

## Twenty-ninth Sunday In Ordinary Time October 21, 2018

More and more today our country seems to be plagued by an increasing cycle of violence. Gang members retaliate against rival gangs. Law-abiding citizens arm themselves out of fear. Laws allow us to use a gun legally to defend our person or our property from a perceived threat. How can this cycle be broken? Today's reading from Isaiah describes an alternate response to violence. Isaiah's "Suffering Servant" does not fight back, does not return fire. The prophet risks one's own life, willing to bear the quilt of a people who turned away from God's laws, willing to bear the sin of society that does not respect human life, willing to bear the shame of a nation in which thousands are killed each year with guns.

It is easy to scoff at the disciples in Mark's Gospel, who almost willfully misunderstand what it means to be a disciple. A few weeks ago we heard them arguing about who was the greatest. Jesus instructed them then that they should be a servant of all. But this lesson did not take, for now James and John are arguing about who gets positions of honor when Jesus is glorified. Again Jesus tells them they must be the servant of all, reminding them that he came not to be served but to serve. This is what it means to be a disciple. The goal is not glory or greatness. That is out of our hands. The goal is to serve others.

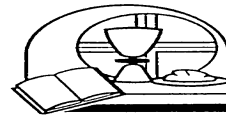
Today is World Mission Sunday, an opportunity for all of us to renew our commitment to convey to others the Good News of Jesus Christ, who is our perfect model of selfless service to the whole human race.

### Question of the Week

What can I do to be of service to all – in my family, my community, the world? Am I willing to suffer on behalf of others?



Life is very precious so live it well.



Mass  
Intentions  
Of The Week

**Saturday, October 20, 2018**

**Vigil of the Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**4:00.m.** Darrell and Elodie Gabriel – Bruce Gabriel – Francis Hai Cao – Joseph Ngan Cao and Mary Pham – Audrey Jefferson – Tu Tran – Leonard Belton – Marcus McNeil – Danny Jon Singletary – Kevin Madison – In Thanksgiving to St. Anthony for prayers answered.

**Sunday, October 21, 2018**

**Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**8:30a.m.** Darrell & Elodie Gabriel – Bruce Gabriel – Joseph Ngan Cao & Mary Pham – France Hai Cao – Earthy B. Lazard – Walter Banks, III – Lawrence Miller, Jr. – Melvina Kepp – Corrine Singletary – Calvin Tate – James St. Charles – Intentions of Shelia Thompson

**10:30a.m.** Lamar & Shirley Smith – Lordeas Glapion Nix – Tu Tran – Paul Beaulieu – Marion Uzee – Joanne Wise Lee – Elaine Vallot – Intentions of Stacey Martin – In Thanksgiving for Deacon Poncho

**12:00p.m.** Marcus McNeil – Byron Brooks, Jr. – Gloria Curtis – Forest Buxton – Kevin Madison – Intentions of St. Maria Goretti Parish

**Monday, October 22, 2018**

**8:30a.m.** Joseph Ngan Cao & Mary Pham – Catherine Bertrand – Maria Pham – Tu Tran – Joseph Cong Cao – Sylvia Green – Deacon Poncho – Intentions of Memory Britsch – Stacey Martin and family – All poor Souls in Purgatory.

**Tuesday, October 23, 2018**

**8:30a.m.** Joseph Ngan Cao & Mary Pham – Deacon Poncho – Benjamin Henry Russ – Intentions of Stacey Martin – Memory Britsch – Leonard Gauthreaux – Gwendolyn Boulligny – All poor souls in purgatory.

**Wednesday, October 24, 2018**

**8:30a.m.** Joseph Ngan Cao and Mary Pham – Joseph Cong Cao – Peter & Mary Kham Nguyen – Deacon Poncho – Roy W. Bierria – Intentions of Leonard Gauthreaux – Memory Britsch – Stacey Martin – All Poor Souls in Purgatory

**Thursday, October 25, 2018**

**8:30a.m.** Joseph Ngan Coa & Mary Pham – Tu Tran – Deacon Poncho – Sylvia Green – Benjamin Russ – Intentions of Stacey Martin – Memory Britsch – Leonard Gauthreaux – Kevin Madison – A Poor Souls

**Friday, October 26, 2018**

**8:30a.m.** Joseph Ngan Cao & Mary Pham – Tu Tran – Deacon Poncho – Joseph Cong Cao – Sylvia Green – Warren Pierre – Intentions of Stacey Martin and family – Memory Britsch – Leonard Gauthreaux – Kevin Madison – All sick and home bound – All poor souls in purgatory.

**Saturday, October 27, 2018**

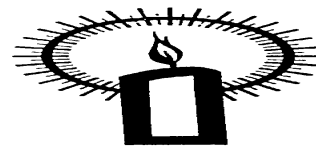
**8:30a.m.** Benjamin Henry Russ – The Living and Deceased Benefactors of the Catholic Negro American Mission.

Announcements

Eucharistic Adoration Monday thru Friday 9:00a.m. – 12p.m. and Saturday, 12 noon to 3:00p.m. No Eucharistic Adoration Wednesday, November 1, 2018 All Saints Day.

**Bible Study**

The Bible Study theme for **Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time** is: **Give it up!** The man in the gospel “ran up” to Jesus, eager to know how “to inherit eternal life.” His demeanor changed when Jesus, challenged him to give up everything and follow Him. Following Jesus demands that we must choose to be possessed by Jesus himself. This means we must give up everything for Him. The Bible Study is based on the readings for the **Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time year B. Reading I: Isaiah 53:10-11; Responsorial Psalm: 33:4-5, 19-19, 20, 22; Reading II: Hebrews 4:14-16; Gospel: Mark 10:45.** The Bible Study can be downloaded for your personal use. Join us Monday, evening at 7:00p.m. in the



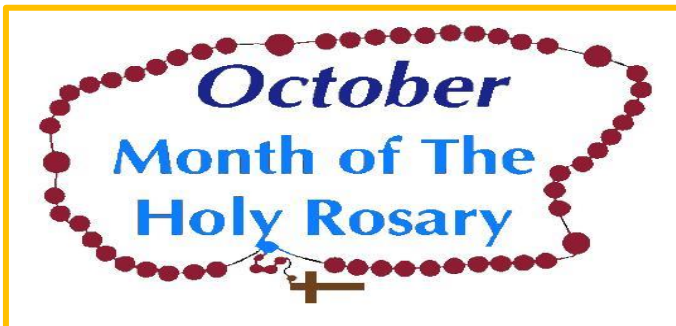
**Sanctuary Lamp**

The Sanctuary Lamp in the Church for this week will burn in memory of Mr. & Mrs. Varice & Pauline Champagne. The Sanctuary Lamps in the chapel this week will burn in memory of Mr. & Mrs. Albert & Irma Pierre

**All Saints Day**

Wednesday, October 31, 2018  
All Saints Day Vigil Mass: 6:00p.m.

Thursday, November 1, 2018  
All Saints Day and a Holy Day of Obligation  
Masses: 8:30a.m. 12 noon and 6:00p.m. No Eucharistic Adoration on Thursday.



Thursdays, 8:00p.m. in the Center where you might win and have some fun with friends and family.

**RCIA**

Every Catholic has a role in welcoming those seeking to join the Catholic Church. God has touched them in a special way that leads them to us. Let us get out of the pews and into the community. The St. Maria Goretti RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) begins the Period of inquiry. Do you know someone who wants to be Catholic? **Come and join us.** Registration forms can be found in the rear of the church or by contacting RCIA team members. The RCIA is in its Period of Inquire. This week we will discuss; **Can individuals receive special revelations from God?** For more information contact the RCIA Team: Deacon Terrel J. Broussard or any member of the RCIA Team or by email at [tbroussard@smgnola.com](mailto:tbroussard@smgnola.com), or visit the website at [smgnola.com](http://smgnola.com)

*In Our Parish* 

**Monday, October 22, 2018**

5:30p.m. Youth Foundation Tutoring  
Awareness – Rms. 3 & 4  
6:00p.m. Zumba Exercise Class – Center

**Tuesday, October 23, 2018**

5:00p.m. Climate Action Plan – Center  
7:00p.m. Executive Moard Meeting – Library

**Wednesday, October 24, 2018**

5:00p.m. Youth Foundation Tutoring – Rms. 3, 4, 9  
6:00p.m. Exercise Class – Center  
7:00p.m. Liturgical Dance – Center  
7:00p.m. First Place Class – Rm. 10

**Thursday, October 25, 2018**

6:00p.m. Bingo – Center

**Friday, October 26, 2018**

6:00p.m. Radio Rosary – Rms. 3 & 4

**Saturday, October 27, 2018**

8:00a.m. Lord Teach Me To Pray – Rms. 3 & 4  
Men’s Group  
11:00a.m. Housing Summit – Center  
1:00p.m. Youth Foundation Board Mering – Rms. 3 & 4



We welcome everyone into our parish. If you have not filled out a census card, the cards can be found on the table at the entrance of the church.

All are invited to the Annual Halloween Bash on Wednesday, October 31, 2018 from 6:00-8:00p.m in the Center.