

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 Roses of Mary Field Trip
6 20th Sunday after Pentecost	7 Bible Study 7 p.m.	8	9	10	11 Abortion Prayer Vigil Noon	12 No Roses of Mary Men's Schola
13 21st Sunday after Pentecost	14 Adult Catechism 7 p.m.	15	16	17	18	19 Altar Guild 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 All Saints' Party	28	29	30	31	1 All Saints Day (Holy Day of Obligation)	2 All Souls' Day

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The Repose of the Soul of:

+ Rick Peters

Parishioners who serve our nation:

Master Sgt. Chris Biery, U.S. Air Force
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Sgt. Major Chad Keirns, U.S. Army

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IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH

Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter ~ Tridentine Mass



SEPTEMBER 29, 2024

DEDICATION OF ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL



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.

God Wills that the Life-Principle of Our Work be

CHRIST HIMSELF

From: *The Soul of the Apostolate*,
by Dom Jean-Baptiste Chautard, O.C.S.O.

Science is proud of its immense success, and justly so. And yet there is one thing which always has been, and always will be, impossible to it: to create life, to produce, from a chemical laboratory, a grain of corn, a larva. The wholesale discomfiture of the defenders of spontaneous generation shows us, clearly enough, how little there is in these claims. God reserves for Himself the power of creating life.

In the vegetable and animal order, living beings can grow and multiply: but still, their fecundity only operates under definite conditions laid down by the Creator. But as soon as there is question of intellectual life, God reserves this to Himself, and He is the One who directly creates the reasoning soul. And yet there is one other realm which He guards even more jealously still, that of *supernatural life*, which flows from the divine life communicated to the humanity of the Incarnate Word.

...If the apostle, while recognizing in theory that the Redeemer is the primary cause of all divine life, were to forget this truth in his actions and, blinded by insane presumption, were to insult Jesus Christ by relying on his own powers, it would be... insufferable in the sight of God.

To reject the truth, or to ignore it in one's actions, always constitutes an *intellectual disorder* in doctrine or in practice. It is the denial of a principle on which our conduct ought to be based. Obviously, the disorder will be still further aggravated if the clear light of

truth is obscured and obstructed, in the heart of voluntary lukewarmness, to the God of all light.

Now for a man, in his practical conduct, to go about his active works as if Jesus were not his one and only life-principle is what [Gaspard] Cardinal Mermillod has called the "HERESY OF GOOD WORKS." He uses this expression to stigmatize the apostle who so forgets himself as to overlook his secondary and subordinate role, and look only to his own personal activity and talents as a basis for apostolic success. Is this not, in practice, a denial of a great part of the *Tract on Grace*? This conclusion is one that appalls us, at first sight. And yet a little thought will show us that it is only too true.

Heresy in Good Works! Feverish activity taking the place of God; grace ignored; human pride trying to thrust Jesus from His throne; supernatural life, the power of prayer, the economy of our redemption relegated, at least in practice, to the realm of pure theory: all this portrays no merely imaginary situation, but one which the diagnosis of souls shows to be very common, though in various degrees, in this age of naturalism, when men judge, above all, by appearances, and act as though success were primarily a matter of skillful organization.

Even setting aside revelation altogether, the plain light of sane philosophy makes it impossible for us not to pity a man who, for all his remarkable gifts, refuses to recognize God as the principle of the marvelous talents that all

Upcoming Parish Events

September 30 ~ Adult Catechism
Fr. James Gordon will continue his series of lectures on Spiritual Theology 7 p.m. in the parish hall.

October 3 ~ Parishioner to Take Final Vows
Br. Simon (nee Aaron Peters) will be taking his final vows as a Carmelite Friar. Please keep him in your prayers.

October 4 ~ First Friday Home Schooler Event
Potluck breakfast and catechesis for home-schooled children of the parish. For more information, or to volunteer, contact Gracey Wike, cosfssp.homeschoolgroup@gmail.com.

October 5 ~ Roses of Mary Field Trip
Young Roses of Mary will make a field trip to the Mother Cabrini Shrine in Golden, Colo. This excursion is for the girls' group and chaperones only. For more information, contact Amy Seltzer at caseltzer@gmail.com.

October 7 ~ Bible Study
Fr. Dennis Gordon continues his lectures on the Gospel of Matthew, 7 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

October 19 ~ Parishioner to Receive Tonsure
Kolbe Vostatek will receive tonsure at Our Lady of Guadalupe Seminary in Denton, Neb. Please keep him in your prayers.

October 27 ~ All Saints' Party Volunteers Needed
We need committed volunteers to help with running the games and events; and with setting up for, and cleaning up after this and future All Saints' parties. For more information, or to volunteer, contact Amy Seltzer at caseltzer@gmail.com.

observe in him.

What would be the feelings of a Catholic, thoroughly instructed in his religion, at the sight of an apostle who would boast, at least implicitly, that he could do without God in communicating to souls even the smallest degree of divine life?

"He is crazy!" we would say, if we heard an apostolic worker using

such words as these: "my God, just do not raise any obstacle to my work, just keep out of my way, and I guarantee to produce the best results!"

Our feelings would be a mere reflection of the aversion excited in God by the spectacle of such disorder: by the spectacle of presumption carrying its pride to such limits as to wish to impart supernatural

+ MASS INTENTIONS + FOR THIS WEEK

Monday, September 30 ~ St. Jerome
8 a.m. — Special Intention

Tuesday, October 1 ~ Feria
8 a.m. — Sean & Jessica Gordon

Wednesday, October 2 ~ Holy Guardian Angels
8 a.m. — Private Intention

Thursday, October 3 ~ St. Therese of the Child Jesus
6 p.m. — Private Intention

Friday, October 4 ~ St. Francis of Assisi
8 a.m. — In Reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus
6 p.m. — Private Intention

Saturday, October 5 ~ Saturday of Our Lady
8 a.m. — Private Intention
11:30 a.m. — In Reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Sunday, October 6 ~ Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
(External Solemnity of Our Lady of the Rosary)
7 a.m. — + James P. Gordon, Jr.
9 a.m. — Private Intention
11 a.m. — *Pro Populo*

The priests cannot accept any Mass intentions at this time.

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life, to produce faith, to put an end to sin, incite men to virtue, and without attributing these effects to the direct, unfailing, universal, and overwhelming action of the Blood of God, the price, the cause, and the means of all grace and of all spiritual life.

Therefore, God owes it to the humanity of His Son to make fools of these false Christs by paralyzing the works of their pride, or by allowing them to pass away as a momentary mirage.

Setting aside everything that works upon souls *ex opere operato*,

God owes it to the Redeemer to withdraw from the apostle who is inflated with his own importance, all His best gifts, and to reserve these for the branch that humbly recognizes that all its life-sap comes from the Divine stock.

Otherwise, if He were to bless with deep and lasting results the work filled with the poison of this virus we have called the *Heresy of Good Works*, God might seem to be encouraging this abuse and favoring its contagious spread.

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