

July 28, 2019

FAITH SHARING

The main themes of today's Scripture readings are the power of intercessory prayer, the *Our Father* as the ideal prayer, and the necessity for persistence and perseverance in prayer with trusting faith and boldness. In short, the readings teach us what to pray and how to pray.

BIBLE READINGS

GN 18:20-32

The first reading gives us the model for intercessory prayer provided by Abraham in his dialogue with God. Although Abraham seems to be trying to manipulate God through his skillful bargaining and humble, persistent intercession, God is actually being moved to mercy by the goodness of a few innocent souls.

Responsorial Psalm R. Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me.

COL 2:12-14

The second reading though it does not address prayer, reminds us of the need of perseverance in our living faith in Christ, which provides the basis for all Christian prayers.

LK 11:1-13

In the Gospel passage, after teaching a model prayer, Jesus instructs his disciples to pray to God their Heavenly Father with the same boldness, daring, intimacy, conviction, persistence and perseverance Abraham displayed and the friend in need in the parable employed. He gives us the assurance that God will not be irritated by our requests or unwilling to meet them with generosity.

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17th Ordinary Sunday

ENTRANCE HYMN (Wisdom 12:15-16)

V. But as you are just, you govern all things justly; you regard it as unworthy of your power to punish one who has incurred no blame.

R. For your might is the source of justice; your mastery over all things makes you lenient to all.

V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,

R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

GOSPEL

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke. **R. Glory be to You, Lord.**

Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray just as John taught his disciples."

LK 11:1-13

He said to them, "When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread and forgive us our sins for we ourselves forgive everyone in debt to us, and do not subject us to the final test."

And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend to whom he goes at midnight and says, Friend, lend me three loaves of bread, for a friend of mine has arrived at my house from a journey and I have nothing to offer him,' and he says in reply from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked and my children and I are already in bed. I cannot get up to give you anything.' I tell you, if he does not get up to give the visitor the loaves because of their friendship, he will get up to give him whatever he needs because of his persistence. "And I tell you, ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks, receives; and the one who seeks, finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened. What father among you would hand his son a snake when he asks for a fish? Or hand him a scorpion when he asks for an egg? If you then, who are wicked, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him?"

The Gospel of the Lord. **R. Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ.**

PRAYER IS ESSENTIAL FOR CHRISTIAN FAMILY LIFE

To remain faithful in marriage, the spouses must pray, not only individually, but together. They must thank God and offer intercessory prayers for each other, for their children and for their dear ones. Daily prayer will help married couples to celebrate and reverence God's vision of human sexuality and honor life from conception to natural death. Here is St. John Marie Vianney's advice to a couple: "Spend three minutes praising and thanking God for all you have. Spend three minutes asking God's pardon for your sins and presenting your needs before Him. Spend three minutes reading the Bible and listening to God in silence. And do this every day."

Today's Hymns

Processional Hymn #1 – Hymn Of Faith (verses 1 & 4)

Hymn to the Holy Spirit #144 – Come, Thou Creator

Offertory Hymn #195 – Morning Hymn

Communion Hymn #114 – Forty Days and Forty Nights

Recessional Hymn #221 – Turn your Eyes to Jesus

WORSHIP SERVICES

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Saturday, July 27 17th Ordinary Sunday **5:30 PM – Holy Mass**

Saturday, August 3 18th Ordinary Sunday 5:30 PM – Holy Mass

Saturday, August 10 19th Ordinary Sunday **5:30 PM – Holy Mass**

NEW EMAIL ADDRESS

Our email has been changed to pastor@oursaviorpncc.org

PASTOR'S DIRECT PHONE NUMBER

In case of all regular Parish issues please call Fr. Mariusz at 215-535-4978. This number is always linked to pastor's cell phone, so in case of real emergency please also use this number.

PASTOR'S ADDRESS

Fr. Mariusz lives at St. Valentine's PNCC Rectory. 2330 Margaret St. Philadelphia, PA 19137

BULLETIN INFORMATION

If you have any information which supposed to be in our parish bulletin, please call or email Fr. Mariusz. Due date for each bulletin is always Friday, 4:00 p.m.

INTENTIONS:

My Brothers and Sisters: Our prayers are needed: For the increase in men called to the priesthood and diaconate of the Polish National Catholic Church; For the health and growth of our Parish; For all of the sick and homebound members of our Parish; For the health and wellbeing of Howard Friedman, Michael and Bernice Muha, Stanley Sostak, Janet Caruso, Michael and Patricia Havrilla, Gerry Brunson, Frank and Shellie Fisher, Anthony Tonzini, Gregg Smith, Clint Koch, Duane Schulte, Ruth Pivovarnick, Bill and Bernice Biroscak, Stefan Revesz, Stephanie Besterci, David Potts, Andrew Chernesky, Joan Piechota, John Smith, Ernie Hoffman, John and Jane Aldershoff, Father Senior Gregory Mludzik, Peggy Harris, Ina Reese, Bob Stutz, Father Senior Ed and Ann Ratajack, Tom Goff, Milton Keiles, Claire Armstrong, David Gavenda, Michelle Freer, Kay Stampone, James Stenz, Dorothy Nabinger, John Russell, Ronald Brower, Dorothy Zytczk. For the repose of the soul of Irene Jugan, Joseph Sub. **Our Father...**

NEVER GIVE UP!

Years ago, in Illinois, a young man with six months schooling and self-education competed in the state and national elections nine times and was defeated six times. First, he ran for an office in the legislature when he was 23 and was beaten. Next, he entered business with a partner but failed in that too and spent the next seventeen years paying the debts of his worthless partner. He fell in love with a charming lady and they became engaged, but she died. The next year he had a nervous breakdown. Relying on the power of prayer, he ran for the post of Speaker (at 29), of Elector (at 31) and for a seat in Congress (at 34). He was defeated each time. He then tried to obtain an appointment to the U.S. Land Office as commissioner but didn't succeed. He became a candidate for the Vice-Presidency and lost. Two years later he was defeated in an election to the Senate (at 46). He ran for office once more and was elected the sixteenth President of the United States in 1860 when he was 51. That man was Abraham Lincoln who put his trust in the power of persistent prayer coupled with never-fading Faith in God's goodness.

MASS INTENTIONS AVAILABLE

All Saturdays after July 27 are open for new Mass intentions. Please remember that Holy Mass is not "reserved" for deceased only. The Mass can be requested for health and God's blessing for your family or individual. Mass can be offered as thanking God for somebody or something. Holy Mass can be a perfect Birthday gift for your loved ones. Mass can be ordered for more than one person.

Mass intention can be also private, hidden to public. You can simply request the Mass "in certain intention" even without publishing who is requestor.

Please use the Mass intention request form to order your Mass. You can mail it or you can drop it in envelope to the collection basket.

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