

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time
June 21, 2015

Salesian Perspective

St. Francis de Sales, the “doctor of love,” had his own perspectives on judgment. Specifically, he cautioned against rash judgment. He observed: "Fear, ambition, and similar mental weaknesses often contribute to the birth of suspicion and rash judgment" when it comes to our perspectives of other people.

He continued: People “who have drunk in pride, envy, ambition, and hatred think that everything they see is evil and reprehensible. To be cured...I say, drink as deeply as you can of the sacred wine of charity. The sin of rash judgment is truly a spiritual jaundice that causes all things to appear evil to the eyes of those infected with it.”

Put another way, judgment is ultimately in the eye -- or the heart -- of the beholder. “If your reflections are kind,” remarked Francis, “your judgments will also be kind. If your affections are charitable, your judgments will be the same.”

Obviously, if our affections are neither kind nor charitable, our judgments of other people will be, at best, unkind and uncharitable. Such a practice is incompatible with anyone who is trying to be a “new creation” in Christ.

Unfortunately, we know from our own experience that it is all too easy to waste our time judging the motives and intentions of other people. If this weren't bad enough, we seldom keep such opinions to ourselves, but often share such judgments with third parties, leading to “uneasiness, contempt of neighbor, pride, self-satisfaction, and many other bad effects, chief among them being slander.”

Perhaps Francis de Sales really put his finger on the issue and summed it up when he wrote: “It is the mark of an unprofitable soul to amuse itself with examining the lives of other people.” The old ways of looking at other in terms of mere human judgment have passed away: what are we doing to keep it that way?

Besides, on any given day, we probably have more than enough to do when it comes to examining our own lives, don't we? Why spin our wheels, then, by dissecting the lives of others for our own amusement...and to our own shame?

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A really patient man neither complains nor seeks to be pitied; he will speak simply and truly of his trouble, without exaggerating its weight or bemoaning himself.

- St. Francis de Sales

~ Mass Schedule ~



Saturday 6:00 pm
 Sunday 9:00 am
 Sunday 6:00 pm (Spanish)
 Tuesday, Wednesday 8:30 am

Music for the Liturgy 9:00 am

Processional: # 727 This Day God Gives Me

Gloria: (Mass of Creation)

Psalm Response: "Give thanks to the Lord; his love is everlasting." - chant

Alleluia: (Celtic Mass)

Offertory: # 616 How Can I Keep from Singing

Communion: # 602 Be Not Afraid

621 This Alone

Recessional: # 673 Sing to the Mountains - vs. 1 & 2

The Reading for today's Mass are found in the **Glory & Praise** at number **784**

1st Reading ~ Job 38:1, 8 – 11

2nd Reading ~ 1 Corinthians 5:14 – 17

Gospel Reading ~ Mark 4:35 – 41



I cannot think of any need in childhood as strong as the need for a father's protection.
 - Sigmund Freud

What Is A Dad?

A dad is someone who wants to catch you before you fall but instead picks you up, brushes you off, and lets you try again.

A dad is someone who wants to keep you from making mistakes but instead lets you find your own way, even though his heart breaks in silence when you get hurt.

A dad is someone who holds you when you cry, scolds you when you break the rules, shines with pride when you succeed, and has faith in you even when you fail... - Unknown

AUTHANIC TACO DINNER

Join us **this Thursday, JUNE 25th**
Starting at 5:00 pm at our Social Hall.

4 Chicken or Beef Tacos including a drink for **\$10.00**

Desserts are \$1.00 and Raffle tickets



Our Stewardship 6/14//2015 Weekend

	<u>Buxton</u>	<u>Spanish</u>	<u>Ocracoke</u>
Offertory	\$1,776.00	\$49.00	\$110.00
Debt Reduction	\$2,638.00		
Attendance	480	11	20

Principal Balance as of 5/30/2015 ~ \$462,650.76



Visitors ~ our pews have envelopes in the pockets for your convenience, which you may take with you and mail back to us. Thank you for being with us.



Summer Fund Raiser

Our Church Family has a unique opportunity to pay down our \$465,000 mortgage. A family has generously offered to match our second collection from Memorial weekend through Labor Day weekend, up to a total of \$75,000. Here's how it works: We have individual or group sponsors for each weekend. The sponsors will match the amount in the second collections for their weekend. Our Donor Family will also match that collection. Example... second collection totals \$500, the weekend sponsor or sponsors will donate \$500 and our Donor Family will also donate \$500 ~ \$500 ~ \$500 becomes \$1500. All money collected will be used to reduce the mortgage. **We still need shared sponsors. Call Dave Kelmer at 252-986-2719 if you can help.**



Please let Fr. Fred know when a parishioner or family member is in the hospital or homebound. He would appreciate the opportunity to visit and offer his services. Also if you would like a Eucharistic Minister to visit you at home during an illness or when unable to attend Mass, please call Fr. Fred 252-995-6613 or Anita 252-995-7892.

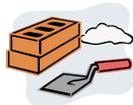
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If you're one of the "billions" of people, who do your charitable giving on line, then you will be glad to know that Our Lady of the Seas website now has the ability to accept on-line donations. It is a secure easy way to make your donation and is available 24-hours a day for your convenience. Currently four categories are available for donation: Offertory, Debt Reduction, Pastor Discretionary & Hurricane Relief. Your comments and suggestions on this new capability, or other aspects of our web site, are encouraged and welcomed.

PAVERS FOR THE WALKWAY

The church is working on OUR LAST BATCH OF PAVERS for our walkway. If you are interested in purchasing a paver, for your convenience the form is located hanging on the wall at ALL the exits of our church. Or, on the church website, click on the FORMS button on the left, download, fill it in and mail it with your check. <http://www.ourladyoftheseas.org>



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Why Does Pope Francis Smile So Much?

Pope Francis loves to smile. It is his most attractive attribute. When he enters a gathering and beams his wholesome signature smile, it is as if a refreshing breeze has suddenly descended and everyone smiles in return. Even when controversy swirls around him, he looks over the crowd present, his face lights up and peace descends on all present. One columnist wrote, "Long after we've forgotten what his position is on Catholic doctrine we will remember the serenity of Pope Francis—his self deprecating lightness of being."

Besides his captivating grin, he has a sense of humor. And he knows how to use it on himself and on life's situations. He told the Cardinals who elected him shortly after his election: "May God forgive you for what you have done." Then he smiled and then they laughed. Ever since that first day, humor seems to cling to his white robes. When he was asked what his secret to such serenity and happiness was he simply said: "Slow down, take some time off, live and let live." He continued, "Don't proselytize, work for peace, work at a job that gives basic dignity, let go of negative feelings, move calmly through life, enjoy art, books and playfulness."

It doesn't sound terribly difficult or even complicated. We simply have to know where we fit in and then allow space for others to find where they fit. Once this is accomplished, we then remember it's not all about "me," but about others too.

Pope Francis does this beautifully—it's no wonder he is so serene! He lives his life and he knows how to let others live theirs. In this way everyone works for peace. Sounds like a great plan to inspire joy Maybe we should give it a try! **Ready, smile!**

Posted by Fr Richard DeLillio OSFS

Our Local Food Pantry



IF YOU HAVE UNOPENED, NON-PERISHABLE FOOD that you haven't used during your stay, please donate it to the Food Pantry. You can use our 24-hour drop-box on the porch of the Social Hall anytime. If you prefer to buy food for the pantry, "standard" sizes rather than bulk items are preferred..

Checks may be made out to United Methodist Men, PO Box 1591 Buxton, NC 27920.

Please do not leave sheets/pillows/or any other items in the box. This is only used for food for the pantry.

Thank you for your generosity!

A Lovely Memento...

"The Welcoming Light of Our Lady of the Seas"

Our parish's beautiful limited-edition fine art prints that you see on the cover of this bulletin make lovely remembrances of your wedding, anniversary celebration, child's baptism, or vacation. "The Welcoming Light of Our Lady of the Seas" is signed and numbered by the artist - Linda Browning. Each print comes sleeved, backed, and ready to frame in a 12"x16" mat. Price: \$39.50. Proceeds go towards our debt reduction. Thank you!