

What more could be
done for my vineyard
that I did not do?

ISAIAH 5:4

When God Daydreamed Us

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

At the end of the Broadway musical *Camelot*, King Arthur finds himself confronted by the fact that his dream of the Round Table and justice for all has died without having borne the fruit he had hoped. A young boy, Tom of Warwick, comes up to him asking if he might be dubbed a knight. Arthur does so, and then commissions him to go forth and tell the story of Camelot to everyone he meets, all with the hope that someone someday will dare to try again to create a world with equal justice for all.

We all live with dreams of what we might be, of what life might be. They seldom turn out the way we had imagined, yet what would life be without such dreams. They push us into new futures. They create hope and new possibilities. They bring meaning to our lives.

The parable of the landowner and his vineyard is really a story of God and the dream God has for us. It is a story of how God withholds nothing from caring for his vineyard that it might bear fruit, that is, from trying to make his dream for us a reality, even to the point of giving his Son over to that dream.

Dreams never come easy. If they did, they would not be dreams. It was so for those who founded this nation in 1776. It is so for parents with dreams for their children. It is so as well for God, who dreams dreams for us in Jesus. ●

Reflect

Do the dreams you have for your life and the lives of your children reflect God's dreams for you?



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9:45 am - 11:00 am at Cherry Church Hall

Sunday, October 8th - K thru 4th grade & Confirmation class

Sunday, October 15th - 5th thru 8th grade



We are still looking for **volunteers** to be either a **teacher or helper**.
If interested please call Michelle Bickett 815-751-2656 or email
holyltrinitycherry@gmail.com or contact the church office.

Daily Mass Intentions for the Week of October 9, 2023

Monday	10/9			† No Mass
Tuesday	10/10	9:00 am	STM	† Peter Fiocchi
Wednesday	10/11	5:30 pm	HT	† No Mass - Assembly Days
Thursday	10/12	9:00 am	HT	† Connie Lauer
Friday	10/13	9:00 am	STM	† Leon Schweickert

Mass Intentions for the weekend of October 14-15, 2023

Saturday	10/14	4:00 pm	St Thomas More	† Dec. Mem. of Cattani Family
Sunday	10/15	8:30 am	Holy Trinity	† Paula Brown
		10:30 am	St Patrick	† Virginia Lucas
		5:00 pm	St Thomas More	† For The Parishioners

Pope St John XXIII (Feast Day October 11)

And the Second Vatican Council

The Second Vatican Council (or Vatican II) was the twenty-first ecumenical council of the Catholic Church. It was convened by Saint John XXIII and lasted for four sessions from 1962 through 1965. It produced a series of documents to direct the life of the Church in the twentieth century and beyond. Saint John XXIII stated that the purpose of the Council was the "modernization of the Church after 20 centuries of life." This refreshing of the Church's traditions is commonly referred to as *aggiornamento* ("bringing up to date" in Italian). In his opening speech to the Council the Pope emphasized the theme of *aggiornamento* by stating that "it is absolutely vital that the Church shall never for an instant lose sight of that sacred patrimony of truth inherited from the Fathers. But it is equally necessary for her to keep up to date with the changing conditions of this modern world." The result of the Council was the renewal of Catholic life in almost every aspect: from the language and theology of the Mass to the Church's role in the world, especially its relationship with other religions.

The Council fathers wrote that "the Church has always had the duty of scrutinizing the signs of the times and of interpreting them in the light of the Gospel (*Gaudium et spes*, *). The Council highlighted the role of the laity in the life of the Church by proclaiming that "they carry out for their own part the mission of the whole Christian people in the Church and in the world" (*Lumen gentium*, *). A principle concern of the Council was to promote the work of Christian unity and improved relations among all religions. The Council documents emphasize that the Church, as the people of God, has always been on a pilgrimage that concludes with God's renewal of all creation. Until that time the Church "is signed with a sanctity which is real although imperfect" (*Lumen gentium*, *).

**Gaudium et spes* – Joy & Hope

**Lumen gentium* – Light of the Nations

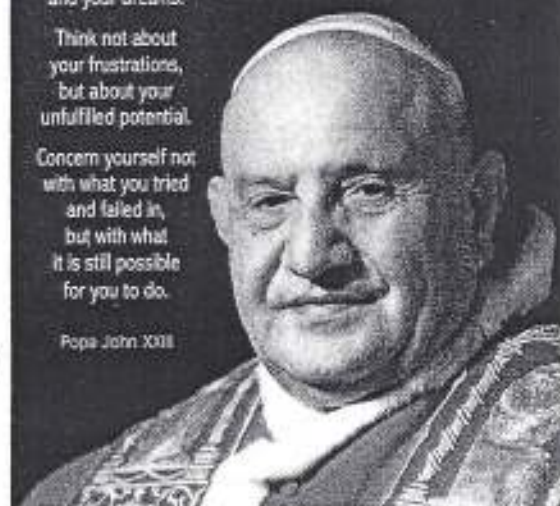
These two are among Second Vatican Council most important documents. (Excerpted from Carroll.edu)

Consult not
your fears but
your hopes
and your dreams.

Think not about
your frustrations,
but about your
unfulfilled potential.

Concern yourself not
with what you tried
and failed in,
but with what
it is still possible
for you to do.

Pope John XXIII



Growing Disciples Parish Meetings

Per the Bishop's request, we will hold parish meetings for each of our 3 churches in their church halls. The meetings are as follows:

Tuesday, October 17th - 6:30pm at STM

Wednesday, October 18th - 6:30pm at HT

Thursday, October 19th - 6:30pm at SP

Also if media members ask to attend any of our parish meetings, please let them know to contact Cheryl Berkshier at cberkshier@cdop.org or 309-671-1550.

October 2023 Mass Count

It's that time of the year again for the annual October Mass counts to be taken. The two Mass count weekends are October 14th & 15th and October 21st & 22nd. Please make sure to spread the word so all the church pews are full of worshipers.

The 16th General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops

In just a few days the 16th Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops, "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, Mission," will begin. This process has been underway since 2021 when the Holy Father Pope Francis convened the Church to undertake this important time of prayer, listening and discernment. The assembly of bishops and consultants will take place in Rome both in October 2023 and 2024. Please pray for the success of the synod.

LATEST OFFERING'S

OCT 1ST WEEKEND

HT – \$ 854.00

SP – \$ 748.00

STM – \$1,310.00

Traveling Monstrance at Holy Trinity

On Monday, October 16th the holy hour will begin at 6:00pm. While eucharistic adoration is at the heart of the holy hour, it includes Scripture, a reflection, and Benediction.

CONFESSIONS

NEXT CONFESSIONS WILL
BE SAT. OCT 14TH
10:30 - 11:15 AM AT
ST PATRICK
IN THE CHAPEL

Dear Padre,

How is an icon different from a regular painting of a saint?

Generally, *icon* means a symbol or image. In the Church, it refers to an image depicting Bible stories or holy people. "Icons express in images the same Gospel message that Scripture communicates by words" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 1160).

Even though an icon is an image created with paints, icons are written, not painted. Icon writing, called iconography, is a vocation as well as a talent. The difference between a painter and an iconographer is that iconographers follow strict rules and standards set forth in Eastern Church canon law and Christian tradition. Rooted in God's word, icons are rich in symbolism. The colors, gestures, and shapes speak spiritually to invite us to pray and worship.

Icons can be written on almost any surface, but historically most were written on wood and had a gold-leaf background. One example of this type of icon is Our Mother of Perpetual Help, which is believed to have been written in the fifteenth century. Pope Pius IX gave it to the Redemptorists in 1865, telling the order to "make her known throughout the world." It now hangs in the Church of Sant' Alfonso in Rome.

To see the original icon in real time and learn more about icons, please visit omphicon.org. ●



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A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

Discernment...involves hard work....We do not find set before us, prepackaged, the life we are to live. No! We have to decide it all the time, according to the reality that comes. God invites us to evaluate and choose: He created us free and wants us to exercise our freedom. Therefore, discerning is demanding.

GENERAL AUDIENCE, ROME, AUGUST 31, 2022



MONDAY

October 9

Weekday

Jon 1:1-2:2, 11

Lk 10:25-37

TUESDAY

October 10

Weekday

Jon 3:1-10

Lk 10:38-42

WEDNESDAY

October 11

Weekday

Jon 4:1-11

Lk 11:1-4

THURSDAY

October 12

Weekday

Mal 3:13-20b

Lk 11:5-13

FRIDAY

October 13

Weekday

Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2

Lk 11:15-26

SATURDAY

October 14

Weekday

Jl 4:12-21

Lk 11:27-28

SUNDAY

October 15

Twenty-eighth Sunday

in Ordinary Time

Is 25:6-10a

Phil 4:12-14, 19-20

Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10

Know Someone Overly Anxious About Sin?

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