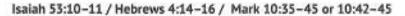
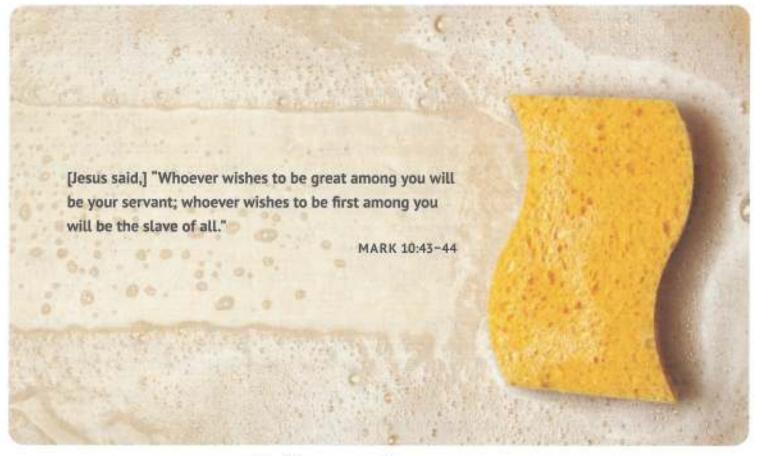
October 20, 2024

### Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)







# Like a Sponge

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

f I hit you and you hit me back, I may very well hit you again, this time harder. If you decide to hit me back harder as well, I may pull out my knife from fear and for self-defense. That may cause you to pull out your knife, thereby moving me to arm myself with a gun, which then compels you to do likewise. And thus, the evil escalates. If, however, when I hit you the first time, you do not retaliate by hitting me, the evil ends. It is absorbed by you, and life is better because of your decision.

It was Daniel Berrigan who noted that the role of the Christian is to absorb evil. When we absorb someone else's evil, when it ends with us, we literally save that person from embodying more evil. In effect, we ransom that person by our own suffering. "For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many" (Mark 10:45). In other words, we can be most like Jesus when we feel we are being used or abused, yet do not retaliate in kind.

In all such instances, it is not a matter of allowing someone to pummel and eviscerate our bodies and spirits. It is not about being defenseless. It is not a matter of refusing to resist. It is about resisting in a way that will not create greater violence and evil. It is the way of Christ. •

### Reflect

Is it possible to respond to evil without escalating it among individuals or among nations?



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### CCD Classes

CCD classes will be held at HT Church Hall
Sunday, October 20<sup>th</sup> - K thru 5<sup>th</sup> grades (9:45a-10:45am)
Sunday, October 27th - 6th & 7th graders (9:45am-11:15am)

### Daily Mass Intentions for the Week of October 21, 2024

Monday	10/21			+ No Mass			
Tuesday	10/22	9:00 am	STM	† No Mass - Assembly Day	,		
Wednesday	10/23	5:30 pm	HT	+ No Mass - Assembly Day	No Mass - Assembly Day		
Thursday	10/24	9:00 am	HT	† Special Intention	Special Intention		
Friday	10/25	9:00 am	STM	† Gene & Josie Weberski			

### Mass Intentions for the weekend of October 26 - 27, 2024

Saturday 10/26 4:00 pm St Thomas More † Dec. Members Cattani Family
Sunday 10/27 8:30 am Holy Trinity † For the Parishioners
10:30 am St Patrick † Bill Bonnell

### A Reflection On The Life of Pope St. John Paul II

Feast Day: October 22nd

Before Pope Francis was Pope Benedict, and for the 27 years before that our Pope was John Paul the Second (JPII). As with all Popes, he was an incredible human being and there are so many things about him that brought joy to Catholics all over the world, especially to Catholic youngsters.

Growing up under a strict communist regime, he is thought to have played an influential part in the fall of the Berlin Wall and the opening up of Europe to equality for many people.

He lived to the age of 84 and during his time as Pope was shot and wounded, had cancer and then developed Parkinson's Disease. One of the difficulties with living to that age and through so much means that he is often portrayed as frail and old. He was 58 when he was elected Pope; far from being frail, he was tall and upright and dynamic. In his youth, the future Polish Pope was an actor, a poet and a playwright, a footballer and a skier.

The greatest joy that Pope John Paul II brought to the world was starting the great World Youth Gatherings. Hundreds of thousands, sometimes millions of young adults from around the world descending on a particular country and celebrating their Catholic Faith with the Pope. They have been life-changing events for so many people.

It was Pope John Paul II taking seriously Jesus' words to St. Peter: "I pray for you that your faith will not fail" (Luke 22:31-32). Pope John Paul loved his faith; he loved the Church and, as the successor of St. Peter, he carried the message of the Good News of Jesus Christ to the ends of the earth...literally.

Office Note: Pope St. John Paul II was canonized on April 27, 2014 by (the late) Pope Benedict XVI. (Excerpted from "The Joy of the Gospel" @ stchadcathedral.org.uk)



### Remembrance Candles for All Souls Day

All Souls Day is just around the comer. As in previous years, we are going to have candles available for you to purchase in remembrance of loved ones. Candles will be \$5.00 each.

### October 2024 Mass Count

It's that time of year again for the annual October Mass counts, which will be taken this weekend and next weekend October 26th & October 27th. Please make sure to spread the word so all the church pews are full of worshipers.

### Flocknote Reminder

Please be reminded it is of utmost importance to have the Flocknote texting service installed on your cell phone. So that you may be properly informed in case Masses and/or church activities are cancelled. Flocknote sign up tip: once your cell number is entered, you will receive a text informing you that your number was added to the group. There is no need to reply or be sure not to text Stop as this will inactivate your number. Contact the office with any questions.

# CATEST OFFERING'S OCT 13TH WEEKEND HT - \$950.00

SP- \$393.00

STM- \$698.00

### 2024 ADA Update

As of this week, ADA pledges are as follows:

HT - \$4,735.00 - Goal \$13,852.00

SP - \$350.00 - Goal \$9,257.00

STM - \$2,783.00 - Goal \$10,663.00

### CONFESSIONS

Saint John Paul II

Be not atraid

NEXT CONFESSIONS WILL BE

SAT. OCT 26TH

10:30 AM - 11:15 AM AT

ST. THOMAS MORE

IN THE HALL

## Dear Padre,

I read about bishops with different titles: coadjutor, auxiliary, ordinary. What is the difference between all of these bishops?

All bishops in the Church are ordained in the same way. Bishops are the only people who can ordain other people in the Church. Bishops also have authority regarding Church matters. A bishop who is the *ordinary* of a diocese is the head of that diocese. He has the authority to guide



and direct matters in the diocese. Like all other bishops, he has the responsibility to teach and preach in the name of the Church.

A bishop who is an auxiliary is assigned to help the ordinary of the diocese. His responsibilities are given to him by the ordinary. In most circumstances, the auxiliary will help in the administration of the diocese and celebrate the sacraments within the diocese.

A coadjutor bishop is assigned to aid the ordinary of the diocese. He usually has the right to succeed the ordinary once he retires or dies in office. In some circumstances, coadjutor bishops may be given authority that is normally reserved to the ordinary.

The differences between these bishops are the tasks they perform and the authority they have within a diocese. However, as bishops, they all receive the same ordination. •

The Redemptorists / DearPadre.org

### Do you have a question for the Padre?

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

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
October 21	October 22	October 23	October 24	October 25	October 26	October 27
Weekday	Weekday	Weekday	Weekday	Weekday	Weekday	Thirtieth Sunday
Eph 2:1-10	Eph 2:12-22	Eph 3:2-12	Eph 3:14-21	Eph 4:1-6	Eph 4:7-16	in Ordinary Time
Lk 12:13-21	Lk 12:35-38	Lk 12:39-48	Lk 12:49-53	Lk 12:54-59	Lk 13:1-9	Jer 31:7-9
						Heb 5:1-6
						Mk 10:46-52



### A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

Jesus asks us to immerse ourselves. And how should we immerse ourselves? Compassionately in the lives of those we meet.... Today, let us ask the Holy Spirit to renew the grace of baptism in us, that immersion in Jesus, in his way of being, to be more like servants, to be servants like he has been with us.

ANGELUS, ROME, OCTOBER 17, 2021



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