

### September 25, 2022

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C) Am 6:1a, 4-7 1 Tm 6:11-16 Lk 16:19-31



# Woe to the Complacent

In traditional societies, a woe is a frightening declaration. It was more than a warning. It was considered performative. This means that as soon as the words were spoken, what it described began to happen. The first verse in today's first reading states the woe; the last verse describes what will happen. And it did happen. Those with wealth and prestige were the first to be exiled from the land. It should be noted that the problem was not that they were wealthy. The Bible does not condemn wealth. The issue is how it was acquired and how it is used. The wealthy are condemned because their wealth made them complacent, indifferent to the struggles of the poor.

A similar situation is found in the Gospel passage. It tells of two men, one quite prosperous and the other suffering overwhelming indignity. Their fates after death are reversed. One might think that they got their just deserts. But that is not the point of the story. The rich man wants the poor man to comfort him, but it is too late. Then at least send him to warn the rich man's family. And here is the point of the story: That should be unnecessary. They have the religious tradition, Moses, and the prophets who have always taught that we must do what we can for our needy brothers and sisters. If they (or we) do not listen to our religious teachings, we probably will not listen to someone from the dead. Woe to the complacent!

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

# FOR Reflection

- \* How might you participate in the food and clothing drives in your parish?
- For which candidates do you vote? Those who work to make your life better or for those who work to make everyone's life better?



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#### Adoration Room at STM

Open Monday - Sunday Regular Hours 9 am - 6 pm

#### Events at St Thomas More

Ray Group taking orders now. Orders will start being filled in September. Call 815-252-2215 to place an order



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www.bureaucatholic.org and on Facebook at "Bureau Catholic Churches"

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Use Link on Home Page www.bureaucatholic.org

# Emergency Number for all 3 Churches 779-248-2164

# Daily Mass Intentions for the Week of September 26, 2022

Monday	9/26			+ No Mass
Tuesday	9/27	8:00 am	STM	† Janet Shani Rayve
Wednesday	9/28	5:30 pm	HT (Rosary before mass)	t Herman & Mary Hahn
Thursday	9/29	9:00 am	HT	+ Charlie & Hazel Keutzer
Friday	9/30	8:00 am	STM	† Catherine Hunter

## Mass Intentions for the weekend of October 1-2, 2022

Saturday	10/1	4:00 pm	St. Thomas More	+ Jim Bodnum
Sunday	10/2	8:30 am	Holy Trinity	† The Harold Klein Family
		10:30 am	St. Patrick	† Dec. Mems Chris Taylor Family
		5:00 pm	St. Thomas More	+ For the Parishioners

# Bringing People to Christ ~ ADA supports DISCIPLESHIP



As disciples of Christ, we have a lifelong calling to learn from and seek a deeper relationship with Jesus. This equips us with wisdom and truth to accompany others in their faith journey. Ministries and programs include: annual Men's March, Spanish Father-Son Encounter, Marriage Mass, Abide in Me - High School Youth Retreat, and more. Go to www.cdop.org/ada to learn more about the ministries supported by ADA and to watch the ADA videos.

"Through FOCUS missionaries — in their desire to draw me near to them and grow in fellowship with me and in a relationship with me — I got to experience a relationship with Jesus Christ. I realized that these men care where I end up after my time passes on this earth. Watching my dad accept the high call to become a deacon, gave me the strength and desire to accept Jesus' high call for me to be a FOCUS missionary." – Evan Burge, son of deacon candidate Mike Burge and his wife Marie

## 40 Days for LIFE Campaign: September 28-November 6

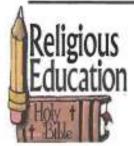
40 Days for Life is a community-based campaign that takes a determined, peaceful approach to showing local communities the consequences of abortion in their own neighborhoods, for their own friends and families. It puts into action a desire to cooperate with God in the carrying out of His plan for the end of abortion. It draws attention to the evil of abortion through the use of a three-point



program: 1) Prayer and fasting 2) Constant vigil 3) Community outreach The 40-day campaign tracks Biblical history, where God used 40-day periods to transform individuals, communities and the entire world. From Noah in the flood to Moses on the mountain to the disciples after Christ's resurrection, it is clear that God sees the transformative value of His people accepting and meeting a 40-day challenge.

A Kick Off Rally will be held on Sept. 27th at the Spalding Pastoral Center, 419 NE Madison Avenue, Peoria, at 6:00pm. There will be speakers as well as food. For more information go to https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/peoria.

Respect Life Mass: Sunday, October 2, 2022 at 10:30 AM mass with Bishop Lou Tylka at the Cathedral of Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception, 607 NE Madison Avenue, Peoria



Sun, Sept 25th CCD class will be for 5th-8th grade from 9:30 am — 10:30 am at Cherry Church Hall.

Parents, there is still time to register if you haven't already done so. Contact Carol Lauer, RE Director, or the church to sign up.

#### Magi Baby Chest ~ St Louis Church in Princeton

Grand Opening: Saturday, October 1st—9am to noon
The Magi Baby Chest is a pro-life social outreach program providing baby and toddler supplies to families. This distributes supplies
on the first Saturday of the month, 9am—12noon. These supplies
includes diapers, wipes, formula, clothes, toiletries, etc. Families
may participate regardless of race, age, religion, lifestyle, or place
of residence. Families are asked to make a donation for \$5 per
visit, which will provide a limited but significant amount of baby
supplies. Families will not be asked to demonstrate their need.
The Magi Chest welcomes donations of baby supplies or cash.

# LATEST OFFERING'S

WEEKEND SEPT 18TH

HT- \$966.00

SP- \$536.00

STM- \$995.00

Please contact church
office when a member
or yourself become
sick, hospitalized, or is
in the nursing home.
Father Tran can visit.
Also let us know if
you'd like to receive
communion.



#### CONFESSIONS

THE NEXT CONFESSIONS
WILL BE SAT, OCT 1ST
10:30-11:15 AT
ST PATRICK
IN THE CHAPEL

# Dear Padre,

# A Protestant friend tells me that Jesus died to take the punishment for our sins. That doesn't seem accurate. Is that what the Church teaches?

Jesus understood his mission to be sacrificing his own life "as a ransom for many" (Matthew 20:28). His fidelity to that mission was even at the cost of death. However, saying Jesus' death was payment for our sins doesn't mean that a vengeful God was appeased by the slaughter of his own innocent Son. Rather, we are redeemed because of the mutual love between Father and

Son, as well as the love Christ had for us all when he offered his life.

"It is love 'to the end' [John 13:1] that confers on Christ's sacrifice its value as redemption and reparation, as atonement and satisfaction" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 616). It is in this sense that Jesus' death was a payment—not one to be exacted—but a unique sacrifice "that completes and surpasses all other sacrifices," when "the Father handed his Son over to sinners in order to reconcile us with himself," and the Son of God freely and lovingly offered his human life to his Father "in reparation for our disobedience" (CCC 614).

Christ "bore our sins in his body upon the

cross....By his wounds you have been healed" (1 Peter 2:24). Viewed in light of the resurrection, Christ's death has meaning in eternal life's triumph over sin.

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Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to DearPadre.org to send your question and to learn more about Dear Padre.



# A WORD FROM Pope Francis

In many situations of suffering, Christ's cross is like a beacon that indicates the port to ships that are still afloat on stormy seas. Christ's cross is the sign of hope that does not disappoint; and it tells us that not even one tear, not one sigh is lost in God's plan of salvation.

GENERAL AUDIENCE, MARCH 31, 2021

# Calendar

Monday

SEPTEMBER 26 Weekday Jb 1:6-22 Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday

SEPTEMBER 27 St. Vincent de Paul, Priest

Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23 Lk 9:51-56

Wednesday

SEPTEMBER 28 Weekday Jb 9:1–12, 14–16 Lk 9:57–62

Thursday

SEPTEMBER 29 Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels Dan 7:9–10, 13–14

Dan 7:9–10, 13–14 or Rv 12:7–12a Jn 1:47–51

Friday

SEPTEMBER 30 St. Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church Jb 38:1, 12–21; 40:3–5 Lk 10:13–16

Saturday

OCTOBER 1
St. Thérèse
of the Child Jesus,
Virgin and Doctor
of the Church
Jb 42:1–3, 5–6, 12–17
Lk 10:17–24

Sunday

OCTOBER 2 Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14 Lk 17:5-10

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