha

8:30 a.m.—7:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration

6:00 p.m. Youth Religious Education

6:00 p.m. St. Therese Rosary Club

Thursday, October 5th

8:00 a.m. Mass: †Matt Klein by Arlene Fiedler

Friday, October 6th

8:00 a.m. Mass: †Susan Ritter by Stephanie Ritter

Saturday, October 7th

9:30 a.m. First Saturday Devotion at Little Flower

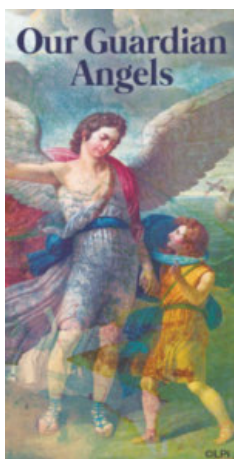
4:30 p.m. Mass: †Karla Gerhart by Your Family

Sunday, October 8th

8:30 a.m. Mass: For the Parish

10:00 a.m. Mass: †Mary Samuel by Agnes Brandt

8:30 a.m.–Noon Knight of Columbus Breakfast



Observances for the Week of Oct. 8th

Sunday: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Respect Life
Sunday

Monday: The Holy Guardian Angels

Wednesday: St. Francis of Assisi

Thursday: Saint Faustina Kowalska, Virgin; Bl. Francis
Xavier Seelos, Priest

Friday: St. Bruno, Priest; Bl. Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin

Saturday: Our Lady of the Rosary

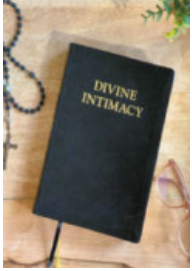
Next Sunday: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Ministry Schedule for October 7th & 8th

	Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Sunday 8:30 a.m.	Sunday 10:00 a.m.
Rosary Leader	Rose Bjelland	Marie Keller	Brenda Artz
Greeter	Lou Ann Fleck Bea Grasmoe	Ron & Korie Huettl	Arlene Fiedler Bonnie Brunner
Altar Servers	Sara Haarstad Dakota Johnson	Stella Miller Harper Miller	Clare Young Julia Young
Lector	JoAnn Randall	Steve Miller	Grant Wentz
Eucharistic Minister	Deacon Hans Gayzur	Jerry Aarseth	
In-Home Ministry	Deacon Hans & Julie Gayzur	Bob & Christine Greene	
Scrip Sales	Volunteer Needed	Jill Aarseth	Jaimie Brunner

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION AT LITTLE FLOWER

The October First Saturday Devotion will be held at Little Flower on October 7th starting at 9:30 a.m. There will be time for Confession and Adoration prior to Mass. Following Mass, there will be a potluck in the gathering space. All are welcome to join us!



DIVINE INTIMACY BOOK STUDY

Divine Intimacy book study will begin October 8th following the 10 a.m. Mass. It will last about an hour each Sunday through November 19th. All are welcome to discuss this beautiful book with Father Kenneth Phillips.

NEW ADDRESS

Former parishioners Gabe & Joan Brien have moved to Grafton. They would like to share their mailing address for any future correspondence from Little Flower parishioners:

Gabe & Joan Brien
1528 Griggs Ave
Grafton ND 58237

BREAKFAST at Little Flower

**Sunday, October 8th, 2023
8:30 a.m. to Noon**

Menu:

French toast, scrambled eggs, sausage, biscuits & gravy, muffins, coffee & orange juice

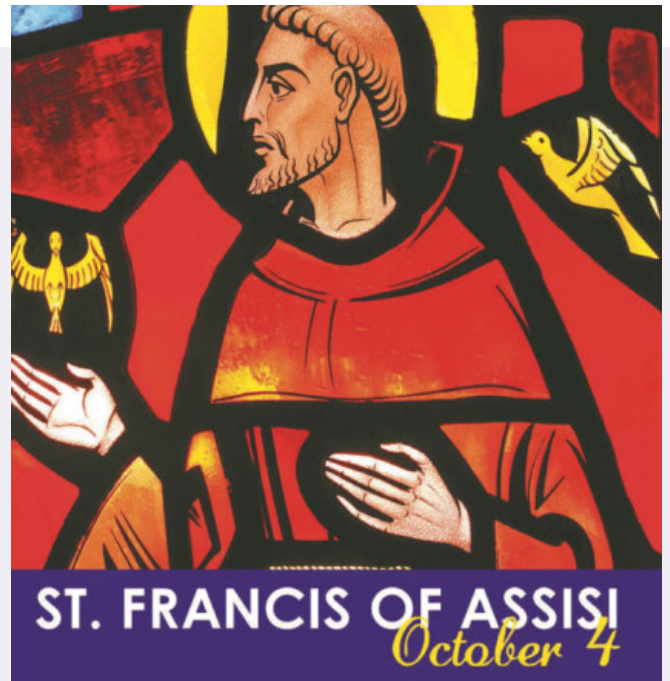
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St. Francis of Assisi (1181 - 1226) left a life of luxury for a life devoted to Christianity after reportedly hearing the voice of God, who commanded him to rebuild the Christian church and live in poverty. He founded the men's Order of Friars Minor, the women's Order of St. Clare, the Third Order of St. Francis and the Custody of the Holy Land.

Born in 1181 in Italy, St. Francis of Assisi was renowned for drinking and partying as a youth. During a military expedition/battle between Assisi and Perugia, he was captured and imprisoned for ransom. He spent nearly a year in prison and began receiving visions from God.

After his release from prison, St. Francis of Assisi claimed to have heard the voice of Christ, who told him to restore the Christian Church and live a life of poverty.

As a result, St. Francis of Assisi abandoned his life of luxury and became a devotee of the Catholic faith.

Today, St. Francis of Assisi, known for his deep love of nature and animals, is the patron saint of the environment and animals. Each October, many animals are blessed on his feast day.

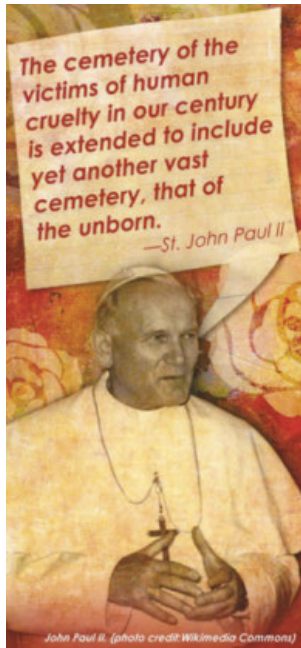
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MESSAGE

The Gospel today is a great example of saying, "actions speak louder than words."

As you make a gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, know that you are putting your faith into action.

St. Vincent de Paul meetings are held in the St. Leo's Church basement on the 1st & 3rd Mondays of the month, beginning with a rosary at 5:10 and the meeting following at 5:30.

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ND MARCH FOR LIFE OCT. 6TH

In January of this year, we announced that the ND March for Life will move to October of every year. Our hope in moving these events to the first Friday following the first Sunday of October is to increase the observance of Respect Life Month for all. The annual North Dakota March for Life and opening Mass, celebrated by Bishop David Kagan, will take place in Bismarck on Friday, Oct. 6. Celebration of Mass is at 10:45 a.m. at Cathedral of the Holy Spirit, Bismarck, immediately followed by a march (or drive) to the state capitol. The rally will begin at

12:30 p.m. on the steps of the capitol building. More information and registration can be found at bismarckdiocese.com/ndmfl. Registration for groups is required, individual registration is not required but recommended. There will also be a Holy Hour led by Bishop Kagan on the Thursday before the march, October 5, at 8 p.m. at Cathedral of the Holy Spirit in the main body of the church.



St. John the Apostle Fall Dinner in Minot — Sunday, October 29th. 11 am - 4 pm in the Parish Hall. Menu: Roast beef; mashed potatoes & gravy; corn; Cole Slaw; rolls & butter; Special Pumpkin Dessert; coffee & milk (Gluten Free options available on request). Adults-\$15; Children-\$8. Children under 6 years old are free. Take-out dinners will be available. We will also have a craft and bake sale.

St. Mary's Catholic Church in Foxholm will hold is annual Fall Roast Beef Dinner on from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sunday, October 1st. Adults \$12; 7-12 \$6; 3-6 \$4. Raffle tickets will be sold, pies will be for sale, and to-go dinners are available.

Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Wilton invites you to Octoberfest on Sunday, October 8th at the Wilton Memorial City Hall. Dinner served from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. On the menu: roast beef, mashed potatoes, corn, salads, buns, and pie. Adults \$15, ages 4-10 \$5, 3 & under free. Bingo at 1:30 p.m.

ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

The Environment Committee will be meeting on November 14th at 5:00 p.m. to discuss Advent and Christmas season decorations. If you are interested in offering your time and talent in this very important way for our parish, please write this date down on your calendar. New members are always welcome!

BISHOP RYAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS

We're Hiring! Bishop Ryan Catholic School is now hiring. If you're looking for an opportunity to be part of a team that instills virtue and celebrates faith while encouraging students to achieve academically and socially, Bishop Ryan may be the place for you! We are hiring an After-School Strings Instructor (Part-Time Position) For more information or to apply, please contact Principal Tanya Steckler at (701) 838-3355 or tsteckler@brhs.com.

Substitute Teachers: Are you looking for more opportunities in the classroom? We are always accepting substitute teachers for our list at Bishop Ryan! To share your name and credentials, please contact our administration office staff at (701) 838-3355. Please note that our substitute teacher list runs independently of lists for surrounding schools, so contact us directly.

Are you looking for a great after-school job where you're home by 6pm and have all of your weekends free? The Lions Learning and Fun After-School Program at Bishop Ryan Catholic School is now hiring for our school-year team! If you're looking for a fun job, done by 5:30 each weekday with NO WEEKENDS, consider joining our LLAFF crew, working with students each afternoon. For more information, please contact LLAFF Coordinator Courtney Coté at (701) 838-3355 or ccote@brhs.com.

SCRIP: Use Scrip gift cards as gifts and to pay for your purchases. Scrip is available after the weekend Masses, in the parish office and at Bishop Ryan. Using Scrip gift cards helps support Bishop Ryan Catholic School and families for their tuition. Scrip is available for Amazon orders, groceries, gas, dining out, household supplies, clothing, furniture, vehicles, tires & accessories, building & remodeling, eye care, bikes, and more.



Prayer

God, I want to show you that I love you.

Mission for the Week

Show kindness to a friend. Help someone pick up a mess they made, just because you love Jesus.

Sharing the Gospel

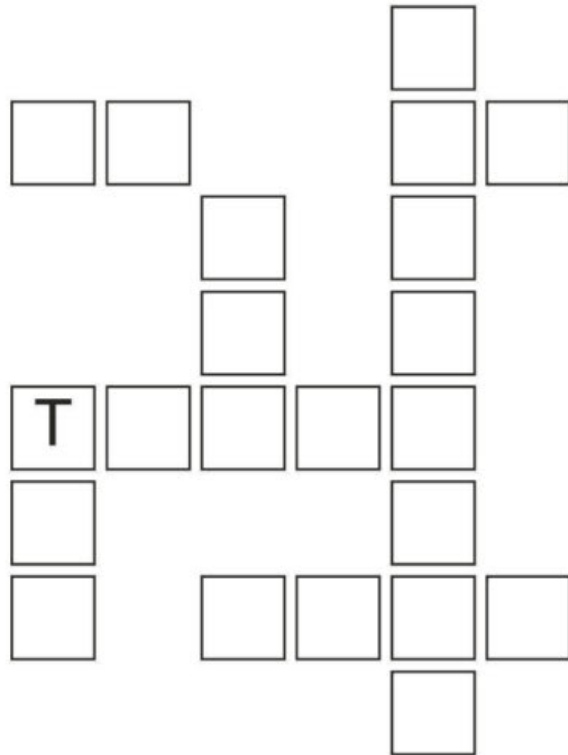
Maybe you have heard that actions speak louder than words. It means that the things you do are more important than the things you say. Show kindness to others. Trust God. He wants what is best for you, so find out how to work for God. Then do what he asks.

Now color the picture!



Fit this Gospel message into the empty squares:

Go and work today in the vineyard.



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