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*Give thanks to the Lord for
His many Blessings
On Thanksgiving*

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To be Grateful to God

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus performs a miracle by curing 10 lepers. Leprosy, at that time, was possibly the worst affliction a family could endure. Lepers were ostracized from the entire community and had to stay away from any contact with healthy individuals because the disease was very contagious. These lepers had to leave their wives, children and friends. They had to leave the village and lead a life of loneliness, waiting for their death.

Being cured of leprosy would be the greatest gift a person could receive. There was no cure, no hope. Therefore, every leper who had been cured would seek out Jesus and thank Him profusely. He had allowed them to return to their wives and their children. He made it possible for them to mingle with their friends and neighbours in the village. Not only that, but He lengthened their life span by many years. But only one man returned to thank Jesus. Jesus Himself was stunned: *"Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they?"*

So, what is the message for us today?

We should be thankful for God's gifts to us. There are many reasons for us to be thankful. I think it would be proper to say that even the poorest of us have been blessed by God. Some of us might say, *"We don't have a million dollars in the bank, and we don't have some of the luxuries others have."* That's true! However, most of the world's population has far fewer blessings than we enjoy. Most of us are well fed. We live in relative safety and have excellent health programs. We have to admit, *"God has blessed all of us and, individually, that's why we should say Thank You to Him."* And if Jesus were here today, I believe He would say to us what He said to the crowd, *"You have been (cleansed) blessed. All I ask is that you recognize what you have been given and be grateful for the gifts."*

So, how can we be grateful? And Jesus will say: *"Love one another as I have loved you!"*

Hopefully this Gospel helps us to be a better disciple of Jesus.

Fr. Aegi, SCJ

**Mass Intentions for
October 12 - 19, 2019**

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+Deceased members of the Fernandes & Lobo families, requested by the families
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Adela Cayaban, requested by the family
	10:00 a.m.	In thanksgiving, the D'Mello family
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the parish community
	8:00 p.m.	+John O'Toole, requested by the family
Monday	9:00 a.m.	+Rizalina Abad, requested by the family
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	+John Johnston, requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	+Souls in purgatory, requested by M. Palumbo
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	+Mary Scallen, requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	+Patricia Espener, requested by the family
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	+Deceased members of the Fernandes & Lobo families, requested by the families
	7:00 p.m.	+Agostinho Teixeira, requested by the family
		+Clare Kelaart, requested by the Holsinger family
		+Marieta Pascual, requested by the Patel family
Friday	7:30 a.m.	+Florencio Bonife, requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	+Mark Mantes, requested by the family
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	Intentions of Fleurette Welsh

Thanksgiving Day

Monday, October 14, 2019



The Mass on Mon., Oct. 14 will be at 9:00 a.m. because of the holiday. The parish office will also be closed for the day.

St. Vincent de Paul's Bundle Sunday

Weekend of October 12/13

Clothing Drive



What's in your closet?

Bring your gently used clothing, shoes, linen and household goods to share with others this

weekend, Oct. 12/13. A St. Vincent de Paul truck will be in the church parking lot so please share what you can with those less fortunate. Thank you for your continued support!

Spaghetti and Karaoke Night

Saturday, October 19 at 6:30 p.m.



Book the date for our Spaghetti and Karaoke Night on Sat., Oct. 19 at 6:30 p.m. (after the 5:00 p.m. Mass) in the parish

hall. Tickets, at a cost of \$10.00 each for adults and \$5.00 for children under 15 years of age, are available after the weekend Masses or at the parish office.

Is Jesus calling you? Would you give your life for him?



The Church is blessed with a rich diversity of vocations; all of them are born from God as He calls us to participate in His work of redemption. If you are thinking about God's call and trying to find purpose for your life, we are here to help you. Maybe He is inviting you to be a priest, a religious brother or sister, to

serve the Church with love and generosity. Come and talk to us! We will help you discern your vocation.

Contact: Fr. Willyans Prado Rapozo, SCJ
(Priests of the Sacred Heart Vocation director)



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Golden Gems from our Parish History!

The first spaghetti supper was held in 1970. C.W.L. members served 600 people from the small kitchen in the parish hall. It was hectic and wonderful!

Sacramental Prep News

CONFIRMATION & FIRST COMMUNION

Registration begins October 1st after the 10:00 a.m. Sunday Mass at the church hall, or on weekdays at the office during office hours. Registration ends October 31, 2019.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (R.C.I.A.)

Registration is ongoing up to October 15; classes are on Fridays at 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. Classes begin October 18, 2019.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

October 25 – 27, 2019

Celebrate your love and take a fresh look at your marriage! Spend a very special weekend together (Oct. 25 – 27). Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a weekend getaway that helps married couples rediscover themselves as individuals and as a couple. For more information, please call Marge at 905-792-1925.

Prayers Needed for the Sick

We are praying for the sick of our parish: Maurice Archer, Albert Vella, Benedicta Gonsalves, Gwen & Ray Whittle, Phyllis & Anthony Cogliano, Bashir McDoom, Lee Cummings, Tom Shaw, Babu Varghese, Allan Roy Roxas, Sr. Toni Sheehan, Chirsty Besil, Victor Joshua, Dominic Fernandes, Ricardo Simone and Candida Garcia. May they be supported by our prayers and pastoral ministry and by the grace of God.

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