

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

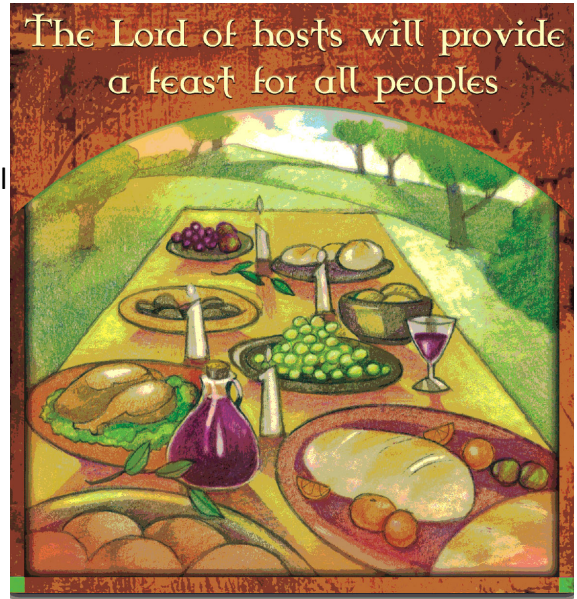
OCTOBER 9, 2011

*I can do all things in him who strengthens me. — Philippians 4:13*

# Liturgy Intentions for the Week

## October 10th - October 16th

- Monday  
7:00 PM
- Tuesday  
9:00 AM Edmund James Connelly, Jr. by Infant Of Prague School
- Wednesday  
9:00 AM
- Thursday  
No Liturgy
- Friday  
9:00 AM
- Saturday  
5:30 PM Pauline McGavisk by her family
- Sunday  
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### Today's Readings

**First Reading** — On this mountain the LORD will make for all peoples a feast of rich food and choice wines (Isaiah 25:6-10a).

**Psalm** — I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life (Psalm 23).

**Second Reading** — God will supply whatever you need (Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20).

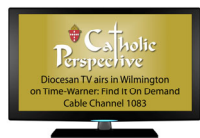
**Gospel** — I have prepared my banquet, and everything is ready. Come to the feast! (Matthew 22:1-14 [1-10]).

Readings for the Week	
<b>Monday</b>	Rom 1:1-7; Lk 11:29-32
<b>Tuesday</b>	Rom 1:16-25; Lk 11:37-41
<b>Wednesday</b>	Rom 2:1-11; Lk 11:42-46
<b>Thursday</b>	Rom 3:21-30; Lk 11:47-54
<b>Friday</b>	Rom 4:1-8; Lk 12:1-7
<b>Saturday</b>	Rom 4:13, 16-18; Lk 12:8-12
<b>Sunday</b>	Is 45:1, 4-6; Ps 96; 1 Thes 1:1-5b; Mt 22:15-21

Saints and Special Observances	
<b>Sunday</b>	Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
<b>Monday</b>	Columbus Day
<b>Friday</b>	St. Callistus I
<b>Saturday</b>	St. Teresa of Jesus



If you would like to be notified by email as to any Mass changes, cancellations or updates, please email Francine at [stmidrededu@embargmail.com](mailto:stmidrededu@embargmail.com) and she will add you to the email distribution list.



**Catholic Perspective**, the weekly Diocesan TV program airs on the Time-Warner Find It on Demand Channel, 1083 in Craven, New Hano-

ver, Brunswick, Onslow and Pender Counties, allowing viewers to watch at any time during the week. The program is also available on the Diocesan website at [www.dioceseofraleigh.org](http://www.dioceseofraleigh.org).

**IF YOU DO NOT HAVE EMAIL** and would like to be notified, please call her at 910-326-5589 and leave a message with your name, telephone number and which Mass you attend. A phone tree is being created and your name will be added to it. If you would like to be part of the team that helps call people, please be sure to let her know on your message.



## Happenings for the Week

### Monday—October 10

6:30 PM Respect Human Life Rosary

7:30 PM Parish Council Meeting

### Tuesday—October 11

8:30 AM Rosary for Life

9:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration commences

### Wednesday—October 12

8:30 AM Rosary Prayer Group

8:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration concludes

10:00 AM Women's Guild Mass & luncheon

7:00 PM Scripture Study

### Thursday—October 13

7:00 PM Choir Practice

### Friday—October 14

8:30 AM Pro Life Rosary

### Saturday—October 15

5:00 PM Pro Life Rosary

### Sunday—October 16

8:30 AM Rosary for Lost Souls

10:00 AM Faith Formation K-5th Grade

11:15 AM Faith Formation 6th Grade-Confirmation

### REMINDER

**There will be no Faith Formation this weekend, October 9<sup>th</sup> come and enjoy our Time, Talent & Treasure Fair.**

## Stewardship

September 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>: Offertory: \$ 5,051.35  
Building Fund: \$ 2,278.74

Sincere thank you to Joanne & Jim Flexer and Marion Bennett for their service.

Appreciation and gratitude to all our parishioners and visitors for their generosity to the church.

The next Course of the **CATECHETICAL INSTITUTE** of the Diocese of Raleigh will begin at St Mildred on Wednesday, October 26, 2011 at 6:30 PM.

The topic of this six session course is:  
INTRODUCTION TO CHRISTIAN MORALITY: LIFE IN CHRIST

The course will be taught by Wojciech. All are welcome to attend. The course is a requirement for the Master Catechist Program participants.

## Upcoming Meetings

The next **Parish Council** meeting will be October 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM. All are welcome!



The next meeting for the **Women's Guild's** will be October 12th after the 10:00 AM Mass followed by the monthly meeting and an Octoberfest Luncheon. Bring a friend along to share in the fun of this wonderful women's group!



The next 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Assembly meeting will be held October 17th at 7:30 PM.

The next **Homeschool** Mass will be October 19<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM. All are welcome!

The next **Liturgy Committee** meeting will be held Tuesday, October 25th at 7:00 PM.

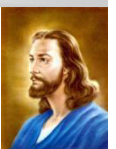
**The Knights of Columbus** will have their business meeting on November 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM, **after** attending the 7:00PM Liturgy.

**Music Ministry News** - Anyone 6<sup>th</sup> grade to adult is invited to join in on Thursdays from 7:00 to 8:00 PM. We happily welcome all who enjoy praising through music.

**Please pray** for those of our parish and the community who are ill or may be in distress as well as those deceased who may be in need of our prayers. If you would like to submit a name for special prayers, please contact the Prayer Chain **via Terri Speciale at 252.393.6678**. You may also email her at [terispeci@yahoo.com](mailto:terispeci@yahoo.com). If you would like to be a part of the Parish Prayer Chain, call Terri and she will add your name and phone number to the list.

## Eucharistic Adoration

*...takes place weekly starting at 9:30am on Tuesday and continuing until 8:30am on Wednesday. All are welcome. Come & spend some quiet time in the Lord's presence. If*



*you are interested in serving as a volunteer or substitute for maintaining the vigil during Adoration, please call Don Keating at 252.393.6106.*



All boys and girls ages 10 through 14 (as of September 1, 2011) are invited to participate in the local level of competition for the 2011 Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge. The event will be held on Sunday, October 16<sup>th</sup> at St. Mildred's on Hammock Beach Rd. Registration begins at 1:00 PM and the competition will be from 1:30 to 3:00. Each participant gets 15 penalty kicks. The goal is divided into zones and points are awarded depending upon the area of the scoring zones through which the ball passes. The winner of each boys and girls age group will receive a soccer ball and will be eligible to participate in the district competition. Please **contact Harold Yingling at 910 326-1010** for more details.



The Women's Guild is sponsoring their annual Card and Game Party on Wednesday, October 26, 11:30-3:00 in the Parish Center. We will have a luncheon and a raffle. The donation is \$10.00. For tickets, please call Anne at 252-764-2351 or Mary at 252-354-5336. Please plan on joining us for an enjoyable afternoon.



### COMING SOON!!

The Annual Fall Festival is coming!! Mark your calendars, Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup> !! Our Youth Ministry is gearing up for the fun. Stay tuned right here for more information in the coming weeks.

*Tradition teaches us Christ was conceived on the Feast of the Annunciation. We will watch the parallel development of "Jacob" in the womb beginning on March 25 (Feast of the Annunciation) until December 25.*

### Fetal Development of "Jacob" - Week 28

*Whoa! I've had trouble with my balance, but it's getting better. I'm going to be in my first Life Chain today. The cars may not notice me, but my mom will. Not much room to wave in here, but my eyes are opening, so I will practice blinking at everyone. Jacob weighs about 2 pounds. Mom's talking about different names for me. How about Jacob?*

*"Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord; cry out to the rock of our salvation." (Psalm 95:1)*

### Youth Group FUNDRAISER **Bake Sale TODAY!!**



Our Youth Group will be hosting a Bake Sale at the Time, Talent and Treasure Fair. There will be goodies galore! Please come out and support these wonderful youth and their cause! All proceeds will go to benefit the youth of the Youth Ministries.

### Respect Life Month

October has been designated as Respect Life month by the United States Catholic Conference of Bishops.

"Although it seems a paradox, the greater the sacrifices made out of love, the greater is our joy and peace. Whether it is the brave decision of a pregnant woman to reject abortion and allow a loving family to parent her child when she cannot, or the daily sacrifices of parents raising young children, or the hard work of caring for an elderly relative with dementia, when we step up to these challenges, God can stretch our hearts and fill them to overflowing with his love, joy and peace. With hearts so transformed, we can become living witnesses to the meaning of Jesus' mission: *I came that all might have life, and have it to the full!*" ~Flyer, *Respect Life Program (2011) Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, United States Council of Catholic Bishops*



### CATHOLIC CHARITIES THANK YOU SUNDAY

**OCTOBER 23** Catholic Charities extends heartfelt thanks to you and your parish for supporting our programs to serve those most in need in the Diocese of Raleigh. Last year, Catholic Charities provided help and created hope for more than 55,000 individuals. In carrying out the social mission of the Church (caring for the poor and most vulnerable of our brothers and sisters), we do so in your name, assisting families who often find there is nowhere else to turn for food, clothing, counseling and spiritual support. In this difficult economy when so many of our neighbors are struggling, the sacrificial gifts being made to assist them are truly inspiring. Thank you for your prayers and financial support, especially through the **Bishop's Annual Appeal** as well as, United Way, employee giving campaigns and individual gifts. May God bless you with peace. Visit us at:

<http://catholiccharities.dioceseofraleigh.org> and on Facebook.com

Sixty hours and over 960 miles. This is how much time and miles were put in helping about 15 people, with no medical needs, during the month of August. This silent group of people spread love, kindness & evangelize just by being there for others in need. No special training needed, help at your pace, when & how you can. Our own Helping Hands is a very special group. If you would like to learn more or be part of something incredible, come see us at the Time, Talent, and Treasure Fair!

Don't have time for meetings or training, but still want to feel part of something? Then our wonderful Bereavement Committee is for you. Whether you have just enough time for to make a casserole and drop off or time to help set up or clean up, we could use some help. The Bereavement Committee's fundamental goal is to help alleviate suffering at the time of the death of a family member.

The Committee arranges to gather family and friends of the deceased after the time of the funeral for fellowship and food. Please stop by our table next month at the Time, Talent and Treasure Fest for more information or to sign up!

Please stop by the Parish Social Ministries table **TODAY** and learn how you can help us help those in need!

*"Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me" - Matthew 25:40*

We hear you! You can no longer hide. Your beautiful voices singing praises to God is requested! Please consider stopping by our table at the Time, Talent and Treasure Fair and learn all about joining our Adult and/or Youth Choir. Musical instruments, piano and organ skills are welcome!  
*"I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have my being." (Psalm 104:33)*

Are you stressed out, have worries, need time some quiet time? Try Eucharistic Adoration! Eucharistic Adoration is the act of worshiping God as He is present in the consecrated Eucharist. All Catholics are encouraged to spend time with Christ in Adoration: to give thanks and praise, to pray for special intentions, to lay our burdens at His feet, to sit quietly and just rest in His presence. To find out how you can spend a quiet, relaxing and rejuvenating hour with our Lord, stop by our table at the Time, Talent and Treasure Fest!

What do you call a group of people in which all they do is for the good of others? This group raises money to give out up to \$1000 to the winners of scholarships, they assist in raising money for the Building Fund, they help sponsor our Vacation Bible School, and several other like events, and they host a couple retreats held here at our Parish Center. They do this while having a blast at card parties, selling baked goodies, reverse raffles, fashion shows and much more! Who are these wonderful people??? They are our very own Women's Guild! Come by our table at the Time, Talent & Treasure Fair and see how you can be part of this exciting group!

We are the World's Largest lay Catholic organization. We are one of the most active volunteer service organizations in the USA. We aid local organizations (schools, Carobell, local Special Olympics to name a few) with about \$20,000 annually for special projects. We help families, widows, widowers, and our local and national Churches, we offer scholarships to the youth of our Church, as well as many other youth and family orientated projects. We have more than 13,000 councils and 1.7 million members world-wide. We sell Tootsie Rolls and we are the Knights of Columbus. Please stop by our table at the Time, Talent and Treasure Fair to learn more about this group and maybe even joining!

Now someone who is interested in The Catholic Church? Is there a friend or loved one you would like to introduce to the Catholic Church? Invite them to RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults). This is a process of prayer, reflection, and sharing spread over several months. The purpose is to provide information and experiences needed to decide whether God is calling to the Catholic way of life. There is no promise, commitment, or expectation involved. An exposition and examination of Catholic beliefs is presented and openly discussed. Questions are answered in an uncomplicated straight forward manner.

All those seeking to become Catholic, please contact our Pastoral Associate Wojciech at [stmildred@embarqmail.com](mailto:stmildred@embarqmail.com) or 910-340-2300, or by visiting our Parish website at [stmildred.info](http://stmildred.info)

## PREPARING FOR THE NEW TRANSLATION OF THE MASS Daily Prayer Suggestions

One way to prepare for the new translation of the Mass is to make the new words and phrases part of your daily prayer, perhaps following the suggestions below. You might also want to remember in your prayers those who are working to help all of us to pray in these new words, especially the priests who will be learning almost the entire Missal anew.

\* Use "We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you" (from the Gloria) as a daily prayer. Repeat it several times, focusing on these different ways that we pray to God.

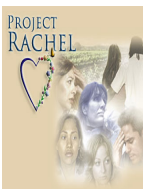
\* Reflect on the different ways the Creed describes Christ (Light from Light; begotten, not made). Include "consubstantial with the Father" as you pray about how the Father, Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit are one God.

\* Repeat the prayer "It is right and just to give thanks to the Lord our God" several times during the day.

\* Find a copy of the new Memorial Acclamations and use one as your daily offering in the morning, your night prayer before bedtime, or a table grace.

\* When you walk through your door at home, pray, "Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed."

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### **Project Rachel Retreat for Healing After Abortion**

If you have been suffering from an abortion; you are invited to experience the love of Jesus Christ at a Project Rachel weekend retreat on Oct. 21-23, at the Short Journey Center in Smithfield. The weekend retreat, for both women and men, will combine discussions, spiritual exercises, the sacrament of reconciliation, a Memorial Service and a Mass of the Resurrection. Participation is strictly confidential and offers a beautiful opportunity to experience God's love, forgiveness and compassion. For more information or to register for the retreat, contact Project Rachel at **(919) 852-1021** or [projectrachel@nc.rr.com](mailto:projectrachel@nc.rr.com). The cost is \$125 for lodging, meals and all retreat materials. If you have a financial burden, some assistance is available. Registration deadline is October 14.

## FEAST OF FAITH - Agnus Dei

After the sign of peace, the priest breaks the host into pieces, and prepares the patens or plates of hosts for the assembly. In the early church, "the breaking of the bread" was the name given to the entire Eucharistic liturgy, so central was this action to the meaning of the Christian life. For just as the one bread is broken and given to many people, the many are made one in receiving it.

During this ritual action, we sing an ancient litany, calling on Jesus as the "Lamb of God"—the words used by John the Baptist when he pointed to Jesus walking beside the Jordan River (John 1:29, 36). In calling Jesus "the Lamb of God," John was already pointing to the death that Jesus would die: in giving his life, Jesus would become the Paschal Lamb of the new covenant. During the Mass, when we call on the Lamb of God, we call to mind his self-sacrificing love, his blood poured out for us, and we ask this compassionate Lord for mercy and peace.

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### **The Catholic Poland - 12 day Tour (May 10-21, 2012)**

will be directed by our Pastoral Associate, Wojciech. Join us for a wonderful experience of the Catholic culture of Poland and visit places of great religious and historical significance. Please contact Wojciech at: 910-340-2300 for more information.

## GOD REVEALED TO THE NATIONS

What wonderful images we have today of the reign of God! Isaiah speaks to us of a great feast—a heavenly feast—a feast of abundance with rich foods and choice wines. It is the Lord's own affair, Isaiah explains, when God will unite all nations, dry every tear, and destroy death forever. Then, too, will the entire earth rejoice in the Lord and bask in God's saving grace.

Jesus speaks of heaven in terms of a feast as well. Here, the kingdom of heaven is likened to a king's wedding feast given for his son. This is a feast of abundance also, with the fattened cattle prepared just so. But many of the people invited don't want to come, so the king invites anyone who would honor his son by their presence there. And Paul tells us that whether we live abundantly or in humble circumstances, we can do all things in the Lord who strengthens us. © Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.

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