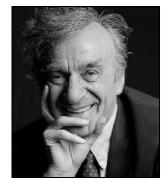
# Gospel Reflection - Oct. 8-9, 2016 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Luke 17:11-19



The Redemptorist, Fr. Joseph Manton, once suggested that if we wanted to surprise God, we might offer him a thimbleful of gratitude. His comment is more a commentary on us than it is about God.

Jesus was not surprised that the healed Samaritan leper came back

to thank Him. He was, however, Elie Wiesel surprised that his nine companions 1928-2016 did not. Perhaps Jesus believed that the gratitude should be the most common of virtues among men.

The things that we have in common make us most like other men. We could say they define our humanity.

Elie Wiesel once wrote, "When a person doesn't have gratitude, something is missing in his or her humanity."

Is it surprising to hear that comment from a man who endured life in two Nazi Concentration Camps, Auschwitz and Buchenwald? He saw his younger sister and his mother killed in Auschwitz. He saw his father frequently beaten and eventually die only weeks before the camp was liberated.

Elie Wiesel himself died just a couple of months ago in Manhattan. Senator Orrin, in a speech on the Senate floor called Wiesel "a beacon of humanity".

Perhaps he became that beacon, in part, because of his uncommon gratitude. He once said, "For me, every hour is a grace. And I feel gratitude in my heart each time I can meet someone and look at his or her smile."

~Fr. Victor Scocco, O.S.S.T.

#### ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED

Anyone Grade 3 and above who has celebrated their First Communion is welcome to join this ministry and serve at the Table of the Lord.

Please contact Diane Baldwin at 443-679-6241 or dnboct4@hotmail.com for more information and so a training session can be arranged. We've lost many Altar Servers over the summer due to moves and those going off to college. Your participation in this ministry would be greatly appreciated.



# 15@th FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT/BONFIRE

In celebration of the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, Life Teen is sponsoring a Family Movie Night and Bonfire on Friday, October 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm. By popular vote, we will be showing "The Jungle Book" (2016).

There will also be s'mores and popcorn available.

# **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Religious Education has started and meets on the 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month. Pre-K through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade meets from 9:30am – 11:00am; 4<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade is from 11:15am – 12:45pm.

If you have any questions, please contact Valerie Magnuson by emailing val@saintlawrencemartyr.org or calling 410-799-1970, ext. 54.

## SPAGHETTI DINNER – OCTOBER 29<sup>TH</sup>

Mark your calendars for Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup>. The Sister Parish Committee will hold its Spaghetti Dinner in the Parish Center.



It will take place from 4:00 – 7:30pm. Prices are Adults: \$8.00; Children (6-12): \$4.00; 5 and under: Free.

You can get your spaghetti to go, and there will be a bake sale so you can purchase dessert as well!

The Spaghetti Dinner benefits the Sister Parish Committee, which sends financial support to Holy Trinity Church, our sister parish in Sucre, Bolivia.

## ARE YOU AFFECTED BY CELIAC DISEASE?

We have special hosts with a gluten content of 0.01% available for anyone who has Celiac disease. These hosts are approved by Rome. They are made, stored, and shipped in a dedicated gluten-free environment. If you suffer from Celiac disease, see Father Victor or Father Binoy in the sacristy to receive a pyx for your use.

# CATHOLIC MEN'S STUDY GROUP

Have you ever been asked about Catholic beliefs concerning Mary, the Pope, saints, Eucharist, confession, marriage, etc.? We have recently formed a men's group that will study the Bible, Catholic Catechism, and various other sources, so we can better understand, not just the doctrines themselves, but the biblical and historical reasons for these beliefs.

We meet in the Sacristy after the Divine Mercy Chaplet, at 6:30pm every Tuesday, other than the third Tuesday of the month. If interested, contact Ray Ogden after the Divine Mercy Chaplet at the church or (almost) anytime at home at 410-551-8364.

# STRENGTHEN AND RENEW YOUR MARRIAGE

"But the word of God is not chained." Let us express God's love through our marriages. Strengthen, renew and rekindle your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on November 11-13, 2016, April 21-23, 2017 or October 27-29, 2017 in Gaithersburg, MD.

For more information and to apply online, visit welovematrimony.org, or call 301-541-7007, or email at applications@welovematrimony.org.



# Saturday, Oct. 8th: 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

+ James Prisco III req by Jim Prisco Jr. For members of the Trinitarian

Community, Hanover, req by the Trinitarians

# Sunday, Oct. 9<sup>th</sup>: 28<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

+ **John Eggerl** reg by his family 8:30am

10:00am + Maria Elena Tovar req by Angela Tovar

+ Melanie Welzel reg by her friend 11:30am

Mass for the People 5:30pm

# Monday, Oct. 10<sup>th</sup>:

9:00am\* + William Chubb req by Bob & Maggie Petza Tuesday, Oct. 11<sup>th</sup>:

9:00am\*\* + Maria Lanh Trinh req by her niece

Wednesday, Oct. 12<sup>th</sup>:

9:00am\*\*\* + Deceased members of the Trinitarian **Order** reg the Trinitarians

Thursday, Oct. 13th:

9:00am\*

Friday, Oct. 14th:

9:00am\* + Barbara Dorsey Prisco req by

Saturday, Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>: 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

+ Della Rico Martinez reg by

Dr. David F. Rico & family

+Patricia Ann Frances Dowd req by 6:30pm

the Naymick family

# Sunday, Oct. 16<sup>th</sup>: 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30am Thanksgiving for safe arrival of Uche & Chukwuma

Onwuegbule to USA reg by Mr. & Mrs. Edet

Mass for the Unborn req by K of C Council 10:00am

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11:30am + **Bill Keefe** req by his friend

5:30pm Mass for the People

\*\* Rosary and Novena to St. Agatha \* Rosary following Mass

\*\*\* Rosary and Novena to St. Michael of the Saints

## MASS INTENTIONS

Offering Mass for a Special Intention is a long-standing tradition in the Catholic Church.

If you'd like to have a Mass celebrated for someone, contact the Parish Office at office@saintlawrence martyr.org or call 410-799-1970. It is a free will offering, but typically people donate \$5 to \$10 a Mass.

Oct. 15 <sup>th</sup> – 16 <sup>th</sup> Ministry Schedule						
Time	Servers	Lector	EM	Ushers	Greeters	
Saturday 5:00pm	Matthew C	Larry B	Jeff F	Jeff F Steve S	Help Needed	
Saturday 6:30pm	Katie B Timmy B	John M	Bill R	John M	Anna B Jeff B	
Sunday 8:30am	Amanda S	Mike A	Rocco D	Dwayne G Help Needed	Helen C	
Sunday 10:00am	Hannah L	Carla D	Tom L	Darryl B Aida R	Angie N	
Sunday 11:30am	Michael K	Skip Wenk	Deacon John	Michael L Ray T	Help Needed	
Sunday 5:30pm	N/A	Micayla N	Help Needed	Steve F	Help Needed	

# CHURCH SUPPORT- OCTOBER 1-2, 2016

Category	This year	Last year
Envelopes: Regular Weekly	\$4,054.00	\$3,994.00
Loose: Regular Weekly	1,728.00	2,467.00
E-giving: Regular Weekly	2,995.00	2,580.00
Poor Box:	173.50	659.00
Catholic Schools:	929.00	157.00
Total:	9,879.50	\$9,857.00

Oct. 8 <sup>th</sup> :	Knights selling Christmas Cards after Mass			
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Collec	tion: Restoration & Maintenance Fund		
	7:30am	Beans and Bread (Parish Ctr)		
	9:00am	3 <sup>rd</sup> Order Mtg (Offsite)		
	4:00pm	8-Door-Tour (Young Adult Ministy)		
	6:30pm	Mary FORMED night (Parish Ctr)		
Oct. 9 <sup>th</sup> :	Knights selling Christmas Cards after Mas			
	Donut Social after AM Masses			
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection: Restoration & Maintenance Fund			
	9:30am	1st Reconciliation Class (Parish Ctr.)		
	10:30am	Prayer Shawl Ministry (til 12noon)		
	3:30pm	Confirmation Class (Parish Ctr)		
	6:30pm	Life Teen-Monster Mini Golf (offsite		
Oct. 10 <sup>th</sup> :	7:00pm	RCIA (Sacristy)		
Oct. 11 <sup>th</sup> :	10:30am	TLC Reflection (Parish Ctr)		
	6:00pm	Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church)		
	6:30pm	Men's Bible Study (Sacristy)		
	7:30pm	4 <sup>th</sup> Degree K of C (Parish Ctr)		
Oct. 12 <sup>th</sup> :	6:00pm	150 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee		
	-	Mtg (Parish Ctr)		
	7:00pm	<b>Evangelization Committee Mtg</b>		
- th		(Parish Ctr)		
Oct. 14 <sup>th</sup> :	7:00pm	Movie Night/BonFire (Parish Ctr)		
a.	1	"Jungle Book"		
Oct. 15 <sup>th</sup> :	2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection: Capital Campaign			
Oct. 16 <sup>th</sup> :	2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection: Capital Campaign			
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9:30am Rel Ed Classes PreK-3<sup>rd</sup>(Parish Ctr) Rel Ed Classes 4<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> (Parish Ctr) 11:15am **Prayer Ministry** 11:15am

6:30pm Life Teen (Parish Ctr)

# PRAYERS TO ST. AGATHA OF SICILY

St. Agatha is the patron saint for those who suffer from breast cancer, those who suffer from sterility, and of rape victims and nurses. Please join us as we pray a perpetual novena to St. Agatha on Tuesdays after our Daily Mass.

# **SIT-UATION**

The SIT St. Lawrence Ministry focuses on our fellow Christians who suffer persecution because of their commitment to Christ and His Church.

The three pillars for SIT St. Lawrence are prayer, action, and awareness. In order to facilitate awareness of persecuted Christians, we will be informing everyone of persecution around the world as well as awareness events.

2016 World Watch List shows there were 4.028 killings and 198 church attacks in northern Nigeria (2015), a 62% increase over the previous year. www.opendoorsusa.org

#### CHRISTMAS CARD/ORNAMENT SALE

This weekend, the Knights of Columbus will be selling religious Christmas cards, ornaments, religious all-occasion cards and thank-you notes after all Masses Saturday evening and Sunday morning, both in front of Church and during Donut Sunday in the Parish Center.

Proceeds go to support the Knights' youth activities in the parish.

# HALLOWEEN FAMILY BINGO – OCTOBER 28<sup>TH</sup>

Join us for family bingo on Friday, October 28th. Doors open at 6:00pm and Bingo is at 6:30pm. Regular Bingo is \$5.00 for 12 games and special games are \$1.00 each.

There will be a costume parade. Food and drinks will be available for sale. For more info, please contact Topher Darragh at 410-799-1970, ext. 55.

# ANNUAL SONS OF ITALY COLUMBUS DAY MASS

Please join us for the Antonio Gatto Lodge's Annual Columbus Day Italian Mass on Wednesday, October 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm, at St. Mary of the Mills Church, at 8<sup>th</sup> and Montgomery Street in Laurel (114 St. Mary's Place across from St. Vincent Pallotti High School). The Antonio Gatto Lodge of the Sons of Italy was founded in Laurel, MD in 1980 to continue Italian American culture and traditions.

Mass will be said in Italian and music in Italian will be provided by their choir. After Mass, there will be a reception in the Breen Room with Italian Dolce/Dessert and coffee. For more information, please call Josie Spezio at 301-498-3436.

# FREE CONCERT AT IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

Immaculate Conception Church is pleased to welcome Flutopia as they present "Celestial Journey". Flutopia Baltimore is a performing adult flute choir comprised of fine flutists from the Baltimore and Towson area. Members perform on a variety of flutes including piccolo, the C flute, the alto and the bass flute. Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm in the Church (200 Ware Ave, Towson, MD 21204). No admission charge. Free-will offering graciously accepted. All are welcome!



## IN JOYFUL HOPE: HELP FOR ESSENTIAL PLANNING

All are welcome to join us at a panel discussion of the medical, spiritual, financial, practical, and legal issues surrounding end of life care. Speakers include a priest/theologian to address spiritual issues and Church teaching, a medical professional and/or geriatric care manager to address hospice, palliative care and other considerations, an attorney to address advanced directives, a funeral home director, and a financial planner. Upcoming panels:

- \* Thursday, Oct 13<sup>th</sup> at 10am at Ascension ~ Halethorpe
- \* Thursday, Oct 13<sup>th</sup> at 7pm at St. Augustine ~ Elkridge
- \* Saturday, Oct 15<sup>th</sup> at 10am at St. Clement ~ Rosedale
- \* Wednesday, Oct 26<sup>th</sup> at 7pm at Holy Family ~ Randallstown

RSVP: johanna.coughlin@archbalt.org, (410) 547-5321, or http://bit.ly/injoyfulhopepanels.

## YOUNG ADULT MISSION DAY

Catholic Community of South Baltimore/Holy Cross. Mission Day is Sunday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>. Gathering at 10am ending with 5pm Mass followed by a social at Ropewalk. Designed for all young adults, whether you are married with or without kids or still in college. The Mission Day is an opportunity to grow in your faith with your community through talks, a group service project, reflection and Mass. The presentations will focus on Prayer & Service with an opportunity for an off site service project. Register and let us know you're coming! http://www.southbaltcatholic.org/home.

More Info: Matt Bjonerud Bjonerud@gmail.com or Beth Awalt elizabeth.k.awalt@gmail.com.

#### WOULD YOU LIKE TO SERVE IN MINISTRY?



We welcome volunteers, and since we are committed to protecting the safety of our children and our volunteers, and in compliance with the Archdiocese of

Baltimore, St. Lawrence Martyr Catholic Church requires ALL who volunteer at St. Lawrence to complete Shield the Vulnerable (STAND) training.

Simply go to www.shieldthevulnerable.org and sign up as a St. Lawrence/Hanover volunteer after selecting First-Time, then Catholic Dioceses, then Baltimore Archdiocese, then select Confirm. Please continue following directions given.

If you have any questions, go to our website at www.saintlawrencemartyr.org, choose the STAND page under the Service tab, and follow the step-by-step directions. For more information, call Valerie Magnuson, our screening coordinator, at 410-799-1970 ext. 54.



#### FORMED RECOMMENDATIONS

FORMED now has a new look and new features!

To Read: Deep Conversion Deep Prayer by Fr. Thomas Dubay As in his other popular writings, Dubay's style is profound and meditative yet clear and readable. He gives an overview of the spiritual life and journey for anyone seeking to grow in the love of God and neighbor. An expert on the teachings and writings of the two great mystical doctors of prayer and the spiritual life, St. Teresa of Avila and St. John of the Cross, Dubay gives solid practical advice for a deepening moral and spiritual conversion, and a radical growth in holiness.

Found in BOOKS under Featured

To Watch: Symbolon Living the Faith: Session 4 Penance and Anointing of the Sick-Why is the Sacrament of Reconciliation essential—and potentially life-changing—for Catholics? How does the Anointing of the Sick make a difference to those who are suffering or dying?

Found in PROGRAMS under Exploring the Catholic Faith

To Listen: There is Life in the Womb Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen was one of the best-loved and most influential preachers of the 20th century and author of over 90 books. He reached nearly 30 million people through his program, Life is Worth Living, and his Cause for Canonization was officially opened in 2002. He explains the Church's teaching on life from a philosophical and historical perspective.

Found in AUDIOS under Featured

To Work through: YDisciple Pro-Life Study There is no shortage of controversy related to the topic of life. Reproductive rights, abortion, euthanasia, the death penalty, embryonic stem cell research, defense against terrorism. justifiable war ... the list goes on and on. What are followers of Jesus supposed to make of it all? The situations seem complicated, but answers do exist. This YDisciple course untangles the issues in the light of Catholic teaching, which proves to be practical, relevant, and infused with the love and mercy of God.

Found in PROGRAMS - Youth Small Group Discipleship

To Access: Go to www.formed.org and click "Register", located in the lower right hand corner. Then enter both the Parish Code which is ed1783 and your email address. It will then ask you for some basic information and then click "Submit". Formed will send an email for verification to your email. Go to & open your email received from "Formed" and click on the word "Verify". It will then take you to the Formed site.

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# CONGRATULATIONS!



Congratulations to parishioner Dottie Dean and to Gary Anderson, who were married at St. Lawrence Martyr on October 1, 2016. The flowers that weekend were donated by the newlywed couple.

## GABRIEL NETWORK - HELP PREGNANT WOMEN

St. Lawrence Parish Gabriel Network program, which supports practical, emotional, and spiritual care to pregnant women in crisis situations, is going strong. We have an immediate need for newborn size diapers and newborn girl's clothing. Thanks!

If you'd like to help with the program, contact Joe Toher by email at joetoher@gmail.com or call 443-850-6207.

Special Need: We are in need of a Love seat and sofa (in good usable condition) for one of the client we are working with. If you have either or both, and would like to donate them, please call the Parish Office at 410-799-1970 x 50.

#### St. Lawrence Trivia

Last week's answer: The month of October is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary primarily due to the fact that the liturgical feast of Our Lady of the Rosary is celebrated annually on October 7<sup>th</sup>.

This week's question: Our Church (St Lawrence Martyr) was built on an acre of ground that was deeded by Suzannah Merritt to whom?



This Week In Youth Ministry: We'll be celebrating Halloween early while remembering the late great Arnold Palmer by heading to Monster Mini-Golf right after 5:30pm Mass. Be sure to invite a friend!

#### **Upcoming Events:**

Oct. 9<sup>th</sup>: First Confirmation Class Oct 9<sup>th</sup>: Monster Mini Golf Oct. 28<sup>th</sup>: Halloween BINGO Nov. 18<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>: BYCC (Ocean City, MD)

Contact us with questions about any of these upcoming

We are always looking for volunteers to help with Life Teen. Please feel free to email or call me if you're interested in helping!

Topher@saintlawrencemartyr.org or call 443-765-8200.

Be sure to follow us on Twitter and Instagram! @SLMLifeTeen

# **Secular Quote of the Week:**

"The road to success is always under construction." ~ Arnold Palmer