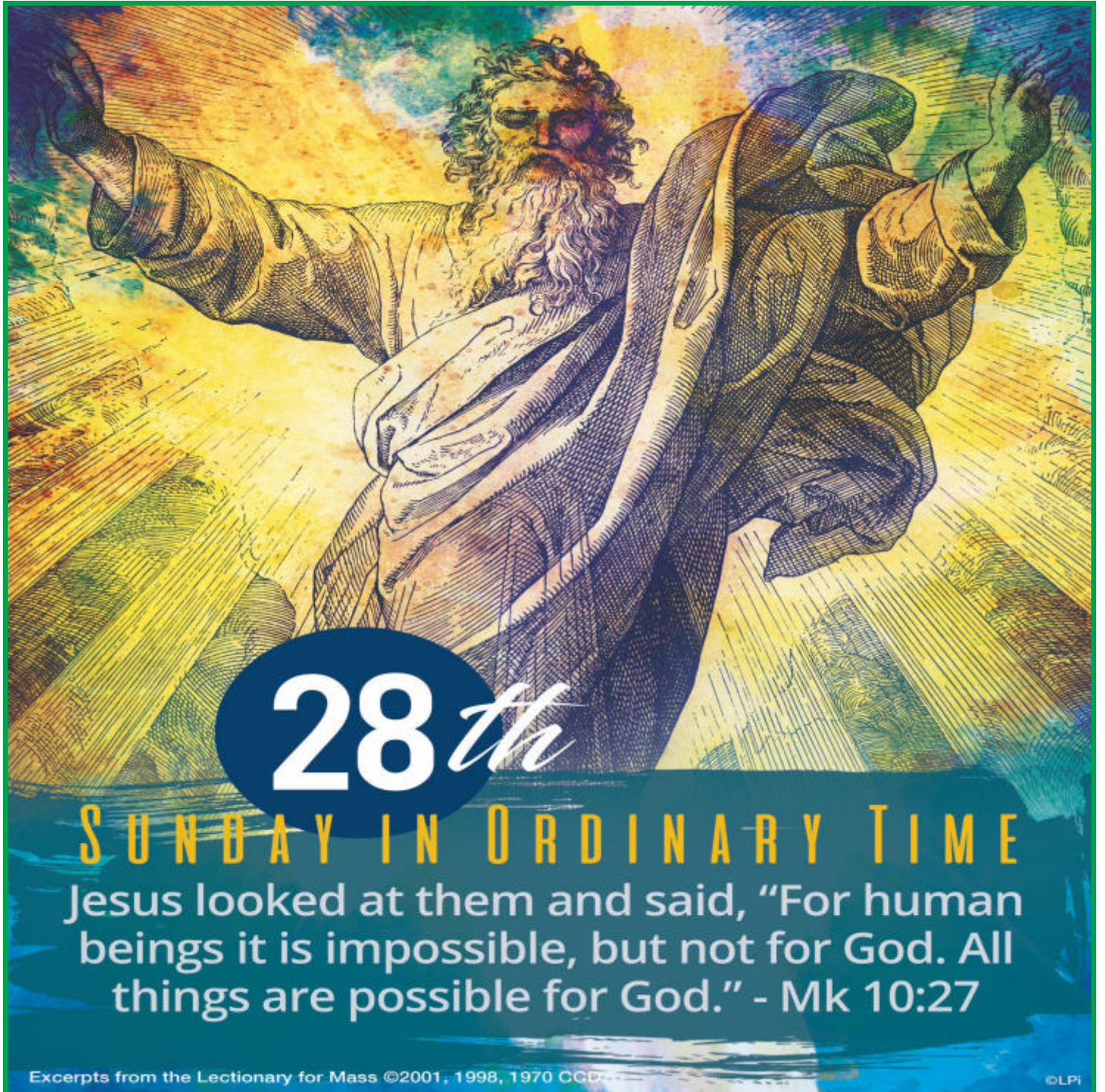




Saint Matthew Church **The PULSE**

October 14, 2018

Detroit, Michigan



28th

SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus looked at them and said, "For human beings it is impossible, but not for God. All things are possible for God." - Mk 10:27

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MASS OF ANOINTING ~ THIS WEEKEND
Saturday, 4:30 pm ~ Sunday, 10:00 am

Readings for the Week of October 14, 2018

Sunday: Wis 7:7-11/Ps 90:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 [14]/
Heb 4:12-13/Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27
Monday: Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31--5:1/Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4,
5a and 6-7 [cf. 2]/Lk 11:29-32
Tuesday: Gal 5:1-6/Ps 119:41, 43, 44, 45, 47, 48 [41a]/
Lk 11:37-41
Wednesday: Gal 5:18-25/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [cf. Jn 8:12]/
Lk 11:42-46
Thursday: 2 Tm 4:10-17b/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18
[12]/Lk 10:1-9
Friday: Eph 1:11-14/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 12-13 [12]/
Lk 12:1-7
Saturday: Eph 1:15-23/Ps 8:2-3ab, 4-5, 6-7 [7]/Lk 12:8-12
Next Sunday: Is 53:10-11/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 [22]/
Heb 4:14-16/Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-45

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

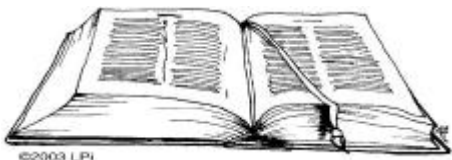
Christian author C.S. Lewis once wrote that Christianity is not so much about being nice people but in being "new men." We



see this contrast in today's Gospel. "Good teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus first answers in the predictable way. Follow the commandments! "Teacher, all of these I have observed from my youth." Perhaps for some of us it's easy to answer this way. "I'm a good person!" he seems to reply. Does he truly follow all the commandments he professes to follow? Does he -- in word and deed -- check off all the boxes of the moral law? Perhaps. Whether he's being honest or fudging the truth, Jesus accepts his answer at face value with compassion. "Jesus, looking at him, loved him."

But he's not done yet! Jesus wants to remind us that this attitude alone is not enough. "Go, sell what you have ... then come, follow me." Jesus' invitation to the young man is radical. Abandon everything that gives you any sense of security. Give it all up for an unknown future with a wandering preacher.

The Christian life is not easy. "How hard it is to enter the kingdom of God!" It's easier, Jesus says, for a gigantic camel to squeeze itself through a tiny needle's eye. But the God of the universe creates out of nothing, breaks the bars of hell, and raises the dead to life. Is a needle's eye really such an obstacle? Jesus' invitation is always bigger than our own limitations. This week, what do we need to offer up?



A Family Perspective

by Bud Ozar

Having possessions is an illusion. In today's Gospel, Jesus told the young man to give up his need to control and put his trust in God. He couldn't let go! In families, our need to control destroys relationships. We can lead, teach, and encourage, but we can't control anyone but ourselves.

Saints Isaac Jogues, Jean de Brébeuf, and Companions' Story ~ Feast Day, October 19

Isaac Jogues and his companions were the first martyrs of the North American continent officially recognized by the Church. As a young Jesuit, Isaac Jogues, a man of learning and culture, taught literature in France. He gave up that career to work among the Huron Indians in the New World, and in 1636, he and his companions, under the leadership of Jean de Brébeuf, arrived in Quebec. The Hurons were constantly warred upon by the Iroquois, and in a few years Father Jogues was captured by the Iroquois and imprisoned for 13 months. His letters and journals tell how he and his companions were led from village to village, how they were beaten, tortured, and forced to watch as their Huron converts were killed.

An unexpected chance for escape came to Isaac Jogues through the Dutch, and he returned to France, bearing the marks of his sufferings. Several fingers had been cut, chewed, or burnt off. Pope Urban VIII gave him permission to offer Mass with his mutilated hands: "It would be shameful that a martyr of Christ not be allowed to drink the Blood of Christ."

Welcomed home as a hero, Father Jogues might have sat back, thanked God for his safe return, and died peacefully in his homeland. But his zeal led him back once more to the fulfillment of his dreams. In a few months he sailed for his missions among the Hurons. In 1646, he and Jean de Lalande, who had offered his services to the missionaries, set out for Iroquois country in the belief that a recently signed peace treaty would be observed. They were captured by a Mohawk war party, and on October 18, Father Jogues was beheaded. Jean de Lalande was killed the next day at a village near Albany, New York.

Jean de Brébeuf was a French Jesuit who came to Canada at the age of 32 and labored there for 24 years. He went back to France when the English captured Quebec in 1629 and expelled the Jesuits, but returned to his missions four years later. Although medicine men blamed the Jesuits for a smallpox epidemic among the Hurons, Jean remained with them. He composed catechisms and a dictionary in Huron, and saw 7,000 converted before his death in 1649. Having been captured by the Iroquois at Sainte Marie, near Georgian Bay, Canada, Father Brébeuf died after being tortured.

The other Companion Martyrs were Jean LaLande, Rene Goupil, Frs. Gabriel Lalemant, Charles Garnier, Noel Garnier, and Anthony Daniel. They were all canonized in 1930 and are patron saints of North America.



Respect Life Month ~ A Perfect Gift

Soon after the birth of my son Charlie, who has Down syndrome, a visitor asked whether he was "mild, moderate, or severe", referring to his level of cognitive impairment. I was shocked. In my arms, I held my beautiful baby boy, who defied easy categorization.

It's like looking at a stained glass from the outside: the colors look dark, and you can't see the figures. But inside, with the sun shining through, the effect can be brilliant.

From inside our family, love illuminates our life with Charlie. What may seem dreary to others, perhaps even unbearable, is actually filled with beauty and color. Our love has nothing to do with his abilities. We love him simply because of who he is, and understanding this teaches us a fundamental truth: every life is a good and perfect gift.

St. Matthew Parish ~ Happenings

Saturday, October 13, and Sunday, October 14, 4:30 pm and 10 am Masses - Mass of Anointing

Sunday, October 14, following 10 am Mass - Hospitality Sunday, Flu Shots Available, Church Auditorium

Saturday, October 20, and Sunday, October 21, 4:30 pm and 10 am Masses, respectively - Society for the Propagation of the Faith World Mission Collection

Thank You

A special thank you to all the people who provided meals for the Pocius Family following the death of Sheila, daughter and sister. Many thanks to Laura Ridella who saw the need, responded without hesitation, and organized the effort. God bless all of you for all that you did!

The 2018 Gold'n Harvest Raffle

Your tickets are in the mail along with your letter; you should be receiving them soon. Please contact family, friends, businesses as you do your part for the success of the Raffle. Flyers are available for you to take to local businesses for display in their stores or offices. These flyers are in the sacristy and in two sizes.

The drawing is on Sunday, December 2, at noon in the Church auditorium. In addition to the drawing of the winning tickets, including the Seller's Drawing, a catered breakfast will be provided by Majestic Café'. Additionally, there will be other sur"prizes" to add to the fun! Mark your calendars!

CSA Minute ~ Sharing Christ



Come, Encounter Christ! - The Archdiocese of Detroit is hosting a special "Come, Encounter Christ!" gathering for youth and families to grow in their relationship with Christ next Sunday, October 21—thanks to gifts to the Catholic Services Appeal.

The Archdiocese originally hosted these gatherings in preparation for Synod 16. This "Come, Encounter Christ!" is designed for middle and high school youth and their families and will feature dynamic preaching, powerful praise and worship music, opportunities for reconciliation, and Eucharistic adoration.

"Come, Encounter Christ!" for youth and families will take place at St. Lawrence Church in Utica from 6 to 8 p.m.



Next Sunday is World Mission Sunday, a special day on which we unite ourselves with Catholics all over the world to pray and sacrifice for the missionary efforts of the Church.

The observance of World Mission Sunday is truly "worldly" as prayers and support of the missionary work of the Church is done in every parish church and chapel throughout the entire world. All Catholics respond to the request for this special day by our Holy Father who has asked the Pontifical Society for the Propagation of the Faith to plan and promote this holy work of "First Evangelization."

This week there are envelopes in the pews from the Society of the Propagation of the Faith for the mission collection to be taken next weekend. It is suggested that families contribute for the missions at this time, thus enrolling themselves in the Society as well as offering substantial help to our missionaries who spread the Gospel

Do be generous in supporting the Pontifical Mission Society for the Propagation of the Faith which is the church's principal means of spreading the Gospel throughout the world.

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WEEKEND/WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday	4:30 p.m.
Sunday	10:00 a.m.
Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday	9:00 a.m.
Reconciliation	By Appointment
Holydays	9:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.

In your prayers...

Please remember those in our parish and in our families who are sick or in need of our prayers.

Chuck Schuster
Bienvenido Fajardo
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Saturday, October 20, 2018, 4:30 p.m.

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Mary Bielman
Marie Vorkamp

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Ian Campbell
Cory Fullilove

Sunday, October 21, 2018, 10:00 a.m.

Marilyn Lynn
Beverly Goll
Linda Holster
Michael Holster
Debra Nieddu
Joseph Nieddu
Greg Redman

Bryan Jones

Lauren Gross
Julia Zuerblis

Mass Schedule

Saturday, October 13 - Vigil: 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 p.m. - Paul Coen, Raphael and Emma Marchi, Sylvia Law, Betty Lee (8th Anniv), Gordon Lee (20th Anniv), Gordon R. Lee (16th Anniv)

Sunday, October 14 - 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 a.m. - The Rowe Family, Judy Stark, Annette Laige, Larry Hamel

Monday, October 15 - St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

Tuesday, October 16 - St. Hedwig, Religious; St. Mary Margaret Alacoque, Virgin

9:00 a.m. - Raymond Novelty

Wednesday, October 17 - St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr

9:00 a.m. - For the Sick, Suffering, and Dying

Thursday, October 18 - St. Luke, Evangelist

Friday, October 19 - Sts. John de Brebeuf, Isaac Jogues, and Companions, Martyrs

9:00 a.m. - For the Missionaries Serving around the World

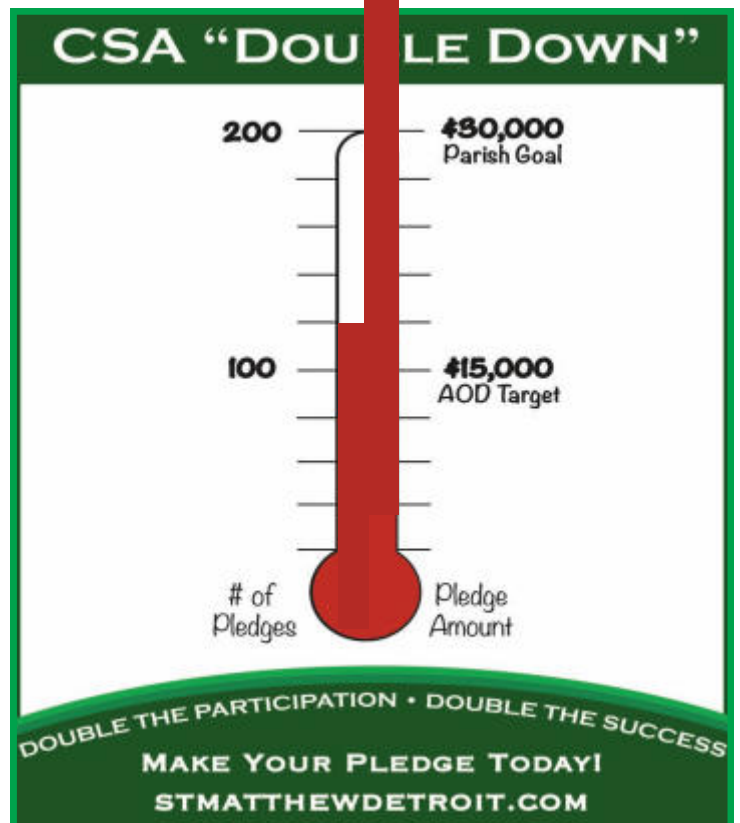
Saturday, October 20 - Vigil: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 p.m. - For the People of St. Matthew Parish

Sunday, October 21 - 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 a.m. - Judy Stark, Larry Hamel, Dr. Jim David

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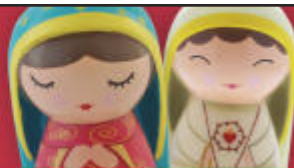
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