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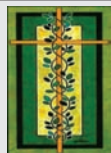
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Thanksgiving

For wealth and plenty in the land,
For faith in God's sustaining hand,
For every blessing great and small
We thank the giver of it all.



OCTOBER 9, 2023
27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

CYCLE A (MATTHEW)

Living on the Vine: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Isaiah 5:1-7
 Psalm 80:9, 12-16, 19-20
 Philippians 4:6-9
 Matthew 21:33-43

In today's Gospel Jesus returns to the Old Testament symbol of the vineyard to teach about Israel, the Church, and the kingdom of God. And the symbolism of today's First Reading and Psalm is readily understood. God is the owner and the house of Israel is the vineyard. A cherished vine,



Israel was plucked from Egypt and transplanted in a fertile land specially spaded and prepared by God, hedged about by the city walls of Jerusalem, watched over by the towering Temple. But the vineyard produced no good grapes for the wine, a symbol for the holy lives God wanted for His people. So God allowed His vineyard to be overrun by foreign invaders, as Isaiah foresees in the First Reading. Jesus picks up the story where Isaiah leaves off, even using Isaiah's words to describe the vineyard's wine press, hedge, and watchtower. Israel's religious leaders, the tenants in His parable, have learned nothing from Isaiah or Israel's past. Instead of producing good fruits, they've killed the owner's servants, the prophets sent to gather the harvest of faithful souls. In a dark foreshadowing of His own crucifixion outside Jerusalem, Jesus says the tenants' final outrage will be to seize the owner's son and to kill him outside the vineyard walls. For this, the vineyard, which Jesus calls the kingdom of God, will be taken away and given to new tenants—the leaders of the Church, who will produce its fruit. We are each a vine in the Lord's vineyard, grafted onto the true vine of Christ (see John 15:1-8), called to bear fruits of the righteousness in Him (see Philippians 1:11) and to be the "first fruits" of a new creation (see James 1:18). We need to take care that we don't let ourselves be overgrown with the thorns and briars of worldly anxiety. As today's Epistle advises, we need to fill our hearts and minds with noble intentions and virtuous deeds, rejoicing always that the Lord is near.

Thank you to Dr. Scott Hahn and the St. Paul Center for the use of the weekly Mass reflections. More resources are available at www.stpaulcenter.com

Mass Intentions
 FOR THE WEEK



OCTOBER 7TH TO OCTOBER 14TH 2023

Sat Oct 7th 5:00pm - Mona Owens †
 Sun Oct 8th 7:30am - 15th Wedding Anniversary
 Blessings for Ese and
 Ochuko Anigboro
 9:00am - People of the Parish
 10:30am- Remedios Palencia †
 12:00pm- Susana Atchico †
 Mon Oct 9th 8:30am - Mr. and Mrs. Felix's
 Family
 Tue Oct 10th 8:30am - Carol Cain †
 Wed Oct 11th 7:30pm - Dominic & Vera Lobo †;
 Ignac Pozderec †;
 Thu Oct 12th 8:30am - Yvonne Middlecoat †
 Fri Oct 13th 7:30pm - Fr. Savio Bruto da Costa
 Sat Oct 14th 8:30am - Virginia Medeiros †; and
 Edgardo Sunga †



OUR SICK:

Maria Theresa, Lary McDermott, Maria Johanna Tizon, Bob & Linda Morgan, Sally Benadetto, Maverick Valle, Richard Stockman, Don O'Shaughnessy, Alana Maurica Gerardine, Bette McDermott, Josephine Lavecchia, Romeo Dimalanta, Mara Ezgeta, Fredrick Martyn, John Rodriguez, Sabrina Achaibar, Sharon Garisto, Elizabeth Singh, Richard Rodriguez, Kenny Gonsalves, Kris Gonsalves, Carlo Tomasi, Anna Tomasi, Evelyn Gatila, Judith Ritch, Rita Clemenz, Estela Pett, Steve McAuley, George Paramby Varghese, Edward Kaminski, Emmanuel Carpio, Ligaya Carpio, Holly MacInnis, Norma Diso, Jennifer Solomon, Bill Filipchuk, Kathleen Filipchuk, Colleen Balgobin, Dionne Hastings, Sonia Miranda, Kevin Andrey Morales, Rhaquel Elizabeth Jojan, Ramona Labo, Ruth Claire Alinas, Andre Baksh, Alicia Alvares, Anna Ardurini, Lolita Ramos, Rose Marie Sorbera, Alice Rego, John Jansen In De Wal, Mary Foulkes, Lorraine Fraser, Jean Griffin Davis, Stephanie Solomon, Shirley Ecclejtton, Kathleen Copeland, Conchita Estolano Paran, Giacomina Genova, Frosa Karakolis, Rosa Lim, Vera Conway, Joe D'Souza, Claudio Borgono, Jennifer Young, Glenda McNeil, Naty Germain, Liam Matthews, Benigno Jose Jr., Irene Bituin, Leonisa G. Albaran, Innes Potgieter, Rebecca C. Baltazar, Dina Sorbera, Monica Bouchard, Harold Hunt, Adeline Noronha, Antonio Sorbera, Julia Genova, Christina Lochan, Ronaldo Maravilla, Lucas Sorbera, Sheryl Watson, Stanley de Freitas, Peter Pinto, Marina Sequeira, Ofelia Magat, Paul Swoffer, Minoli Paul, Offe Ayuson, Isabel Grosvenor, Marie Herrera, John Germain, Ms. Dalhoo, Carla Di Cecco, Virginia Johnson, Wynn Young, Mary Rocha, Eric Hudder, Marguerite Watson, Duverney Family, Mr. & Mrs. Cerami, Simon Fernandes, Arnold Uy Cruz, Charles Gill, Patrick Doty, Debra Fernandes, Marina Jose, Frances Schober, William Schober, Marie Dignum, Ahilla Kissoon.



THANK YOU!

A sincere thank you to all our lovely parishioners who helped with Fr. Sherwin's farewell Reception on Sunday. We had a wonderful turn out.

Thank you to everyone who donated table cloths, food, cake, drinks, coffee, donations, etc.. Thank you to all who helped with set up, clean up and serving. Thank you also to our Photographers.

There are pictures up on our website.

Fr. Peter

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD RESUMES

The Children's Liturgy of the Word program is on the 3rd Sunday of the month at the 10:30 am Mass. The first one will be on Sunday, October 15th. It is Geared towards children from ages 4 to 7 years of age.



ROSARY RALLY

On Saturday, October 14, at 12 noon, the Knights of Columbus Maharlika Council 7488 will be holding a public rosary at the Marian Grotto just in front of our church for our country Canada for God's continuing guidance and light. All are welcome, bring your friends and families.



LIFE CHAIN—THANK YOU!

Many thanks to those who took part in Life Chain on Sunday. Our public display of signs for the protection of the unborn has a life saving impact whenever it causes someone to reflect on the gift and miracle of new life. We may never know that a quick glance by a passing motorist could save the life of a baby in the womb. God Bless you for demonstrating for the voiceless. Our collection amounts to \$250.00, a generous amount which will be sent to Campaign Life Coalition.



There are pictures up on our website.

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- Jams
- Mayonnaise
- Mustard
- Peanut butter
- Tea bags & coffee
- Bagged rice

Canned items can be dropped off at the back of the church. A representative from Good Shepherd will pick them up from our parish.

Please contact 416-869-3619 ext. 229 or email corliss@goodshepherd.ca

Thank you for your generosity.

OFFICE OF CATHOLIC YOUTH (OCY)

Spiritus East Young Adult Ministry (Age19-35)
"The Mystery of Christ"
Talk // Adoration // Fellowship

Will be hosting their next meeting at Our Lady Queen of Poland Parish, 625 Middlefield Road, on **Wednesday, October 11th starting at 7pm.**

For more information or to get involved, please Contact Samantha Goh, Eastern Region Young Adult Minister, at spirituseast@gmail.com or 416-599-7676.

See you there and bring a friend.





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