

OCTOBER 2, 2022



THIS WEEKEND'S READINGS

First: Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4 Second: 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14 Gospel: Luke 17:5-10 FOCUS: Christ helps us grow in faith and in the ability to act in his name.

Courage, a gift of the Holy Spirit, lies at the heart of today's Scripture – the courage to be faithful to Christ and the Gospel in all things and in all places. Like the disciples, we should be unafraid to ask Jesus for an increase in faith, for he reminds us that even with the smallest amount of faith, we have the ability to do great things in his name.

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

In the first reading, Habakkuk cries out to the Lord, and the Lord answers. Saint Paul encourages Timothy to never lack courage or be



ashamed of his faith in Jesus Christ. In the Gospel, the Apostles ask Jesus to increase [their] faith, and Jesus instructs them using a mustard seed metaphor.

MASS INTENTIONS

5 p.m.: Dennis Scullin, Michael Walkewicz and Keith DeJong

10 a.m.: Linda Licardi, Mary Ellen Tucek, Peg Boyle and the Ryan, Borst & Costello Families

TREASURER'S REPORT

September 18-25: Totaled \$ 5,717.84 Envelopes: \$ 2,764.00 – Online: \$ 2,953.84 THANK YOU!

MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

Each year, the month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary, primarily because of **the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary**, celebrated on October 7. It was introduced by Pope Saint Pius V (1504-1572) to commemorate the miraculous victory of the Christian forces in the Battle of Lepanto on that day in 1571. Because he had requested all Western Christians to pray the Rosary before the battle, the pope attributed

the win more to the "arms" of the Rosary than to the cannons, ships and soldiers.

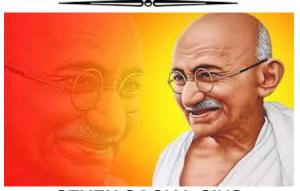
Though the commitment to the Rosary was formalized in 1571, it was an established prayer long before then. Some believe St. Dominic (who founded the Dominican order) received the Rosary during an apparition of the Virgin Mary in 1214 in Southern France.

Historians are not in agreement; although there is no earlier record of the Rosary in this form and the Rosary became a popular devotion following this event.



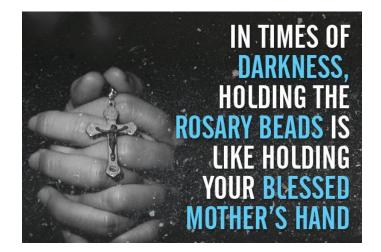
Here's a challenge: Pray the Rosary every day this October to enhance your understanding of the power of prayer, intercession and God's love. Don't worry if you miss a day – just pick it up again the next.

Can't find your Rosary beads? You'll find some for the taking in the church vestibules.



<u>SEVEN SOCIAL SINS</u> Politics without Principle Wealth without Work Pleasure without Conscience Knowledge without Character Commerce without Morality Science without Humanity Worship without Sacrifice

- Published by Mohandas "Mahatma" Gandhi In his Young India newspaper on October 22, 1925



IN THE LOOP

Parish Council nominations are due by this Monday, October 3. The Parish Council acts in an advisory capacity to Fr. Sean, and its members are also liaisons within our faith community.

Beginning Experience of the Hudson Valley is inviting men and women of all ages who have suffered the loss of a spouse through death, divorce or separation to an overnight healing weekend at the St. Lawrence Retreat Center in Beacon from October 14-16. For information, call Janice at 845-490-7466 or Renee at 845-374-2101.

The **Feast of St. Teresa of Avila** will be celebrated at the National Shrine of Our Lady of Mount Carmel beginning with Mass at 10 a.m.

on **Saturday, October 15.** Confessions follow from 11 a.m. until noon, and then a conference on St. Teresa will be presented by Fr. Marlon Beharry, Shrine chaplain, at 1 p.m. For information, call Carol Bezak, Shrine director, at 845-343-1879.

Our **Sunday Scripture Study** meets via ZOOM at **10 a.m. Wednesdays** to read the upcoming weekend's Scriptures and discuss them beforehand. For more information, call Ernie Martin at 845-800-4342.

BATHROOM SAFETY REMINDER

While we have a safety team that is on the alert for intruders, parents also share in the responsibility to keep their children safe while in a public building.

Therefore, as mandated by our Safe Environment Program, a parent or guardian must accompany a youngster to the restroom.

REPORTING ALLEGED ABUSE

Anyone who needs to report an alleged incident of sexual abuse of a minor by a priest, deacon, religious or lay person serving in the Archdiocese of New York is asked to contact Eileen Mulcahy, victims assistance coordinator, at 646-794-2949 or e-mail victimsassistance@archny.org.

In keeping with the Archdiocesan policy regarding sexual abuse of minors, this information is provided to ensure that our children remain safe and secure.

ILLUMINATING THE ONLINE WORLD

WARNING: CD9 (Parents around). Instagram is not just about pictures and Roblox can be more than a game.

Last weekend, on September 25, Deb Harrison and Chris Worthington, the



youth ministers at St. Paul's, did a presentation on the challenges to the safety of our youth posed by the online world. Topics included an overview of data related to social media, messaging and mental health; current messaging abbreviations and slang; emoticons and emojis used as code; apps and games; platforms and safety tools.

The goal was and continues to be awareness so that adults can rally as a community to keep our youth safe. Resources were provided and, upon request, Deb and Chris will offer additional presentations at other local sites. They are also planning a program for youth to encourage physical, emotional and mental safety online. You may reach out to them for information and resources via <u>saintpaulsym@gmail.com</u> or by calling (845) 248-3120.

VOCATION EXPLORATION

Are you being called to the priesthood? A **Discernment Retreat** has been scheduled for young men next weekend, **October 7-9**, at the Graymoor Spiritual Life Center in Garrison.

The retreat will include prayer, fraternity and spiritual renewal under the direction of Fr. George Sears and other priests from the Archdiocese of New York. For more information and/or to register, visit nypriest.com.

SHOPPING LIST

Use of our Food Pantry has increased fourfold since pre-covid days. We have been able to keep up because of volunteers, the Food Bank – and you!

We welcome donations of **unexpired** and **nonperishable** items. This week, we are in particular need of: **Peanut butter and jelly; instant oatmeal and pancake mix plus syrup; hot cocoa and juice.**

Monetary donations, which can also be made on WeShare, are also much appreciated for use by our savvy pantry shoppers. Thank you!

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