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Good News!

September 4, 2011

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Ez 33:7-9 / Rom 13:8-10 / Mt 18:15-20

Two years into my home purchase, I still consider myself a “new” homeowner. Along with the unexpected knowledge I’ve gained about leaky water heaters and hail-damaged roofs, I’ve also absorbed lots of information about mortgage rates, refinancing, and escrow. I was speechless at the amortization schedule that states the total amount of interest I’ll have paid at the end of my mortgage. It’s not exactly a comforting document.

So it didn’t surprise me that Paul’s line to the Romans “owe nothing to anyone” stood out to me. Having thought often about how much I owe to my mortgage lender, I felt quite encouraged. Of course, Paul doesn’t end there. He further instructs, “Owe nothing to anyone, except to love one another.” Ah, there’s the catch—if we truly grasp what Paul means by “love.”

We often reduce our understanding of love to warm feelings for family and friends. And we know the maxim Paul quotes, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” Well, the sweet grandma next door is easy to love, with her cookies and welcoming smile. But what about the neighbor whose loud music keeps you awake? Or the mentally ill panhandler you pass each day? What about your beloved spouse, child, or friend who disappoints you with selfish behavior or spiteful words? What does love mean then?

Paul presents a challenging oxymoron today. We should owe nothing to anyone—except that the love to which he calls us requires complete self-giving. It means extending real kindness to those we find difficult or distasteful. It means forgiving our loved ones when they disappoint us.

The amortization schedule of the love we owe doesn’t have an endpoint like my 30-year mortgage does, but fortunately, neither does God’s profound love for us.

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WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturdays at 4:00 p.m.

Sundays at 7:30 and 10:00 a.m.

Holy Days at 9:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

WELCOME!

If you are new in the Parish, please register and introduce yourself to the Pastor. The Parishioners wish to meet and serve you! Drop by at our Coffee Social or Pancake Breakfast after the Sunday Mass, both per the Calendar online or as announced inside the bulletin. We hope you will favor our Parish with your prayers, your presence, your talents and your financial assistance according to your means!

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION):

By appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Please call the rectory (860-643-4466) to arrange for a meeting with the Pastor.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Arrangements must start more than 6 months before marriage. Necessary interviews, a pre-cana course and plenty of paperwork is required. We strongly urge you to contact us to begin the Diocesan preparation course as soon as you are engaged to get the most out of it without rush.

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP:

The Sacramental Guidelines define Church Membership in terms of Sunday Mass attendance and Church support. For membership verification and sponsorship certificate, registration and regular use of the envelope system are the only way we have of verifying this for you. Please notify us if there are changes in your address, marital status, etc., so that we may update your records.

VISITATION TO THE SICK:

We are most anxious to help anyone who is not able to celebrate Mass with us in Church due to illness, handicapped or age. If you wish the Sacraments, please call 860-643-4466.

NEXT WEEK
TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY

TIME
SEPTEMBER 3RD - 4TH
USHER'S GROUP IV

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

5:00 p.m. Mass offered for +Joyce Bachl request of Irene Kehl

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

7:30 a.m. Mass offered for +Agnes Murphy request of Anne Doyle

Chaplet of Divine Mercy after Mass

10:00 a.m. Mass offered for Bolton Women's Club request of Stephanie Labanowski

5:30 p.m. LITURGY OF THE HOURS

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5 **LABOR DAY**

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

9:00 a.m. Mass offered for +Levi & Oliver Fournier request of Solange Fournier

7:00 p.m. **Parish Council meeting Parish Center**

7:15 p.m. **CHOIR PRACTICE RESUMES**

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

9:00 a.m. Mass offered for +Frank R. Murphy request of The Armstrong family

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

CHRISTMAS FAIR WORKSHOP

if you have Wednesday morning free
please come and join the group

3:00p.m - 7:00p.m.



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED
SACRAMENT

THURSDAY, SEPT. 8 Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00 a.m. Mass offered for +Libero Pontillo request of Mr. & Mrs. Antonio Cusano

7:00 p.m. K of C Business Meeting

FRIDAY, SEPT. 9 NO MASS

7:00 p.m. **MOVIE NITE**
PARISH CENTER
"RANGO"

SATURDAY, SEPT. 10

Rosary before 5 p.m. Mass

"Again, amen, I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, it shall be granted to them by my heavenly Father. For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them." - Mt 18:19-20 Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

NEXT WEEK
TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY

TIME
SEPTEMBER 10th - 11th
USHER'S GROUP I

Triple play cafe breakfast

Blood Pressure Screening

Library open

faith formation, blessing of back packs

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

5:00 p.m. Mass offered for +Joyce Bachl

Altar Servers: Elena & Catherine Fiano

Minister of the Word: Barbara Fiano

Eucharistic Minister: Annedda Stiller

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

7:30 a.m. Mass offered for +Walter & Florence Johnson

Altar Servers:

Minister of the Word: Stephen Pau

Eucharistic Minister: Arlene Giglio

Chaplet of Divine Mercy after Mass

10:00 a.m. Mass offered for +Frank Garibaldi and +Mary Monto

Altar Servers: Lee Ann and Ben Snuffer

Minister of the Word: Rita Sheetz

Eucharistic Minister: Betty Aitken

6:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M. SAFE ENVIROMENT TRAINING
THIS IS A REQUIREMENT FOR ALL FAITH FORMATION
TEACHERS, but is also open to all interested parishioners.

5:30 p.m. **LITURGY OF THE HOURS**

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 NO MASS

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

9:00 a.m. Mass

7:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

9:00 a.m. Mass offered for +Frank R. Murphy

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon: Christmas Fair Group Parish Center

3:00p.m - 7:00p.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

9:00 a.m. Mass

7:00 p.m.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 15 NO MASS

SATURDAY, SEPT. 16

Rosary before 5 p.m. Mass

KofC Tootsie Roll Drive starts this weekend



COME TO THE MOVIES
FRIDAY, SEPT. 9 AT 7:00 P.M.
PARISH CENTER HALL
TO SEE
"RANGO"

A special blessing for all Faith Formation Teachers and teacher's aides will be given at the 10 a.m. Mass on September 18th, 2011.

Speaking of Faith Formation, the first session will be on September 21, at the Parish Center from 9 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. Breakfast will be available at 8:30 a.m.

and
 On Friday, October 7th, the first meeting of our YOUTH GROUP DISCIPLES will take held at 7:00 p.m. in the church basement.

From Fr. Greg Galvin, Director of Priestly Vocations, "Thank you all for your support of the Annual Seminary Education Collection which was taken this past May 21st and 22nd"
 "...the total across the diocese stands at \$85,902.05. All the monies collected go towards paying the educational cost of our diocesan seminarians which at this time is six men and will total around \$140,000."
 A young man from our parish, Mr. Kurt O'Brien is taking the first steps towards his vocational goal. Please "adopt" him in your daily prayers. May God guide him in his discernment. Let us pray that he continues in his quest of service to God and by the grace of the Holy Spirit, he will be the seventh member of seminarians. Your support of collections like the Annual Seminary Education Collection help men like Kurt to reach their goal.

SEPTEMBER 11TH
BLESSING OF SCHOOL BACK PACKS
10:00 MASS
 Children are requested to bring their back packs to church for the blessing. Please place them before the Tabernacle.



There will be a "Safe Environment Training" session for all Faith Formation instructors and helpers. It is a requirement for both but is also open to any interested parishioners. The program will be held Sunday, September 11th from 6 p.m. to 9 p. m. there will be a video and a Q & A period.

HURRICANE COLLECTION 8/20-21/2011 \$ 1,986
 Last year's collection 8/19/2010 \$ 2,338
 Although the inconvenience is great, we thank you Lord for protecting us from injury and harm.

The New Missal (cont.)
 Revisiting the ancient texts and taking what is good and joining it to today, our responses carry the flavor of both the old and the new, especially in the Penitential Act. This is not a going back, a lot of the prayers we say at Mass date to the early years of the Church and have scriptural basis, but the particular arrangement of them in the Mass that we know has been given to us since Vatican II

The underlined portions of the following indicate changes. I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do. (we strike our breast during the next line.)

through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault, therefore I ask blessed Mary....etc.

or
 Priest: Have mercy on us, O Lord
 Congregation: For we have sinned against you
 Priest: Show us, O Lord, your mercy
 Congregation: And grant us your salvation.

or
 Following the form the priest uses: Kyrie eleison
Christe eleison
Kyrie eleison

The Lord be with you.....!



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