

OCTOBER 25 - SATURDAY

Rom 8:1-11; Lk 13:1-9

*Vigil Reading: See Sunday*4:00 PM – *English* - Fr. Jim – Kevin Kelly

5:00 – 5:45 PM: Confessions

6:00 PM – *Spanish* - Fr. Rudy**OCTOBER 26 – SUNDAY**

Sir 35:12-14, 16-18; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18; Lk 18:9-14

9:00 AM – *Spanish* - Fr. Rudy11:00 AM – *English* – Fr. Pat – Bob Wuerth12:30 PM – *Spanish* - Fr. Rudy**OCTOBER 27 – MONDAY**

Rom 8:12-17; Lk 13:10-17

OCTOBER 28 – TUESDAY

Eph 2:19-22; Lk 6:12-16

OCTOBER 29 – WEDNESDAY

Rom 8:26-30; Lk 13:22-30

OCTOBER 30 – THURSDAY

Rom 8:31b-39; Lk 13:31-35

7:00 PM – *Spanish* - Fr. Rudy**OCTOBER 31 - FRIDAY**

Rom 9:1-5; Lk 14:1-6

9:30 AM – *English* – Fr. Rudy – Tim Burke**NOVEMBER 1 – ALL SAINTS**

Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a

*Vigil Reading: See Sunday*4:00 PM – *English* - Fr. Jim – Mass of Remembrance3

5:00 – 5:45 PM: Confessions

6:00 PM – *Spanish* - Fr. Rudy – All Souls Memorial**NOVEMBER 2 – SUNDAY**

Wis 3:1-9; Rom 5:5-11; John 6:37-40

(Note: Readings subject to change; check with Presider)

*Sunday Readings:*9:00 AM – *Spanish* – Fr. Rudy – All Souls Memorial11:00 AM – *English* – All Souls Memorial12:30 PM – *Spanish* – Fr. Rudy – All Souls Memorial**English Mass Ministry Schedule: November 1-2****Lectors:** 4:00 PM – S. Heidemann

11:00 AM – K. Gillespie

Eucharistic Ministers:

4:00 PM – L. Ashbrook/H. Wesseler

11:00 AM – R. Kenney/H. Loyd

Servers: 4:00 PM – D. Mercer/Z. & M. Nintrup

11:00 AM – J. Ruter

Offertory Family: 4:00 PM: Fox

11:00 AM: N/A

FROM THE FINANCE COMMISSION

Last Week's Collection: \$6399

Offerings received to-date: \$118,819

Amount needed to catch up: \$ 17,181

Our Weekly Goal is \$8,000

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FOUR GRAND CLUB: Congratulations to our week 9 winners: Linda Scheidler, Ray Renner, and Patricia Hartmann. Each won \$25. It's not too late to get your entry, 513-541-1563, for details.

CELEBRATING THEIR BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:

Fred Hubbard (26), Chris Wilhelm (26), Mary Ryan (27), Jeff Hochwalt (29), Calvin Fox (31), Jennifer Hagerman (31).

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FR. RUDY’S REFLECTION: In a world of social media and highlight reels, we’re conditioned to showcase the best version of ourselves. We are curated, polished, and praiseworthy. But what happens when this need for external validation seeps into our spiritual lives? Do we approach God with the same filtered face, listing our good deeds while silently comparing ourselves to others?

In the Gospel for the Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Luke 18: 9-14), Jesus tells a striking parable that cuts through this tendency: the Pharisee and the tax collector. On the surface, the Pharisee appears righteous. He fasts, he tithes, and he prays, all actions that align with religious devotion. But the spirit of his prayer betrays something else: pride. “God, I thank you that I am not like other people...” he says, turning his prayer into a self-congratulatory monologue.

The tax collector, by contrast, stands far off, unable to lift his eyes to heaven. His words are few but weighty: “God, be merciful to me, a sinner.” No comparison, no justification, no list of accomplishments. Just raw, honest humility.

Jesus doesn’t leave room for misinterpretation. He states clearly that it is the tax collector, not the Pharisee, who ultimately goes home justified before God. The reason? A humble heart is open to grace, while a prideful one is closed off from it.

St. John Vianney once said, “Without humility, that lovely and rare virtue, you will be as unlikely to reach heaven as without Baptism.” Humility is the doorway to God’s mercy because it allows us to see ourselves truthfully—as sinners in need of forgiveness, not saints in need of applause.

Pope Francis echoed this: “It is not enough... to ask how much we pray, we have to ask ourselves how we pray... Can one pray with arrogance? No. Can one pray with hypocrisy? No. We must only pray by placing ourselves before God just as we are...”

This parable reminds us that true spirituality is not about perfection but about posture, the posture of the heart. God’s mercy is always available, but we must be willing to ask for it. The Pharisee, blinded by his own virtue, never thought he needed it. The tax

collector, aware of his need, received it in abundance.

As we reflect on this Gospel, we might ask ourselves: When I stand before God in prayer, do I bring Him my heart or just my résumé?

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE: Our annual Mass of Remembrance on Saturday, Nov. 1, at 4:00 p.m. (English) and 6:00 p.m. (Spanish) will remember the people from our parish who died in the last 12 months: Jean Alcorn, Kathleen Burke, Kevin Gillespie, Sue Hartmann, Pamela Hildebrand, Kimberly Mitsch, Annette Niehaus, Joseph Cardozo-Rodriguez, Pedro Soto-Lopez, Darmin Velasquez-Perez, Hank Wagner, and Robert Wuerth. All are welcome to attend this Mass and pray for our family and friends who have found new life in Christ.

MASS, HEALING SERVICE and BENEDICTION: Jesus still heals today! Come and celebrate Mass and receive personal prayer for healing at the Healing Service on Wednesday, November 5, 2025, at 7:30 p.m. in St. Ignatius Church, 5222 N. Bend Road, Monfort Heights. Sponsored by Lighthouse Community. Benediction follows the Healing Service. For more info visit our website at www.LRC1.org or call 513-471-LITE (5483).

DAY OF PRAYER AND HEALING AFTER ABORTION: NOVEMBER 15: Have you or someone you know suffered from the loss of a child to abortion? We invite any woman who has experienced this loss to join us for a one-day retreat in the Cincinnati area on Saturday, November 15. This event offers women a safe and confidential space to share their experience, reflect on their past, and offer their future to Christ who makes all things new. A trained priest, counselor, and post abortive volunteer will be present to accompany participants along the journey of healing. Exact location and event details will be shared after completing the registration process. Register by calling 513-784-0531, emailing ProjectRachel@catholicaoc.org, or by going to ProjectRachelOhio.org. All communications are kept in strict confidentiality.