Lk.18:1-8 Kids Column Never Give Up!

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

Soon .. 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!

Please, God,

help my friend

Never give up!

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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.



The main point of the parable of the persistent widow is that if even a corrupt judge could be persuaded by persistence entreating. So how much more should we cry out to the Lord with persistent prayers?

Weekdays: 6:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Saturdays: 6:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. **Sundays:** 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Holidays: 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday: 9:00am to 2:00pm. **Closed Tuesdays**

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.

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29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 16TH OCT 2022 - YEAR C

Hope from on High.

he 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 hill-tops. 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 **Q** 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.

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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: stpaulcentre.com)

CONFESSIONS

Every Saturday 9.00 - 10.00 a.m. 5:00-5:45 p.m. by appointment

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First Reading Ex.17:8-13 Second Reading

2Tim.3:14--4:2 Gospel Lk.18:1-8

MASS TIMES

GROS ISLET

Morning Prayers: 5:45a.m.

MONDAY

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

TUESDAY

6:00 a.m. 4

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.

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HOLIDAY Variable

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St. Ignatius of Antioch - Feast day October 17th

" It is right therefore that we not just be called Christians, but that we actually are Christians"

Ignatius of Antioch, (AD c.35-107), is one of the five Apostolic Fathers, the earliest authoritative group of the Church Fathers, and the third bishop of Antioch. He was reputedly a student of the Apostle John and it is reported that St. Peter himself appointed Ignatius to the See of Antioch.

A holy man who was deeply loved by the Christian faithful, Ignatius always made it his special duty to defend "orthodoxy" (right teaching) and "orthopraxy" (right practice) among the early Christians.

In 107, during the reign of Emperor Trajan, he was sentenced to death because he refused to renounce the Christian faith and was taken under guard to Rome. During the journey, his travels took him through Asia Minor and Greece and he made good use of the time by writing seven letters of encouragement, instruction and inspiration to the Christians in those communities. We still have these letters today, a great treasure of the Church. Important topics addressed in these letters include ecclesiology, the sacraments and the role of bishops. These letters connect us to the early Church and the unbroken, clear teaching of the Apostles which was given to them directly by Jesus Christ. They also reveal the holiness of a man of God who became himself a living letter of Christ. It was Ignatius who first used the term "catholic" to describe the whole Church.

In Rome he met his martyrdom by being fed to wild beasts. The shedding his blood in the witness of holy martyrdom was the culmination of a life lived conformed to Jesus Christ. Ignatius sought to offer himself, in Christ, for the sake of the Church which he loved: "I am dying willingly for God's sake, if only you do not prevent it. I beg you, do not do me an untimely kindness. Allow me to be eaten by the beasts, which are my way of reaching to God. I am God's wheat, and I am to be ground by the teeth of wild beasts, so that I may become the pure bread of Christ." - Letter to the Romans

(excerpt: catholic.org)

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Carmen Lord Coleta Henry Martha Mason Iris Macauldy Patsy Crafton Theresa Huntley Mary Alexander

DECEASED

George Rock Helene Felix Jacob Morille Shani Francis Jerome Charles Andrew Solomon

WEEKDAY READINGS

÷ MONDAY Eph.2:1-10 Lk.12:13-21 4 TUESDAY 2Tim.4:10-17 Lk.10:1-9 0 WEDNESDAY Eph.3:2-12 Lk.12:39-48 0 **THURSDAY** Eph.3:14-21 Lk.12:49-53 4 FRIDAY Eph.4:1-6 Lk.12:54-59 0 SATURDAY Eph.4:7-16 Lk.13:1-9 0

| MASS INTENTIONS | | |
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| GROS ISLET | CLERGY/RELIGIOUS | INTENTIONS |
| 29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C | | |
| Sat Oct 15 - 6:00 p.m. | The Lord is your Keeper. PSALM 121:5 NAS | Thks: Laurencia Cadette Tova, Chari & Kareem Verneuil B'day: Kamille Joseph, Teresa Jean Baptiste |
| Sun Oct 16- 7:30 a.m. | | MISSA PRO POPULO |
| 10:00 a.m. | | Guid: Liam Ramlal B'day: Anwar Deterville |
| Grande Riviere - 7:30 a.m. | | B'day: Mary St. Juste |
| Monchy - 10:00 a.m. | | Parishioners |
| WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS | | |
| Mon Oct 17 - 6:00 a.m. St. Ignatius of Antioch Bishop & Martyr | Fr. Yvon Tremont | Dc'd: Hester & Patrick Joseph Maria Bernard, Joannes Edmund |
| 12:30 p.m. | | B'day: Marguerite Nicholas Dylan Boxill, Alix James Guid & Protec: Gulbert Michel |
| Tue Oct 18- 6:00 a.m. St. Luke, Evangelist | Fr. Gabriel Arockiasammy Sr. Bernadette Peter | Blessings: The Lastic family B'day: Murray & Helena Samuel |
| Wed Oct 19 - 6:00 a.m. St. Isaac Jogues, John de Brebeuf | Fr. Lambert St. Rose | B'day: Wilfreda Altenor Laura, Cleo & Lee Moise Int: Edwin & Elizabeth Laurent |
| 12:30 p.m. | | Sp. Int: Jeannine Blanchard & family |
| Grande Riviere - 6:00 p.m. | | Parishioners |
| Thu Oct 20 - 6:00 a.m. | Fr. Paul Vu | Thks: Anthony Louis Wedd Ann: Clement & Joan St. Edward |
| 12:30 p.m. | | B'day: Leo & Brett Macauldy Charms, Keitha & Jeanne Frederick |
| Fri Oct 21- 6:00 a.m. | Rev. Anthony Louis Rev. John Douglas Rev. Robert Harvey | 80th B'day: Kent Joseph Thks: Diane & Richard Palton & family |
| 12:30 p.m. | | Dc'd: Irvine & Alexander Blanchard Vivianna Chastanet, Jacinta Clement |
| Sat Oct 22- 6:30 a.m. BVM | Fr. Cecil Goodman Rev. Thomas Alexander | Dc'd: Bartholomew Modeste Lucy Regobert, Francis Cadette |