

Boldly Believe!

It rarely does any good to follow the crowd. Most people follow the path of least resistance, just floating along. Jesus said the path to heaven is narrow and few follow it. Dare to believe in eternal truths, in Jesus, and swim against the current.

Just look at what happened to blind Bartimaeus. He wanted the impossible, to be healed by Jesus, but he was at a big disadvantage. He couldn't see Jesus in order to find him. So what did he do? He started by using his only strength—his loud voice. He couldn't

run after Jesus but could only sit and call out. Lesson one: Use whatever talent you have to reach Jesus. Don't focus on what you lack but on what you have.

The crowd told him to be quiet and polite, not upsetting the moment. Bartimaeus “kept calling out all the more” (Mark 10:48). Lesson two: Ignore the crowd if they keep you from Jesus and your dreams.

Jesus hears his cry and calls for Bartimaeus, who springs up with a newfound joy because Jesus reached out to him. He stumbles toward him, directed by the crowd. Lesson three: Go to Jesus with your weakness!

It doesn't bother him. It attracts him.

Jesus asks what he wants, and blind Bartimaeus boldly asks for the impossible: to see. Impossible, unless he believed Jesus was in fact the Son of David, the Messiah, the miracle worker. Jesus gives him exactly what his faith merited. Lesson four: Boldly believe and pursue the impossible. Jesus wants to give it to you!

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

Piece: *Scenes from the Legend of St. Peter the Martyr and The Blind and the Lame Pray at the Saint's Tomb* (circa 1440)

Artist: Sano di Pietro

Location: Vatican Museums



For Reflection

Is there some need you want Jesus to fill? What is it?

Might you be the answer to how Jesus wants to fill someone's need? Don't be one of the crowd holding him back.

[Bartimaeus] threw aside his cloak, sprang up, and came to Jesus....

“Master, I want to see.”

Mark 10:50–51



St. Joseph's Church

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it is the oldest standing Roman Catholic Church on the island.

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Mass
Schedule

Sunday Mass: 9.00 a.m.

Portuguese Mass: Wednesday 7.30 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

St. Anthony's - Saturdays at 5:00 p.m. or by appointment

St. Joseph's at 8:30 a.m. Sunday morning " " "

St. Anthony's Mass times: Saturday evening at 6:00 p.m.

Sunday morning at 11.15 a.m.

BAPTISMS by appointment - one month in advance

WEDDINGS by appointment - one year in advance (approx)

CCD - 10.00 a.m.

Pastoral & Finance Council Meeting - 5th November 2018.

Stewardship Team -

Coffee Social after Mass - December

DIOCESE OF HAMILTON IN BERMUDA

Most Reverend Bishop, Wiesław (Wes) Śpiewak

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Parish Team Leaders

Mrs. Elizabeth Card - Pastoral
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Mrs. Annette Barclay
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representative

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Mrs. Mari-Ann Widhalm
Parish Catechetical Leader

Mrs. Mary Harvey
Parish Administrator & Finance
Committee Team Leader

Mr. Tony Bari
Music Ministry

Mrs. Liberia Aguiar -
Portuguese Representative on
Pastoral Council

St. Vincent de Paul Society
(contact Annette)



Today's Hymns

Entrance: Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee #575

Offertory: I Heard The Voice of Jesus #692

Communion: The Supper of the Lord #774

Recessional: Now Thank We All Our God #603

Leader of Song:

*Thirtieth Sunday in
Ordinary Time*



- 4th November, 2018

Greeters
Proclaimer of God's Word
Collection
Gifts
Eucharistic Minister
Collection Counters
Opening/Closing of Church
Music

Lucille Dixon & Iliene Bremer
Jane Bermingham
Hugh & Sheelagh Hassell
volunteers
Joanne Smith
Mary Barnes & Kate Robinson
Kate Robinson
Tony Bari

If you would like to participate in one of the above mentioned ministries please see Annette Barclay.

Mass Intentions - 28th October, 2018

9.00 a.m. - + Lucy Moffat

21st October, 2018

Attendance: 72

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| Collection: | \$956.00 | Regular |
| | 58.50 | Votives |
| | <u>\$433.25</u> | Mission Sunday |
| TOTAL: | <u>\$1,447.75</u> | |

Thank you so very much for your kindness and generosity, it is greatly appreciated

PARISH

Prayers: Please keep our sick and shut-in in your prayers, especially Manuel Arruda, Mario Correia and Marisa Stones. We have good news - All being well, Marisa is hoping to return home next week.

Birthdays

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| Betty Marshall | 28 th October |
| Verde Pineda | 28 th October |
| Ana Froias | 2 nd November |
| Olga Garcia | 3 rd November |

May God, our loving heavenly Father, bless you with many more special days



Thank You to Team 2 (Aleesha, Algene, Mary S, Kate and Mary B) for hosting the very nice COFFEE SOCIAL last Sunday morning; it was enjoyed by all who attended.

Due to the half-term holiday, there will be no CCD today.

Farewell for Fr. Mariusz.

As a THANK YOU to Fr. Mariusz for his dedicated and committed service to St. Joseph's over the past four years, please join us on Sunday, 18th November, at 2.30 p.m. in the Parish Centre to Show him our appreciation. If you would like to donate some "goodies" towards the refreshment table please let Liz know.

The next Pastoral & Finance Council meeting will be held on Monday, 5th November, at 7:15 p.m., in the Parish Centre.



Today is the deadline for the Dedication of

Hymnal fund-raiser: The forms are at the back of the church for this fund-raising project - \$25 to dedicate a hymnal in memory of a loved one, or loved ones. When you have completed the form please give it to Sue (Moench) or place it in the collection basket.

DIOCESE

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Liturgical Activities of Bishop Wes - Please review our website:

www.romancatholicbermuda.bm and click on: **Bishop Wes Spiwak, CR**

Schedule. This will advise where and when Bishop Wes will be celebrating various liturgical events throughout the Diocese.

Also visit our [Facebook](#) page.

WORLD MISSION - Be A Mission Voice!

THANK YOU to all who contributed towards World Mission Sunday, your kindness and generosity is most gratefully appreciated.

THE BISHOP'S CORNER

As we enter the famous "trick or trick" week that focuses our attention on children and childhood let's try to get a larger perspective on this topic based on the recent UNICEF's report.

United Nations Children's Fund warns that as much as 76 percent of the young people in the world that are not educated and do not work are girls. In many countries being born a boy is still a guarantee for access to a better life.

UNICEF reminds us that every third girl, and comparatively every sixth boy, has no chance of getting an education. It is estimated that 131 million girls and female teenagers do not go to school. This results in the fact that every third woman in the world - between 15 and 29 years old - does not work and does not gain any professional experience. Systematically, in this age group, the number of girls who are sexually abused and fall victim to traffickers is growing. It should also be remembered that every hour thirty adolescents are infected with HIV and two-thirds of new infections are attributed to girls.

There are countries in which the law prohibits that during parental ultrasound the sex of the child is given to parents. However, this ban is widely broken and selective abortions flourish. Millions of unborn girls are killed every year. These children would have been born if they were boys.

As I once read, "The world is not a problem. The problem is our unawareness. Awareness is like the sun. When it shines on things, they are transformed."

Have a good Sunday and a fruitful week! *Bishop Wes*

Caritas House of Prayer: "Quiet Wednesday, 31st October: the Recitation of the Rosary will be at 10:30 a.m., followed by exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until noon. The House of Prayer will be closed from noon on with no evening activity.

Looking ahead: Advent Retreat Day on Sunday, 9th December.

Lectio Divina takes place at 7:00 p.m., on Mondays at St. Theresa's Hall.

ANNUAL ALL SOUL'S DAY MASS - will be celebrated on Saturday, 3rd November, at St. Theresa's Cathedral for all those souls that have died from 1st October, 2017, to 30th September, 2018. This annual Mass, held at the Cathedral and starting at 11:00 a.m., is open, in particular, for family and friends who have experienced the death of a loved one during this time period as we remember and celebrate their life. Since we are a Resurrection people believing that Jesus has conquered death, all are welcome to attend in support of our brothers and sisters in the faith. There will be a named personal votive candle for all those deceased and a booklet which both can be used as a family/personal keepsake.

Peace and Social Justice Ministry –The Peace and Social Justice Ministry is hosting the final phase of their Anti-Racism Initiative with an Anti-Racism Conference on Friday, 2nd November, at 6:00 p.m., at Mount St. Agnes Academy Auditorium on Dundonald Street. This event is open to the general public with a special invitation to our Catholic Faith Community. There will be two international speakers, experts in this field. They are: Dr Ed Olson, diversity consultant and collegiate professor at the University of Maryland in the field of Science and Social Studies and Rev. Bryan Massingale, STD, Catholic priest and senior professor of Theology and Social Ethics at Fordham University; and, international speaker on racial justice throughout the Catholic community. We encourage you to join us in solidarity and Catholic Christian fellowship by attending this event. It promises to be both inspiring and very informative.

Calling All Teens! The Bermuda Catholic Youth Group invites all young people between the ages of 13 and 18 to join in the fun and make new friends. Please join them for **All Saints' Day Jeopardy on Thursday, November 1, from 7:30 – 9:00 p.m. at MSA Gym.** Games, Scripture study and a whole lot of fun for everyone! E-mail: catholicyouthbda@gmail.com or check them out on Facebook at Bermuda Catholic Youth Group and on Instagram @catholicyouthbda for more information.



October 28, 2018 - 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time - "And Jesus said to him, 'Go your way; your faith has made you well.' And immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way." **MARK 10:52** - Faith is believing in something even though you may not be able to see it. Many people think that miracles don't happen anymore. But, if you focus on the positive, not the negative, focus on your blessings instead of your hardships, miracles will seem common and you will see God's active presence in your daily life.

Calendar

Monday

OCTOBER 29

Weekday

Eph 4:32–5:8

Lk 13:10–17

Tuesday

OCTOBER 30

Weekday

Eph 5:21–33

Lk 13:18–21

Wednesday

OCTOBER 31

Weekday

Eph 6:1–9

Lk 13:22–30

Thursday

NOVEMBER 1

Solemnity

of All Saints

Rv 7:2–14, 9–14

1 Jn 3:1–3

Mt 5:1–12a

Friday

NOVEMBER 2

Commemoration of All
the Faithful Departed

(All Souls)

Wis 3:1–9 Rom 5:5–11

or Rom 6:3–9

Jn 6:37–40

Saturday

NOVEMBER 3

Weekday

Phil 1:18b–26

Lk 14:1, 7–11

Sunday

NOVEMBER 4

Thirty-first Sunday
in Ordinary Time

Dt 6:2–6

Heb 7:23–28

Mk 12:28b–34

Dear Padre,

I've often wondered about the feasts of All Saints and All Souls. Are not all the souls we pray for also saints? Why not just celebrate a feast day for all those in heaven?

In the New Testament, *saint* meant “Christian.” In some way, then, all followers of Jesus were originally considered saints. But over the centuries, the word saint has gradually come to connote the holy people declared saints by the Church. The canonization process sometimes takes centuries. (It took nearly 500 years for St. Joan of Arc to be canonized.) In 2,000 years of Roman Catholic history, more than 2,500 saints have been recognized. On the feast of All Saints, we honor these holy men and women, especially our patron saint and those saints for whom we have special admiration.

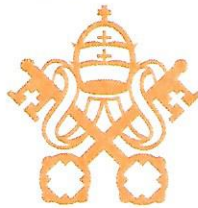
The feast of All Souls honors loved ones who have died. It is safe to say that the Church has not officially canonized most of our family and friends who have died. As the Church gives official status to deceased holy persons by canonizing them, so too Christ's paschal mystery gives meaning to the death of faithful Christians. As it says in the First Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians: “For if we believe that Jesus died and rose, so too will God, through Jesus, bring with him those who have fallen asleep” (4:14). When we pray for our dead—in purgatory or in heaven—on the feast of All Souls, we acknowledge the mystical body of Christ, which includes us, family and friends who have died, and the officially canonized saints of the Church.

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A Word From Pope Francis

Jesus' life, especially during the three years of his public ministry, was a continual encounter with people. Among them, the sick had a special place. How many pages of the Gospel tell of these encounters! The paralytic, the blind man, the leper, ...we cannot fail to visit and assist those who are sick.

—General audience, November 9, 2016