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26th Sunday
Ordinary Time
September 25, 2022
World Day of Migrants
and Refugees

How not to end up like Dives, “the Rich Man”



You should have seen the look on the face of the kids in the front row at Annunciation Church. Father John loved putting different pictures in front of the Altar – a Tamil thing. This Sunday's Parable of Lazarus and Dives was *richly* illustrated with this picture. The kids' eyes were popping. Some of the moms were concerned.

Well, the Bible isn't a *nice* book and Jesus – no matter how the modern society wants to tame him – is not safe. He is God-made-Man. As Rabbi Heschel said, “God is not nice, God is not an uncle, God is an earthquake.” Parable's are “earthquake” stories – they are meant to throw upside down expectations and provoke soul-searching questions by searing imaginations. There is *Dives* (his name comes from the Latin for “rich man”) still showing the kind of heart that put him in Hades. A heart that was hardened into inaction – he wasn't cruel to Lazarus, who knows if he even knew who Lazarus was ... but that is the point, isn't it? Dives was completely blind to the needs of the poor around him. And boy was he used to getting his way. Even in hell he is bossily telling Abraham to get Lazarus to do something for him.

So, there is the parable. One doesn't have to be deliberately cruel to develop a hell-heart ... one just has to be indifferent. Fine dining and rich living usually get in the way of caring. So if YOLO is your motto and if you are content to get all your rewards here, fill you plate and close your eyes. But do not presume to be able to see the Face of Christ in eternity if we do not see His Face in the poor. Wealth seems to show people who have “control over their lives” – but it also can leave one thinking they are the boss of the world. As an extremely wealthy friend of mine said to me, “most rich people are not nice narcissists”. Do not be surprised to find a narcissistic Eternity all alone, not loving.

How sorrowful Father Abraham to see that Dives' heart was a chasm that could not reach beyond. How heartbreaking for Jesus to see that those who do not listen to Moses revealing the Law of God and deaf to the Prophet's call to act justly with the poor will not be “*convinced even if someone rises from the dead*” (Lk. 16:31).

We *are* convinced that Jesus Christ has risen from the dead. Let's not break His heart. Let us care for Lazarus' ... and try to awaken the Dives we meet.

MONDAY, September 26, 2022

11:00 am - Confessions, Adoration & Rosary
 12:10 pm - Mass (*SI Juliana Lucyshyn*)
 6:30 pm - Medjugorje Prayer Group
 7:00 pm - Bible Timeline

TUESDAY, September 27, 2022

11:00 am - Confessions, Adoration & Rosary
 12:10 pm - Mass (*† Leland Schmitz*)

WEDNESDAY, September 28, 2022

11:00 am - Confessions, Adoration & Rosary
 12:10 pm - Mass (*† LePage family*)
 3:00 pm - Eucharistic Adoration until 5:00pm
 7:30 pm - Choir Practice

THURSDAY, September 29, 2022

11:00 am - Confessions, Adoration & Rosary
 12:10 pm - Mass (*SI Fernandes family*)
 8:00 pm - Christ the King Prayer Group

FRIDAY, September 30, 2022

11:00 am - Confessions, Adoration & Rosary
 12:10 pm - Mass (*† Leon Levesque*)
 2:00 pm - Wedding Rehearsal
 3:30 pm - Children's Choir
 4:30 pm - Wedding Rehearsal
 5:30 pm - Sto. Nino Prayer Group

SATURDAY, October 1, 2022

11:00 am - Confessions, Adoration & Rosary
 12:10 pm - Mass (*SI Joan White*)
 2:00 pm - Wedding
 4:00 pm - Wedding
 5:30pm - Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Mass & Candle Lit Procession

SUNDAY, October 2, 2022 27th Sunday Ordinary Time

8:00 am - Mass
 10:00 am - Mass *
 5:00 pm - Eritrean Mass
 7:30 pm - Vespers
 8:00 pm - Mass

**Please note there will be no livestream until further notice*

Bishop's Annual Appeal 2022

Please pick up your Bishop's Annual Appeal Packages in the Welcome Area

Your gifts support a range of ministry, evangelization, formation and outreach, as together we are "Serving Others!"

Make your gift to the Bishop's Annual Appeal at your local parish, online at dscf.ca/baa, or by electronic transfer to: e-transferBAA@dscf.ca or call (306) 659-5851 for more information.

Thank you for all the ways you are Serving Others!

RCIA - Baptism & Confirmation & First Eucharist for Adults

Meetings are **Thursdays** at 7pm starting **Oct. 20** Please contact our parish office for more info or to register. **Catholic? Wanting to go deeper into the Faith? You are welcome to join our RCIA program this year!**



Marriage Preparation



Christ in the Middle meets Tuesday evenings from 7 - 9pm **Nov 1. - Dec. 13.** For more information or to register, call Angela at (306) 652-0033

Sacramental preparation classes start Wednesday evenings beginning **Oct. 26.** First Reconciliation date will be **Dec 3.** For more info and to register, contact Shelley through the Parish Office, or by email at goodshepherd.catechist@gmail.com

Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Mass and Procession

Saturday, October 1, 2022
Holy Mass at 5:30pm at St. Paul's Co-Cathedral
Candlelight procession with the Blessed Sacrament Benediction

Come for all or part of this joyous prayer!
 October is the month of the Holy Rosary.
 Pray for world peace, pray for health,
PRAY THE ROSARY!



Registrations are open for **Catechesis of the Good Shepherd.** I invite your 3 - 6 year olds to the atrium downstairs at St. Paul's, where we use the Montessori approach to offer Scripture and Liturgy through engaging the child's sense of wonder. For more information, please contact Shelley at goodshepherd.catechist@gmail.com



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Cash Donations	\$ 1088.65
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Eucharistic Adoration
 Wednesdays 3 - 5 pm
 Monday to Saturday 11 am- 12 pm