

Kids Column
Tenants of the Vineyard

Mt. 21:33-43

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus tells the parable of the vineyard that was leased out to tenants. When the owner's servants came to collect the pay, the tenants beat them. When the owner sent his son, they killed the son because they thought they would be able to take the vineyard if the son was dead.



This story is about God's people. For hundreds of years God cared for His people, leaving leaders in charge. But when He sent His Son Jesus, the leaders did not respect Him. In fact, they killed Him on the cross! God's people were like the vineyard and the leaders were like the tenants who killed the son.

In a way your life is like a vineyard too. God has given it to you and cared for you all your life. When God wants you to do something for Him, you have the choice of doing what He asks or being like the bad tenants and refusing. Whenever we don't do what is right, we are offending Jesus. But you don't want to be like those bad tenants, do you? Make sure that everything you do is for God!



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PRAYER DURING THE HURRICANE SEASON

O Lord, our God and Father, who gives rain and sunshine to your children, we ask you in this rainy season to uphold us and provide for our needs. You try our patience and test our faith and reliance on you; forgive our sin of ingratitude. So often have we forgotten to thank you for your goodness and acts of mercy. Teach us to look up to you each day, appreciative of rain and sunshine, as you, in your wisdom, through any kind of weather do feed us all. In your mercy, protect us against hurricanes and tropical storms. Pour out your blessings upon our nation and our people, and make us grateful for the weather we receive from your bountiful hand. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSEMBLY SONG

- 1. We are called To be a church united. (x2)
Chorus: We are called, we are called, Yes, we are called. (Repeat)
2. We are called To put the Word in action (x2)
3. We are called To mission by the Spirit (x2)
4. We are called To walk in truth and mercy (x2)
5. We are called To live our stewardship daily (x2)
6. We are called To serve the poor and needy (x2)
7. We are called As Salt and Light and Leaven (x2)
8. We are called To Vision 2020
We are called To be a church united
We are called To love one another

We are called, we are called, Yes, we are called. Yes, we are called. Yes, we are called. Yes, we are called.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Baptisms are usually celebrated on the fourth Sunday of every month. Please contact the Parish Office at least 6 weeks before the date.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Couples should contact the Parish Office to make arrangements at least 6 months before the desired date.



St. Joseph the Worker Parish
Gros Islet, Grande Riviere & Monchy

CONFESSIONS

Every Saturday
9.00 - 10.00 a.m.
6.00 - 6.45p.m.
&
by appointment

VISION 2020-DISCIPLES ON MISSION

27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 4TH OCT 2020 - YEAR A

The Lord's Vineyard.

The symbolism of today's First Reading and Psalm is readily understood. God is the owner and the house of Israel is the vineyard. A cherished vine, Israel was plucked from Egypt and transplanted in a fertile land specially tilled and prepared by God, hedged about by the city walls of Jerusalem, watched over by the towering Temple. But the vineyard produced no good grapes for the wine, a symbol for the holy lives God wanted for His people. So God allowed His vineyard to be overrun by foreign invaders, as Isaiah foresees in the First Reading. In the Gospel Jesus returns to the Old Testament symbol of the vineyard to teach about Israel, the Church, and the kingdom of God. Jesus picks up the story where Isaiah leaves off, even using Isaiah's words to describe the vineyard's wine press, hedge, and watchtower. Israel's religious leaders, the tenants in His parable, have learned nothing from Isaiah or Israel's past. Instead of producing good fruits, they've killed the owner's servants, the prophets sent to gather the harvest of faithful souls. In a dark foreshadowing of His own crucifixion outside Jerusalem, Jesus says the tenants' final outrage will be to seize the owner's son and to kill him outside the vineyard walls. For this, the vineyard, which Jesus calls the kingdom of God, will be taken away and given to new tenants, the leaders of the Church, who will produce its fruit. We are each a vine in the Lord's vineyard, grafted onto the true vine of Christ, called to bear fruits of the righteousness in Him and to be the "first fruits" of a new creation. We need to take care that we don't let ourselves be overgrown with the thorns and briars of worldly anxiety. As today's Epistle advises, we need to fill our hearts and minds with noble intentions and virtuous deeds, rejoicing always that the Lord is near.

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SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading
Is.5:1-7
Second Reading
Phil.4:6-9
Gospel
Mt.21:33-43

MASS TIMES

GROS ISLET

Morning Prayers:
5:45a.m.



MONDAY

6:00 a. m./12:30 p.m.



TUESDAY

6:00 a.m.



WEDNESDAY

6:00 a.m.& 12:30 p.m.
G/Riviere: 6:00 p.m.



THURSDAY

6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.
Monchy: 6:00 p.m.



FRIDAY

6:00 a. m./12:30 p.m.



SATURDAY

6:30 a.m./6:00 p. m.



SUNDAY

Gros Islet/G. Riviere
7:30 A.M.

Gros Islet/Monchy
10:00 a.m.



HOLIDAY

7:00 a.m.



October, the month of the Holy Rosary.

The month of October each year is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary. As the Catholic liturgical year draws to a close, many of the feasts between mid-September and the First Sunday in Advent make reference to conflicts between Christianity and Islam, and great victories in battles in which the Church and, more broadly, Christendom, was threatened. The memory of these events turns our thoughts to the end times, when the Church will undergo trials and tribulations before the return of Christ the King.

It may not be obvious how dedicating the month of October to the Holy Rosary fits into this pattern. But the rosary, and more specifically, Our Lady of the Rosary, is credited with victory in a number of the battles that those feasts celebrate. Chief among these is the Battle of Lepanto on October 7, 1571, in which a Christian fleet defeated a superior Ottoman Muslim fleet and stopped the westward expansion of Islam in the Mediterranean. In honor of the victory, Pope Pius V instituted the Feast of Our Lady of Victory, which is celebrated as the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary every October 7th.

Pope Pius V had issued a decree formally establishing the devotion to the rosary in 1569. The Holy Father’s universal promulgation recognized the growing devotion to the Blessed Mother throughout Europe, as well as the increased praying of the rosary in various locations. In 1883, when Pope Leo XIII officially dedicated the month of October to the Holy Rosary, he made reference to the battle and the feast.

Legend tells us that the Rosary as a form of prayer was given to St. Dominic (1170 - 1221) by the Blessed Virgin Mary. The structure of the rosary as we know it today developed between the 12th and the 14th centuries as the larger collection of 150 prayers was further divided into groups of 50 and separated by biblical verses or themes, now referred to as mysteries. It is these mysteries, like a grouping of roses in a garden, that gave the name *rosary* to this prayer form.

The rosary is a living prayer form and continues to develop even in recent times. The invocation known as the Fatima Prayer was added in the early 20th century. In 2002 Pope John Paul II added a new set of five reflections called the Luminous Mysteries which encourage additional meditations on the life of Jesus.

The rosary is an invitation to experience the grace of Mary’s spiritual motherhood as she leads us to her Son, Jesus. For this reason, it has been an invaluable source of countless spiritual graces for the saints. The wealth of spiritual graces offered through the rosary comes from the imitation of Christ through obedience to the Father’s will, according to the example of the Blessed Mother.

Maybe October would be a good month to turn off the radio or podcast as you commute to work or school, and pray the rosary instead. See what graces the Lord wants to pour into your life from the rose garden of this prayer.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR

THE SICK

Iris Macauldy
Priscillia Henry
Martha Mason
Rosna Joseph
Nellie Hall

DECEASED

James Frederick
Joseph Lucette
Philomene Ambrose
Antoine Actie
Marie Celine Ishmael
Cecilia Louis
Deshay Louis
Leone George

WEEKDAY READINGS



MONDAY

Gal.1:6-12
Lk.10:25-37



TUESDAY

Gal.1:13-24
Lk.10:38-42



WEDNESDAY

Gal.2:1-2,7-14
Lk.11:1-4



THURSDAY

Gal.3:1-5
Lk.11:5-13



FRIDAY

Gal.3:7-14
Lk.11:15-26



SATURDAY

Gal.3:22-29
Lk.11:27-28



MASS INTENTIONS

GROS ISLET

CLERGY/RELIGIOUS

INTENTIONS

27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

Sat Oct 3 - 6:00 p.m.

Sun Oct 4 - 7:30 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

Grande Riviere - 7:30 a.m.

Monchy - 10:00 a.m.



BVM: Perlin Verdant & family
Thks: Algitha Richelieu & family
B’day: Nicholas St. John, Kaleia George

MISSA PRO POPULO

B’day: Arthur Tisson
Faith & Wisdom: Jn Marie family
Thks: Esther Lucien Stephen & family

Eucharistic Service

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WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS

Mon Oct 5 - 7:00 a.m.

Fr. John Wilson
Fr. Joseph Raj
Sr. Mary Lee Cox

De’d: Winston Butcher, Isidore John
Mr. & Mrs. Herman Macauldy

Tue Oct 6 - 6:00 a.m.

Msgr. Patrick Anthony
Sr. Mary Mutwiwa

De’d: Iris Moody
Horace & Ann Margaret Gallion

Wed Oct 7 - 6:00 a.m.

Our Lady of the Rosary

Arch. Robert Rivas OP
Fr. Albert Smith
Sr. Frances Norbisch

Int: Lynn Joseph

12:30 p.m.

Grand Riviere - 6:00 p.m.

Guid: Angela Alphonse
B’day: Evelyn Nassar

Parishioners

Thu Oct 8 - 6:00 a.m.

Mother Rosaria Joseph
Sr. Christine Alphonse
Sr. Giovanna Mabunda

Thks: Zoey Hinkson
Sashla Regobert, Laurencia Cadette

12:30 p.m.

B’day: Kate Haywood

Fri Oct 9 - 6:00 a.m.

Fr. Amalraj
Fr. Cezar Herrera
Sr. Ramona George

Thks: Janet James

12:30 p.m.

B’day: Hester Parker
Guid: Zoey Hinkson
Sashla Regobert, Laurencia Cadette

Sat Oct 10 - 6:30 a.m.

BVM

Fr. Will Howard
Rev. Andrew Edward

De’d: Maximillian Constantine