

**OUR LADY OF PROMPT SUCCOR CATHOLIC CHURCH
CHACKBAY, LOUISIANA**

September 27, 2009

Twenty-Six Sunday in Ordinary Time



Pastor's Corner...

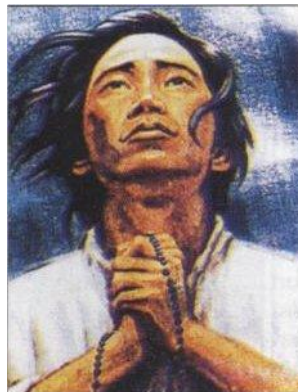


- ⊕ **Our website ad: www.parishesonline.com/olopschackbay**
- ⊕ **Every painful mile...** It's a hard thing to do, cutting yourself off from the world - so much ease and pleasure to be denied. Who wants to walk a harder path, really? It's in our nature to take the easy road, give in to temptation and let things go. But Jesus held up a higher standard. He challenged us to root out every sin, every weakness. Why? Because it isn't the road here on earth that matters - it's the road to the kingdom of God. You see we get to choose our struggles. We can struggle here, against lust, greed, envy, anger and at the end of our lives find the road to heaven a silken staircase. Or we can have a red carpet ride of ease and luxury on earth, and find the road to heaven barricaded with fortresses built of sin. It's a simple choice but a hard journey this road to paradise, but the destination is worth every painful mile.
- ⊕ **Thoughts on the Sunday Gospel ... Mk 9:39-43, 45, 47-48... Give a little, get a lot...** Someone once said that a person is best judged, not by what they hold onto, but by what they give up. We become defined by the sacrifices we make. Giving up time and labor to provide for loved ones, volunteering to help others, even taking time to play with our children. These noble gifts reflect the best part of us. But there are other sacrifices, so often unseen, that shape us as well. The sacrifice of not indulging in self-pity, of not lying when it is easier than the truth, of not giving in to anger no matter how real the provocation. Each of these sacrifices, this "giving", brings us closer to God. They tune the heartstrings of our soul to His melody, preparing us for the communion we will experience in heaven. By giving up bad habits or bad thoughts we are not subtracting, diminishing ourselves, we are adding a bond of love to our relationship with God.

Jesus said, “if your eye causes you to sin, pluck it out. It is better to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than with two eyes to fall to hell.” Ask yourself this week what do I need to sacrifice to be closer to God? Then let it go. It’s a small price to pay for eternity with Him. ©Copyright 2008 C L Enterprises



- ⊕ **St. Therese of Lisieux wrote...** “I call upon the angels and saints, who fly like eagles straight toward their fiery goal; their protection will defend me against the birds of prey that threaten to devour me. The spirits of evil cannot claim me for their own. I belong only to You, Jesus, You who have Your nest up there in the sun of love.”
- ⊕ **Jacobi de Voragine said of Archangels... Why honor the archangels? ...** “It behooves us to give them laud, praising and honor, for many reasons, for they are our keepers, our ministers, our brethren, our neighbors, the bearers of souls to heaven and representatives of our prayers to God, right noble knights of the King of Heaven and comforters of those that are in heaviness and tribulation.”



San Lorenzo Ruiz de Manila, pray for us!
First Filipino Saint

- ⊕ **Diocesan Celebration honoring San Lorenzo Ruiz de Manila– This Sunday - September 27 — All are invited!** This Sunday at 6:30pm Bishop Sam Jacobs will celebrate a Diocesan Mass in honor of San Lorenzo Ruiz de Manila (St. Lawrence Ruiz), together with all the Filipino people in our diocese, here at OLOPS. reception will follow in the Church Hall with some original Filipino dishes. Please come and celebrate...

- ⊕ **Blessings of Animals...** On Saturday, October 3, 2009, after the First Saturday Mass, about at 8:40am, in front of



the Church, we will have our annual Blessing of Animals. We invoke the help of St. Francis as we bless all our pets and/or other animals. The feast day of St. Francis of Assisi is on Sunday, October 4. St. Francis of Assisi, pray for us!

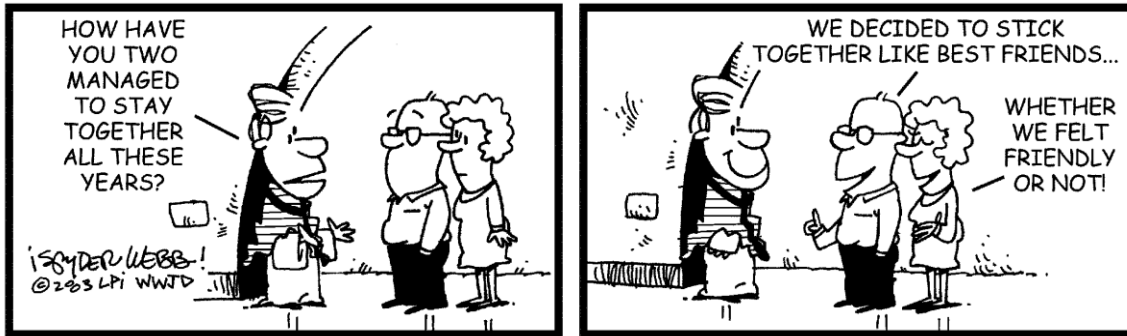
✦ **Respect Life Sunday...** The LaFourche Life Chain will be held on Respect Life Sunday, October 4, 2009, from 2:00pm-3:00pm (rain or shine). Those participating will line the median of Canal Blvd in Thibodaux and stand prayerfully and silently holding LIFE CHAIN signs. Join with other pro-life Christians to make a statement to our community that "Abortion Kills Children!" Please pray...

✦ **St. Joseph... pray for us!**

✦ **Our Lady of Prompt Succor... hasten to our help!**

Fr. Flood

27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Sep 27 TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Nm 11:25-29

Ps 19

Jas 5:1-6

Mk 9:38-43.45.47-48

Sep 28 Weekday, Wenceslaus, Bl Lawrence Ruiz co.

Zec 8:1-8, Ps 102, Lk 9:46-50

Sep 29 Michael, Gabriel, Raphael, archangels F

Dn 7:9-10.13-14 or Rv 12:7-12, Ps 138, Jn 1:47-51

Sep 30 Jerome

Neh 2:1-8, Ps 137, Lk 9:57-62

Oct 1 Therese of Lisieux

Neh 8:1-4.5-6.7-12, Ps 19, Lk 10:1-12

Oct 2 The Guardian Angels

Ex 23:20-23, Ps 91, Mt 18:1-5.10

Oct 3 Weekday, BVM

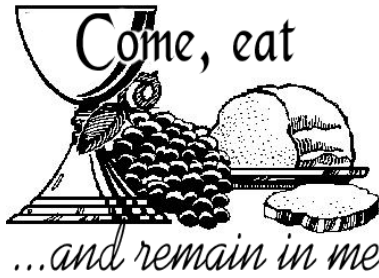
Bar 4:5-12.27-29, Ps 69, Lk 10:17-24

Part of His Harvest

“Let not the cares, riches, pleasures of this world choke the heart, which was formed to hold the love of God.

**Pray that the weeds of selfish desire
and material gain be pulled from this holy place,
and the roots of the kingdom may once again sink deep.
Only in this will we ensure our place in His great harvest.”**

E. Prusey



All for the Greater Glory of God!

Fr. Robert ☺