Kids Column

Lk.18:9-14

Be humble.

In today's Gospel reading Jesus tells the story about two men praying in the temple. One of them, a Pharisee, always looked like he loved God, but on the inside he really only loved himself. The other man was a tax collector. The people in those days hated tax collectors because they took too much money and worked for their enemies.

When the Pharisee was praying he was really just telling God how much better he was than other people. Do you think that God was pleased with his prayer?



The tax collector, on the other hand, was standing far off and prayed to God with his head bowed down, asking God to have mercy on him. He knew that he was a sinner and that he needed God's help. Do you think

that God was pleased with the tax collector's prayer?

Being humble isn't a sad or bad thing. It means knowing that all the good things we have and do come from God. Being humble also lets us be sorry for the selfish things we have done, because it lets us admit that it was our own fault and God can help us overcome our selfishness.

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me a sinner!

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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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ALL SAINTS DAY - NOVEMBER 1ST

All Saints' Day is a solemn holy day of the Catholic Church and various other denominations. In the West it is celebrated annually on 1st November. It is the day on which Catholics celebrate all the saints, known and unknown, and is has been observed from oldest Christian times.

It arose out of the Christian tradition of celebrating the martyrdom of saints on the anniversary of their martyrdom. When martyrdoms increased during the persecutions of the Roman Empire, local dioceses instituted a common feast day in order to ensure that all martyrs were properly honored.

Christians who celebrate All Saints' Day do so in the fundamental belief that there is a prayerful spiritual bond between those in heaven (the "Church triumphant"), and the living (the "Church militant").

(excerpt: catholicism.about.com

Jubilee 2025: Pilgrims of Hope

30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 26TH OCTOBER 2025

PILGRIMS

A humble and contrite heart.

Jesus draws a blunt picture in today's Gospel. The Pharisee's prayer is almost a parody of the thanksgiving psalms. Instead of praising God for His mighty works, the Pharisee congratulates himself for his own deeds, which he presents to God in some detail. The tax collector stands at a distance, too ashamed even to raise his eyes to God. He prays with a humble and contrite heart. He knows that before God no one is righteous, no one has cause to boast.

We see in the Liturgy today one of Scripture's abiding themes: that God "knows no favorites," as today's First Reading tells us. God cannot be bribed. We cannot curry favor with Him or impress Him - even with our good deeds or our faithful observance of religious duties such as tithing and fasting. If we try to exalt ourselves before the Lord, as the Pharisee does, we will be brought low.

This should be a warning to us not to take pride in our piety, not to slip into the self-righteousness of thinking that we're better than others, that we're "not like the rest of sinful humanity." If we clothe ourselves with humility, if we recognize that all of us are sinners in need of His mercy, we will be exalted.

The prayer of the lowly, the humble, pierces the clouds. Paul testifies to this in the Epistle as He thanks the Lord for giving him strength during his imprisonment. Paul tells us what the Psalmist sings today, that the Lord redeems the lives of His humble servants.

We too must serve Him willingly. And He will hear us in our distress, deliver us from evil, and bring us safely to His heavenly kingdom.

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CONFESSIONS Every Saturday 9.00 - 10.00 a.m.

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SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading Eccl..35:12-14, 16-19

Second Reading 2Tim.4:6-8,16-18

Gospel Lk.18:9-14

MASS TIMES

Gros Islet

Morning Prayers: Mon -Fri 5:45 a.m.

Monday

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Gros Islet/G. Riviere
7:30 a.m.

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Saints Simon & Jude - Feast Day October 28th

According to the New Testament, Simon the Zealot, and Jude, also known as Judas Thaddaeus, and were two of the Twelve Apostles of Jesus. The lives of these two saints remind us to learn all we can about Jesus and to share it with others, as they did.

Jude is so named by Luke and Acts. Matthew and Mark call him Thaddeus. He became known as Jude after early translators of the New Testament from Greek into English sought to distinguish him from Judas Iscariot and thus abbreviated his name.

According to the legend, Jude was a son of Cleophas, a brother of St. Joseph, and his mother was Mary, a cousin of the Virgin Mary. When the Apostles left Jerusalem to proclaim the Kingdom of God in other lands, Jude went into Syria, Armenia and ancient Persia. He joined up with Simon, and their missionary partnership won tens of thousands of Babylonians and people from other cities for Christ. Jude has left us a short but powerful Epistle, written after the death of his brother James, bishop of Jerusalem, and addressed to the new Christians being tempted by false brethren and heretics.

A tradition arose over the centuries - since Judas Iscariot was so despised, and the reluctance of the faithful to seek the intercession of one who shared a name with Christ's betrayer - of petitioning St. Jude only when all other saints had failed to answer prayers. Out of confusion or an abundance of caution, Jude thus became the saint of last resort.

Simon is mentioned in all four lists of the apostles. To distinguish him from Simon Peter, in two of them he is called "the Zealot." Eastern Orthodox Church tradition holds that it was at Simon's wedding in Cana that Christ turned water to wine, and that he was called zealot because on seeing this miracle, Simon left his home, his parents and his bride and followed Christ.

Simon and Jude traveled together to teach others about Jesus. Because of their eyewitness accounts of Jesus' miracles and His death and resurrection, many people became believers and were baptized. Simon and Jude died for their faith on the same day, in 65AD, in Persia.

In art, Simon carries a saw because he was martyred by being sawn in half. St. Simon is the patron of curriers, sawmen, sawyers and tanners. St. Jude is the patron saint of desperate situations, forgotten causes, hospital workers, hospitals, impossible and lost causes. The axe that he is often shown holding in pictures symbolizes the way in which he was killed.

As in the case of all the apostles except for Peter, James and John, we are faced with men who are really unknown. Jesus chose some unlikely people: a former crooked tax collector, an impetuous fisherman, two "sons of thunder" and a man named Judas Iscariot. It is a reminder that we cannot receive too often. Holiness does not depend on human merit, culture, personality, effort or achievement. It is entirely God's creation and gift.

(excerpt: catholicculture.org)

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WEEKDAY READINGS



MASS INTENTIONS						
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30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C						
Sat Oct 25 - 6:00 p.m.	This poor man called, and the	B'day: Kasha George Guid: Aniah Willie Int: Glace, George & Bousquet families				
Sun Oct 26 -7:30 a.m. Jubilee of Kweyol Heritage	called, and the Lord heard him; he	MISSA PRO POPULO				
10:00 a.m.	Lord heard him; he saved him out of all his troubles.	Thks: The Theophilus family B'day: Serena Jean Rochelle Theophilus, Jada Emmanuel				
Grande Riviere - 7:30 a.m.		Eucharistic Service				
Monchy - 10:00 a.m.	Psalm 34:6	Eucharistic Service				
WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS						
Mon Oct 27 - 6:00 a.m.	Fr. Kevin Ryan Murray Rev. Gabriel Geoffrey	Thks: Bernadette Pamphile				
12:30 p.m.	Rev. Gabrier Geomey	Dc'd: Gemma Joseph				
Tue Oct 28- 6:00 a.m. Sts. Simon & Jude, Apostles	Fr. John Milton	St. Jude: Perlin Verdant & family B'day: Leo & Brette Macauldy				
Wed Oct 29 - 6:00 a.m.	Rev. David Popo Rev. Herald Wilson Rev. Peter Fevrier	B'day: Monique Louis Thks: The Haywood family				
Thu Oct 30 - 6:00 a.m.	Rev. Gerard Calderon	Thks: Shiva Sharma				
12:30 p.m.	Sr. Margaret Maynard	Thks: Andre Arlette, Marylin Hyacinth				
Fri Oct 31 - 6:00 a.m.		Thks: Leonard Prospere Valdez & Valdine Belrose				
12:30 p.m.	Sr. Marie Therese Clement Sr. Mary Mumba	Sp. Int: Children of Francisca Jean				
Sat Nov 1 - 6:30 a.m. All Saints	Fr. Ignatius Cetoute Fr. Cleophus Joseph Fr. Joseph Akande	Dc'd: Auguste & Raphael families				