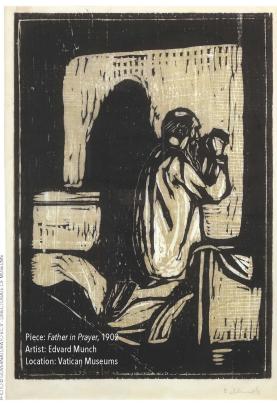


The Sincere Prayer of a Sinner

S cholars tell us that no other Gospel talks more about prayer than St. Luke's. Last Sunday's Gospel insisted that we persevere in our prayer; this week we're admonished to pray with humility and



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sincerity of heart. The prayer of a humble soul pierces the clouds, rising to the throne of God! The Pharisee, Jesus' example of pride, doesn't kneel, bow his head, or sit in listening. He lists before God all that he does, almost as evidence of how much he deserves God's blessings. We can almost read in his words his conviction that God is lucky to have a Pharisee like him.

> In contrast, the publican, a politician and a public figure considered by the Jews to be a sinner and collaborator in evil, slips in the back of the temple. He won't even lift his eyes up to God, as he is ashamed and keenly aware of his unworthiness. He only recalls his sins, beats his chest in penance, and asks for mercy. This is the power of humility before God. It is the necessary condition of our salvation and justification.

When we observe someone with Pharisaic presumption, it produces in us an interior rejection. Yet when we witness the vulnerability and self-effacement of one who admits weakness, we're moved to compassion and ready to forgive. If we who are imperfect respond like this, how much more will God, knower of the souls of humanity, respond with mercy to even the hardest sinners who pray to him with a sincere heart?

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

For Reflection

Do I sometimes present myself before God as if I were doing him a favor with my faith? How can I grow in humility toward God and those closest to me?

[Jesus said,] "But the tax collector...beat his breast and prayed, 'O God, be merciful to me a sinner."" *Luke* 18:13

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Assumption of Our Lady

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30th Sunday in Ordinary Time- Year C

Weekend MassesWeekday MassesSaturday 5:00 pmMon. Tues. & Wed .12:10 pm

Sunday 10:30 am Thurs. & Fri. 5:30 pm

Reconciliation time: Saturday from 4:15 to 4:45pm; Sunday, 9:45-10:15am or by appointment. Please contact Fr. Innocent for any other sacraments or funerals

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Sunday Mass 1:30 PM

Date	Readers	Collection	Gift	Eucharistic	Coffee & Snacks
			Bearers	Ministers	
Nov.		T 14/1-111		Doris Coudron	
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Oct. 13				Susan Bouchard	0 1 5 0
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	Andrew Cassidy	Tony Whittle		Dons Coudron	Liz Buckley
				Bea Lepine	•
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		pation Mass	pation Mass	Jusan Doucharu	
				Shirley Gutierrez	

------ We are always delighted to welcome each and everyone who has come to worship with us here at Assumption parish. If you're a new member, please take time to introduce yourself to the pastor and fill out a registration form found at the bulletin board at the entrance of the church...

------ November is the month we remember our departed brothers and sisters by reflecting on the fullness of the communion of saints. Christians [Catholic] are also encouraged to offer masses and pray for their departed family members and friends.

------ The feast of All Saints November 1st is on Friday. Our mass for the feast will be 5:30pm in the evening.. All Souls day, November 2nd is on Saturday. In place of the evening Saturday mass for 31st Sunday in the ordinary time, we will celebrate/observe the All Souls Day mass and the time remains 5:00pm..

------Archbishop (rtd) Sylvain Lavoie OMI will be conducting a workshop sometime in December at Trappers Lake. Archbishop is known for his 12 steps retreat and books. The details of the workshop will be communicated to those who indicate interest.

------ Youth Club: There will be Faith based crafts, games, music and friendships for all the youth starting from age 7 to 12 in the church's basement every second Friday; Time is 6:30 to 8:00pm. For the remaining part of this year, 2019, it will be held on October 11th and 26th; November 8th and 22nd and December 13th. Parents are encouraged to mark their calendars and help make their kids available. For more information, please contact: Brigitte Stephen @ 305-714-7530 or Diana Smith @ 867-875-2855.

------ Parishioners are encouraged to recite the 'Our Father prayer' in their native languages whenever it is intoned during mass; if it makes them connect more to the creator who is the Father of all

----- The CWL devotional rosary for the sick and the needy every Tuesday is still ongoing. More members are encouraged to participate and the time is 11:30am. We're also moving our Wednesday mass to 12:10 as from next week.

------ Communion to the sick and home bound: Do you know of anyone who is sick and/or home bound and would like to be visited and given communion by the church, please let us know.

Rachel's Corner

"It doesn't matter how fragile you might feel when it comes to your relationship with God. Everything is possible. God took my life torn to pieces and re-created me with the fire of His love." Testimonial

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Calendar Monday **OCTOBER 28** Sts. Simon and Jude, Apostles Eph 2:19-22 Lk 6:12-16

Tuesday **OCTOBER 29** Weekday Rom 8:18-25 Lk 13:18-21

Wednesday **OCTOBER 30** Weekday Rom 8:26-30 Lk 13:22-30 Thursday

OCTOBER 31 Weekday Rom 8:31b-39 Lk 13:31-35

Friday NOVEMBER 1 All Saints Rv 7:2-4. 9-14 1 In 3:1-3 Mt 5:1-12a

Saturday NOVEMBER 2 All the Faithful Departed (All Souls) Wis 3:1-9 Rom 5:5-11 In 6:37-40 Sunday

NOVEMBER 3 Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time Wis 11:22-12:2 2 Thes 1:11-2:2 Lk 19:1-10

Dear Padre,

I see hate everywhere these days—in social media, politics, even between religions. Are we helpless to do anything about hatred?

raditionally, the Church promoted the idea of seven deadly sins. One

I might assume that hatred is one of these sins, but it's not. Hatred flows out of something else: It's a byproduct of the sins of envy, pride, anger, and avarice. The way to counter hatred is to promote virtues that are the opposite of the deadly sins from which hatred flows.

The virtue opposing the vice of envy is love. In love, we rejoice over our neighbor's good. 1 Thessalonians 5:15 talks about how we seek good for each



person. The opposite of pride is humility. Today's Gospel parable of the Pharisee and tax collector praying together (Luke 18:9–14) speaks of true humility. The tax collector recognized a basic truth: that God is the creator, the source of our life and spirit. The virtue opposing anger is meekness. In meekness, we put aside our feelings to seek reconciliation with our neighbor. Jesus taught that we cannot bring our gift to the altar if we

recall that our neighbor has something against us or vice versa (Matthew 5:23-24). Finally, the virtue that destroys avarice is poverty. Poverty doesn't mean giving away all our money; it means we strive to become rich in what matters to God (Luke 12:20) and to share with those who have less.

Hatred will be no more if we strive to be virtuous in the face of our envy, pride, anger, and avarice.

> -Fr. Paul J. Coury, CSsR Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org



A Word from Pope Francis

Sadly, we are witnessing a presentation of religion and religious values in a fundamentalist way, which is used to justify the spread of hatred, discrimination, and violence. The justification of such crimes on the basis of religious ideas is unacceptable, for "God is not the author of confusion, but of peace" (1 Corinthians 14:33).

-Joint declaration with pope of the Armenian Apostolic Church, June 26, 2016



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