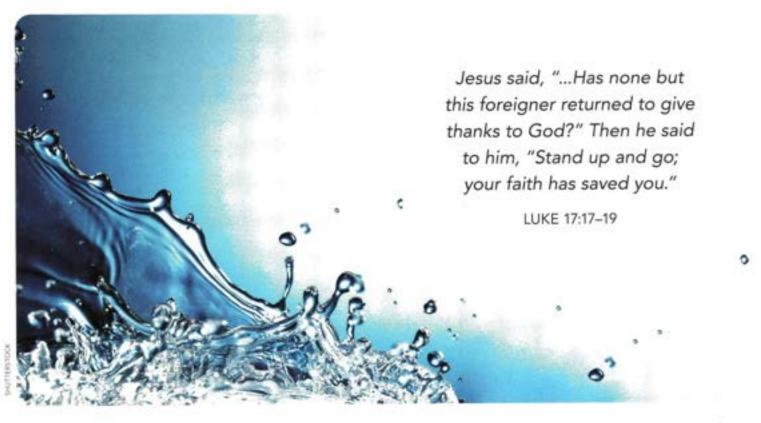


#### October 9, 2022

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C) 2 Kgs 5:14-17 2 Tm 2:8-13 Lk 17:11-19



# They Were Cleansed

The men in today's passages were considered outside the realm of God's concern. First, they were foreigners. Naaman was from Syria, a frequent enemy of ancient Israel. The man in the Gospel passage was a Samaritan, a descendant of marriage between Israelites and foreign people who were exiled to northern Israel around 722 BC. These men were outsiders, distrusted, even despised because they were not Israelites who believed that only they were "a kingdom of priests, a holy nation" (Exodus 19:6).

Besides their foreign affiliation, these men suffered from the dreaded disease of leprosy. Their affliction might not have been the disease we know by that name today, but perhaps a skin condition such as psoriasis or eczema. Whatever the case, Israel held that any form of skin flare-up rendered the sufferer unclean or unfit to participate in public ritual. Furthermore, contact with lepers threatened the religious status of others.

It was for religious, more than hygienic reasons that lepers were shunned.

It appears that God is not inhibited by human customs, even religious customs. Both men are healed of their ailment, one by the prophet Elisha the other by Jesus. This itself would make both stories remarkable. But there is more: Both returned to express their profound gratitude to the agent of God through whom they had been healed. Naaman was willing to transfer his religious allegiance to the God of Israel; the Samaritan fell at the knees of Jesus, a hated Jew. Surely, God works in mysterious ways.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

## FOR Reflection

- \* Think of someone who belongs to a different religious tradition. Reflect on how God appears to have blessed them.
- Pray for all countries that today are suffering from poverty or war.

## Our Lady of the Rosary ~ Our Lady Queen of Peace

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Mass Schedule ~ Our Lady of the Rosary

Saturday Vigil 4:00pm Sunday 8:30am Monday/Tuesday 8:30am Wed/Thurs Communion Svc 8:30am Mass Schedule ~ Queen of Peace, Fountain

Sunday 10:30am

Baptisms

Contact the PCL

Reconciliation

Upon Request

Sacraments for younger Children

Contact PCL

Last Week's Collection ~ \$3,081

Please pray for Mary Kay Collins,
Hai Van Heller, Mary Ann Hugg, Russ
Blount, Julie Kim Rollence, Zoom Elliott,
Jackie Ochampaugh, Ruthie
Kress, Carol Brust, Shari Letson,
Bonnie Hunt, Robert Wade, Robert
Nagel, Helen Hall, Sandi Ann
Morehouse, Fr. William Brown, Barbara
Lourcey, Jessica Havel, Jim Elsner,
Gloria Morrison, Harry Carmello, Ethan
Findlay, Chris Weller, Mary Munzel,
Dennis Nuber, Jordan Taylor, Trisha
Roberto, parishioners of Rosary,
parishioners of Queen of Peace, Mike
Battcher, Don Culbreath

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The Sanctuary Lamp for the week of October 8 is in joyful celebration for Rev. William P. Brown.





Flowers placed on the Altar this week in loving memory of Paul Gorman and the deceased members of the Janczak family.

Our Lady of the Rosary / Queen of Peace Parish
Thanksgiving Meal will be held on Sunday afternoon,
November 20 in OLR's Parish Hall. Turkeys and Hams
will be furnished. Parishioners will be asked to sign up
to bring side dishes and desserts. More information to
follow. See Kevin Hall (850) 276-2621 to volunteer.
Thank you!



Worldwide Marriage Encounter. For over 50 years, Worldwide Marriage Encounter has been a leading movement in offering

married couples the gift of a Weekend experience to enrich their relationship. Worldwide Marriage Encounter provides an opportunity for you to explore your relationship together and find ways to make it more fulfilling and stronger for a lifetime. The Weekend can help you enhance communication, renew commitment, and rekindle romance. Sign up today to attend an upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on February 10-12, 2023 at St. Neumann Retreat Center in Tallahassee. For more information or for other scheduled weekends, visit our website at wwme.org or e-mail: <a href="mailto:Applications@FLCN-wwme.org">Applications@FLCN-wwme.org</a>.

A Parish Halloween Party will be held after Mass on Saturday, October 29 for all parishioners. There will be games, Costume Contest for Youth and Adults, and a Trick or Treat. Lasagna, salad and drinks will be served during



the party. Please sign up to bring food, donate candy or host a game. For more information, contact Kevin Hall (850) 276-2621.

The Boxes of Joy Program benefitting less fortunate people in Central America begins October 17. Boxes and fliers explaining items requested will be placed in the Church Foyer. Please take a box, fill it with requested items, and return box to the foyer no later than Sunday, October 30. Please contact Kevin Hall (850) 276-2621 if you have questions. Thank you!

Our parish office's new phone is having technical difficulties. Please be patient with us as we work to correct this problem. In the mean time, if you need to get in touch with us, and can't reach us on the office phone, call Arlene at (850)276-8739.

Have you tuned into the latest podcast? Hosts
Susanne McNinch and Chez Filippini talk with David
Ell about his time in the Army, what led him to
work for the church, and his current role as the
COO of the Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee.
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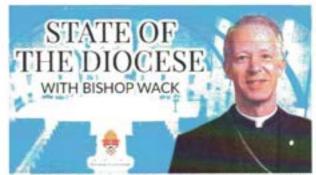
One last order for Lector Workbooks will be placed on October 27, and cost is \$20/book. Please make checks out to OLR and give to Arlene or place in collection box before October 27.



calling all middle school boys & girls who want to dive deeper into the Father's heart and experience the

FREEDOM of His promise that "perfect love casts out al fear!" This middle school retreat will be held November 5, 9am – 9pm at Laguana Christian Camp on Front Beach Road. (OPTIONAL: Come Friday night, Nov 4 anytime after 6pm to "settle in" with your group and have some team building activities and late night Mass). You are welcome also to stay over Saturday (Each group staying over is responsible for their own chaperones with their youth minister). For more info and registration, contact Kevin Hall at (850)276-2621 or pcl@olr.ptdiocese.org

October is Respect Life month ~ please pray for an end to abortion.



State of the Diocese ~ As Bishop Wack celebrates his fifth anniversary this year, he addresses the faithful by sharing insights on the state of the Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee. Take a moment to watch at <a href="https://youtu.be/1t457An8jEo">https://youtu.be/1t457An8jEo</a>

#### This Week's Calendar

#### Saturday, October 8

3:30pm ~ Pray the Rosary (CH)

4:00pm Vigil Mass, Rosary ~ LFr. William P. Brown

5:00pm ~ Fr. Brown's Retirement Celebration (PH)

#### Sunday, October 9

8:00am ~ Pray the Rosary (CH)

8:30am Mass, Rosary ~ +George Dupuis

9:30am ~ NO CCD

10:30am Mass, Peace

#### Monday, October 10

8:00am ~ Pray the Rosary(CH)

8:30am Mass, Rosary ~ +Ruth Goodwin;

+/LParishioners

#### Tuesday, October 11

8:00am ~ Pray the Rosary(CH)

8:30am Mass, Rosary ~ Dianne Vondenstein

9:00am ~ Bible Study (PH)

5:00pm ~ Choir Practice (CH)

#### Wednesday, October 12

8:00am ~ Pray the Rosary (CH)

8:30am ~ Communion Service

#### Thursday, October 13

8:00am ~ Pray the Rosary (CH)

8:30am ~ Communion Service

#### Saturday, October 15

3:30pm ~ Pray the Rosary (CH)

4:00pm Vigil Mass, Rosary ~+Maria Tran; LMike

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#### Sunday, October 16

8:00am ~ Pray the Rosary (CH)

8:30am Mass, Rosary ~ +Sr. Delores Greenwell

9:30am ~ CCD (RE)

10:30am Mass, Peace

First Reading

Second Reading



Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time 2 Kings 5:14-17

## The Kindness of Strangers

You expect your family and friends to help you. You expect church and society to help you. But you do not expect help from strangers, from people of other nations, and especially not from enemies.

The help we receive from God always delights us. But when it comes through an unexpected source, it brings special delight.

Naaman was a leper who sought a cure. He sought help from Elisha the prophet. But Naaman was a Syrian, not among the children of Israel. Elisha had little or nothing to do with Syrians. But God inspired Elisha to help Naaman. Elisha ignored the nationality and focused on the illness. At his command, Naaman washed in the Jordan River seven times. He came out healed. Naaman decided he would no longer worship any other god in Syria. He would worship only Israel's God.

The help we give strangers proclaims the Gospel. In acting charitably toward others, we bring Christ to them, even to those who have not yet met Christ.

When we receive the kindness of strangers, we learn how Christ is at work in the world in places we did not imagine. The miracle of charity proclaims the universality of God's work.

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# Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time 2 Timothy 2:8-13

### Gliding into a Hole

At the end of a hard day's work, at the beginning of a tough month, in the middle of a difficult season-some people feel like quitting. But they cannot. They have to keep on working, even in the face of failure. Like rowers slipping downstream when they strive to paddle up, they see no progress. But if they stop, it only gets worse. Often it is debt that saps our energy. We get deeper into trouble, and there seems no way out.

Rule number one for getting out of a hole is simple: Quit digging.

Even in the Christian life we all go through times of despair. Our prayer does not seem what it used to be. We are not as faithful at attending church as we would like. The feasts and seasons drift by without acknowledgment. Kindness to a neighbor seems unappealing.

Some people let their faith glide into a hole that seems unfathomable. They do not know what to do.

The Second Letter of Timothy knows what to do: "Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David." Jesus was the Son of God, but he was also human, a descendant of David. He was human like us. And he was raised from the dead.

Remember that, "If we have died with him we shall also live with him; if we persevere we shall also reign with him." He remains faithful to us if we open our hearts to him and remember.

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# Dear Padre,

# How long is Mass supposed to last? My sister leaves after an hour even if the priest is still talking. Shouldn't she wait until it's over?

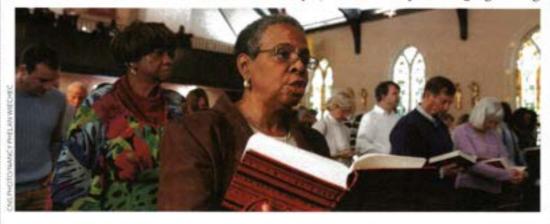
There's no rule about how long Mass should last, but it's inappropriate to arrive late or leave before the final blessing or the end of the recessional song. People should leave early only if they get sick or if they're doctors, police officers, or firefighters called away for an emergency.

Weekend activities should be scheduled around Mass. Saturday night Masses were designed for people who work Sundays and for parishes with too few priests to accommodate everyone on Sunday. They weren't designed to make it easier to get a good tee time on Sunday morning.

It's also important to remember that local customs and traditions affect the length of Mass. When I worked as a missionary in Brazil, Sunday Mass could go on for nearly three hours. When I celebrated Mass in Scotland, the pastor said I had to be done in a half-hour.

Most areas have more than one church. Encourage your sister to either grow accustomed to the tradition of the parish she attends or look for another church. As a rule, I don't think it's good to "shop around" for Mass, but if your sister is that bothered by the length of the Mass at her current church, it might be better for her to go elsewhere.

Fr. Patrick Keyes, CSsR / Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org





## A WORD FROM Pope Francis

Mass begins with the Sign of the Cross, with these introductory rites, because there we begin to adore God as a community. And for this reason, it is important to make sure you do not arrive late, but rather early, in order to prepare the heart for this rite, for this community celebration.

GENERAL AUDIENCE, DECEMBER 20, 2017

## Calendar

Monday

OCTOBER 10 Weekday

Gal 4:22-24, 26-27,

31-5:1

Lk 11:29-32

Tuesday

OCTOBER 11

Weekday Gal 5:1-6

Lk 11:37-41

Wednesday

OCTOBER 12 Weekday

Gal 5:18-25

Lk 11:42-46

Thursday

OCTOBER 13 Weekday

Eph 1:1-10

Lk 11:47-54

Friday

OCTOBER 14 Weekday

Eph 1:11-14

Lk 12:1-7

Saturday

OCTOBER 15

St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of

the Church

Eph 1:15-23

Lk 12:8-12

Sunday

OCTOBER 16

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ex 17:8-13

2 Tm 3:14-4:2

Lk 18:1-8

#### Know Someone Overly Anxious About Sin?

Since 1964, the Redemptorists' Scrupulous Anonymous free monthly newsletter has ministered compassionately to those struggling with scrupulosity. To subscribe, visit ScrupulousAnonymous.org.



