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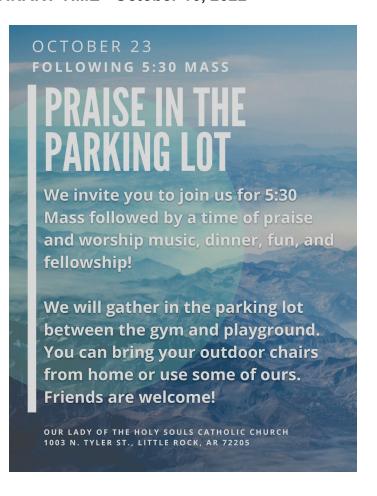
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TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - October 16, 2022







Twenty-Ninth Sunday in **Ordinary Time**

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SUSTAINING HOPE

We all get weary sometimes. So often we face frustration, discouragement, and temptation to despair over what we can't change in our lives, or in the world. Today's readings give us resources to persist in sustaining hope and trusting in God. The reading from Exodus shows us that when our arms get weary, we are not alone, that God provides us companions to sustain us. The letter to Timothy reminds us that we are rooted in scripture, the story of God's past actions and promises for the future. The Gospel passage from Luke gives us the image of a persistent widow, who has a passion in her heart to sustain her relentless efforts to secure justice. This passion, this faith and hope, are God's gifts. But they require ongoing practices of prayer to stay alive and growing. Let us encourage each other in prayer when our arms get weary.

GOD'S PERSISTENCE

Today's Gospel is set within Jesus' instruction to his disciples to prepare for a future after his ascension, and before Christ's final return. The early Church lived in an unjust and violent world, and likely wondered when Christ would return to complete his work. In this context, we hear a parable of a corrupt judge and a widow seeking justice. The widow has no worldly resources to affect the judge, but only her own persistence. And that was enough.

We today also live in an unjust world, and we the Church long for Christ to fulfill God's promises. But we are not asked to wait passively; instead we must join God's work in bringing justice. We can imitate the widow with our persistence in prayer and action to be instruments of peace in our own place and time. These efforts might well extend beyond our own lifespans, but God will inspire new instruments of peace in future generations. God's persistence will be enough.

A DEEP BREATH

In today's passage from 2 Timothy, we hear that "all scripture is inspired." The Greek word translated as "inspired" literally means "God-breathed." That is, God breathes God's own life in and through scripture. We can see ourselves also as "God-breathed," as God's creation was the result of God's speech in Genesis, and as the Church received the Spirit from Jesus' breath (John 20:22). God breathes in and through these writings, and in our encounters with each other, to enliven and to transform us.

Using this word, Paul invites Timothy to engage with scripture, to allow it to teach, correct, and train. Scripture is not a set of rules or an answer book, but a breath of

God's fresh air. It is the record of flawed human beings encountering a loving yet mysterious God. It is the story of God and humanity where we can place our life stories in dialogue with God's story. Take a deep breath.

TODAY'S READINGS

Exodus 17:8-13 Psalm 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 2 Timothy 3:14 — 4:2 Luke 18:1-8

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Our Lady of the Holy Souls Catholic Church October 25 - November 2

In honor of our Parish's Feast Day, All Souls Day, we will offer a Novena for All Souls. The Novena will be offered at each of the already scheduled Masses each day. Everyone is invited to be part of this Novena.

PICTURES OF YOUR DECEASED LOVED ONES

On this feast day, we remember our deceased loves ones. As a special way to remember them, we invite everyone to bring pictures of their deceased loves ones. The pictures must be no larger than 5"x7", in a frame, and brought to the Church Office no later than October 21. The Church Office staff will place these pictures around the altar before the novena begins. The picture will remain in front of the altar until Nov. 2nd; then you will be able to pick it up in the church office. Please do not take your framed pictures from the Shrine in the Adoration Chapel; you will need to bring an additional picture.

SPECIAL MASS INTENTIONS FOR NOVENA

During the Novena, special Mass Intentions will be offered for deceased loved ones. Everyone is invited to put the names of those whom you would like to be remembered at all the Novena Masses. The envelopes are available now at the Church doors or in the Church Office. These envelopes will be placed in a basket on the altar during the Novena.

Holy Souls Church

is offering

A Healing Mass

on Tuesday, October 25th at 9:00 a.m. in the Church.



Anointing of the Sick will follow.



Holy Souls Feast Day Celebration

Saturday, November 5th

All parishioners are invited to the Holy Souls Feast Day Celebration on November 5th. We will start with the blessing of the Columbarium following the 4pm Mass, then have a lighting of candles ceremony for our deceased loved ones buried in the Columbarium and those buried elsewhere, and end the evening with dinner in the Parish Hall at approximately 5:45 p.m. following the ceremony. This event will also include fun and games for the children. The hot dogs and hamburgers will be prepared by our own Men's Club. RSVPs are appreciated by October 31st, so that we may plan for enough food. Please make plans to come and celebrate with us as we gather as a parish!



Attendees can also pay \$30 at the door the date of the event with cash, check to Altar Society, or scan QR code at the event's registration table. Email questions to: altarsociety@holysouls.org



Join our Young Catholic Adults Group

Collections/Stewardship Update	
Mass attendance, October 1 & 2 Mass attendance, October 8 & 9	745 833
Weekend Collections – October 1 & 2 October 8 & 9 Total October Collection Total Oct. Budgeted Collections	\$ 16,943 \$ 24,131 \$ 41,074 \$ 120,000
Actual Collections (7/1/22 - 9/30/22) Budgeted (7/1/22 - 9/30/22) Amount in excess of Budget Children's Collection	\$ 336,705 \$ 305,000 \$ 31,705 \$ 307
Maintenance Fund Thank you for supporting our c	\$ 1,147 hurch.



2nd Collection Next Weekend

Next weekend, October 22 & 23, we join Catholics around the world for the celebration of World Mission Sunday. We are called to offer our prayers and financial help for the Church's missionary work in Asia, Africa, the Pacific Islands and parts of Latin America and Europe. Please be generous in next weekend's 2nd Collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith for the Missions.

HOUSE FOR RENT

The 3BR/2BA house at 824 N. Harrison is now available. Great location, recently remodeled! Rent is \$1,900/month (includes lawn service). For more information, contact Susie in the Church Office at (501) 663-8632 or office@holysouls.org.



The Catholic Diocese of Little Rock is committed to protecting children and young people. If you are aware of abuse or have been abused by Clerics, Church volunteers, or Church workers, please contact the State of Arkansas Hotline for Crimes against Children at 1-800-

482-5964 and the Chancellor for Canonical Affairs, Dcn. Matthew A. Glover, (501) 664-0340 ext. 361. For pastoral assistance please contact the Victim Assistance Coordinator for the Diocese of Little Rock: Laura Gosponer, (501) 664-0340, ext. 425. Diocese of Little Rock. 2500 N. Tyler St., Little Rock, AR 72207.



Holy Souls School's annual fundraiser "Raise Craze" ends 20th. This fundraiser is centered on Acts of Kindness. The students will be asking friends and family for donations to our school and as a way to show their appreciation, they will complete Acts of Kindness for others. We will also collect food for the Arkansas Food Bank to help feed the hungry. A donation box will be available in the vestibule and your donations are greatly appreciated!

HOLY SOULS SCHOOL & CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

Holy Souls School and Church Office will be closed on Friday, October 21, for Fall Break.





EUCHARISTIC MINISTER TRAINING

Eucharistic Ministers are needed at each Mass to serve Holy Communion. If you are a Catholic in good standing and would like to serve as an Eucharistic Minister, we will have training following the 4pm Mass at 5:15pm on Saturday November 12th and Sunday, Nov. 13th following the 8am Mass at 9:15am. Please RSVP for the Saturday or Sunday time to Laura at office@holysouls.org. Thank you.

Grateful Stewards of God's Gifts...

Laura Humphries, Parish Life & Stewardship Director

The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few. Matthew 9:37

My town had a record number of emergency calls last year. The increased demand for services has exhausted our already dwindling roster of volunteers. My community, like most, has long relied on unpaid laborers to perform essential services – everything from watching each other's kids to fighting fires. Yet volunteerism is down in many sectors. There are fewer helpers than ever before. Perhaps it is the time to ask ourselves what we can do. There are so many ways to serve! We don't have to do everything in order to do something. Just start where you are and do what you can. Make a phone call to someone who's alone. Buy extra groceries to share with the food pantry. Prepare care packages for soldiers. Bring Library materials to the homebound. Participate in a local bird count. Join your Parish prayer chain. There's so much need in the world and so much good we can do together. Lord God, help me to love and serve where I can. An excerpt from Living Faith

We are short-handed in many areas in our communities. We are short-handed in our parish community. There are many volunteer opportunities in Faith Formation, Liturgical Ministries, ministers of Holy Communion to the sick, Event Volunteers, as well as other areas. There are opportunities to assist the Afghan family that our parish is sponsoring. We as Catholic Christians are a people that are called to service. Jesus asks us to serve one another, to love another. It is important that we use our gifts to help others, to tend to the needy and to build the kingdom of God. There's so much need in the world and so much good we can do together. We can make a difference if we just do something, we don't have to do it all, but we need to do our part.

Encounter Jesus, Serve Others

Volunteers Needed to help our Afghan Family

As most of you know, we are sponsoring an Afghan family. They are living in a church owned home on Harrison Street, just up from the church. A few ways we need help for them

- Transportation for the mother and her youngest daughter who is still in a car seat who goes with her to the appointments. The car seat is provided.
- · Taking the mother to get groceries once a month
- · Pick up items and deliver to their home
- Help parents with house and car maintenance
- Planning a monthly activity for the family

Please contact Wendy in the church office (email office@holysouls. org or call 501-663-8632) to sign up to help.



Thank you to Girl Scout troop 95 and their leaders, Rachel Glenn, Sherry Henderson, Brandi Collins, Jocelyn Stotts, and Mattie Baker who helped with the Pet Blessing on Oct. 1. Thank you to Fr. Daniel and Fr. Bhaskar for blessing all our pets.

Thank you to Elizabeth & Guy Johnson, Linda Ehemann, Jody Marra, Janet Rossi, Kathy French, and Barb Grafe for taking Communion to homebound parishioners. If I left someone out, I am sorry, and please let me know!

Thank you to all of our UAMS Communion Ministers: Renee Rittelmever, Jessica Lester, Lori Hovt, Sarah Cullen, John and Karen Flake, Bart and Kathy Taylor, Melissa Angtuaco, Pat Darsey, John and Janet Breen, and Jason Mann, who faithfully go to the hospital each weekday and on the weekend. You are all appreciated. If you want to join this ministry, please call Laura.

Thank you to Paul Mammarelli and Alan Carlson for taking communion to the patients at the VA.

Thank you to Wendy Saer for answering the call and taking Communion to Andover. Thank you to Kelly Ochoa for being the minister previously and hopefully she will be back when she is fully recovered. Thank you to Jessica Lester who helped out as well.

Thank you to Wendy Saer, Shona Terrell and Elise Barry, Senior CYM, and Donna Bressinck for taking dinners to the Seminarians at the House of Formation the Tuesdays in October!



Please welcome the following newly baptized child of God into our church community:

Brielle Elise Alfonso Tupaz daughter of Hector and Ma (Alfonso) Tupaz

Responding to the Word This Week

Jesus wants us to be persistent in our prayer.

For what do I continually ask God for myself? for others?

Jesus, I pray . . .

*To reflect on this Sunday's readings online, go to www.usccb.org/bible/readings/101622.cfm



Grief Support Group

Holy Souls will offer a Grief Support Group for anyone that is grieving from the loss of a loved one. The group will begin on Tuesday, November 29th at 5:30pm until 6:30pm in the Parish Hall and will run for 10 weeks. When we are grieving we can feel like we are going crazy and that things will not get better, these feelings are normal. You are not crazy and things will get better, but it does take time. Sharing your feelings with others with similar experiences can be very beneficial. If you or someone you know would like to join, please email Laura at office@holysouls.org or call her at 501-663-8632 or MaryAnn Stafford at 2dings@sbcglobal.net to reserve a spot.



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EXPOSITION OF SACRED RELICS - TREASURES OF THE CHURCH - Everyone is invited to a teaching and exposition of Sacred Relics. Over 150 relics will be shown, some as old as 2,000 years. Two churches in our area will have presentations: Tuesday, Oct. 18 at 6:30 p.m. at Immaculate Conception Church, 7000 JFK Blvd., NLR and Wednesday, Oct. 19 at 6:30 p.m., at Christ the King, LR. www.treasuresofthechurch.com.

HILLCREST NEIGHBORHOOD PANCAKE BREAKFAST & HARVEST FEST: Saturday, Oct. 22. The Pancake Breakfast is 9-11am, Pulaski Heights Baptist Church, 2200 Kavanaugh Blvd. Cost \$5 person/ \$15 family. Then join us for Harvest Fest on Kavanaugh Blvd. from 11 a.m. till 7pm. It features food trucks, live music, local beers, crafts, kid's activities and more!

ARKANSAS PREGNANCY RESOURCE CENTER: LEGACY OF LIFE - This banquet is the primary fundraiser for the ministry of St. Joseph's Helpers. Join us on October 27th @ Embassy Suites. Registration is open, get your table or seat today! stjosephshelpersark.org/legacyoflife



In order to keep our bulletin prayer list up-to-date for the sick, names will remain on the list for four weeks. Then their name will be written in the Book of Intercession where they will be remembered during every Mass. To continue for another four weeks, please call the church office.

OUR PARISHIONERS -- Benjamin Stuart; Glennabell McCumpsey; Frank Kremers; Doug Pilcher; Kelly Ochoa; Alice Stuff; Betty Dix; Rick Blank; Tom Johnson; Noel Oman; Lillian Henriquez; Judy Sims; Grace Clark; Doug Schneider; Lilly Hess; Gene France; Nick Kirchner; Curt Lassiter; Chris Price; and Jerry Wrape.

OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY MEMBERS -- Lucille Marconi; Frances Heffington; Phil Marks; Chris Ashcraft, Mike Limbird, Susan Jones, Liz George; Fagan Green; Alissa Hastings; Jamie Garrett, Rosetta Ramsay; Ceile Faulkner; Karmen Hopkins; Amy Woody; Gretchen Golden; Jason Brown; The Petty Family; Phyllis Marks; Mary Ellen Eddings; Lucinda Dixon; Pat Mondy; Daniel Kemp; Shelby Stafford; Shandy Roy; Jane Madden; Skylar Hammond; Alice Humphries; and Charles Wickstrom.

THOSE WHO HAVE DIED -- Jerry Wrape, husband of Sue Wrape.

OUR SEMINARIANS – especially Deacon John Paul Hartnedy and Duwan Booker.

REGISTRATION FOR NEW MEMBERS

Registration for new members is completed in the church office or online by visiting our web page, www.holysouls.org. Please contact the church office or go online at www.holysouls.org if you have moved, changed your telephone number, or email address. When parishioners reach 18 years of age, they should register separately from their family.

RCIA

If you are interested in becoming Catholic, please contact Susej Thompson at 501-663-8632 or officen@holysouls.org.

RETURNING CATHOLICS

If you are interested in returning to the Catholic Church, please contact Susej Thompson at 663-8632 or office@holysouls.org.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays from 2:30 to 3:30pm and Wednesdays from 4:00 to 5:00pm or call the church office for an appointment.

CHURCH VISITS

The Church is open for private prayer time on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday from 7:30am-3pm and on Wednesday from 7:30am-5:15pm. Please enter through the door on Harrison St. side by piano or the handicapped door in the front of church.

BAPTISM

Baptisms are scheduled on an individual basis. Please call the church office for more information.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Contact the church office a minimum of six months in advance.



To read the daily reading online, go to www.usccb.org/nab/today.shtml

Monday, October 17 ST. IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH - Eph 2:1-10; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 12:13-21

7:00 a.m. Mass Sam Piazza by Tish & Robert Anderson

Tuesday, October 18 ST. LUKE - 2 Tm 4:10-17b; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Lk 10:1-9

7:00 a.m. Mass Joe & Margaret Beck by Louis Beck

Wednesday, October 19 STS. JOHN DE BREBEUT & ISAAC JOGUES & COMPANIONS - Eph 3:2-12; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Lk 12:39-48

5:30 p.m. Mass Thomas Creviston by Anita Creviston

Thursday, October 20 ST. PAUL OF THE CROSS - Eph 3:14-21; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19; Lk 12:49-53

7:00 a.m. Mass Dinah Powers by Susan Powers

8:15 a.m. School Mass Special Intention for Holy Souls School by Holy Souls Parish

Friday, October 21 Eph 4:1-6; Ps 24:1-4ab, 5-6; Lk 12:54-59

7:00 a.m. Mass Monica del Carmen Velasco by David & Rosemary Kraft

Saturday, October 22 ST. JOHN PAUL II - Eph 4:7-16; Ps 122:1-5; Lk 13:1-9 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass Jennifer Boccarossa by Larry & Patti Boccarossa

Sunday, October 23 30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Sir 35:12-14, 16-18; Ps 34:2-3, 17-19, 23; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18; Lk 18:9-14

8:00 a.m. Mass Tony & Pat Heyd by Jim & Ruthmary Goodhart

10:30 a.m. Mass Intentions of Parishioners

5:30 p.m. Mass Special Intention for Betty France by Jim France

Mass Intentions may be offered for the Repose of the Soul of a deceased loved one or for healing, a special occasion, or a special intention for yourself, a family member, or friend. Please contact Stacey in the Church Office for more information.

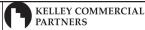


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