

ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PASTOR'S CORNER




Do you know the secret to daily prayer? Basically, it is just one word: persistence. Keep at it; keep speaking into the darkness, and even if nothing comes, speak again and again, but remember that the answer is given right away. We often fail to decipher it at once because we live in space and time. Sometimes it may not be the kind of answer that we want. Perhaps this is why we tend to close our eyes, so to speak. We do not want to see what the obvious answer to our prayers is, and in this process we fail to remember that prayer is the experience of grace.

Although Jesus did say that everyone who asks, receives, and he who seeks, finds, and to him who knocks, the door will be opened, He never promised joy and peace without struggle and suffering. Instead, the Lord promised to help us as we suffer in love for one another, because in a world where there is little love, there is much loneliness. This is why the enchanting hymn, *Ubi Caritas*, a signature of the ecumenical community of Taizé, professes this core truth of the human longing to reveal God: “*Where there is love, there is God.*” So if we go to Our Lord for anything else, He may send us away empty. But if we go to God for Himself with full trust, I believe that this deepest hunger of ours will be satisfied and we will discover why His answer is always good and right for our mental, physical and spiritual well-being. The following six golden rules may be a good preparation to accept God’s answers to our prayers:

1. Do not live in the past or in the future, for God is in the here and now of your life with His answer to your prayers.
2. Do not waste your time and energy fighting conditions you cannot change; just try to cooperate with life, instead of trying to run away from it.
3. Stay involved with the living world in order to resist the temptation to withdraw and become reclusive.
4. Refuse to indulge in self-pity when life hands you a raw deal, because the lessons of life do not only produce wisdom, but also scar tissue and calluses.
5. Cultivate the virtues of humor, compassion, generosity and loyalty for your own sake and for the sake of others.
6. Do not expect too much of yourself today, for tomorrow is another day to “ask, seek and knock,” and God will be there. Thus do not pass up the opportunity!

JUNE 18, 2023



Cenacle of Prayer
2nd Saturday of every month
10:30 a.m.—11:30 a.m.

Please join us to pray the Cenacle of prayer in our parish, to intercede for the Church, the clergy and all Parishioners.

This Cenacle will be held in the Church Basement.

All Parishioners are invited.



MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, June 20
 9 a.m. Repose of the soul of **Ciro Cicciretto** req. by **Toni Frattaroli**.

Wednesday, June 21
 9 a.m. Repose of the soul of **Dorothy Fynn** req. by the **John's family**.

Thursday, June 22
 9 a.m. Private Intentions.

Friday, June 23
 9 a.m. Intentions of Thanksgiving for **Lulu Onchango**.

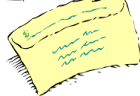
Saturday, June 24
 4:30p.m. Intentions to **St. John the Baptist** req. by **Lulu Onchangco**.

Sunday, June 25
 9 a.m. Intentions of all Parishioners.
 11 a.m. Repose of the soul of **Silvestro DeLaurentis** req. by the **DeLaurentis**.



COFFEE & TEA SOCIAL
Sunday, June 25, 2023


After the 9 a.m. Mass & 11 a.m. in the Parish Basement
 All parishioners welcome

Offering Envelopes 

Attention

Are you using envelope #416 ?
 Please put your name and address on the envelope

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Thank you for your contributions to the Poor Box after Mass.

ATTENTION ALL PARISHIONERS

Reception of Holy Communion

It has come to my attention that some people, receiving on the hand, carry the Sacred Host back to their seats. This is forbidden. Please be sure to consume Jesus, truly present in the Sacred Host, right after you receive Him. You must consume the Host in the front of the church, right after receiving. There are people who wish to steal consecrated Hosts for the sake of rituals. If you see anyone walking away without having consumed the Sacred Host please alert one of the Ushers, the Sacristan—Anthony or Fr. Slawek.



HAPPY
Father's Day

GOD BLESS YOU

Attention
Eucharistic Ministers For the Homebound

Are there any Ministers interested in resuming Communion to the Homebound? Is so, please contact the Parish office.

Attention Parishioners

Are you interested in the Coffee Social resuming in the Fall after the 9 a.m. Mass every Wednesday?

Are you interested in a Bingo Night starting in the Fall?

Please contact the Parish office give us your feedback.