

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time September 20, 2020

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From Franciscan Father Greg Friedman:

In the spring of 2003, a feature-length film appeared in theaters, telling the true story of Dietrich Bonhoeffer, who defied Hitler and gave witness to the Gospel in the face of the Nazi tyranny. One of Bonhoeffer's best-known books is *The Cost of Discipleship*. Its very title comes to mind as I read today's Gospel.

Here, Jesus teaches his disciples that he will suffer and die, but the disciples are not only baffled by what the Lord is telling them; they're too busy arguing over who among them is the greatest!

Jesus must remind them once again that the Kingdom demands a lot of the disciple. True greatness lies in service. True disciples take the side of those who are powerless, like the little child Jesus embraces in the story.

Dietrich Bonhoeffer lived at a time when many religious people chose to ignore a great evil, or worse-collaborate with it. Bonhoeffer wrote, taught, and eventually gave his life in a Nazi prison, to witness to what the Gospel demands: We must speak for the voiceless, even if our service costs us our own lives.

Today's Christians may not face evil on such a global scale, but they nevertheless have lots of opportunities for true Christian witness. May Christ give us strength to consider. and to pav.

Services this Week

| Services this Week | | Mass Intentions | |
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| Sat | 9/19 | 5:15pm Mass | Mass For The People |
| Sun | 9/20 | 7:00am Mass | Paul & Frances Leary |
| | | 10:30am Mass | Wedding Anniversary |
| | | | Frances M. Williams |
| | | | William W. Williams |
| Mon | 9/21 | 6:30pm Mass | Misa en Espanol |
| | | 12:05pm Mass | Rose, Nina, Joseph & Angelo |
| | | | DiPardo |
| Thu | 9/24 | 12:05pm Mass | Maureen Crowley |
| Sat | 9/26 | 5:15pm | |
| Sun | 9/27 | 7:00am Mass | Mass For The People |
| | | 10:30am Mass | |
| | | 6:30pm Mass | Misa en Espanol |
| | | Confession | By Appointment Only |

ANNUAL LIFE CHAIN SUNDAY

At St. Joseph's Church

October 4, 2020 2:00pm-3:00pm

Seminarian Nathan LeDoux

will lead us in in the Rosary and Chaplet.

Be a light in a darkened world

As we respect all life, born & unborn

Help end abortion with prayer.



Please Note: We are asking that at the end of Mass, please leave your **kneelers down**.....this will tell us which pews need to be sanitized. This will help lessen the work for those who stay to help sanitize.

We are still hoping that volunteers will come forward to be greeters at the doors at the 7am and 1030 am Masses.

Please pray for our brothers and sisters who are ill and those who have requested our prayers:

Amy Aguiar, Debra Amini, , Bruce Barrett, Evelyn Barrett, Henry Charbonneau, Larry Davis, Shawn Donnelly, Carol Eggleton, Rosemary Hayes, Baby Jackson Hall, Oscar Michael Hall, Michelle Imondi, Maureen Martin, Patricia McMahan, Dewey Morton, Tom Morton, Daryll Neal, Amy Powers, Norman Siebens, Rafael Sweeney, Tammy White.

*Altar bread for the gluten intolerant and celiac patients is available.
See Father before mass.*

*Please visit our website
www.stjosephsnewport.org*

Society of St Vincent de Paul

On **September 27**, the Church celebrates the feast of St. Vincent de Paul, who knew that "God had sent him to bring good news to the poor." Together with your gifts, the members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul continue his work and mission in our parish.

St. Vincent de Paul has a walk for the poor around this time and we ask our parishioners to sponsor us. Due to the Corona Virus, St. Vincent de Paul will be doing a virtual walk and we ask for your support. If you wish and are able, you can place a donation in an envelope and mark it "**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL WALK FOR THE POOR**," place it in the budget box on Sunday or mail it to the St. Joseph's Rectory, 5 Mann Avenue, Newport, RI 02840.

Our Conference will be walking locally in less than fifteen minutes at a time.

We thank you for always being so generous to the less fortunate in our community. All donations will go to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul at St. Joseph's.

God Bless You.

Please Note: In the month of October, Stop & Shop has chosen St. Vincent de Paul at St. Joseph's as a recipient of their "Give Bag". For every "Give Bag" purchased Stop & Shop will donate \$1.00 to SVdP at St. Joseph's. Please consider purchasing a bag or two, it will be greatly appreciated,

May God Bless You

If you have any questions, the telephone number for St. Joseph's Society of St.

Vincent de Paul is (**401-258-5773**). Please leave a message and someone will gladly call you back.

St. Vincent dePaul Ministries

Soup Kitchen:

discontinued until further notice

Emergency Food Pantry:

BY PHONE ONLY CALL: 401-258-5773

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND!

Jesus Saviour Church

1 Vernon Avenue , Newport is having a

GRAB 'N GO

for Chourico Sandwiches and Favas on

Friday September 18th

Saturday September 19th

3:00pm----7:00pm

Some Raffle items will be available.

Please practice social distancing.

A mask must be worn on Church grounds.

Thank you for your support.



Comentario de Antonio J. Guerra

Is 55,6-9; Sal 144; Flp 1,20c-24.27a; Mt 20,1-16

experimentemos la La parábola de los trabajadores de la viña responde a la pregunta que Pedro ha formulado a Jesús, un poco antes del texto proclamado hoy, a propósito del premio que recibirán los apóstoles por seguirle (Mt 19,27). La liturgia, a fin de prepararnos para la enseñanza de la parábola, nos propone la lectura de Isaías donde Dios afirma que: "*mis planes no son vuestros planes*". En el Evangelio es fácil identificar en el dueño que contrata para su viña a los trabajadores, al mismo Dios que invita a todos a trabajar en su Reino. Jesús plantea las reflexiones más profundas en forma de "cuento" – parábola con el fin de que el que las escuche las vaya asimilando adecuadamente. De la de hoy podemos extraer varias características de Dios: 1. generosidad sin límites para con todos (contratación de los parados a última hora y pago del salario total); 2. Dios "paga" en función a su bondad, no a nuestros méritos. Mientras nuestra mentalidad nos lleva a contabilizar las "horas" que trabajamos para Dios, y en especial, tener una fijación por las "horas" que los demás dedican al Señor, la mentalidad de Dios va por otro lado, porque Él no se rige tanto por la justicia de nuestro mundo, sino por la gratuidad sin límites. Que la Eucaristía nos ayude a contemplar la generosidad de Dios y a sentir su Bondad y su Misericordia, para que poco a poco nos sintamos orgullosos de trabajar para su viña, y alegría de trabajar para Él. Que Jesús, camino, verdad y vida nos enseñe a sentirnos hijos de este Padre Bueno que nos necesita para su viña.

Para profundizar:

1. ¿ Soy de los que creen en las promesas de Dios, o de los que creen en el Dios de las promesas?
2. ¿Cuál es la recompensa que considero justa por parte de Dios?
3. ¿ Soy consciente que Dios nos llama para que trabajemos para Él?



24th Week in Ordinary Time Collection: \$4028

The 2nd collection on the last Sunday of the month is for the ongoing maintenance of our buildings and grounds. The fiscal health of the parish depends on the faithful support of the parish.