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Feast days of the week:

Mon 19 Oct	Saint Paul of the Cross
Thu 22 Oct	Saint John Paul II
Fri 23 Oct	Saint John of Capistrano
Sat 24 Oct	Saint Antony Mary Claret

Mass times this week:

Tuesdays and Wednesdays: Church will open from 4:00pm, Mass at 5:15pm

Every Tuesday: Rosary at 12:00 noon

Thursdays and Fridays: Church will open from 12noon, Mass at 1:05pm

Every Thursday: Eucharistic Adoration 12noon (with Benediction before First Fridays)

Every Friday: Rosary at 12:30pm

Saturdays: 9:00am Rosary followed by Mass at 9:30am

Sundays: 9:00am and 10:30am

Confessions: Before Mass Tuesday to Saturday, particularly Friday 12:30 – 1:00pm
and Saturday 9 - 9:30am

RCIA – This Wednesday evening's topic will be on **The Introduction to the Church's Liturgy and Sacraments** between 6 – 7:00pm in the Duffy Hall. All are welcome.

World Mission Day - Sunday 18th of October - World Mission Day, or Mission Sunday, reminds Catholics about their commitment and support for the missionary work of the Church through prayer and sacrifice, which was instituted by Pope Pius XI on 1926. On Pentecost Sunday, May 31, Pope Francis released his message for this year's celebration and said that the Covid-19 pandemic is an opportunity for mission and service to others.

Pope Francis has emphasized throughout his pontificate that to be a Catholic is to be a missionary and to be a Catholic parish is to be a missionary parish.

Pope has 'simple but jarring' message for the world in encyclical

SOUTH BEND, Indiana October 12, 2020 — Voices from around the U.S. Church are praising Pope Francis's new encyclical on human fraternity, calling it a timely address for the culture and politics of the world's largest economic power.

Fratelli Tutti, which was released on Sunday, encapsulates the pope's previous thoughts on human fraternity and the failings of global society to prioritize the marginalized. While observers have noted there's not much new in the document, it has been lauded as a moral playbook for a post-pandemic world.

A cure for divisiveness

After months of a pandemic that has killed more than 210,000 people, racial tensions that have ignited widespread protests, and a volatile presidential election that has bred vitriolic rhetoric online, commentators say U.S. Catholics can use *Fratelli Tutti* as a textbook for healing a broken world.

Archbishop José Gomez, president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, said *Fratelli Tutti* reminds Catholics that God's will "has implications for every aspect of our lives," affecting everything from friendships to economies.

"The Pope is challenging us to overcome the individualism in our culture and to serve our neighbors in love," Gomez said in a statement.

Sister Simone Campbell, head of the Catholic advocacy group NETWORK, seconded the words of Pope Francis on solidarity.

"Pope Francis is sending a simple but jarring message to our world world: We must move beyond continuous divisiveness and come together to build a world worthy of all God's children," said the Blessed Sacrament sister in a statement.

Campbell also criticized the nation's elected leaders, citing the encyclical's call for politicians to focus on the most vulnerable over other interests.

"While millions of Americans worry about getting sick, finding their next meal or paying rent, many elected leaders are prioritizing their own political interest over

human decency,” she said. “This is a failure in moral leadership and Catholics cannot stand for it.”

Bishop Joseph Bambera of Scranton, Pennsylvania admired the encyclical’s call for openness among people with different viewpoints. Bambera said it speaks to U.S. culture, where “circling the wagons” can be seen as commendable.

“What he’s doing is he’s calling us to a better understanding of who we are, so we cannot defensively engage the other,” he said. “When you talk about the United States, I think in so many respects, isn’t that kind of where we fall? We’re all so defensive.”

A spirit of openness becomes even more important on social media during a contentious election season, Bambera said.

“When we pit ourselves against another — me against the world, me against you — what do we do?” he told *Crux*. “In social media, we say something. Well, that’s taken then by a large number of individuals as truth, as Gospel, when it may or may not reflect the reality of a situation.”

For priests and bishops in highly contested swing states like Pennsylvania, Bambera recommended *Fratelli Tutti* — and especially the pope’s reflection on the parable of the Good Samaritan in chapter two — as a template for clergy addressing the election.

“I think there is incredible value in us simply preaching the essence of this encyclical,” he said. “I think there are so many opportunities that we’ll have on the local level to engage this encyclical.”

Bambera also heads the U.S. Bishops’ committee dedicated to interreligious dialogue, one of the key topics Francis addresses in his encyclical. Bambera said Francis’s vision aligns with what his committee is already doing, but *Fratelli Tutti* “raises the urgency” of its work.

“There are so many things that vying for our attention as a Church,” he said. “This once again catapults [interreligious dialogue] to the forefront of the Church. It’s not an afterthought, it’s not something we did after the [Second Vatican] Council and we can shelve.”

Can war be just?

Perhaps the most novel section of the encyclical, though, focuses on the morality of warfare as a path to peace. Francis casts doubt on the enduring value of the just war tradition, writing that, given the destructive power of modern weapons, war’s costs “probably always” outweigh its benefits.

Debates about the meaning of Francis’s double modifier have already taken off, and U.S. scholars are weighing in on both sides.

Maryann Cusimano Love, a professor of international relations at the Catholic University of America, suggested that Francis’s anti-war message is clear.

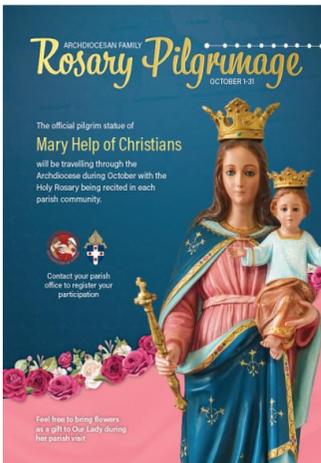
“Francis is putting it in very practical terms, saying, ‘you can’t build peace by war,’” she said, noting the pope’s rebuke of the innocent deaths caused by war. “He really calls out how just war tradition has been misused, in his terms, to justify war, rather than the true spirit which was to build peace.”

But some are questioning that interpretation, saying that the pope does not rule out building peace through military means, such as armed actions by the United Nations.

NOTICES



We need your views - Our Lady Help of Christians at our Parish shrine in the courtyard – Fr John encourages all parishioners to vote via return email st61538@bigpond.net.au to the parish, statues of which additional saints, if any, should be added to the statue of Our Lady Help of Christians at our Parish shrine in the courtyard.



October Family Rosary Pilgrimage – Beginning Oct 1, the statue of Our Lady Help of Christians will be visiting 31 parishes during October, month of the Holy Rosary. In May, Archbishop Fisher consecrated the Archdiocese to Our Lady Help of Christians and we encourage families to pray the Rosary. Pope Leo XIII said that during the month of October to add the Litany of Loreto to the Rosary. A copy of the Archdiocesan Family Rosary Pilgrimage Schedule is available for you to take home. Please remember to book in at the Parish you wish to attend to comply with all Covid guidelines.



One Million Children Praying the Rosary – Aid to the Church in need Australia invite all to make a conscience approach in joining and praying the Rosary at your own time, with family and friends or at our own place of worship, on 18 October 2020. Leaflets are available at the Parish.

Our prayers for the Sick – Ettore Pelewzick (*Dominic's father*), Ana Chiasa, Mira Krcma, Josephine Finneran and John Welch.

We remember our deceased - Frederick, Edward & Margaret M Hailwood, Margaret D Hailwood (21/9), Joyce Hailwood & Marge Heaney, Joan McEvoy, June Veronica Hailwood, Abelina Capalihan, Ana Ofelia Sierra Bustamante (22/3), Brian Joseph Hetherington (9/7), Fraivcisco Baptista Deceset (6/9), Lina Cassar, Rosa Chianese (12/9), Robin Bridgewater, Marie La Brooy ((24/9) Genevieve's mother 3rd death anniversary), Charles Grech (25/9), Ethel & Des Fitzgerald, Brian McFadden, Giles Auty and Bernard Saddler

The Cardoner Project - The Two Wolves Community Cantina, Chippendale (the Catholic-run young adults ministry and Mexican restaurant), is now available for events and functions! Whether you are looking to book a Birthday Party, a Work Christmas Event or a Community Reunion, we would love to accommodate you. Importantly, all profits go towards supporting the work of The Cardoner Project in Sydney and in the developing world.



So, what better place is there to host your function? Enquire today at events@thetwowolves.com.au for more information. We are looking forward to hearing from you soon.

Covid-19 Archdiocesan/Parish Regulations:

1. No person who is unwell should come onto the parish property. (Archbishop Fisher's dispensation from the Sunday Mass obligation remains in place indefinitely.)
2. A distance of 4 square metres per person is to be maintained inside all parish buildings, including when queuing to receive Holy Communion (*in single file please*).
3. A distance of 1.5 metres between persons is to be maintained outdoors everywhere on the parish property
4. Those persons entering the church who have registered their contact details with the parish are to sign against their name.
5. Those who have not already registered their contact details with the parish, are to write their name and contact details (*phone number and email address*) and sign their name against those same details.
6. **AFTER signing in**, all persons entering the church are to use the hand sanitizer placed on the sign-in table.
7. Please observe the orange markers as to where to sit on each pew.
8. There is no need to sign-out.
(If at all possible, please bring your own pen to sign-in)

Thank you everyone for your co-operation and patience during these abnormal times.

MUSIC LIST FOR THE 10:30AM MASS

Ordinary

Missa pro editione tertia - C.G. Mueller (2011)

Entrance Chant

Ego clamavi

I have called out because you answer me, O God; incline your ear and hear my words; keep me, O Lord, like the apple of your eye; protect me under the shadow of your wings. (Ps. 16(17): 6, 8)

Offertory Motet

Cantate Domino - G. Pitoni (1657-1743)

Sing a new song to the Lord, his praise in the assembly of the faithful. Let Israel rejoice in its Maker, let Sion's sons exult in their king. (Ps. 149: 1-2)

Communion Chant

Domine, Dominus noster

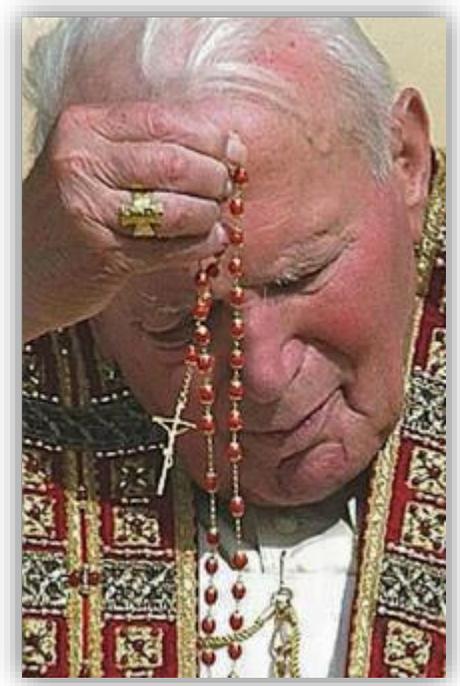
O Lord, our governor, how admirable is your name in all the earth! Ψ . For your magnificence is elevated above the heavens. (Ps. 8: 2ab; Ψ . 2c)

Communion Motet

Ego sum panis vivus - W. Byrd (c.1540-1623)

I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If any man eat of this bread, he shall live forever. Alleluia. (Jn. 6: 51-52a)

Feast of Saint John Paul II – 22 October 2020



October being the month of the Rosary, it is apt to ponder on the wisdom of Pope John Paul II on the Rosary:

“It could be said that each mystery of the Holy Rosary, when carefully meditated, sheds light on the mystery of man: ‘cast your burden on the Lord and He will sustain you,’ as it says in Psalm 55:23. To pray the rosary is to hand over our burdens to the combined merciful hearts of Christ and His Mother. The rosary does indeed ‘mark the rhythm of human life’, bringing it into the joyful communion of the Holy Trinity, Who is our life’s destiny and deepest longing. Through the rosary, the faithful receive abundant graces as though from the very hands of the Mother of the Redeemer.”