

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Salesian Perspective

The author of our reading from Wisdom gives grateful thanks to God for his gentleness, patience, and mercy. The Lord loves all that he has made. All creation is meant, as the reading from Thessalonians reminds us, to glorify God, its loving Creator. Indeed, all of creation bears the imperishable spirit of the One who has loved it into life.

Our offenses, our failures to give glory to God, are not to be denied, nor are they to weigh us down and keep us from moving forward, from being called forth anew by God. We are meant to bear the image of the God who created us in love. In his *Treatise on the Love of God*, DeSales writes, "Consider the nature God has given to you. It is the highest in this visible world; it is capable of eternal life and of being perfectly united to his Divine Majesty." [Treatise 1:1]

When we fail, God gently calls us back into right relationship. The call is an invitation, not a demand, and we respond to that invitation in freedom. Psalm 145 praises God who is "gracious and merciful, slow to anger and of great kindness." As God is gentle and patient with us, so we must be gentle and patient with ourselves. DeSales captures these qualities in the Introduction to the Devout Life: "...When we have committed some fault if we rebuke our heart by a calm, kind remonstrance, with more compassion for it than passion against it and encourage it to make amendment, then repentance conceived in this way will sink far deeper and penetrate more effectually than fretful, angry, and stormy repentance." [Introduction III.9] With this gentleness and patience, we reflect the love of God and - in the words of our reading from Thessalonians - we give glory to our loving Creator.

Our gospel story puts flesh and blood on the qualities of repentance, gentleness and mercy. Jesus reaches out, looking up into the tree and calling to Zacchaeus rather than waiting for Zacchaeus to climb down and approach him. Jesus seeks the "lost" Zacchaeus and, by coming to where Zacchaeus lives, invites him back into a relationship of love. Zacchaeus repents in a true spirit of humility. He accepts the gentle invitation in freedom. Without being coerced, he offers reparation.

Gentleness, patience and mercy are qualities of God that we, as creatures who bear his image, are called to reflect. When we witness them in human relationships, we catch glimpses of our creating, redeeming and inspiring God -- alive and smiling -- here on earth.

Rev. Michael S. Murray, OSFS, is the Executive Director of the De Sales Spirituality Center.

This Tuesday, November 2nd, "ALL SOUL'S DAY" Mass will be celebrated at 8:30 am.

Music for Sunday's Liturgy:

Entrance: # 671 Glory and Praise to Our God

Psalm:(chant) I will praise your name forever, my king and my God.

Preparation: # 648 Peace Is Flowing Like A River

Communion: # 611 Only A Shadow

Song of Praise: # 471 Hosea

Recessional: # 615 Amazing Grace - vs. 1, 2 & 5

All other sung Mass parts are from Mass of Creation

An Oldie but a Goodie...

Before the next couple of 9:00 a.m. Sunday Masses, the choir will introduce to you an old hymn that's new to our parish: "This Alone" (#671). Please plan to arrive at the church a few minutes early to become familiar with this hymn prior to singing it at our liturgies. As time goes on, other new hymns will be introduced like this, thereby ensuring proper formation of the faithful in music. " *Make a joyful noise unto the Lord!*"

The Reading for today's Mass are found in the **Glory & Praise** at number **892**

1st Reading ~ Wisdom 11:22 – 12:2

2nd Reading ~ 2 Thessalonians 1:11 – 2:2

Gospel Reading ~ Luke 19:1 – 10

Liturgical Ministry Training

All lay ministers will undergo refresher training on Sunday, November 7th, after Mass. This includes Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers (including those who serve the homebound), Sacristans, and the Ushers/Greeters.

We Take Request ~ Book of Prayer Intentions



Our church family can now make prayer requests by way of our Book of Prayer Intentions, which is provided specifically for that purpose. The dark blue book is in back of the nave near the baptismal font. Just write your intentions in it, and they will be remembered during the Prayer of the Faithful at our Sunday Masses. "*Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving make your requests known to God.*" -Philippians 4:6



Visitors ~ our pews have envelopes in the pockets for your convenience, which you may take with you and mail back to us. Please mark the box if the donation should be for Parish Needs or Debt Reduction. Thank you for being with us.



Ruegue por: Please Remember: in your prayers all those on our **Parish Prayer List**, especially Richard Bacik, Robbie Bendula, Jim Benton, Jim & Linda Carolan, Carrie

Easley, Joe Gallagher, Keith Gardner, Delores Gilliken, Stephen Hissey, TQ Lewis, Grey McDowell, Donna Midgett, Elizabeth Moffit, Cliff Morrow, Ella Newmiller, Mackey Peele, Pat Rice, Ann Styron, Mary Van Severen, Megan Vayette, Kelly Willis, also the caregivers, homebound, hospitalized & those in special needs.

Please let Fr. Bob 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. Bob 252-995-6613 or Anita 252-995-7892.

Por favor comuníquese al padre Bob cuando un feligrés o un miembro de su familia está en el hospital o enfermo en casa. El padre Bob querría tener la oportunidad de visitar a los enfermos y de ofrecerles sus servicios.

~ Winter Schedule ~
 Sunday 9:00 am
 Sunday 5:30 pm (Spanish)

~ Year Round ~
 Friday 8:30 am

~ Ocracoke Island ~
 Friday 6:30 pm

**Confessions before Mass
 or by Appointment**

A Lovely Memento...

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, our guitarist/song leader. Each print comes sleeved, backed, and ready to frame in a 12"x16" mat. Price: \$39.50. Proceeds go towards our debt reduction. Please see Linda after Mass if you would like her to personalize your print for you. Thank you!

Food coupons for the Military



Any manufactures' coupons from the Sunday paper can be sent to the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society. This will help our military families overseas with living expenses. We would appreciate any help from our community family by cutting out coupons you don't use and place them in the basket in the vestibule. GaeAnn Gessner will take on the task of mailing them out weekly. If our visitors are interested in helping, the address is: N.M.C.R.S. 875 N. Randolph Street Suite 225 Arlington, VA 22203

"Almighty God, we stand before You, asking for Your divine mercy and protection. Embrace with Your invincible amour our loved ones in all branches of the service. Give them the courage and strength against all enemies, both spiritual and physical, and hasten their safe journey back to their homes and families. Amen." *Please, also remember those killed or wounded and their families, friends and acquaintances.*



Liturgy Committee

Parishioners and visitors are reminded that we have a liturgy committee at Our Lady of the Seas, with the mission of enhancing our spiritual growth and parish life. Many times, through attendance at services in other parishes, we learn of practices which might be implemented in our own parish. If anyone has issues or questions, or ideas that they would like the committee to consider, please contact one of the Committee members. Listed here are the members of the Committee with their areas of responsibility, but feel free to bring any issue or question to any member:

- Mary Bisantz (Chair, Lectors)
- Linda Browning (Music)
- Gae Ann Gessner (Liturgical Ministers)
- Dee Jensen (Funeral & Wedding Coordinators, Hospitality)
- Rita Doerr (Altar Servers, Sacristans)

17th Annual Island Wide Food Drive –

WE NEED YOU!!



Each year the community gathers in the traditional harvest time to collect items for our Island Food Pantry as we face winter slowdowns. The ongoing and seasonal needs of our Food Pantry continue to exceed previous years.

A list of suggested items is available in the foyer. Please consider purchasing items that make full meals (e.g., peanut butter & jelly, pasta and sauce, etc).

If you are “shopping” at home, check expiration dates on donated items. Please keep in mind that standard sizes are easier to distribute than “family size” packages.

Now until December 31, you may drop off at any of the locations below.

Our Lady of the Seas Social Hall is a year-round drop off location for the Island Food Pantry. The 24 hour drop-off box is located on the porch.

- **Hatteras Realty** in Hatteras Village, Avon, and Waves (Daily 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.)
- **Frisco Shopping Center** in Frisco (Daily 6 a.m. - 9 p.m.)
- **Outer Beaches Realty** in Hatteras Village, Avon, and Waves (Daily 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.)
- **Surf-or-Sound Realty** in Avon and Salvo (Daily 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 a.m.)
- **The Blue Whale** in Salvo (7 a.m. - 8 p.m. through Nov. 30)
- **Hatteras Island Family Medicine** - Frisco (Monday -Thursday, 8-12 noon and 1-4:30)
- **Dancing Turtle Coffee Shop** – Hatteras (daily 7-5)

If you don't have time to shop, tax deductible monetary gifts are appreciated. Make checks payable to United Methodist Men and mail to Hatteras Island Food Pantry, PO Box 1591, Buxton, NC 27920.

Items Commonly Needed by the Food Pantry

- Basic foodstuffs – flour, sugar, coffee, tea, rice, pasta, cooking oil
- Canned vegetables – beets, tomatoes and greens are local favorites
- Peanut butter and dried beans
- Cereals – both hot and cold, including oatmeal and grits
- Personal care items – toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo, razors
- Cleaning products, including dish and laundry detergent
- Paper products
- Pet Foods

Thank you for your generosity!



“OLS 2010 Fund Raiser Raffle”

Tickets on Sale Today

Raffle tickets are on sale before and after the Mass which will support our church. Cost \$5.00 a ticket and 5 tickets for \$20.00. The drawing date will be Sunday, November 28, 2010

Prizes are;

- * 7 Day Cruise to the Caribbean
- * 2 Kayak trips and 1 Parasail ride
- * Two day stay at the Comfort Inn in Buxton
- * \$50.00 Gift Certificate to the Askins Creek BP in Avon. **(there are 2 of these gift certificates to be raffled off individually)**
- * A weeks stay in an ocean front home in Frisco
- * Gift Certificate for Conner's Market
- * \$50.00 Gift Certificate to The Inn on The Pamlico Sound, Buxton.
- * Dinner for 6 prepared by Father Bob at his house.
- * A Picture Donated by Local artist Raphael Robinson
- * Garmin GMR 21/41 closed array radar and GPS Map400 with 10-inch screen. All connections and manuals included.
- * Rod & Reel ~ Ocean Master OM60 spinning reel 4.6:1 ratio mated to a OM20STB 7-foot Med/Heavy rod.
- * Rod & Reel ~ Ocean Master OM80 spinning reel 4.6:1 ratio mated to a OM20STB 7-foot Med/Heavy rod.
- * Rod & Reel ~ Okuma Titus TG 15 II Reel w/cover mated to Custom Powerstick 6-foot 20 – 40 pound line with roller tip. **(there are 3 of these rods and reels to be raffled off individually)**
- * Penn International 50W Reel **(there are 2 of these reels to be raffled off individually)**
- * \$100.00 Gift Certificate to Home Port Gifts, Rodanthe
- * \$50.00 Gift Certificate from Birthday Suits (BS) at Hatteras Landing
- * Fine art print of this beautiful church, numbered and sign by local artist Linda Browning
- * A fishing trip to the Gulf Stream on the Miss Hatteras for one.
- * A ½ day fishing trip inshore with Ken Dempsey Guide Service worth \$300.00
- * North Carolina Basket from Lee Robinson's General Store in Hatteras.
- * A White-Dove Release from Hatteras Doves (\$375.00 value) for your Hatteras Island celebration.
- * REAL Kites 5 DVD Series & a Slingshot Trainer Kite worth \$300.00

ALL proceeds from the raffle will go toward reduction of the church mortgage.



How to Sign Up for Raleigh Diocese E-Newsletter

If you wish to sign-up, please send your email address to contact@raldioc.org and request a subscription to the Diocese e-newsletter.

Fan the Diocese of Raleigh



The Diocese is now on Facebook! Through this new form of communication, the Diocesan Facebook page is intended to share stories, photos and videos from across Eastern North Carolina. Also, the Diocesan website, www.dioceseofraleigh.org, now allows you to share news stories to your personal Facebook and Twitter pages and to easily email and print news stories.

Diocesan News Stay up to date with news and events taking place in the Diocese of Raleigh by visiting the Diocesan web site, www.dioceseofraleigh.org.

~ February 25-26, 2011 ~ Save the Date

"Bringing to light the truth of the teachings of the Catholic Church and igniting in our hearts a love for our Faith". The 9th Annual Ignited By Truth Catholic Conference will be held at the NC State Fairgrounds in Raleigh. www.IgnitedByTruth.com

Matthew Kelly, Author of *"Rediscovering Catholicism"*

Dr. Brant Pitre, Professor of Sacred Scripture at Notre Dame Seminary in Louisiana

Bishop Michael F. Burbidge, Vigil Mass Celebrant and Homilist

More speakers and details coming soon!

Young Adult Mission Trip Applications are being accepted for the young adult mission trip team to Honduras. The composition of the team will be finalized Nov 30, so please act now if you are interested in participating. We have need of a medical physician to join us. A planning and formation meeting will be held November 21 in Raleigh. Young adults 21-39 with no previous mission experience are especially encouraged to apply. Limited financial assistance is available for first-time young adult mission team members. The date of the trip is March 12-19, 2011. For more information, contact Robert Jones (Rob.Jones@raldioc.org) with the Office of Evangelization - 919-821-9740 or Harriet Johnson (harriet@nc.rr.com). Applications may be downloaded from the diocesan website: <http://www.dioceseofraleigh.org/how/youngadult/missiontrip/>

International Adoption Information Meeting



Catholic Charities of Raleigh and Children's Home Society and Family Services of Minnesota are partnering to provide international adoption services to local residents. Representatives from both agencies will be here to discuss several programs, including

adoptions from Russia, China, Ethiopia, and Korea. Join us on Wednesday, November 3, 2010, at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Library-Room 30 at St. Raphael Catholic Church located at 5801 Falls of the Neuse Road in Raleigh. Please call Catholic Charities at 919-790-8533 to register and for directions.

Father Benedict Groeschel, author, psychologist, and host of the television talk program, Sunday Night Live with Father Benedict Groeschel, will be the guest speaker at an Evening of Sacred Arts to benefit the Fr. Groeschel Scholarship Fund of the Institute for the Psychological Sciences and the Pro Life Efforts of the Cape Fear Deanery. This event will take place at St. Mark Catholic Church, Wilmington on Friday, December 3, 2010. It will begin with a Mass at 5:00 pm which will be followed by the evening program featuring visual arts, performing arts, and music as well as some delightful food prepared by a local chef. Since there is limited seating, please reserve a seat today by calling Joan Clarke at 910-777-1025.

A Lifeline for Marriage – Retrouvaille (pronounced



retro-vi with a long i) helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. It is designed to provide the tools to help get your marriage back on track. It will give you the opportunity to rediscover each other and examine your lives together in a new and positive way. This program has helped

10's of 1000's of couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels including disillusionment and deep misery. For confidential information about or to register for the next program call 434-793-0242 or email: retrouvaillenc@msn.com or visit the web site at www.retrouvaille.org.



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When you think of Halloween, what comes to mind?

For a lot of people, Halloween has become synonymous

with candy, costumes, scary stuff, witches, ghosts and pumpkins. But do you know the Christian connection to the holiday?

The true origins of Halloween lie with the ancient Celtic tribes who lived in Ireland, Scotland, Wales and Brittany. For the Celts, November 1 marked the beginning of a new year and the coming of winter. The night before the new year, they celebrated the festival of Samhain, Lord of the Dead. During this festival, Celts believed the souls of the dead—including ghosts, goblins and witches—returned to mingle with the living. In order to scare away the evil spirits, people would wear masks and light bonfires.

When the Romans conquered the Celts, they added their own touches to the Samhain festival, such as making centerpieces out of apples and nuts for Pomona, the Roman goddess of the orchards. The Romans also bobbed for apples and drank cider—traditions which may sound familiar to you. But where does the Christian aspect of the holiday come into play? In 835, Pope Gregory IV moved the celebration for all the martyrs (later all saints) from May 13 to November 1. The night before became known as All Hallows' Even or "holy evening." Eventually the name was shortened to the current Halloween. On November 2, the Church celebrates All Souls Day.

The purpose of these feasts is to remember those who have died, whether they are officially recognized by the Church as saints or not. It is a celebration of the "communion of saints," which reminds us that the Church is not bound by space or time.

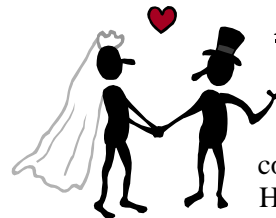
The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* says that through the communion of saints "a perennial link of charity exists between the faithful who have already reached their heavenly home, those who are expiating their sins in purgatory and those who are still pilgrims on earth. Between them there is, too, an abundant exchange of all good things"

From St. Anthony Messenger On-line

<http://www.americancatholic.org/Messenger/Oct2001/Family.asp#F6>

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BUILD A BETTER MARRIAGE:

Learn to handle anger more constructively, resolve conflicts, and communicate better. Hear couples share how they

overcame problems in their marriages. **The Third Option** support group will meet on Wednesday, November 10 at St. Francis of Assisi, 11401 Leesville Road, Raleigh, NC 27613 from 7-9 in Laverna (log cabin house). For more information go to www.dioceseofraleigh.org or call 919-821-9753.

Marriage Love and Life In the Divine Plan:

Helpmates Marriage, however, is a unique communion of persons. In their intimate union as male and female, the spouses are called to exist for each other. Just as Genesis describes Eve as a helper for Adam, we can see that in marriage, a husband and wife are meant to help each other through self-giving. Look what the United States Catholic Bishops are saying about marriage. http://www.usccb.org/laity/love_and_life/



How much time will you spend with your spouse today?

Some studies say that the average couple spends only 20 minutes a day together. Do you need to increase face time? On your wedding day you promised to love each other for better or for worse. What is a "for better" that your spouse has made in your life? Share it before you go to bed tonight. For more tips and resources to strengthen your marriage, visit www.foryourmarriage.org

Project Rachel

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Project Rachel Retreat

If you are suffering from an abortion, experience the love of Jesus Christ at a Project Rachel. For both women and men, participation is strictly confidential and offers a beautiful opportunity to experience God's love, forgiveness and compassion. For more information or to register for a retreat, email Project Rachel at projectrachel@nc.rr.com or call (919) 852-1021. If you have a financial burden, assistance is available. Brochures are available at www.projectrachelnc.org.

A Very Special Request

Attendees please take your bulletin home with you or you may leave it in the vestibule when you leave after Mass. We greatly appreciated your cooperation with helping us keep the church clean.



Flowers for the Sanctuary

Our Flower Fund has been established to enable you to donate flowers for the church throughout the year. Both residents and visitors are invited to contribute to the Flower Fund “in memory” of loved ones, “in thanksgiving”, or “in honor of” a special someone. **A minimum donation of \$25 is requested.** Please use the form below or look for extra forms as you exit the church today. They can be found in the clear plastic pockets hanging at each of the doors as you exit the church.

Please make your check payable to:
Our Lady of the Seas (write “Flower Fund” in memo section) and mail to:
Our Lady of the Seas ~ Flower Fund, PO Box 399,
Buxton, NC 27920
or you may place your order in the 2nd collection basket.
Be sure to mark the envelope ‘Flower Fund’



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FLOWER ORDER FORM

Our Lady of the Seas Catholic Church
(Please print legibly) I wish to donate flowers...

\$25.00 donation, checks payable to:
Our Lady of the Seas

In thanksgiving

By _____

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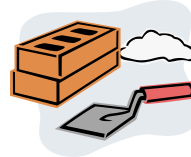
I would like to give the flowers anonymously and not have my name printed in the bulletin.

If the flowers are for a particular Sunday, please write the date here: _____

Your Name _____

Phone _____

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Want to Order Brick Paver for the Walkway

We are currently working on a new batch of memorial pavers for our walkway up to the church. If you are interested in purchasing the pavers, please use the form below or look for extra forms as you exit the church today in the vestibule. The cost \$50.00 each. The memorial bricks will be ordered when we get a total count over 100 – that will give us the ability to NOT pay transportation charges to keep your cost down.

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PAVER ORDER FORM

Each 4X8 inch Paver is \$50.00 payable at time of order. Price includes 3 lines of text engraved on “bed” of paver with a maximum of 20 characters per line for Upper/Lower Case and 16 characters for ALL UPPER CASE, including spaces and punctuation.

(Please print legibly)

Name of Purchaser _____

Address _____

Phone Number () _____

Email _____

Number of pavers ordered _____

Amount paid _____

Date _____

Please make check payable to:

“Our Lady of the Seas Catholic Church”

This order form along with your check should be turned into the office on Sunday or **mailed to:**

Our Lady of the Seas “Paver Order”

PO Box 399

Buxton, NC 27920

1st Paver:

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2nd Paver:

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3rd Paver:

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Questions or problems? E-mail olssecretary@aol.com

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