



The Catholic Community of Divine Savior

Family Faith Focus

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Dates to Remember

- September 30: Memorial of St. Jerome
- October 1: Memorial of St. Thérèse of Lisieux
- October 2: Memorial of the Holy Guardian Angels
- October 4: Memorial of St. Francis of Assisi
- October 5: Blessing of Animals, 10:30 AM
- October 6: Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
- October 6: FCFF Liturgy and First Reconciliation Meeting, 8:00 AM

Catholic Terms To Know

Guardian Angels:

Spirits created by God and appointed to watch over and protect each one of us. Guardian angels help us to live as God's children, pray for us, and bring our prayers to heaven.

We are encouraged to pray to our Guardian Angel each day.

Angel of God, my guardian dear, to whom God's love commits me here, ever this day be at my side, to light and guard, to rule and guide. Amen.

The feast day of the Guardian Angels is celebrated on October 2.

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Luke 16: 19-31

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

Jesus said to the Pharisees:

"There was a rich man who dressed in purple garments and fine linen and dined sumptuously each day.

And lying at his door was a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who would gladly have eaten his fill of the scraps that fell from the rich man's table.

Dogs even used to come and lick his sores.

When the poor man died,

he was carried away by angels to the bosom of Abraham.

The rich man also died and was buried,

and from the netherworld, where he was in torment,

he raised his eyes and saw Abraham far off

and Lazarus at his side.

And he cried out, 'Father Abraham, have pity on me.

Send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am suffering torment in these flames.'

Abraham replied,

'My child, remember that you received

what was good during your lifetime

while Lazarus likewise received what was bad;

but now he is comforted here, whereas you are tormented.

Moreover, between us and you a great chasm is established to prevent anyone from crossing who might wish to go from our side to yours or from your side to ours.'

He said, 'Then I beg you, father,

send him to my father's house, for I have five brothers, so that he may warn them,

lest they too come to this place of torment.'

But Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets.

Let them listen to them.'

He said, 'Oh no, father Abraham,

but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.'

Then Abraham said, 'If they will not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded if someone should rise from the dead.'"

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Sunday Gospel Connection: September 29, 2019

The Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle C

Luke 16: 19-31

Gospel Background: A major theme in the Gospel of Luke is the importance of the care of the poor in the life of discipleship. In the parable found in today's Gospel, Jesus contrasts the life of a rich man and the poor man, Lazarus, who lives in the shadow of the rich man and his wealth. Both die. Lazarus finds himself in heaven; the rich man in the netherworld. The rich man asks for assistance from Lazarus in his torment. But Abraham reminds the rich man of the good things he had in his life and describes the current situation as a reversal of fortunes. The rich man then asks that Lazarus be sent to warn his family, but this is denied with the reminder that Moses and the prophets have warned of judgment for those who neglect the care of the poor.

In the context of Luke's Gospel, this parable, delivered in the presence of a crowd of listeners, is part of Jesus' response to some Pharisees. These Pharisees are described in Luke's Gospel as "loving money." (Note: The Pharisees were followers of a sect of Judaism active before, during, and after Jesus' lifetime. They taught an oral interpretation of the Law of Moses as the basis for popular Jewish piety. They put less emphasis on Temple worship and more on applying the law to everyday life. Though they are often portrayed negatively in the Gospels, they shared many of Jesus' and the early Church's concerns about the law.) Jesus observed that the actions of some Pharisees betrayed misplaced priorities: they spoke one way, but acted in another. The story of the rich man and Lazarus demonstrates the importance of the care of the poor and is a reminder to those who would follow Jesus of the unimportance of wealth in the eyes of God.

Family Connection: Talk with your children about some of the things that they have that can be shared with others. Ask your children to describe a time when they had to share something that they had. Ask if this was easy or difficult and why. Talk about some of ways in which your family shares your possessions. Read together today's Gospel, Luke 16:19-31. Consider together some reasons why the rich man may not have shared his riches with the poor man, Lazarus. Identify some reasons why we might share our possessions with others. Make a commitment as a family to do something this week in which you will choose to share your possessions with someone in need.



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<http://www.bluebookofpianos.com/musicfacts.html>

Calling all Cherubs!! Children's Choir is looking for you!

All children, grades 2-8 are invited to join the Cherub Chorus. Most rehearsals will held the week before the FCFF Mass at 9:00am . There will be some Saturday morning rehearsals. Music packets will be available and recordings will be sent to FCFF families

The Cherubs sing at the 8:00am FCFF Mass, as well as Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve and Easter. We may also have occasions to sing at local nursing homes with the adult choir.

Cherub Information

Child's Name		Grade	
Parent Contact		Phone Text (Y/N)	
Email address _____			
Best way to contact you (Phone, Text, Email)			
Are there younger siblings that would be interested in singing with the Cherubs? Parent accompaniment is requested. Names _____ Ages _____			

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