

# OCTOBER 2024

| Sunday  | Monday                       | Tuesday                      | Wednesday                    | Thursday                     | Friday   | Saturday  |
|---|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|--|---|
| 29 Dedication of St. Michael the Archangel                        | 30 Adult Catechism 7 p.m.    | 1                            | 2                            | 3                            | 4 First Friday   | 5 First Saturday<br>Roses of Mary<br>Field Trip |
| 6 20th Sunday after Pentecost                                     | 7 Bible Study 7 p.m.         | 8                            | 9                            | 10 No Choir Rehearsal        | 11 Abortion Prayer Vigil Noon  | 12 No Roses of Mary<br>No Men's Schola          |
| 13 21st Sunday after Pentecost                                    | 14 Adult Catechism 7 p.m.    | 15                           | 16                           | 17                           | 18   | 19 Altar Guild<br>Men's Schola                  |
| 20 22nd Sunday after Pentecost                                    | 21 Bible Study 7 p.m.        | 22                           | 23                           | 24                           | 25 All-Night Adoration begins 7 p.m.                                   | 26 All-Night Adoration ends 7:45 a.m.           |
| 27 Christ the King<br>All Saints' Party<br><i>Election Novena</i> | 28<br><i>Election Novena</i> | 29<br><i>Election Novena</i> | 30<br><i>Election Novena</i> | 31<br><i>Election Novena</i> | 1 All Saints Day<br>(Holy Day of Obligation)<br><i>Election Novena</i> | 2 All Souls' Day<br><i>Election Novena</i>      |

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**Please pray for:**

**Parishioners who serve our nation:**

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Pvt. Michael Thomo, U.S. Army  
2nd Lt. Jacob Vore, U.S. Space Force  
Sgt. Daniel Walsh, U.S. Army  
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## IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter ~ Tridentine Mass*



**OCTOBER 20, 2024**

**TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY after PENTECOST**



**Sunday Schedule:**  
Low Mass: 7 a.m.  
9 a.m.  
Sung Mass: 11 a.m.

**Confessions:**  
One-half hour before Mass Saturdays 4 p.m.

**Daily Mass Schedule:**  
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday: 8 a.m.  
Thursday: 6 p.m.  
Friday, Saturday: 8 a.m.  
**Holy Hour:**  
Thursday: 7 p.m.

*"O Mary, through thine Immaculate Conception make my body pure and my soul holy."*

**PASTOR:**  
**FR. JAMES GORDON, F.S.S.P.**

**ASSISTANT PASTOR:**  
**FR. DENNIS GORDON, F.S.S.P.**

# The GRACE of GOD

is not Communicated to the

## WORLDLY-MINDED

*The Imitation of Christ*, by Thomas à Kempis

Son, My grace is precious; it suffers not itself to be mingled with external things, or earthly consolations. Thou must, therefore, cast away every obstacle to grace if thou desire to have it infused into thee.

Choose a secret place for thyself, love to dwell with thyself alone; seek not to be talking with anyone; but rather pour forth devout prayers to God, that thou must keep thy mind in compunction, and thy conscience clean.

Esteem the whole world as nothing; prefer the attendance on God before all external things. For thou canst not both attend to Me and at the same time delight thyself in transitory things.

Thou must withdraw from thy acquaintance, and those dear to thee, and keep thy mind disengaged from all temporal comfort.

So the blessed apostle Peter beseeches the faithful of Christ to keep themselves as strangers and pilgrims in this world (*1 Peter 2:11*).

Oh, what great confidence shall he have at the hour of his death who is not detained by an affection to anything in the world. But an infirm soul is not yet capable of having a heart thus perfectly disengaged from all things, neither doth the sensual man understand the liberty of an internal man (*1 Corinthians 2:14*).

But if he will be spiritual indeed, he must renounce as well those that are near him as those that are afar off, and beware of none more than of himself. If thou per-

fectly overcome thyself thou shalt with more ease subdue all things else.

The perfect victory is to triumph over one's self. For he that keeps himself in subjection, so that his sensuality is ever subject to reason, and reason in all things obedient to Me, he is indeed a conqueror of himself, and lord of all the world.

If thou desire to mount thus high, thou must begin manfully, and set the axe to the root (*Matthew 3:10*), that thou mayst root out and destroy thy secret inordinate inclination to thyself, and to all selfish and earthly goods.

This vice, by which a man inordinately loves himself, is at the bottom of all that which is to be rooted out and overcome in thee; which evil, being once conquered and brought under, a great peace and tranquility will presently ensue.

But because there are few that labor to die perfectly to themselves and that fully aim beyond themselves, therefore do they remain entangled in themselves, nor can they be elevated in spirit above themselves.

But he that desires to walk freely with Me must mortify all his wicked and irregular affections, and must not cleave to anything created with any concupiscence or private love.

Nature labors for her own interest, and considers what gain she may reap from another: but grace considers not what may be advantageous and profitable to herself, but rather what may be profitable to

## Upcoming Parish Events

### October 14-22 ~ Fr. James Gordon on Retreat

Fr. Gordon will be on retreat out of state, and will be unavailable until after the 22nd. Please remember him in your prayers.

### October 21 ~ Bible Study

Fr. Dennis Gordon will continue his lectures on the Gospel of Matthew and will discuss Chapter 25 this week. Class begins 7 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

### October 25-26 ~ All-Night Adoration

Sign up in the vestibule to reserve your time before the Blessed Sacrament; times available from 7 p.m. Friday to 7 a.m. Saturday.

### October 27 ~ All Saints' Party

The All Saints' party will be next Sunday; *this event is full, only those previously signed up may attend*. Children (and adults) are encouraged to dress up as a saint, and be ready to give a short presentation of his or her saint for the costume contest. There will be games, candy and sweets as well as a pumpkin carving contest for the teens. For more information, contact Amy Seltzer at [caseltzer@gmail.com](mailto:caseltzer@gmail.com).

### October 27 ~ Rosary Novena for U.S. Elections to Begin

Our parish will pray a Rosary novena for the upcoming presidential and local elections, Oct. 27-Nov. 4. Please join us to pray for the best outcome.

many (*1 Corinthians 10:33*).

Nature willingly receives honor and respect: But grace faithfully attributes all honor and glory to God.

Nature is afraid of being put to shame and despised: but grace is glad to suffer reproach for the name of Jesus (*Acts 5:41*).

Nature loves idleness and bodily rest: but grace cannot be idle and willingly embraces labor (*1 Corinthians 15:10*).

Nature seeks to have things that are curious and fine, and does not care for things that are cheap and coarse: but grace is pleased with that which is plain and humble,

rejects not coarse things, nor refuses to be clad in old clothes.

Nature has regard to temporal things rejoices at earthly gain, is troubled at losses, and provoked at every slight injurious word: but grace attends to things eternal, and cleaves not to those which pass with time; neither is she disturbed at the loss of things, nor exasperated with hard words, for she places her treasure and her joy in heaven, where nothing is lost.

Nature is covetous, and is more willing to take than to give, and loves to have things to herself: but grace is bountiful and openhearted, avoids selfishness, is contented with little, and judges it a more

## MASS INTENTIONS

FOR THIS WEEK

### Monday, October 21 ~ Feria

8 a.m. — + Luz Tena

### Tuesday, October 22 ~ Feria

8 a.m. — Martha Broestl, by Lee Broestl

### Wednesday, October 23 ~ St. Anthony Mary Claret

8 a.m. — Isaac Steenson

### Thursday, October 24 ~ St. Raphael the Archangel

6 p.m. — Special Intention, by P.G.

### Friday, October 25 ~ St. Isidore the Farmer

8 a.m. — Conversion of Our Country

### Saturday, October 26 ~ Saturday of Our Lady

8 a.m. — Fr. James Gordon, F.S.S.P.

### Sunday, October 27 ~ Christ the King

7 a.m. — Private Intention

9 a.m. — Private Intention

11 a.m. — Pro Populo

Fr. Dennis Gordon is accepting Mass intentions.

blessed thing to give rather than to receive (*Acts 20:35*).

Nature inclines to creatures, to her own flesh, to vanities, and to gadding abroad: but grace draws to God and to virtue, renounces creatures, flees the world, hates the desires of the flesh, restrains wandering about, and is ashamed to appear in public.

Nature willingly receives exterior comfort, in which she may be sensibly delighted: but grace seeks to be comforted in God alone, and beyond all things visible to be delighted in the Sovereign Good.

Nature doth all for her own gain and interest; she can do nothing gratis, but hopes to gain something equal, or better, or praise, or favor

for her good deeds; and covets to have her actions and gifts much valued: but grace seeks nothing temporal, nor requires any other recompense but God alone for her reward, nor desires anything more of the necessities of this life than may be serviceable in attaining a happy eternity.

Nature rejoices in a multitude of friends and kindred; she glories in the nobility of her stock and descent; she fawns on them that are in power, flatters the rich, and applauds such as are like herself: but grace loves even her enemies, and is not puffed up with having a great many friends, nor esteems family or birth, unless when joined with greater virtue. + + +