

## Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Questions played an important role in Jewish theological, religious, political and cultural life. The so-called “Rabbinical method” presumed that the best way to come to know the truth was to learn to raise the right questions.

Elie Wiesel — author, scholar, and holocaust survivor — notes this in the opening pages of his book Night. In it, Wiesel’s mentor explained to him “with great insistence that every question possessed a power that did not lie in the answer.” (Bantam Books, 1960)

There is power in a question. There is promise in a question. There is possibility in a question.

This understanding sets the context for today’s selection from Luke’s Gospel. The question of the Sadducees about marriage and the afterlife (not unlike the question posed by the chief priests and scribes in the verses immediately preceding these verses regarding paying taxes to Caesar) may not have been merely an attempt to trip up Jesus or to discredit him: it may also have been a legitimate desire to settle an ongoing dispute between the Sadducees and the Pharisees (both groups’ religious leaders in their own rite) who disagreed on a variety of issues.

As so many times before, however, they did not like, understand or accept Jesus’ answer.

### ***Herein lies the tragedy.***

The scribes, the priests, the Sadducees and the Pharisees were all raised in a culture that viewed questions as the path to mystical truth. Ironically, they may have had the most to gain from Jesus — the embodiment of all mystical truth — precisely because they had so many encounters with him, perhaps more than any other groups mentioned in the Gospel combined! Sad to say, it appears that they consistently asked the wrong questions: shortsighted questions, self-serving questions, disingenuous or insincere questions, all with a pre-determined answer in mind.

When asked why he prayed every day, Elie Wiesel’s mentor responded: “I pray to the God within me that God will give me the strength to ask the right questions.”

How often in our daily lives with Jesus and with one another do we ask for, desire, or even demand answers? How much energy do we invest wanting to know the bottom line? Yet, for all our efforts, are we any closer to knowing the things that really matter, the concerns of earth that lead to the things of heaven? Why does our understanding of Jesus’ will for us, desire for us, longing and love for us sometimes seem so elusive?

Could it be that we, too, are failing to ask the right questions?

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

### **Music for Sunday's Liturgy:**

**Entrance:** # 530 Table of Plenty

**Psalm:** Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full. (chant)

**Preparation:** # 714 If God Is For Us

**Communion:** # 580 Pescador de Hombres/Lord,  
You Have Come

**Song of Praise:** # 626 Shelter Me, O God

**Recessional:** # 673 Sing to the Mountains - vs. 1 & 3

*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" (#621). 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!"



### **Angel Tree 2010**

We will once again be supporting the Angel Tree effort to help provide a brighter holiday for families in need on Hatteras Island. Please watch the bulletin for details. *If you would like to confidentially request help for yourself or someone you know, please contact Fr. Bob at 995-6613 or Megan Vayette at 252-216-7176.*

The Reading for today’s Mass are found in the **Glory & Praise** at number **895**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading** ~ 2 Maccabees 7:1 – 2, 9 – 14

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading** ~ 2 Thessalonians 2:16 – 3:5

**Gospel Reading** ~ Luke 20:27–38 or 20:27, 34–38

	<b>Our Stewardship</b>	
	<b><u>Buxton</u></b>	<b><u>Ocracoke</u></b>
Offertory	\$767.00	\$195.00
Debt Reduction	\$348.00	
Parish Needs	\$311.00	
Attendance	132	12



*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.*



**Christmas Caroling**

Everyone is invited to join us. Meet at the following places at 3:30 pm to "carol" to special folks. We finish at approximately 5:30 pm each afternoon.

- Thurs. Dec 2.....Hatteras UMC
- Mon. Dec 6.....Hatteras UMC
- Thur. Dec 9.....Little Grove UMC
- Mon. Dec 13.....Buxton UMC
- Thurs. Dec 16.....Buxton UMC

For more information, call Betty or Dave Greider at 252- 995-3770.

**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



**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 comuníquelo 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.*



**When traveling and you need to know where the closes Catholic Church and the times for their masses please check out [masstimes.org](http://masstimes.org)**

**Liturgical Ministry Training TODAY!!!**

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

**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!

**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)

*~ 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**

## 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.

### Food coupons for the Military



Any manufacturers' 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.

**Thank you for your support.**

“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.*



### How to Sign Up for Raleigh Diocese E-Newsletter

If you wish to sign-up, please send your email address to [contact@raldioc.org](mailto: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](http://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.

### ~ 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 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Ignited By Truth Catholic Conference will be held at the NC State Fairgrounds in Raleigh. [www.IgnitedByTruth.com](http://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!

**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](http://www.dioceseofraleigh.org).

**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](mailto:Rob.Jones@raldioc.org)) with the Office of Evangelization - 919-821-9740 or Harriet Johnson ([harriet@nc.rr.com](mailto:harriet@nc.rr.com)). Applications may be downloaded from the diocesan website: <http://www.dioceseofraleigh.org/how/youngadult/missiontrip/>



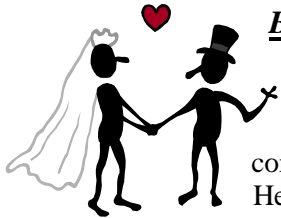
### A Lifeline for Marriage – Retrouvaille

(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](mailto:retrouvaillenc@msn.com) or visit the web site at [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org).

**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 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.**



**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](http://www.dioceseofraleigh.org) or call 919-821-9753.

**Handicapped Encounter Christ Banquet with Tony Melendez** You are invited to attend the Handicapped Encounter Christ 5th Annual Fundraising Banquet on Friday, December 3, 2010, 7:00 PM, at St. Michael the Archangel in Cary. Our special guest for this celebration is Catholic musician and recording artist Tony Melendez whose special gift is playing guitar with his feet because he was born with no arms. The tickets are \$25 per person. For reservations and more information, call Brent Heiser at 919.544.0684

**Would You Like to Empower Families?** Come to an information session about Family Honor to learn how you can help parents and teens connect and communicate on important life issues such as chastity, God's gift of sexuality, and more! If you have been looking for a way to counter the culture with the truth of God's plan for life, love, and family, come talk to some members of the Raleigh team to see if you think this is the ministry God is calling you to. **Sunday, Nov. 14, 3:00 – 4:00 in Raleigh near Crabtree Mall.** Contact Linda Gaviria, 919-467-5527, [fhraleigh@gmail.com](mailto:fhraleigh@gmail.com) for more info.

*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](mailto: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](http://www.projectrachelnc.org).

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**How much time will you spend with your spouse today?**

Some studies say that the average couple spend 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](http://www.foryourmarriage.org)

**Marriage Enrichment: Great Date Night**, based on the book, *Happy Together* by John Bosio. Great Date Nights are an opportunity for couples to have time out to build their marriage and to enrich their relationship. It's a unique program that combines fun dates and marriage education skills. Each session begins with a short date launch (approximately 20 minute segment on DVD) where the theme or skill for that particular date is introduced. Then couples go off to experience their own "great date" and discuss the particular theme or skill. Dates will be on: November 12 and 19. They begin at 7:00 pm in Founders Room at St. Francis of Assisi Parish, 11401 Leesville Rd. Registration is required and child care is provided (included in the cost of the program -\$35.00). For more information, you may call Gladys Whitehouse at 847-8205x244 or visit our website at [www.stfrancisraleigh.org](http://www.stfrancisraleigh.org).

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**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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 \_\_\_\_\_

**In memory**  
of \_\_\_\_\_  
By \_\_\_\_\_

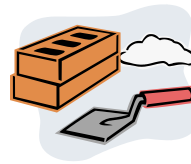
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of \_\_\_\_\_  
By \_\_\_\_\_

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

*If the flowers are for a particular date, please write that 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 \_\_\_\_\_

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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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Questions or problems? E-mail [olssecretary@aol.com](mailto:olssecretary@aol.com)

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