

## Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Friends: Well, it has happened again. The infamous “black cloud” has made its reappearance. Fortunately, it did not wreak as much havoc this time and, as usual, its reemergence has a silver lining.

This past week, I left the office to help take care of the needs of someone who was down on his luck. I only left for about ten minutes and then I promptly returned. As I was backing my vehicle into the garage, I was not as attentive as usual and ended up catching the passenger side mirror on the frame of the garage. Needless to say, the mirror was pried loose from its housing and a plastic tab broke off. I have to admit, it is hard to see something like that happen to a new vehicle! Fortunately, it can be repaired, albeit after shelling out a little money.

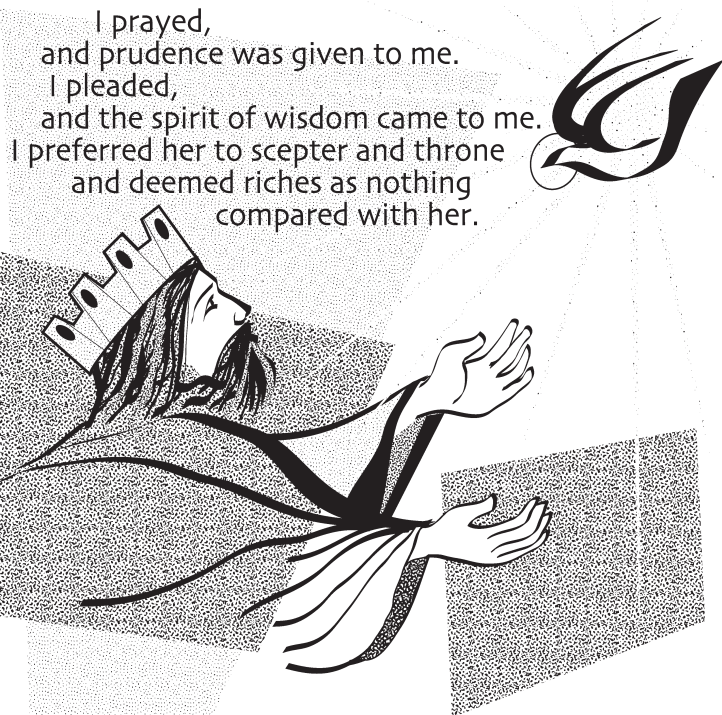
This was not the first time my new truck has been “wounded.” After less than 24 hours of owning it, I parked it briefly outside the garage, and a rock got kicked up from a grass trimmer and was propelled into the passenger side window, shattering it to smithereens! Good thing I was able to repair it without much fuss.

Things like these can and do happen to all of us. The silver lining for me has been that both of these incidents have led me to a certain detachment from my vehicle. Don’t get me wrong, I am still protective of my truck, but at least the new-ness is wearing off, and so is the expectation that my vehicle will always be in pristine condition. I have to admit, I have come a long way with respect to detachment. Time was that I would have gotten rather upset over something like that.

Detachment is something that we all have to work on throughout our lives. I remember when I was in high school, the time came for my wisdom teeth to come out. After the operation, I was stuck in bed for a day or so. Not having anything better to do, I found a book that someone had given me on the story of St. Francis of Assisi and I started to read. That turned out to be an important influence on my path to the priesthood. I was inspired by the complete abandon with which St. Francis let go of all material possessions. I was moved by the fact that he chose only to possess the clothes on his back so that he could live, as closely as possible, the poverty of Christ. It was a very edifying story and I imagined trying to surrender all of my possessions to follow the Lord.

How quickly those thoughts fade. It is easy to entertain the idea of shedding attachment to worldly possessions, but to actually do so is another thing. We can easily justify why we should hold on to things; whether for sentimental value or for frugality’s sake. Our possessions seem to have a power over us.

I have to admit that I can easily identify with the rich man in today’s Gospel who went away sad because he had many possessions. I have no doubt that almost all of us feel the same way. How hard it is to trust in



I prayed,  
and prudence was given to me.  
I pleaded,  
and the spirit of wisdom came to me.  
I preferred her to scepter and throne  
and deemed riches as nothing  
compared with her.

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the providence of God. The allure of technology, the luster of fashion, the peer pressure of comparing our things to the things that other people have all make it difficult to detach. We all like comfort and security. Yet, our affluence and possessions can easily become great obstacles to the grace that God wants to share with us.

Jesus knew that this was the one thing that was keeping the young rich man from excelling in holiness. He had kept all the commandments, but was not happy. Only one thing did he lack – to sell all he had and give to the poor so that he could follow Christ and thus, have treasure in heaven. Perhaps this Year of Faith can be an opportunity for us to take a good look at the attachments we have in our lives. Perhaps we can learn to divest ourselves of things that impede us from really growing by leaps and bounds in our relationship with God! God bless!

**Welcome new parishioners!**

Please welcome our new parishioners: Paul and Erika Salinas and baby Ethan.

We invite them to become an active part of our growing faith community!

**† May They Rest in Peace**

Please pray for the repose of the soul of long time parishioner Frances Galvan who was buried through our church on Saturday. Also, for Gregory Goodman whose Memorial Mass took place here at St. Pius on Thursday. And for Michael Griffin whose Memorial Mass also took place here at St. Pius last week. Eternal rest grant unto them Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them!

**Carnival Fun**

The St. Pius X Catholic School Halloween Carnival is just two weeks away! Mark your calendars for Friday night, October 26th from 5:30-10pm. Come out and enjoy music provided by the St. Pius X Youth Band; great carnival food (frito pies, sausage-on-a-stick, pizza, tamales); kid-friendly games (bounce houses, dunking booth, rock climbing wall, ring toss, cake walk, toy walk). Father Paul/ Father Joseph and Principal Clark are going to race up the rock wall, so if for no other reason, come out and see the three of them climb a rock wall!!!

**Invitation to Coffee**

Women of the parish are invited to a friendship coffee on Sunday, October

Rectory Office Hours:  
*Monday-Friday, 9:00AM-5:00PM*

**Schedule of Services**

Masses: *First Friday: 5:30PM - Anointing of the Sick*

*First Saturday: 8:15AM Vigil at 5:30PM.*

*Sunday: 8AM, 10AM, 12PM, 5:30PM (Youth Mass)*

*(Babysitting at 10AM and 12 noon Sunday Masses - Ages 6mo-5yrs - in Parish Hall Nursery)*

*Weekdays: Monday through Friday 8:15AM,*

*Wednesday & Friday 5:30PM*

*Holy Days: 7AM, 12PM & 6:30PM (Vigil 5:30PM)*

*Confessions: Saturdays - 4-5PM and 6:30-7:30PM*

*Marriages: By appointment only and notice six months in advance.*

*Weddings take place on weekdays any time and on Saturdays no later than 3:00PM*

*Baptismal Instruction: Pre-register through the office.*

*Anointing of the Sick: On request and at the 5:30PM Mass on First Fridays*

28 by the Altar and Rosary Society. The coffee will be held in the Parish Hall after the 10 a.m. and 12 p.m. Masses. Please join us if you are interested in learning about the duties of the Altar ad Rosary Society. For more information, contact Emily Dickinson at 446-2401 or the parish office 993-4053. (Note: there will not be an Altar Society meeting on October 25).

## St. Pius X Men's Club Meeting

Men's Club members, reminder that this coming Tuesday, October 16th, will be our monthly meeting with a meal at 6:30pm and meeting to follow at 7 pm in the Parish Hall.

## From the Parish Mailbox

**From Lynnell and Randy Murphy and Alvarez family to Fr. Hesse and Parishioners:** Thank you so much for all the support you gave our family during the illness and passing of Lynnelle's father, Jerry Alvarez. The outpouring of food, flowers, visits, prayers and most of all for Father Paul concelebrating his funeral Mass. What beautiful gifts God has given in each and everyone of you. Please receive the biggest HEART-FELT THANKS.

**From Mother Teresa Shelter to St. Pius Parishioners:** I would like to personally thank you for your kind donation to the Mother Teresa Shelter! Your kindness is a blessing to our brothers and sisters in Christ. I pray that God continues to bless you. You are always welcome here!

## Beginning of the Year of Faith!

In his Apostolic Letter entitled "Porta Fidei" (Door of Faith), Pope Benedict declared a "Year of Faith" beginning October 11, 2012 and ending on November 24, 2013. This special year commemorates the 50th anniversary of the beginning of Vatican Council II and the 20th anniversary of the publication of the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

Please join Bishop Wm. Michael Mulvey as he celebrates an Opening Mass for the Year of Faith to be held on Oct. 17 at 6 p.m. in the Corpus Christi Cathedral. All are welcome.

## Pray for Fr. Paul during his Pilgrimage

Fr. Paul will be leaving for a Pilgrimage to the Shrines of Italy celebrating the Year of Faith. The group of pilgrims will be attending the papal Mass during which seven new saints will be canonized. Please keep him and the group in your prayers, asking for a safe journey!

## Coming Soon!

### Restless Heart - The Confessions of St. Augustine Movie

St. Pius X Church will be hosting a showing of this film at a movie theater near you in the near future. Stay tuned for more details!

## Comings and Goings

*The Week at a Glance*



### Sunday, October 14

8:00-10:00AM – RCIA – CC#2

9AM – Catholic Daughters' Waffle Breakfast – PH  
Sale of school Halloween tickets after Masses

10:00AM – Scouts at Mass – CH & Cafeteria

### Monday, October 15

3:30-4:15PM – Ballet Class – PH

5:00-6:00PM – Confirmation - YC

7:00-9:00PM – Church History – CC#2

### Tuesday, October 16

7:00-9:00AM – Men's Journey – CC#1&2

10:00AM – Journey – CC#2

12:30PM – MAP – CC#1

2:00-4:00PM – Church History – CH

6:30PM – Men's Club – PH

7:00-8:15PM – RCIA team – CC#2

8:00PM – Night Angels – CC#1

### Wednesday, October 17

7-9AM – Joyful Pillars – CC#2

9:00AM-12:00PM – MAP – CC#1

9:30AM – Schola – C/R

11:00AM – Friendship Circle – YC

1:00-4:00PM – Spohn Volunteers - PH

3:30PM – Children's Choir – C/R

4:30PM – Youth Choir – C/R

6:30PM – CCD – CC#1&2 & Cafeteria

### Thursday, October 18

1:00PM – Bridge – CC#1&2

4:30-5:15PM – Webelos – CC#2

6:00PM – Bell Choir – C/R

7:00PM – Adoration – CH

7:30PM – Adult Choir- C/R

### Friday, October 19

9-11AM – Women of Faith – CC#2

4:00PM – Webelos – CC#2

### Saturday, October 20

Reception - Cafeteria

Reception - PH

### Sunday, October 21

Black Bag Collection

8:00-10AM – RCIA – CC#2

Sale of school carnival tickets

1:30PM – Baptisms

4:00-5:30PM – Boy Scouts Award Class – CC#1&2

## Travel plans

Make your summer plans now. Join the group in early June who will travel to the beautiful cities of Charleston, SC, Savannah, GA and St. Augustine, FL. Experience the South in a new way, learning its history and seeing its beauty. For more information come to CC#2 on Saturday, October 27 at 3:30PM or call Sister Barbara Bluntzer at 993-4053.

## YOUTH CORNER



Turkey Day has come early this year in the form of this week's EDGE! Come out and bring your friends to the party, plus, what does JJ's beard look like now?! If you want to know, you have to come to EDGE.



This Week: Ice Clothes! You read correct, ICE CLOTHES. What does it mean, and how does God's Covenant's with people connect with ice clothes? If you want to know, come out to Life Teen and bring your friends.

Next Week: How good are you at writing short stories? Do you consider yourself on par with Mark Twain, Dr. Suess, Edgar Allen Poe, the lady who wrote Harry Potter? God? Come out to Life Teen and prepare to have your mind blown!

## Christmas in October

We are collecting special items to be put in Christmas stocking CARE boxes for our active military personnel serving in harm's way. Join us as we bring items to the decorated box in the church lobby: Christmas or hard candy (NO chocolate!), Christmas cookies in small pre-wrapped packs, Christmas CDs., blank Christmas cards with envelopes, cereal bars, travel-size mouth wash, travel-size hand sanitizer, puzzle books, small notebooks, small games, disposable cameras, manicure kits for male or female, hand warmers. If you would like a CARE box sent to an active military man or woman serving overseas, please give the name and address at the church office. The expense for mailing each box is between \$11-15; if you can contribute to that expense, drop a check in the offertory made out to "Coastal Bend Troop Support" and it will be sent with the collected items to the group in Rockport that prepares the boxes. Thank you for your contributions.

## Note for Lectors

The new workbooks for lectors for the next liturgical year have arrived. Please stop by the parish office (open weekdays 9AM-5PM) to pick yours up. They will be labeled with your name and address. If it is not possible for you to pick yours up during this time frame, please make arrangements and your book can be placed in the outside mailbox for after hours pickup. Thank you for all you do to make our Masses beautiful. Please use these books so you can prepare for your readings when scheduled.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



### CCD

Perfect Attendance: Congratulations to the following classes and the Catechists.

Kindergarten—Marcia Gomez & Shauna Quiroz  
Sacramental Prep IIa--Penny and Manual Anzualda

Sacramental Prep IIc—Angie Quiroz & Linda Lopez

Third Grade—Patricia McKenna

Parents who have children in classes preparing for the sacraments are reminded that there is a limit of two absences for the year.

## Altar Servers October 20-21



**Sat. 5:30 p.m.**  
MC Kevin Smith  
Matthew Oliveira  
Jacob Rivera  
Ryan Park

**Sun. 8:00 a.m.**  
MC Paul Freeman  
MC Javier Camacho, Jr.  
Nicholas Lee  
J.P. Lee

**Sun. 10:00 a.m.**  
MC Lali Rodriguez  
MC Joshua Harney  
Jordyn Harney  
Joe Aidan Harney

**Sun. 12:00 p.m.**  
MC Joseph Tarin  
Quarter Morrison  
Matthew Lutz  
Riel Posada  
Grace Morrison

**Sun. 5:30 p.m.**  
MC Brian Pompa  
MC Matthew Quiroz  
Cole Morin  
Toby Johnson

## Lectors

OCT	20	SAT	5:30	P.M.	Harold Lee
OCT	20	SAT	5:30	P.M.	Fred McCutchon
OCT	21	SUN	8:00	A.M.	Dennis Diersing
OCT	21	SUN	8:00	A.M.	Joan Hennings
OCT	21	SUN	10:00	A.M.	Larry Hyde
OCT	21	SUN	10:00	A.M.	Denise Hyde
OCT	21	SUN	12:00	NOON	Clay Thompson
OCT	21	SUN	12:00	NOON	Margaret Thompson
OCT	21	SUN	5:30	P.M.	Simon Purnell
OCT	21	SUN	5:30	P.M.	Alma Tamez

# One Minute Meditations

## Year of Faith

Pope Benedict XVI has appointed October 2012 to November 2013, the Year of Faith. The Year of Faith is an opportunity to deepen our personal relationship with God by praying each day with more joy, studying Scripture to discern God's will, and celebrating Sunday Mass every week to strengthen our bond with Christ.

## October's saint

St. Isaac Jogues, S.J., is the patron for the month of October this year. He was a young man passionate about spreading the Gospel despite great personal sacrifice. In 1636, the young Jesuit traveled from his native France to Quebec to work among the Huron Indians. Under regular attack by the Iroquois, St. Isaac and his companions were captured and brutally tortured for 13 months. He escaped to France but felt drawn back and returned to his mission in New York a few months later. Once again he was captured and tortured, but this time was martyred.



## SAFE ENVIRONMENT (CMSE) CLASSES

CMSE—If you are ministering in the parish in ANY capacity and have not received the CMSE (Safe Environment) training you must complete it as soon as possible. Please call Sister Barbara Netek at 993-9024 to register for the **October 23rd class**. This class is at 6:30 pm. All classes are now one hour classes.

The next Safe Environment **recertification** class this will be **November 13** at 6:30 pm in CC#2. There are some changes in the certification process and they will be explained to you. Please bring your BLUE CARD from the previous certification with you.

**ALL CLASSES ARE IN CC#1 AT 6:30 pm**

### Schedule for re-certification classes:

November 13	December 11	
January 8	February 12	
March 12	April 9	May 14

**Schedule for Core classes:** October 23

## Friendship Circle meets

Ladies, we will meet you in the NEW youth center this Wednesday at 11:30AM. Plan to come, make new friends, and socialize. See you soon!

## Instituto de Cultura Hispanica

The Institute of Hispanic Culture presents: "El Corazon del Bolero", featuring Jose Ruben De Leon, on October 27, at Texas A&M Corpus Christi Performing Arts Center. Seating at 6:30 p.m., performance starts at 7:00 p.m. The cost is \$20 per person.

## Centennial of the Diocese of Corpus Christi

Bishop Adolph Marx was ordained a priest in 1940. He served our diocese in various offices and was named Auxiliary Bishop in 1956, a post he held until 1965 when he was appointed as the first bishop of the newly formed Diocese of Brownville. However, his time there was brief. In Rome to attend final session of the Vatican II, he had time to go to home to visit relatives Germany. While there he suffered a heart attack and died on Nov. 1 at the age of 50, only 2 months after his installation in Brownville.

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### Waffle Breakfast

Sunday, October 14, 2012  
9-12 NOON

Parish Hall  
5620 Gollihar Road

Donation: \$6



## Mass Intentions



- Sat. 10/13 5:30PM Bill Traeger by Allen & Janet Daehne  
 Sun. 10/14 8:00AM Chris & John Janosek by David Janosek  
 10:00AM Dee Samperi by Mary Fodor  
 12:00PM Alvino Campos' Anniversary by Stella Campos  
 5:30PM For the Parishioners  
 Mon. 10/15 8:15AM Amador Zamora by Elva Z. Laurel  
 Tue. 10/16 8:15AM Violet Morgan's Anniversary by Ken & Liz Morgan  
 Wed., 10/17 8:15AM Dee Samperi's Anniversary by Mary Fodor  
 Agnes Parker by Donna Parker  
 Eva Friedrichs by Pete & Nancy Anzaldua  
 Teresa Anorga by Tamez family  
 5:30PM Thomas & Mary Fitzgerald by the Fitzgerald family  
 Olga De Vega by Tommy & Charlotte Groner  
 Art and Mary Salinas' Intentions by Allen & Janet Daehne  
 John & Mary Kelly by Kathleen Horne  
 Frank & Martha Kolda's Intentions by Pat & Sandy DeGregorio  
 Olga De Vega by Camille Habeeb Hojnacki  
 Atilano and Irene Rodriguez by Clay Rodriguez  
 Thu. 10/18 8:15AM Michael Pacheco, Jr. by Penny Pacheco  
 Erich Wendl by Elvira Wendl & family  
 Fri. 10/19 8:15AM Mary Annie Gross by Chuck Gross  
 5:30PM Martha Sykora by Raymond & Randy Sykora  
 Sat. 10/20 5:30PM Marge Frosch by Jeannie Cersosimo  
 Sun. 10/21 8:00AM For the Parishioners  
 10:00AM Felicitas Rodriguez by Elvira Wendl  
 12:00PM Juan Guerrero by Martinez, Leal & Hinojosa families  
 5:30PM Joe McCullough by Wayne & Camille Hojnacki



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## Please Pray for our Sick & Shut-Ins:

Manuel Balbin, Madison Beckwith, Sgt. 1st Class William Boone, Frances Branning, Bill Brumback, Bob Byrd, Stella & Michael Campos, Ashley Carroll, Reana Carter, Riana Carter, Jim Cook, Jason Cox, Alicia de Boza, Florinda De La Garza, Mark DeGaiish, Sandy DeGregorio, Minga DeLosSantos, Samantha Didear Deste, Liz Elovitz, Yolanda Escobar, Juan A. Flores, Bobby Floyd, Frances Galvan, Raymond Garcia, Jr., Elida Gonzalez, Bobby Gough, Glenda Graham, Vickie Grainger, Maria Griffin, Charlotte & Tommy Groner, Jared Groner, Terry Groner, Coleen Habeeb, Marie Habeeb, Rose Marie Hand, James Hartman, Corina Herndon, Cathy Hervey, Chris Holland, Elizabeth Johnson, Martha Kaler, Dorothy Krause, Arlene Leep, Ed Lewis, Alois Lup, Arlene Lup, Cynthia Lup, Dorothy Mathews, Michael McCloskey, Virginia Medrano, Robert Miller, John Morgan, Dan Murray, Patricia Paris, Phil Perabo, Robert M. Pope, Ron Randolph, Roberto Reyes, Raymond Richter, Marguerite Ross, Luis Salazar, Tim Salch, Janie San Miguel & children, Amber Saylor, Terry Schacherl, Josephine Sheldon, Tina Shepherd, Msgr. Richard Shirley, Willie Mae Shirley, Mary Pat Slavik, Maxine Sommers, Lydia Tey, Idolina Vela, Luz Villarreal, Melva Walet, Mary Lois Webster, Bea Wilson, Linda Witt, Dolly Zihelli, Sarah Zuniga and all those who asked for and need our prayers.

## Financial Report for week ending 10/7/2012

### Operating Revenue:

Sunday Collection .....	\$ 25,948.27
Other Income .....	\$ 100.00
Philipino Fundraiser .....	\$ 4,542.00
<b>Total Operating Revenue.....</b>	<b>\$ 30,590.27</b>

### Other Contributions:

Acts of Charity.....	\$ 37.00
Janosek Scholarship.....	\$ 150.00
Catholic Charities.....	\$ 5.00
Disaster Relief.....	\$ 5.00
Respect Life .....	\$ 603.00
World Mission.....	\$ 5.00
<b>Total Other Contributions.....</b>	<b>\$ 805.00</b>
<b>Total Contributions 10/7/2012 ...</b>	<b>\$ 31,395.27</b>

Loan balance on Youth Bldg  
 as of September 30, 2012.....\$ 993,453.52

