

From the Pastor

The Pharisee and the Publican: Humility, Part 1

Everyone that exalts himself shall be humbled; and he that humbles himself shall be exalted." Luke 18:14

Humility is an important virtue and foundation of the spiritual life and today's liturgy exhorts us to practice this virtue. In the Epistle, St. Paul speaks of the wonderful gifts of the Holy Ghost, but makes it clear that it is the Holy Ghost working these gifts in us. Without the Holy Ghost, we can do nothing. If humility is lacking, then these gifts do us no good. Likewise, if they are not gifts of God, they merit us nothing for heaven. The parable in today's Gospel urges us to practice humility by placing before us the proud Pharisee and the repentant Publican. Humility is the foundation for the great things that our Lady did: "because He has regarded the humility of His handmaid". (Luke 1:48)

Humility is particularly commended in Sacred Scriptures and our Lord Himself said: "Learn from Me because I am meek and humble of heart." (Matt 11:29) It is important for us to know about this virtue and strive to acquire it. There are four fundamental moral virtues: prudence, justice, temperance and fortitude. Under temperance we find general modesty. Under general modesty we find humility.

Temperance deals with those things wherein it is most difficult to moderate: food and sensual passions. General modesty concerns lesser matters than temperance, but these too need to be regulated by a virtue. Our whole being must be regulated by virtue.

The ordinary matters addressed by general modesty can be classed into four groups. These are:

1. things relating to the mind toward some excellence, which is where humility comes in;
2. knowledge, which is regulated by studiousness;
3. words and actions, which are regulated by modesty in words and deeds; and,
4. outward show, which is regulated by modesty in dress.

Sincerely in Christ,

Rev. Charles Van Vliet, FSSP

Troops of St. George Recruitment this Sunday!

Please stop by their table to learn more about the Troops.

Open to boys, ages 6 and up.

Introibit Rex Glorae Capital Campaign

Minimum goal: \$2,500,000 Pledged/gifted to date: \$2,324,180

Announcements

Church hours for private prayers. The church is open for private prayer as noted below.

Fridays & Saturdays, 4-7 p.m. Sundays, Noon-5:30 p.m.

Wednesdays, 6-8 p.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Bookstore kiosk, open Sundays between the morning Masses unless noted otherwise below.

Legion of Mary, 7 p.m. Mondays in the large meeting room unless noted otherwise below.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena, 6:40 p.m. every Wednesday.

Schola Practice, 7 p.m. Wednesdays in the small room. Open to all men interested in joining the schola.

NEW! St. Philomena Toddler Group, 9:30-11:30 a.m., Wednesdays at church. Open to expectant moms and moms with children up to 4 years of age. Child activities and socializing. Confession offered. To learn more and get a calendar of events, contact Katherine Nwachukwu, katherinejulissa39@yahoo.

Tower of David Study Group is on summer break and will resume in the fall.

Other groups and ministries. See bulletin board or parish Groups and Ministries webpage for information.

2019 DSF Campaign. 80% of PARISH GOAL RAISED. Goal: \$10,000. Gifted/Pledged to date: \$8,005.

If the goal is not met, the parish pays the shortage from operating cash. Please consider donating to the fund on behalf of the parish either by mail or online at archgh.org/dsf. Thank you!

Items to be Blessed. Do not bring items to the sacristy. Label your items and place in the "To Be Blessed" basket on the blessing table located next to the holy water container near the baptismal font. After the priest blesses the items, he will move them to the "Blessed" basket for pick up.

Low Gluten Hosts. If you require low gluten host, please see the instructions on the bulletin board.

Safe Environment Training, mandatory for those who work with children. More on our parish website.

2019 Public Mass Calendar is closed for bulletin-listed Mass intentions. The private Mass calendar for 2019 remains open, but please understand that these Masses are not scheduled for a specific date or time.

Beginning with the 2020 Mass calendars, there will be a limit on the number of Masses that can be requested so as to open up both calendars to more people. Thank you for your understanding.

TODAY:

~ CCD registration ends today. Children ages 5 and up by Sept. 1 are eligible to be enrolled. Please see hall table for registration forms and CCD Schedule. Forms may also be accessed online.

~ Troops of St. George Recruitment Table after all Masses for boys, ages 6 and up. Stop by their table to learn more and become a member.

~ Tamale sale after all Masses. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus

Wed., Aug. 21, 9:30-11:30 a.m., St. Philomena Toddler Group meets at church. Additional information above.



The Altar Guild is looking for gently used clothing to sell during the Fall Festival in October. If you can donate gently-used clothes for any age, infant to adult, please save. More information about when and where to donate coming soon!

Aug. 18, 2019, Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Liturgical Calendar & Mass Intentions

Aug. 18 – 24, 2019

Sun., 8/18, Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

7:30 a.m., Brian & Julie Stewart

10:00 a.m. (High), Pro Populo

5:30 p.m., Paul Tschosik †

Mon., 8/19, St. John Eudes

6:30 a.m., Johnnie Tschosik

* 8:00 a.m., Private intention

Tues., 8/20, St. Bernard of Clairvaux

* 6:30 a.m., Private intention

7:00 p.m., Maria Ramos

Wed., 8/21, St. Jane Frances de Chantal

6:30 a.m., Cecil C. Johnson †

* 8:00 a.m., Private intention

Thurs., 8/22, Immaculate Heart of Mary

* 6:30 a.m., Private intention

7:00 p.m., Adriana R. Ramos

Fri., 8/23, St. Philip Benizi

6:30 a.m., Miguel Ramos

Sat., 8/24, St. Bartholomew

* 6:30 a.m., Private intention

7:30 a.m., Mercedes Ramos

* Mass is subject to cancellation if a second priest is not available. Advance notice will be posted in the bulletin whenever possible.

First Friday of each month, there is an additional public Mass at 7:00 p.m., followed by First Friday devotion.

First Saturday of each month, the 7:30 a.m. Mass includes First Saturday devotion.



Directory

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Contacts for other groups

Please check the bulletin boards or go to the parish website and click on Groups/Ministries

St. Joseph Hour for Holiness for men over 18 years struggling with sins against the 6th and 9th Commandments. Contact Fr. Van Vliet by email.

Sacraments

Please check the parish website for more information.

Infant baptism—contact parish at least one month before due date.

Marriage—contact parish eight months before proposed date.

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Mass Schedule

Sundays 7:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m. (High), 5:30 p.m.
Rosary 20 minutes before each Sunday Mass
Mon., Wed., Fri. 6:30 a.m.
Tues., Thurs. 7:00 p.m.
Saturdays 7:30 a.m.

Adoration Wednesday, 6-8 p.m.

Confession 30 minutes before each Mass; ends 5 minutes before Mass starts

Vespers Sundays after the 5:30 p.m. Mass