

**Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 27, 2009**

The law of the LORD is perfect,
refreshing the soul;
the decree of the LORD is trustworthy,
giving wisdom to the simple.

— *Psalm 19:8*



NOT AGAINST US

Like Moses before him, Jesus corrects his disciples' misunderstanding of the gift of the Spirit. They saw people who were not of their company casting out demons and doing other works such as Jesus had done. Jesus points out that no one who does a good deed in his name can be opposed to him at the same time! He goes on to point out the importance of the "little ones": the poor, simple people, children, the meek ones who are not important in the world. It is to them that he was sent, not to the wealthy and the self-righteous. He underscores the importance of small works done in faith, as well as big works like driving out demons. "Anyone who gives you a cup of water . . . because you belong to Christ . . . will surely not lose his reward" (Mark 9:41). God builds the coming reign little by little in our actions, however small and unassuming, when they are done out of love of God and neighbor. © Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Yom Kippur begins at sunset
Monday: St. Lawrence Ruiz and his companions; St. Wenceslaus
Tuesday: St. Michael, St. Gabriel, and St. Raphael
Wednesday: St. Jerome
Thursday: St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus
Friday: The Guardian Angels; First Friday
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday; Sukkot begins at sunset

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Zec 8:1-8; Lk 9:46-50
Tuesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a;
Jn 1:47-51
Wednesday: Neh 2:1-8; Lk 9:57-62
Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Lk 10:1-12
Friday: Bar 1:15-22; Mt 18:1-5, 10
Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Lk 10:17-24
Sunday: Gn 2:18-24; Ps 128; Heb 2:9-11;
Mk 10:2-16 [2-12]

MASS INTENTIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 20TH THROUGH SEPTEMBER 26TH

SUNDAY.....8:00AM	Jo Tragesser	Req. by Fred and Linda Faust
SUNDAY.....10:00AM	FOR THE PARISH	
MONDAY..... 6:45AM	Harriet Flinn Fabre	Req. by Frank Fabre
TUESDAY..... 6:45AM	+Louis Voisinnet	Req. by Don and Catherine Voisinnet
WEDNESDAY..... 6:45AM	+Joseph Almeida, Jr.	Req. by Jeanette Willis
THURSDAY..... 6:45AM	+James Walsh	Req. by Randy and Mary Williams
FRIDAY..... 6:45AM	STM Sick and Shut-ins	Req. by STM Office
SATURDAY..... 4:30PM	+Valentim Ferreira	Req. by Gerry Pence

Attention: The 2010 MASS INTENTION book has just arrived. Call or come by if you want to book any intentions for the coming year.

***REMEMBER YOUR LOVED ONES WITH MASS INTENTIONS. THEY ARE AVAILABLE FOR SEPTEMBER - DECEMBER 2010**

SANCTUARY DUTY – October 2nd - Charles and Phyllis Nearn

The Catholic Charities Food Pantry is in constant need of food items. If you have extra canned foods, dry foods, etc. please bring them to the parish hall and we will deliver them on September 29, 2009.



Please keep in your prayers Mary Fortney and her husband Jim, Harriet Flinn Fabre and her son Frak Fabre, Ashley Pace and his wife Judy, Regina Kaufman and her family, Betty White, Betty Jo Kyte, and all of our parishioners, family and friends who are waiting for operations, in the hospital, sick at home, recovering at home, and in nursing homes and their caregivers.

RCIA: The next session will be on October 7, 2009. This session will be on "Intro to the Sacraments" and will be presented by Msgr. John Cassidy. All of the sessions will be on Wednesdays and will start at 7:00 p.m. in the STM Parish Hall.

27th Annual Charity Gala benefitting Catholic Charities Pensacola Regional Office, Saturday, October 10th at 7 p.m. at Sacred Heart Hospital's Greenhut Auditorium. The Gala promises a night of entertainment and live auction with cocktails and hors d'oeuvres and a chance to win \$10,000. Call 436-6410 to purchase a \$100 ticket for the grand prize drawing. The ticket includes admission into the Gala for one person. Admission tickets without the drawing are \$50 per person. Please save the date. Call 850-436-6410 for more information.

ST. THOMAS MORE PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

St. Thomas More Men's Club: The Men's Club meets at 8:00 a.m. in the parish hall on the first Sunday of every month.

The Ladies Altar Society: All women in the Parish are invited to join in the good works of this group. Call Lynn Van Natter @ 456-1070 or Mary Williams @ 457-0173 for more information. The ladies meet the second Sunday of every month in the parish hall after the 8 AM Mass.

Prayer Chain: If you have a prayer request, please call Susan Soule at 455-1690, and she will activate the prayer chain.

PARISH COUNCIL: The next meeting will be on October 11, 2009 at the Parish Hall at 9:00 a.m.

The Rosary is being recited on the first Saturday of each month at 4:10 p.m. Come and join the group at St. Thomas More.

CCD Class : Sundays at 9:00 a.m.

Craft Group: Thursdays at 9:00 a.m.

Parishoners - If you have someone in the military, serving here in the states or overseas, and want a Advent booklet "Five Minutes with the Word" sent to them from St. Thomas More, please submit their Name and Address. You can put in in the Offertory Basket, bring to the office or email to Jo at bayshore@stm.gccoxmail.com.

ATTENTION: Mary Stevens from Shear Convenience will come out to homebound or to health care facilities to cut and style hair. Call her at 457-4841 or on her cell phone at 291-0298.

The envelopes for All Souls Day Remembrances are in the back of the Church. You can bring the envelope by the Office or put it in the collection. Please print the names of the deceased – Thank You!

Let's all pray that this Hurricane Season (June 1-November 31) is a quiet one.

PET BLESSING: In honor of the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi, we will conduct a "Blessing of the Pets" on October 4th at 2:00 PM at the St. Frances Garden behind the Church. If the weather is bad we will conduct the blessing in the Hall so bring your pet, rain or shine. Contact Deacon Ken McClure if you have any questions.



In Memoriam

Please don't forget our former members of our parish who have gone home to their eternal rest, and whose anniversary of their death occurs in October:

10/12/55	Diana Idell Jarrell
10/03/60	Albert J. "Pete" Pearl
10/25/60	Barbara Wing Toulmin
10/23/62	James Joseph Brown
10/02/63	Infant Quarrier
10/31/67	Vincent C. Ripa
10/26/68	Robert Paul D'Lugos
10/04/70	Pasquina A. Forrest
10/12/71	Bernard L. Comerford
10/07/72	Juanita Eggart Marich
10/11/77	James T. Herring
10/08/78	Richard B. Pearson
10/27/80	Millard Stephen Flacy, Jr.
10/26/81	Harley Leroy Snyder
10/28/81	Doris M. Stoll
10/08/83	Mary J. Dockstader
10/02/86	Marie L. Fordham
10/19/87	Ruth White
10/12/88	Reverend Jules A. Keating
10/12/90	Edward H. Garrett
10/28/93	Edward T. White, Jr.
10/01/94	Maxine Ebert
10/16/94	Dorothy Mae Libbey
10/27/04	Larry Russell Carney
10/17/05	Annie Belle Jonik
10/24/08	Marion Hope Crowder