

Have Faith

That is so easy to say and so hard to do. This might be because we misunderstand what faith is and what it might do. Today's readings offer us three glimpses into what the Bible means by faith.

The reading from Habakkuk and the Gospel passage seem to contradict each other. The Gospel suggests that one can do wondrous things if one's faith is strong enough. Many people understand this literally and then are confused and terribly disappointed when things do not turn out as they wanted. Habakkuk is in a dire situation. He had turned to God, but it seems to no avail: "You do not intervene" (Habakkuk 1:2). What response did he get? "Don't give up. Don't lose faith."

Paul's letter was written to Timothy, one of Paul's own converts to faith in the risen Lord. Paul encourages Timothy to remain steadfast in that faith. It's clear that faith is not solely a set of beliefs and doctrines; it is a way of life—one that follows and is

inspired by the example Jesus' life provides. It is also clear that living such a life might be dangerous, as evidenced by Paul's own imprisonment.

Reading the Gospel passage again after considering these reflections, one might understand the power of faith in a new way. Perhaps the mulberry tree stands for the struggles that had to be endured by Habakkuk, the danger that Timothy faced in a hostile world, and the hurdles that challenge our own faith. It assures us that if we don't lose faith, we also can do wondrous things.

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FOR Reflection

- ✦ *For you, what is the difference between faith as what you believe and faith as how you live?*
- ✦ *How might your faith help you get beyond life's hurdles?*

*Destruction and violence are before me;
there is strife and discord.*

HABAKKUK 1:3



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Daily Mass Intentions for the Week of October 3, 2022

Monday	10/3			+ No Mass
Tuesday	10/4	8:00 am	STM	+ No Mass
Wednesday	10/5	5:30 pm	HT (Rosary before mass)	+ No Mass
Thursday	10/6	9:00 am	HT	+ No Mass
Friday	10/7	8:00 am	STM	+ No Mass

Mass Intentions for the weekend of October 8-9, 2022

Saturday	10/8	4:00 pm	St. Thomas More	+ Mary Nave & Family
Sunday	10/9	8:30 am	Holy Trinity	+ Wayne Pinter
		10:30 am	St. Patrick	+ Howard & Gladys Simkins
		5:00 pm	St. Thomas More	+ For the Parishioners

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MARRIAGE

PRIESTHOOD



RELIGIOUS LIFE

SINGLE LIFE

Vocation is our individual path to holiness and growing the Kingdom. Following our vocation requires allowing ourselves to be led by the Holy Spirit to love and follow Jesus.

Emmaus Knights is a new program for the formation of young men and their fathers. Go to www.cdop.org/ada to learn more about this program and to watch the ADA videos. "We have Emmaus Knights once a month and we are calling men from all around the diocese — not only the young men but also their fathers — to come here to be formed, to be trained, to realize what God is asking them to do in their lives." — Fr. Chase Hilgenbrinck Vocations Director, Diocese of Peoria

"What kind of dad do you want to be? Do you want to be the dad who builds your children up from the culture of today, from the world of today that doesn't satisfy them in the depths of their soul? Or do you want to give them the love of God that will transform their lives and fill their lives with the peace and joy that this world cannot provide? That's the dad we want to be and that's why we are here." — Tim Olsen, father attending Emmaus Knights

St Francis of Assisi ~ Feast Day October 4th

Prayer of Saint Francis of Assisi

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
and where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master,
grant that I may not so much seek
to be consoled as to console;
to be understood
as to understand;
to be loved as to love.
For it is in giving that we receive;
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen



PRIESTS' RETREATS

Daily Masses

Father Thaddeus will be on a Retreat next week, Oct 3 - 7. There will be no daily masses.

Religious Education

9:30 am — 10:30 am
at Cherry Church Hall

Sunday, October 2nd — K thru 4th grades
Sunday, October 9th — 5th thru 8th grades

Our Lady of the Rosary - Feast Day October 7th

This feast was instituted by Pope St. Pius V in thanksgiving for the great naval victory over the Turks at the battle of Lepanto on this day in the year 1570, a favor due to the recitation of the Rosary. This victory saved Europe from being overrun by the forces of Islam. Lepanto, perhaps the most complete victory ever gained over the Ottoman Empire, is commemorated by the invocation "Help of Christians," inserted in the Litany of Loretto. A victory gained in 1716 on the Octave of the Assumption determined Pope Clement XI to command the Feast of the Rosary to be celebrated by the universal Church. Leo XIII added the invocation "Queen of the most Holy Rosary, pray for us," to the Litany of Loretto. The Feast is in reality a great festival of thanksgiving for the signal and countless benefits bestowed on Christendom through the Rosary of our blessed Queen. In modern times successive popes have urged the faithful to pray the Rosary. It is a form of contemplative prayer, mental and vocal prayer, which brings down God's blessing on the Church.



LATEST OFFERING'S

WEEKEND SEPT 25TH

HT— \$938.00
SP— \$556.00
STM— \$794.00

Request a Mass Intention

\$10 per mass

Contact the office, send envelope in the mail, or drop in collection basket marked mass intention

CONFESSIONS

THE NEXT CONFESSIONS
WILL BE SAT, OCT 8TH
10:30 - 11:15 AT
ST THOMAS MORE
IN THE HALL

Dear Padre,

Why should we be married in the Church?

At baptism, every Christian is called to be not just Jesus' disciple, but an apostle. While it's easy to see how priests and religious sisters and brothers serve as missionaries, a man and woman joined in the sacrament of matrimony are also missionaries. Saint Paul noted the way a husband and wife love each other reflects how Christ loves his bride, the Church: "Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ loved the church" (Ephesians 5:25).

The first beneficiaries of the missionary vocation of marriage are the husband and wife. Through their exclusive love, they support each other.

Their relationship is open to sexual expression, allowing the body and soul of two to become one. And, if God wills, children will benefit from the Christian bond of their parents. They bring their children to baptism, then teach them about their faith at home through example and instruction.

Those who encounter a couple throughout their lives—relatives, friends, coworkers, parishioners, and even strangers—benefit from their Christian marriage. How often have we been touched by the sight of an older couple walking hand in hand?

God will reveal to them only in eternity how many lives have been impacted by their love.

Jesus praised matrimony as part of the initial vocation given to humanity (see Mark 10:6–9). Without reproduction, there would have been no human race. But humans, created in God's image, lead lives reflecting God's love. In the couple who says, "I do," God's love shines brightly as a light to the world.

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A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

Marriage isn't just a social act. It's a vocation that's born from the heart, a conscious decision for the rest of one's life that requires specific preparation....God has a dream for us, love, and he asks us to make it our own. Let us make our own the love which is God's dream for us.

MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTION, JUNE 1, 2021



Calendar

Monday

OCTOBER 3

Weekday

Gal 1:6–12

Lk 10:25–37

Tuesday

OCTOBER 4

St. Francis of Assisi

Gal 1:13–24

Lk 10:38–42

Wednesday

OCTOBER 5

Weekday

Gal 2:1–2, 7–14

Lk 11:1–4

Thursday

OCTOBER 6

Weekday

Gal 3:1–5

Lk 11:5–13

Friday

OCTOBER 7

Our Lady
of the Rosary

Gal 3:7–14

Lk 11:15–26

Saturday

OCTOBER 8

Weekday

Gal 3:22–29

Lk 11:27–28

Sunday

OCTOBER 9

Twenty-eighth
Sunday in

Ordinary Time

2 Kgs 5:14–17

2 Tm 2:8–13

Lk 17:11–19

DAYbreaks

Leading Catholic voices inspire the faithful with daily reflections & prayers for Advent and Lent.

Including: Fr. Ron Rolheiser, Dr. Mary Katharine Deeley, Sr. Dianne Bergant, Fr. Paul Turner, and more at Liguori.org.