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Message by Parish Priest



Dear Friends,

Pope Francis, in his general audience on 28th August 2019, invited the Christian Community to serve those in need, especially as seen in the ministry of St. Peter. He said that the early church is depicted as, **“field hospital that takes in the weakest people, the infirm.”** The sick hold a privileged role in the priestly heart of the faithful..... they are not to be cast aside. On the contrary they are to be cared for, to be looked after. They are the objects of Christian concern.” Holy father said that Peter emerges as the head of the apostles as his Pentecost preaching and ministry of healing shows. Peter, like, Jesus is drawn to people with suffering with illness and infirmity. So he acts in the person of Christ, allowing Christ to operate in his actions.

Therefore my dear people of God, the Holy Father invites each one of us to imitate Jesus our master, especially to deal with the sick, the infirm and suffering with compassion. Jesus invites us this Sunday through the Gospel to have special consideration for the poor, the maimed, the lame, the blind. May we have the courage to pay heed to the invitation of the Lord.

Parish Priest

Fr. Lawrence PR

Asst. Parish Priests

Fr. John Britto

Fr. Shinil Jacob

Mass Timings

Saturdays

6.30 pm (Eng)

Anticipated Mass

Sundays

6.30 am - English

7.30 am - Malayalam

9.00 am - English

10.15 am - Hindi

11.30 am - English

4.30 pm - Hindi

6.30 pm - English

Weekdays

6.00 am - English

1.00 pm - English

6.30 pm - English

Tuesday evening

Mass is in Hindi

* No mass at 1.00 pm
on Saturdays

Sunday Liturgy

8th Sep. 2019

English 9:00am

SHC Youth

SCC Unit

Hindi 10:15am

Velankanni Matha

SCC Unit

(((SUNDAY READINGS & REFLECTION)))

1st Reading: Sirach 3:17-20,28-29

Sirach says that the humble will surely find favour in the sight of God. God is glorified by the humble.

Response Ps: 68

In your goodness, O God, you prepare a home for the poor.

2nd Reading: Hebrews 12:18-19,22-24

The author of Hebrews writes that Christians have not come to Mount Sinai but to Mount Zion which is a symbol of the ultimate and glorious city which God will one day bring into being.

Gospel : Luke 14:1,7-14

During the course of a meal to which Jesus is invited, he teaches the fellow invitees the proper conduct at dinners. Seeking the places of honour is bad manner.

Prayers of the Faithful:

Lord, make us more humble.

पहला पाठ: प्रवक्ता ग्रन्थ 3:17-20,28-29

जो लोग विनम्र और दयालु हैं, वे मनुष्यों में लोकप्रिय हैं तथा वे ईश्वर के कृपापात्र बन जाते हैं।

अनुवाक्य: स्तोत्र 67

हे प्रभू! तूने दयापूर्वक दरिद्रों को घर दिलाया है।

दूसरा पाठ: इब्रानियों के नाम पत्र 12:18-19,22-24

पुराना विधान लोगों में ईश्वर का भय उत्पन्न करता था, किन्तु नया विधान हमें अभ्यंतर शान्ति प्रदान करता है।

सुसमाचार: संत लूकस 14:1,7-14

आज के सुसमाचार में येशु अतिथियों को मुख्य-मुख्य स्थान चुनते देखकर उन्हें विनम्रता का उपदेश परोपकार का परामर्श देते हैं।

विश्वासियों के निवेदन

हे पिता, हमारी प्रार्थना सुन।

REFLECTION

In today's Gospel passage, we see that Jesus was invited to dine in the house of a leading Pharisee. The Pharisees were so convinced of their own perfect knowledge and observance of the law, that they thought nobody else could possibly know it or observe it as perfectly as they did. In a very simple parable, Jesus told them where their pride would lead them. A proud Christian, that is, a proud follower of the humble Christ, is a contradiction in terms. Christ, the Son of God, lowered himself to our level when He took our human nature. He was born in a stable, reared in the obscure village of Nazareth, earned his meagre meals as a country carpenter, died on a cross as a malefactor with two thieves. There is a little demon of pride in each one of us. There is a natural inclination in each one to esteem ourselves a little better in most ways, if not in all, than our neighbour. We must keep this demon in check and not let him grow in us. Any gifts of mind or body that we have are from God — our duty is to use them properly and to thank God for the loan of them. If He gave greater gifts to another, I thank God for it. That other was able to make better use of them than I would. I have enough gifts to go on. I shall not be judged on the use or abuse of gifts which I did not receive. If I use all the gifts which God gave me, to help my neighbour, the spiritually poor, the lame and blind, to heaven, instead of keeping myself aloof from them as the Pharisees did, then my judgment will be easy. I shall be "repaid in the resurrection of the just."

READINGS OF THE WEEK

- 2/Mon: 1Thes 4:13-18/ Ps 96/ Lk 4:16-30
 3/Tue: 1Thes 5:1-6,9-11/ Ps 27/ Lk 4:31-37
 4/Wed: Col 1:1-8/ Ps 52/ Lk 4:38-44
 5/Thu: Col 1:9-14/ Ps 98/ Lk 5:1-11
 6/Fri: Col 1:15-20/ Ps 100/ Lk 5:33-39
 7/Sat: Col 1:21-23/ Ps 54/ Lk 6:1-5



"You pray for
the hungry.

Then you feed them.
This is how prayer works."

—Pope Francis—



PARISH NEWS

1. Today there will be the meeting of the Parish Council soon after the 9 am Mass. Those members who are not regular for meetings kindly give in writing if you are not interested in coming for the meeting.
2. Next Sunday there will be the meeting of the Catholic Association soon after the 9 am Mass. Those members who are not regular for meetings kindly give in writing if you are not interested in coming for the meeting.
3. Parents of the Catechism students are requested to send the children regularly for the Catechism and to make sure that the children occupy the front pews in the church during the Mass.
4. We celebrate the Birthday of Mother Mary on the 8th September. There will be Novena and Rosary every evening at 6 in front of the Grotto. Every day Novena and Rosary will be conducted by different Associations and Convents of the parish. Kindly refer the notice board for details.
5. Thanks to all who joined the pilgrimage to Shrine of Our Lady of Health Masihgarh.
6. Our Parish Feast will be celebrated on the 29th September. There will be combined mass in the morning at 9.30 followed by procession and cultural program.
7. The Sacrament of Confirmation will be on the 12th of October. All those children who have finished the 10th Standard of Catechism classes are eligible for the Sacrament. Parents are requested to kindly register the name of the children for the confirmation latest by the 8th of September.
8. Youth United For Christ is organizing National Youth Convention called KAIROS 2019 from 26th October till the 29th October. The venue is Jeevan Jyothi Ashram Burari. All the Youth members are expected to attend this convention. From our parish at least 50 Young people are expected to register for the same. Last date to register is 15th September.
9. We **appreciate** all members of St. Francis of Assisi SCC unit and St. Michael SCC unit for animating the Liturgy for 09.00 am & 10:15am Mass respectively.
10. **Next Sunday's** Liturgy for 9am Mass will be animated by SHC Youth and 10:15am mass will be animated by Velankkanni Matha respectively.
11. For details regarding the SCC meetings in your respective areas during the week, kindly refer the Cathedral Calling.

Fr. Lawrence PR
Parish Priest

NOVENA SCHEDULE 2019

Date	Theme	Group
1 st September, Sunday	Mary: Model of Holy Life	Youth Group
2 nd September, Monday	Mary: Mother of Good Health	Society of St. Vincent De Paul
3 rd September, Tuesday	Mary: Our Heavenly Benefactress	Catholic Association
4 th September, Wednesday	Mary: Radiator of the Eternal Light	Aradhana Sisters
5 th September, Thursday	Mary: Patner in the sufferings of Jesus	Parish Council
6 th September, Friday	Mary: Holy Temple of God	Vailankanni Matha SCC Unit
7 th September, Saturday	Mary: Seat of Wisdom	St. Alphonsa SCC Unit
8 th September, Sunday	Mary: Mother of God	All Associations



PRAYER TO ST. TERESA OF CALCUTTA

Loving Heavenly Father, You blessed Saint Teresa with gifts of love and compassion so she could spend her life in service for the poorest of the poor. May we imitate her examples of holiness by sharing our faith and reaching out to those in need.

O Saint Teresa of Calcutta, so compassionate were you toward the sick, the hungry and the unwanted. Your heroic virtues and the graceful faithfulness in which you lived as a servant of God are beautiful examples of your love and union with Him.

Help us to serve every person we meet with joy and a smile. Help us to be missionaries of Christ, our peace and our hope. Amen!

FREE CLINIC AT MARIA BHAVAN BASEMENT

ACUPRESSURE TREATMENT: There is free clinic for acupressure treatment every Saturday from 09.00 am to 01.00 pm.

HOMEOPATHIC TREATMENT: Free homeopathic treatment is available every Saturday from 05.30 pm to 07.00 pm.

FEASTS OF THE WEEK

Mon: 2nd Sep 2019

St. William

Tue: 3rd Sep 2019

St. Gregory

Wed: 4th Sep 2019

St. Rose of Viterbo

Thu: 5th Sep 2019

St. Theresa of Kolkata

Fri: 6th Sep 2019

St. Eleutherius

Sat: 7th Sep 2019

Bl. Frederic Ozanam

Bible Quiz

1. When Samuel was called by YHWH as a child, who did he think was calling?
2. What was David doing when Samuel called to anoint him King?
3. How many sons did Noah have?
4. Which child was born into the tribe of Levi, and adopted by Pharaoh's daughter?
5. What young man was sold into slavery by his brothers?

Last Week's Answer

1. Anna
2. Eight
3. Ephraim & Manasseh
4. Benjamin
5. Five barley Loaves & two small fish