

Never Give Up!

Have you ever felt like giving up on praying because it seemed like God wasn't listening?

In today's Gospel reading Jesus tells the disciples a parable about a widow who kept bothering a bad judge to help her. Finally he did what she asked so that she would stop bothering him. Jesus said that if someone like that will do what a person asks, God will certainly listen to everything we ask him.

But does God always do what we ask when we ask Him to? God always hears what we say to Him, but He has a few ways of answering our prayers. Sometimes He gives us what we ask for right away, but sometimes He lets us wait a while before we get it. And sometimes He doesn't give us what we are asking for because He has a better plan for us.



So always persevere when you're praying for something. God hears you and you can trust Him to do what is the very best for you!

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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 must contact the Parish Office to arrange at least 6 months before the desired date.

MASS INTENTIONS:

Intentions must be booked at least by the Wednesday, one week before the desired date.

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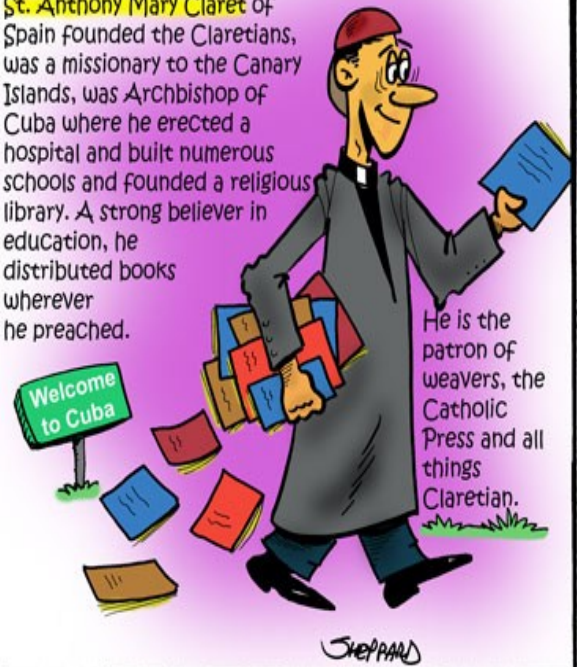
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SAINTS FUN FACTS

by John Sheppard

St. Anthony Mary Claret of Spain founded the Claretians, was a missionary to the Canary Islands, was Archbishop of Cuba where he erected a hospital and built numerous schools and founded a religious library. A strong believer in education, he distributed books wherever he preached.



Jubilee 2025: Pilgrims of Hope

29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 19TH OCTOBER 2025 - YEAR C

Persistent Prayer.

The Lord is our guardian, beside us at our right hand, interceding for us in all our spiritual battles. In today's Psalm we're told to lift our eyes to the mountains, that our help will come from Mount Zion and the Temple, the dwelling of the Lord who made heaven and earth. Joshua and the Israelites, in the First Reading, are also told to look to the hilltops. They are to find their help there, through the intercession of Moses, as they defend themselves against their mortal foes, the Amalekites. Notice the image: Aaron and Hur standing on each side of Moses, holding his weary arms so that he can raise the staff of God above his head. Moses is being shown here as a figure of Jesus, who also climbed a hilltop, and on Mount Calvary stretched out His hands between heaven and earth to intercede for us against the final enemy - sin and death. By the staff of God, Moses bested Israel's enemies, parted the Red Sea and brought water from the Rock. The Cross of Jesus is the new staff of God, bringing about a new liberation from sin, bringing forth living waters from the body of Christ, the new Temple of God. Like the Israelites and the widow in the Gospel, we face opposition and injustice, at times from godless and pitiless adversaries. We, too, must lift our eyes to the mountains, to Calvary and the God who will guard us from all evil. We must pray always and not be wearied by our trials, Jesus tells us. As Paul exhorts in the Epistle, we need to remain faithful, to turn to the inspired Scriptures given by God to train us in righteousness. We must persist, so that when the Son of Man comes again in kingly power, He will indeed find faith on earth.

(excerpt: stpaulcenter.com)

CONFESSIONS

Every Saturday
9.00 - 10.00 a.m.
&
by appointment

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SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading
Exod.17:8-13

Second Reading
2Tim.3:14-4:2

Gospel
Lk.18:1-8



MASS TIMES

Gros Islet
Morning Prayers:
Mon -Fri
5:45 a.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.



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
Variable



WORLD MISSION SUNDAY:
“Missionaries of Hope Among All Peoples.”

In a world that often finds itself overshadowed by uncertainty and despair, World Mission Sunday stands as a powerful testament to our shared Catholic identity. Held annually on the second to last Sunday of October, this special day unites Catholics across continents in a singular purpose: supporting the Church where it faces its greatest challenges.

Instituted by Pope Pius XI nearly a century ago, this collection remains unique as the only worldwide effort directly sustaining 1,124 mission territories where the Church is nascent, vulnerable, or facing persecution. World Mission Sunday calls Catholics worldwide to support the Church where it’s young or challenged. Your prayers and donations provide essential resources for communities that cannot sustain themselves - funding church construction, pastoral care, education, and healthcare. When your parish participates, you join Catholics everywhere in making possible the work of missionaries who build churches, train seminarians, support catechists, and serve vulnerable communities. Together, we fulfill our baptismal call to share the Gospel and become one Church bringing hope to all peoples.

Says Pope Leo: “Even today, there are many settings in which the Christian faith is considered absurd, meant for the weak and unintelligent. Settings where other securities are preferred, like technology, money, success, power, or pleasure. These are contexts where it is not easy to preach the Gospel and bear witness to its truth, where believers are mocked, opposed, despised or at best tolerated and pitied. Yet, precisely for this reason, they are the places where our missionary outreach is desperately needed. A lack of faith is often tragically accompanied by the loss of meaning in life, the neglect of mercy, appalling violations of human dignity, the crisis of the family and so many other wounds that afflict our society.”

As the Church celebrates World Mission Sunday 2025, the powerful theme resonates deeply in this Jubilee Year. We are reminded that hope is at the heart of the Christian mission, calling every baptized person to be “messengers and builders of hope.”

(excerpt: missionsocieties.ca)

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

**Monday, Wednesday, Thursday
& Friday: 9:00am to 2:00p.m.
Closed Tuesdays, Weekends & Holidays**

**PLEASE PRAY FOR
THE SICK**

Patsy Crafton
Iris Macauldy
Marie Joseph
Anne Marie Felicien

DECEASED

Andrea Leon
Alexandra John
Jennifer Gaston
Neil Alvin Peter
Justina Monlouis
Angelina Trezelle

WEEKDAY READINGS



MONDAY

Rom.4:20-25
Lk.12:13-21



TUESDAY

Rom.5:12,15,17-21
Lk.12:35-38



WEDNESDAY

Rom.6:12-18
Lk.12:39-48



THURSDAY

Rom.6:19-23
Lk.12:49-53



FRIDAY

Rom.7:18-25
Lk.12:54-59



SATURDAY

Rom.8:1-11
Lk.13:1-9



MASS INTENTIONS

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CLERGY/RELIGIOUS

INTENTIONS

29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C

Sat Oct 18 - 6:00 p.m.



Thks: The Destang family
Sp. Int: St. Anthony Prayer Group

Sun Oct 19 -7:30 a.m.
World Mission Sunday

Eucharistic Service

10:00 a.m.

Eucharistic Service

Grande Riviere - 7:30 a.m.

Wedd Ann: Julie & George Radjou
Thks: Eldica Nicholas
Danny Augustin, Zoey Hinkson
Sashla St. Omer, Laurencia Cadette

Monchy - 10:00 a.m.

MISSA PRO POPULO

WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS

Mon Oct 20 - 6:00 a.m.

Fr. Paul Vu

B'day:
Keitha, Charms & Jeanne Frederick

12:30 p.m.

Thks: Desiree Roberts
Guid & Protec: For the Nation

Tue Oct 21- 6:00 a.m.

Rev. Anthony Louis
Rev. Robert Harvey
Rev. John Douglas

Dc'd: Lucy Regobert

Wed Oct 22 - 6:00 a.m.
*St. John Paul II
Pope*

Fr. Cecil Goodman
Rev. Thomas Alexander

Dc'd: Bartholomew Modeste

Thu Oct 23 - 6:00 a.m.

Fr. Linus Clovis
Sr. Adinase Mumba

B'day: Sabina Louis
Thks: Bernice Springer
Protec: Chris & Carole Jn. Marie

12:30 p.m.

Dc'd: Viviana Chastanet, Celia Orlie

Fri Oct 24 - 6:00 a.m.

Fr. Vincent Arulanandam
Rev. Girard Glace
Conversion of Sinners

Dc'd: Debbie Stephen
Thks: Ernell Aimable
B'day: Kingsley St. Hill
Deliv: Phil Wellington, Julietta Albertie

Sat Oct 25 - 6:30 a.m.
Mass at the Shrine

Fr. Henry Nmor
Fr. Konrad Mair
Fr. Kenneth Haakyav

Dc'd: Rita & Edison Edmunds