

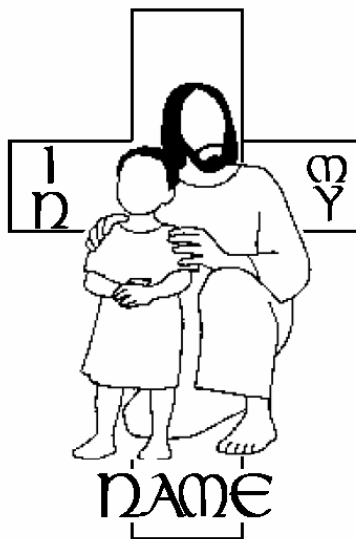
**OUR LADY OF PROMPT SUCCOR CATHOLIC CHURCH  
CHACKBAY, LOUISIANA**

**September 20, 2009**

**Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

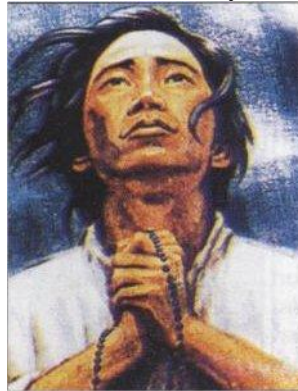


**Pastor's Corner...**



- ⊕ **Our website ad: [www.parishesonline.com/olopschackbay](http://www.parishesonline.com/olopschackbay)**
- ⊕ **Front row seats.... Not!...** Why is it that the sanctuary's back rows always fill up first? Perhaps it's humility. You know: the last shall be first, first out at the end of service at least. A small joke, but one that isn't so far from the truth. Jesus called each of us to humility, not invisibility. And He meant an active humility, sacrificially serving others not just hanging our heads. If the disciples were jockeying for front row pews today, Jesus wouldn't send them to the back ... He'd hand them an usher's badge and a stack of programs or assign them parking lot duty. Think about it. Where have you served lately?
- ⊕ **Thoughts on the Sunday Gospel ... Mk 9:30-37... Looking glass lifestyles...** Being self-conscious permeates our lifestyle today. We keep an ever-vigilant eye on our clothes, our hair, our houses and cars. Everything must be just right, at the peak of style. We stumble through life staring point blank in a harsh mirror, most often desperately displeased with what we see. With a shudder we note the failures: Our neighbors are smarter or more successful. Our coworkers perform better and get promoted faster. It's a sad fact of human nature this desire to be first or best. And like most of human nature it makes us profoundly unhappy. Such focus on self-analysis and success isn't new to our

century. Consider the disciples sitting at the feet of the Master, squabbling over whom was the greatest among them. How heartbreaking to have their eyes turned inward when they had Someone so much better to focus on! Like us the disciples needed to learn that a mirror is not the best reflector of our souls. If we wish to be the best child of God we can be, there is only one view we must seek: the face of our Savior. Looking at Jesus puts everything in perspective, gently, yet purposefully, pushing us back into our place. His face is the clearest picture of what we need to be. Looked in His mirror lately? ©Copyright 2008 C L Enterprises



⊕ **Diocesan Celebration honoring San Lorenzo Ruiz de Manila– September 27**  
 — **All are invited!** Bishop Sam Jacobs will celebrate a Diocesan Mass in honor of San Lorenzo Ruiz de Manila (St. Lawrence Ruiz), together with the Filipino people in our diocese this Sunday, September 27, 2009, here at OLOPS, at 6:30pm. A reception will follow in the Church Hall with some original Filipino dishes. Please come and celebrate... everyone is invited!



⊕ **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!

⊕ **St. Joseph... pray for us!**

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

How wonderful to walk with God  
 The road that holy ones have trod  
 How wonderful to hear Him say  
 Fear not, have faith, I lead the way  
 How wonderful this gift of prayer  
 To trust my sorrow to His care  
 How wonderful His sweet refrain  
 Be comforted, I'll bear the pain  
 How wonderful that when life ends  
 I'll see the face of this dear Friend  
 What joy to hear those words most blest,

“Well done, my child, come take your rest”  
C Lee

25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



**Sep 20 TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Wis 2:12.17-20

Ps 54

Jas 3:16--4:3

Mk 9:30-37

**Sep 21 Matthew,**

Eph 4:1-7.11-13, Ps 19, Mt 9:9-13

**Sep 22 Weekday**

Ezr 6:7-8.12.14-20, Ps 122, Lk 8:19-21

**Sep 23 Weekday**

Ezr 9:5-9, Tb 13:2-8, Lk 9:1-6

**Sep 24 Weekday**

Hg 1:1-8, Ps 149, Lk 9:7-9

**Sep 25 Weekday**

Hg 1:15--2:9, Ps 43, Lk 9:18-22

**Sep 26 Weekday, BVM, Cosmas and Damian**

Zec 2:5-9.14-15, Jer 31:10-13, Lk 9:43-45

**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!**

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