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Saint Teresa of Calcutta (whom we've mostly known as Mother Teresa), will be canonized this Sunday, September 4, 2016, becoming the 29th person to be canonized by Pope Francis. One of her quotes seems especially fitting as we celebrate with Pope Francis the Jubilee of Mercy:

*People are often unreasonable and self-centered. Forgive them anyway.
If you are kind, people may accuse you of ulterior motives. Be kind anyway.
If you are honest, people may cheat you. Be honest anyway.
If you find happiness, people may be jealous. Be happy anyway.
The good you do today may be forgotten tomorrow. Do good anyway.
Give the world the best you have and it may never be enough. Give your best anyway.
For you see, in the end, it is between you and God. It was never between you and them anyway.*

Here is a brief excerpt from the Crossroads Initiative webpage. <crossroadsinitiative.com/media/articles/>
Agnes Gonxha Bojaxhiu, the future Mother Teresa, was born on 26 August 1910, in Skopje, Macedonia, to Albanian heritage. She left home in September 1928, for the Loreto Convent in Rathfarnham (Dublin), Ireland, where she was admitted as a postulant on October 12 and received the name of Teresa, after her patroness, St. Therese of Lisieux. Agnes was sent by the Loreto order to India and arrived in Calcutta on 6 January 1929. She made her final profession as a Loreto nun on 24 May 1937, and hereafter was called Mother Teresa. While living in Calcutta during the 1930s and '40s, she taught. On 10 September 1946, on a train journey from Calcutta to Darjeeling, Mother Teresa received what she termed the "call within a call," which was to give rise to the Missionaries of Charity family of Sisters, Brothers, Fathers, and Co-Workers. The content of this inspiration is revealed in the aim and mission she would give to her new institute: "to quench the infinite thirst of Jesus on the cross for love and souls" by "laboring at the salvation and sanctification of the poorest of the poor." On October 7, 1950, the new congregation of the Missionaries of Charity was officially erected as a religious institute for the Archdiocese of Calcutta. Throughout the 1950s and early 1960s, Mother Teresa expanded the work of the Missionaries of Charity. On 1 February 1965, Pope Paul VI granted the Decree of Praise to the Congregation, raising it to pontifical right, and the congregation began to expand.

In 1979 Mother Teresa was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize. By that same year there were 158 Missionaries of Charity foundations. Mother Teresa spoke at the fortieth anniversary of the United Nations General Assembly in October 1985. On Christmas Eve of that year, Mother Teresa opened "Gift of Love" in New York, her first house for AIDS patients. From the late 1980s through the 1990s, despite increasing health problems, Mother Teresa traveled across the world for the profession of novices, opening of new houses, and service to the poor and disaster-stricken. By 1997, the Sisters numbered nearly 4,000 members, and were established in almost 600 foundations in 123 countries of the world. After a summer of travel and in a weak state of health, Mother Teresa returned to Calcutta in July 1997. At 9:30 p.m., on 5 September, Mother Teresa died at the Motherhouse. Hundreds of thousands of people from all classes and all religions, from India and abroad, paid their respects. She received a state funeral on 13 September, her body being taken in procession – on a gun carriage that had also borne the bodies of Mohandas K. Gandhi and Jawaharlal Nehru – through the streets of Calcutta. Presidents, prime ministers, queens, and special envoys were present on behalf of countries from all over the world.

Readings for the week of September 4 - 11

Sunday Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 9:13-18b; Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17; Phlm 9-10, 12-17;
Lk 14:25-33

Monday

1 Cor 5:1-8; Ps 5:5-12; Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday

1 Cor 6:1-11; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday

1 Cor 7:25-31; Ps 45:11-12, 14-17; Lk 6:20-26

Thursday Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Mi 5:1-4a; Ps 13:6ab-c; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23

Friday Peter Claver, Priest

1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27; Ps 84:3-6, 12; Lk 6:39-42

Saturday

1 Cor 10:14-22; Ps 116:12-13, 17-18; Lk 6:43-49

Sunday Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ex 32:7-11, 13-14; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19;
1 Tm 1:12-17; Lk 15:1-32

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Mass for God's Children

Bishop Walkowiak invites parents who have experienced the loss of a child before baptism to a Mass for God's Children on Friday, Nov. 4, 7 p.m. at Cathedral of Saint Andrew. A memorial rose and naming cards will be provided for families who have lost a child(ren). If you would like to reserve a rose and have your child(ren) remembered on a name card please contact Mary Pereira before Nov. 1 by calling 616-240-7896 or email: mpereira@dioceseofgrandrapids.org. All are welcome to attend including parents, grandparents, siblings, relatives and friends. A reception will follow Mass.

Happening this Week in Our Parish

Sunday (9/4) 23rd Sunday Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m.	Mass	For Our People	Parish Ctr
10:30	Mass	New Paulist Deacons Matt, Steve & Stu	Parish Ctr
5:30 p.m.	Mass	Victims of Natural Disasters	Cook-DeWitt

Monday (9/5) Labor Day

9:00 a.m.	Mass	All Who Labor	Parish Ctr
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Wednesday (9/7)

7:00 p.m.	Mass	All Teachers	Parish Ctr
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Friday (9/9)

9:30 a.m.	Parish Breakfast Club		Grand Coney
5:00 p.m.	Mass	End of Racism	Parish Ctr
5:30	Reconciliation		Parish Ctr

Sunday (9/11) 23rd Sunday Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m.	Mass		Parish Ctr
10:30	Mass		Parish Ctr
5:30 p.m.	Mass		Cook-DeWitt

Ministries for Sept. 11

Lectors

8:00 a.m.	Nanette Casha (1st), John Graveline (2nd)
10:30	Robert Talbert (1st), Val Lehti (2nd)

Altar Servers

8:00 a.m.	David Casha, Jacob Vantrepott
10:30	Eve Miller, Garret Zimmerman

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion

8:00 a.m.	Tim Alt, Deb Buursta, Alan Supran
10:30	Cathy Talbert, Gene Smith, Jeanne Staub, Amy Wolf Sabrina & Tom Van Wyk

Ushers

8:00 a.m.	Jerry Casha (lead), Sue Sandberg
10:30 a.m.	Howard Lehti (lead), Rich Conflitti, Jeff Staub



Altar flowers this Sunday:

*In memory of
Ruby Horvath & Frances Humphrey
by Peg & Cork Horvath*

Faith Formation

Classes will begin on Sunday, Sept. 18. Information and registration forms can be downloaded from the website. Copies are available in the brochure rack by the Offering Table. Contact John Graveline should you have any questions.



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U.S. Bishops' Labor Day Statement

On behalf of the Catholic Bishops of the United States, Archbishop Thomas G. Wenski of Miami, chairman of the U.S. Bishops' Committee on Domestic Justice and Human Development, offered some perspective on their Labor Day statement. Pope Francis' address to Congress highlighted the connection between economic pressures and stresses on the family. Archbishop Wenski in particular mentions the struggles of those in communities with elevated rates of poverty, substance abuse, and the dissolution of the family. *"(W)e must replace fear with a fuller vision that can be powerfully supported by our faith...the Church's history is filled with communities that took seriously the call to be their 'brother's keeper' (Gen. 4:9), faced challenges together, and lifted up the 'cry of the poor' (Psalm 34:7)."* More can be found at usccb.org/issues-and-action.

Prayer for students

*O Lord God,
School is not always easy,
And some days, it is very difficult,
and I struggle to relax
and be at peace.
Yet I know that you will give me
patience, wisdom, and courage,
to be excellent in every way,
and you will help me love others,
as you love me. Amen*
David Bennett, churchyear.net

Prayer for teachers

*O Lord,
Grant me your strength, so I will
have courage in every situation;
Grant me your love, so I may love
others as you love me;
Grant me your wisdom, so I will
show others the path to success;
Grant me your mercy, so I will
forgive those who have hurt me;
Grant me your peace, so I will find
the best in everybody;
Grant me your hope, so I will never
give up;
Grant me your joy, so I will be
thankful for all my blessings;
And Grant me your grace, so you
will always be at my side. Amen*
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Upcoming Birthday Celebration at GVSU

Calling all Parishioners! Help needed!
Sunday, Sept. 11, we are asking for cupcakes, muffins, and maybe even cakes, to help celebrate September birthdays for our GVSU students after the 5:30 p.m. Mass. Items may be dropped off at the Parish Center at the 8 & 10:30 a.m. Masses, or Sunday evening delivered directly to the Cook-DeWitt Center. We need someone to be in charge of getting the room ready [students usually will assist with the set-up, if asked], and volunteers to also make sure all items are taken over to GVSU, as well as parishioners to greet the students. I normally cart the treats from the 8 a.m. Mass, and help with the set up, etc., but I will be unavailable on that Sunday. Thank you in advance.

-Jeanne Benedict.

We Need Ushers

Looking for a Stewardship opportunity for you or your family? We are holding an usher's training on Sunday, Sept. 11 from 9:15 – 10:15 a.m. We are looking for men and women or entire families (all ages). We need at least 4 people for the 8 a.m. and 8 people for 10:30 a.m. Mass. You are scheduled for the Mass you attend. Any questions please contact the Parish office.

St. Luke University Parish Knights of Columbus to host Youth Soccer Challenge Competition.

All boys and girls ages 9-14 are invited to participate in the local level of competition for the 2016 K of C Soccer Challenge. It will take place on Saturday Sept. 17, from 9-3 p.m. near the entrance to the AYSO soccer fields in front of Oakwood Intermediate school (10505 Learning Ln). Those younger than the 9-14 age group will be able to get in on the fun as well, but are not eligible for any advancement to the regional or state level. Questions? Please contact Joel Dykstra at jdykstra101@gmail.com.

Food Pantry Needs

Saint Luke's Food Pantry appreciates your help!

This summer has been a busy one for our food pantry. We are in need of everything.

Next pantry date: Sept. 15



Don't forget to turn in your Family Fare receipts!