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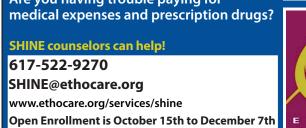
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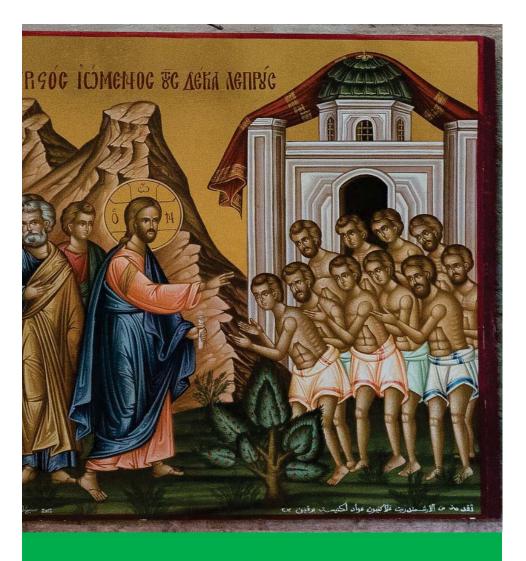
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OCTOBER 9, 2022

TWENTY-FIGTH SUNDAY

CHAPEL STAFF:

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The Pope's Prayer Intention for October:

We pray for the Church; ever faithful to, and courageous in preaching the Gospel, may the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality.



SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil 4:00PM, 5:30 PM, (en español)

Sun. 8 AM, 9:15AM, 10:30AM, 11:45AM, 1:15 PM (en español), 4:00PM, 5:30PM

Weekday Masses:

Mon.—Fri. 8:00AM, 12:05PM, 4:45PM Saturday 9:00AM, 12PM

Confessions:

Mon.—Fri. 11:15 -11:50AM, 12:45-4:15PM Saturday 9:30 - 11:45 AM, 12:45-3:30PM

Devotions:

Tuesday after Mass: Our Lady Wednesday after Mass: St. Joseph Thursday after Mass: St. Jude

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Mon.—Fri. 8:30-11:50AM, 12:30-4:30PM: **Sat.** 9:30-11:30AM, 12:30-3:30PM; **Sunday** 2:30-3:30PM

Gift Shop Hours:

Monday—Friday 10:00AM - 5:30PM*; **Saturday** 9:30AM - 6:30PM*; Sunday 8:45AM - 6:30PM* (*Closed during Masses)

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Cover Art:

Jesus Heals the Ten Lepers. Icon. Church of the Ten Lepers, Burgin, West Bank. Photo by Dean Meyers, Flickr.



Reflection by Fr. Michael Warren, OMV

In Shakespeare's play *Cymbeline*, the character Imogen is the daughter of the king of Britain who secretly marries her love, Posthumus, a member of the royal court. Imogen's father, the king, is angry about this secret wedding, so he banishes Posthumus from Brittainy. Before they part though, Imogen and Posthumus exchange a ring and a bracelet to symbolize their love and fidelity to one another. They will hold onto those symbols as reminders of their unbreakable bond despite the distance.

In Rome, where he has been exiled, Pothumus meets a man named Iachimo and boasts to him of his wife's chastity and fidelity. Pothumus brags of how his wife Imogen will remain true to him despite their distance from one another. This stranger, lachimo, however wagers that he can travel to Britain and entice Imogen to betray her vows and that he shall bring back to Rome proof that he has done so. Posthumus very foolishly agrees.

Iachimo travels to Britain and makes his way to Imogen. He utterly fails in his attempt to entice Imogen, who remains faithful to Pothumus, but through treachery Iachimo steals the bracelet Posthumus gave to her as a symbol of their union. When Iachimo returns to Rome with the bracelet. Posthumus believes that Imogen has been unfaithful to him and flies into a rage, even plotting to kill her. The prideful Posthumus so easily forgets the virtue of Imogen and her vows to him. Instead, he accepts the words of a scoundrel simply because Iachimo shows him the bracelet. Rather than trust his experience of life with Imogen, who has always proved true, Posthumus has placed his trust in appearances. All of his attention and faith is in the appearance of the bracelet, not in the substance of Imogen's character and vows.

At first Naaman the Syrian, from the First Reading, angrily stormed away when the Prophet Elisha told him to bathe in the Iordan river. Naaman was focused on the water. He did not at first appreciate the simple instructions of Elisha. Once Naaman realized that the power of healing lay not in the water but in the word of the Prophet, he bathed in the Jordan and was cured. Building our lives on the promises and commitments of God is a sure means to growth and salvation no matter the troubles of the day.



Come to the Waters of Healing

A Retreat for Post-Abortion Healing

"My spirit was broken and as far as I knew beyond repair. I was living a decision that I will regret for the rest of my life.

I was haunted by the choice and consumed with feelings of remorse.

During the retreat, I realized the lasting impact of forgiveness.

I knew God had forgiven me,

and now I needed to forgive myself."

A Project Rachel Retreat Participant

Fall 2022 Dates

Saturday, October 1 Saturday, October 29 Saturday, November 19 9:00AM – 5:00 PM



Sponsored by the Project Rachel Ministry - Archdiocese of Boston



Location is confidential. Pre-registration is required.
Limited to 10 participants.
For more information:

Project Rachel at (508) 651-3100 or help@projectrachelboston.com

"Project Rachel led me to a place of forgiveness and mercy. During the retreat, I realized the lasting impact of forgiveness. I knew God had forgiven me, and now I needed to forgive myself." – A Project Rachel retreat participant. The Project Rachel ministry of the Archdiocese of Boston extends a special invitation to women suffering from the pain of a past abortion to attend a "Come to the Waters of Healing" one-day retreat. [Locations are confidential. Limited to ten participants per retreat. For more information, contact Project Rachel at 508.651.3100 or help@projectrachelboston.com.

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Sunday, Oct. 9

9:15 AM Campo Eraso—health
10:30 AM +Frances M. Scula Platten
11:45 AM +Peter Mortimer
1:15 PM +Anna Vasquez—7th anniv.
4:00 PM Diane Flavin—Special Intention
5:30 PM +Joseph Connelly

8:00 AM Nilva Gapuzan Gamiao

Monday, Oct. 10

8:00 AM +Domenico Bettinelli **12:05 PM** Jane Nowobilska—Special Inention

4:45 PM Callahan & Murphy Families

Tuesday, Oct. 11

8:00 AM Angela Flavin—Special Intention

12:05 PM Souls in Purgatory **4:45 PM** +Walter Morgan

Wednesday, Oct. 12

8:00 AM +Thomas McDonough 12:05 PM +John Morse 4:45 PM +Benneth Chukwuanu

Thursday, Oct. 13

8:00 AM Silvia Ooi & Family 12:05 PM +Mary Chon & +Peter Thang 4:45 PM +Frank Martinez

Friday, Oct. 14

8:00 AM +Dennis Shea 12:05 PM +Mary LuTran & Deceased relatives 4:45 PM Monica Ozaeta—birthday

Saturday, Oct. 15

9:00 AM +Frank Martinez 12:00 PM +Frank Martinez 4:00 PM +Kathie Keber 5:30 PM Nacira Mayorca

Prayer Before Mass



by Ven. Bruno Lanteri

My God, I offer you this holy sacrifice to proclaim, honor and glorify your infinite greatness, and in recognition of the supreme dominion which, as the first principle and last end, you have above all created things. I give you this homage for all those who still do not know you or do not want to recognize you.

I offer this too in thanksgiving for the benefits that I and all the world have received and will receive from your infinite goodness; in satisfaction for my sins and those of the whole world; to implore the graces that are necessary for my eternal salvation and for all mankind. Oh, my God, I offer to you the merits of Jesus Christ; grant me at this Holy Mass a profound adoration of him.

My God, my Creator, I implore you to grant me the grace of final perseverance. I know by faith that I do not deserve it, nor can I deserve it, but your Divine Son deserves it for me with all his virtues and with all the wounds he shows you in his Most Holy Body, on behalf of my wounded love. Amen.

St. Joseph Faithful Protector of Mother and Child

The infant Christ "came into our world in a state of great vulnerability. He needed to be defended, protected, cared for and raised by Joseph" (PC 5). The humble and often hidden carpenter of Nazareth accompanied Mary in her pregnancy, assisted at the birth of the Messiah in a stable, presented Jesus in the Temple, fled with his family far from their homeland to protect them, and lovingly raised Jesus as his own son in the years to come.

While the angel of the Lord appeared to Mary to announce that she would bring forth the Savior of the world, it was revealed to Joseph in a series of dreams how God's plans would be brought to fulfillment. As Pope Francis highlights, "God trusted Joseph, as did Mary, who found in him someone who would not only save her life, but would always provide for her and her child" (PC 5).

Like every other human family, the Holy Family had to confront real and concrete challenges. Yet, "in every situation, Joseph declared his own 'fiat'" (PC 3). His "yes" to the Lord meant that regardless of the hardship and personal sacrifice to himself, he consistently chose to put the needs of Mary and Jesus before his own. Joseph's devotion helps reveal to us our own call to show special care for the lives of those whom God has entrusted to us.

Each of us can find in St. Joseph "an intercessor, a support and a guide in times of trouble" (PC, Intro). Joseph shows us how to say "yes" to life, despite our own fears, frailties, and weaknesses. For it is Joseph who was "chosen by God to guide the beginnings of the history of redemption. He was the true 'miracle' by which God saves the child and his mother" (PC 5).

May we, too, be miracles in the lives of those who are most in need, especially at the beginning and end of life. Dear St. Joseph, you who were "able to turn a problem into a possibility by trusting always in divine providence" (PC 5), help us to imitate your faithful trust and courage.

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THE NATIONAL MEN'S MARCH

TO ABOLISH ABORTION AND RALLY FOR PERSONHOOD

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15TH BOSTON, MA 11:30 AM - 3:30 PM (ET)





MEN, IT'S TIME!

11:30AM Men gather outside of a local Planned Parenthood abortion killing center to face reality, take responsibility, repent, and resolve to do more to abolish abortion.

(Address: 1055 Commonwealth Ave, 02215)

12:30PM March begins to the MA State Capitol marked by prayer and sacrifice to raise awareness for the cause of life and for the urgent need to abolish abortion.

2PM Men arrive at the MA State Capitol and the Rally for Personhood begins.

(Address: 24 Beacon St., 02133)

We highly encourage fathers to march with sons, and all people of goodwill to come participate in the Rally.

- Dress code encouraged: Men in suits, priests in clerics.
- More information and updates at themensmarch.com or text MENSMARCH to 22828
- This is a grassroots effort. Help spread the word!