

Theme Sharing

God is patiently waiting for us to bear good fruits (27th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Today's Gospel and First Reading both talk about the "vineyard" with a message of warning. While the gospel's warning was directed against the Jewish leaders, Isaiah's warning was addressed to all the people of Israel.

Through Isaiah's words, God asked the people of Jerusalem and all the Jews: "What more was there for me to do for my vineyard that I have not done to it?" He delivered a stern warning to the Israelites to repent and turn a new leaf so they could avoid punishment. Sadly, they did not repent and subsequently had to suffer severe punishment.

Jesus told the parable of the vineyard to the chief priests and elders, who were the Jewish leaders of the time. He was well aware of their opposition to his teachings and of their plot to kill him. He therefore warned them that they must acknowledge their sinfulness and repent. In fact, the parable may also serve as a warning to us that we must not allow our lives be led by greed and avarice. Each one of us has been called by God to fulfill our own mission. While some may have greater responsibilities to carry, others may have less. It is incumbent for us to do the best we can, and to bear good fruits with our God-given talents. Otherwise, the Kingdom of God will be taken away from us, in the words of Jesus in today's gospel: "The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is amazing in our eyes."

2015 Year Of Consecrated Life

The consecrated life:

a gift to the Church

Its universal presence and the evangelical nature of its witness are clear evidence — if any were needed — that the consecrated life is not something isolated and marginal, but a reality which affects the whole Church. The Bishops at the Synod frequently reaffirmed this: "de re nostra agitur", "this is something which concerns us all". In effect, the consecrated life is at the very heart of the

Church as a decisive element for her mission, since it "manifests the inner nature of the Christian calling" and the striving of the whole Church as Bride towards union with her one Spouse. At the Synod it was stated on several occasions that the consecrated life has not only proved a help and support for the Church in the past, but is also a precious and necessary gift for the present and future of the People of God, since it is an intimate part of her life, her holiness and her mission. The present difficulties which a number of Institutes are encountering in some parts of the world must not lead to a questioning of the fact that the profession of the evangelical counsels is an integral part of the Church's life and a much needed incentive towards ever greater fidelity to the Gospel. The consecrated life may experience further changes in its historical forms, but there will be no change in the substance of a choice which finds expression in a radical gift of self for love of the Lord Jesus and, in him, of every member of the human family. This certainty, which has inspired countless individuals in the course of the centuries, continues to reassure the Christian people, for they know that they can draw from the contribution of these generous souls powerful support on their journey towards the heavenly home.

Diocese & Other News

Evening of Prayer For Vocations:

You are invited to a holy hour of prayer for vocations to the priesthood and religious life on Sunday October 5, 2014. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will begin at 7:30pm. Place: St. Anne's Parish, Calgary. For further information contact the Office of Vocations at 403-245-2753.

St. Anthony's Relic Visit Calgary

From Saturday October 18 to Thursday October 23 2014, St Anthony's relic will be visiting Calgary and Drumheller in the form of the very relic which Pope Francis venerated fourteen years ago in Argentina. This relic will be accompanied by Fr. Mario Conte, a Franciscan Friar from Padua, Italy where the Saint is buried. Your help in promoting this event in your parish bulletin is appreciated. A hardcopy poster will reach your parish next week. If you would like to get more information about this event, please contact Fr. Jack Pereira at

Joaquim.pereira@calgarydiocese.ca.

Homeless Awareness Day

On Friday, October 10th the Calgary Homeless Foundation and Face It Calgary are hosting Homeless Awareness Day in Calgary. Everyone is invited to attend a lunch hour event at Olympic Plaza downtown from 11:30am-1pm, where homeless-serving agencies and community groups will be presenting information about their work with those struggling with homelessness. The focus of the awareness event will be on what we can do to make affordable housing more available in the City. If you have further questions, contact the Social Justice Office at 403-218-5519 or e-mail socialjustice@calgarydiocese.ca.

News & Others

2014 Pope Francis's

World Mission Sunday Message

Dear Brothers and Sisters,
Today vast numbers of people still do not know Jesus Christ. For this reason, the mission ad gentes continues to be most urgent. All the members of the Church are called to participate in this mission, for the Church is missionary by her very nature: she was born "to go forth". World Mission Day is a privileged moment when the faithful of various continents engage in prayer and concrete gestures of solidarity in support of the young Churches in mission lands. It is a celebration of grace and joy. A celebration of grace, because the Holy Spirit, sent by the Father, offers wisdom and strength to those who are obedient to his action. A celebration of joy, because Jesus Christ, the Father's Son, sent to evangelize the world, supports and accompanies our missionary efforts. This joy of Jesus and missionary disciples leads me to propose a biblical icon, which we find in the Gospel of Luke (cf. 10:21-23). Details at www.vatican.com

Parish Activities

...all are disciples and missionaries...

World Mission Sunday

October 19th, 2014

World Mission Sunday is on October 19th this year. This Year's theme is "I will Build My Church" (Mt. 16:18)

This is a world-wide collection for the missionary church that provides emergency aid when disasters strike, cares for refugees in war torn nations, and provides rural health clinics and transportation for priests, catechists, religious and lay pastoral workers. It provides financial support for the daily needs of all missionaries. Please pray for the missions and be generous on World Mission Sunday.

Donation on World Mission Sunday There will be a special collection on World Mission Sunday on October 19th please give generously to support.

May God's blessings be with you!

Godparents and Godchildren Family Rosary Gathering

The month of October each year is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary. Planning & Evangelization Committee is sincerely inviting all Godparents and Godchildren to join the "Family Rosary Gathering" from 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. at upper Hall on Oct.26(Sunday). All Godparents & Godchildren are invited! We will provide a light lunch for all participants.

October is the month dedicated to Holy Rosary of Mary

There will be reciting of Holy Rosary before each Sunday Morning and Saturday evening mass in October.

Please come 20 minutes earlier and join.

Prayer Card

Members of the Legion of Mary and Our Lady Queen of China will distribute to every parishioner a Rosary Card after Sunday Mass in October. You are asked to pray at home yourself or with your family according to the intention of the Rosary Card.

Week day Mass Cancelled

Since Fr. Joseph Nguyen will attend Clergy Fall Study Days, the following Masses will be cancelled:

October 7 (Tuesday) to October 11(Saturday) at 9:00a.m., October 7 (Tuesday)at 7:00p.m.

Together in Action 2014

".....Faith Working Through Love."

(Galatians 5:6)

Our parish's portion is \$24,300. As of September 9, our campaign has received a total of \$28,680.

Donation envelopes can be picked up from both the front and the side entrances. Let's take action now to respond to Christ's love and sacrifice for the salvation of mankind.

Weekly Activities

Wed, Fri Oct 8, 10

OLPH Senior Centre

Time: 9:00a.m.-12:00 noon

Place: OLPH Church Upper Hall

Fri Oct 10

OLPH Scout

Time: 6:30pm.-8:30 pm

Place: Upper Hall & Lower Hall

Sat Oct 11

Legion of Mary (meeting)

Time: 9:45a.m.

Place: K of C Room at OLPH Church

Tai Chi Lesson

Time: 10:00 a.m. - 12:30p.m.

Place: OLPH Church Lower Hall

Young Adults choir practice

Time: 6:00 p.m-8:00p.m.

Place: OLPH Lower Hall

Faith Sharing Group (N.W.)

Time: 7:30p.m.-10:00p.m.

Contact: Wendy Tai 403-208-2268

Sun Oct 12

R. C.I.A

Adult Catechumenate Class
(Cantonese and English)

Time: 9:30 a.m. - 12:30p.m.

Place: OLPH Church Lower Hall

Let There Be Light Faith

In a world full of greed
Dishonesty and despair
Never lose faith
God is there
When you feel alone
And lose sight
The devil is strong but he
Won't win this fight
God is there to guide
You through
Pray from the heart
He has room for you
Pray for forgiveness
And God to come into your heart
He'll guide you and show you
It's the right start
God will help you
Fight the temptation

But make the effort
And pray for salvation
If you think you're lost
But when God's on your side
You'll feel brand new
Things can get hard
And be pretty rough
God is the answer
He'll make you tough
No matter your trouble
On tribulation
Leave it to God and He'll
Show you, your destination.

Stories Faith Sharing

Devil's Plan for Destruction

The chief devil calls together every possible evil entity that is in range of his magnetic voice and says, "How can we interfere up there in the world that dwells between ours and the Light we despise? What can we do to further deceive human beings? We must keep them living in the dark, unaware of the Light that wants to release them from our influence. I want something so evil, so sinister, that no one will know what happened. Who's got a good idea?" That instant the flames of all the little imps gathered there in the smoldering dark go dim; they're afraid of their leader, who will fry them for failing. A day later, as planned, they all return with a few ideas, although nothing spectacular. Then, out of nowhere, one tiny imp hops on the shoulder of the chief devil and whispers something in his ear. A second later, and--kaboom!--flames shoot out of every pore of the chief devil as he shouts, "Ah! I have the plan in hand!" He looks around at all of his lieutenants, each of whom is assigned to certain individuals on Earth, and gleefully instructs them: "I want you to go up there and slowly spread among the sleeping masses the idea of 'tolerance.' Do whatever it takes to succeed. Convince them that this idea is their own, and that they should start teaching that learning to tolerate each other is the same as loving one another. Oh yes! This is my best deception yet! It's a real killer!"

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Sacred Ministers or Clerics

The Formation of Clerics

-The Church has the duty and the proper and exclusive right to form those who are

designated for the sacred ministries.

-The duty of fostering vocations rests with the entire Christian community so that the needs of the sacred ministry in the universal Church are provided for sufficiently. This duty especially binds Christian families, educators, and, in a special way, priests, particularly pastors. Diocesan bishops, who most especially are to be concerned for promoting vocations, are to teach the people entrusted to them of the importance of the sacred ministry and of the need for ministers in the Church and are to encourage and support endeavors to foster vocations, especially by means of projects established for that purpose.

-Moreover, priests, and especially diocesan bishops, are to have concern that men of a more mature age who consider themselves called to the sacred ministries are prudently assisted in word and deed and duly prepared.

-Minor seminaries and other similar institutions are to be preserved, where they exist, and fostered; for the sake of fostering vocations, these institutions provide special religious formation together with instruction in the humanities and science. Where the diocesan bishop judges it expedient, he is to erect a minor seminary or similar institution.

-Unless in certain cases circumstances indicate otherwise, young men disposed to the priesthood are to be provided with that formation in the humanities and science by which the youth in their own region are prepared to pursue higher studies.

-Young men who intend to enter the priesthood are to be provided with a suitable spiritual formation and prepared for their proper duties in a major seminary throughout the entire time of formation or, if in the judgment of the diocesan bishop circumstances demand it, for at least four years.

- The diocesan bishop is to entrust those who legitimately reside outside a seminary to a devout and suitable priest who is to be watchful that they are carefully formed in the spiritual life and in discipline.

- According to the prescripts of the conference of bishops, those aspiring to the permanent diaconate are to be formed to nourish a spiritual life and instructed to fulfill correctly the duties proper to that order:

1. Young men are to live at least three years in some special house unless the diocesan bishop has established otherwise for grave

reasons;

2. Men of a more mature age, whether celibate or married, are to spend three years in a program defined by the conference of bishops.

主日分享

不守信用的葡萄園佃戶

常年期第二十七主日

今天常年期第二十七主日彌撒中的讀經一和福音都談到巴勒斯坦的葡萄園。讀經一選自依撒意亞先知書。依撒意亞先知用葡萄園來比喻以色列民族，責備他們辜負天主的恩愛，沒有實現天主所期待的成果。

本主日彌撒的福音選自聖瑪竇福音。這裏的葡萄園已不再象徵以色列民族，而是象徵天主的國，因為天主將要把它從以色列民族手中收回，把它賜給外邦人。

同樣的比喻也在聖馬爾谷福音裏記載（谷 12: 1-9）。兩篇記載大致相同。它們的訊息都是：殺死葡萄園主人愛子的佃戶應該被處死。葡萄園應該租給別人。這等於說：耶穌的死亡標誌了舊約的廢除；從此以後我們基督徒們便是新的和真正的天主子民了。

但是，如果我們拿兩部福音的記載來仔細地對照一下，我們不難看出聖瑪竇福音的記載比聖馬爾谷福音多出一個情節。那就是它額外強調新佃戶的「結果子」以及「按時交納出產」。

原來，聖瑪竇福音是寫給已經皈依了基督的猶太人讀的，沒有理由再強調基督徒是新約時代的天主子民，但是由於牧靈上的考慮，仍有必要叮囑他們結出相稱的果實，隨時準備著向天主交納出產，來回應天主對他們的特別眷愛。 錄自梵蒂岡電台

2015 獻身生活年

獻身生活：

賜給教會的一份禮物

獻身生活遍及普世，並作福音性的見證，充分說明它不是邊緣性或孤立性的，而是影響著整個教會的事實。會議中的主教們經常強調：「這是與我們大家都有關係的事。」事實上，獻身生活位處教會的中心，是教會使命

的決定性因素，它彰顯「基督徒聖召的內在本質，」以及全教會以新娘身分，力求與其淨配相契的努力。主教會議中多次聲明，獻身生活非但在過去幫助、支持了教會，它更是今日及未來的天主子民一份可貴而必需的禮物，因為是天主子民的生命、聖化和使命中極親密的一部分。一些地區的某些修會組織，其目前的困難，不應引發質疑以下的事實：福音勸諭的誓約是教會整體生命不可缺的一部分，也是更精進地忠於福音所必須有的一股力量。從歷史角度而言，獻身生活的形式或許有所改變，但就實質而言，經由選擇而徹底自獻於主基督，並在祂內自獻於人類大家庭，這一點是不會有任何改變的。這分確信，在過去一直激勵著無數的人，至今仍持續著使基督徒保有信心，他們知道他們可以從這些慷慨大方者的貢獻，獲得有力的支持，繼續他們的天國之旅。

新聞及其他

2014 普世傳教節文告

親愛的兄弟姐妹們：

今天還有許許多多的兄弟姐妹們還不認識耶穌基督。為此，向外邦人傳教的任務尤為緊迫，這是教會全體成員蒙召參與的。因為教會本身就是傳教性的：教會是為「走出去」而誕生的。世界傳教節是各國信徒們用祈禱和具體團結互助行動支持傳教區年輕教會的首選時刻。這是感恩和喜樂的慶典。感恩，是因為天父派遣的聖神給予那些順從於祂行動的人們的睿智和剛毅。喜樂，是因為被派遣來福傳世界的天主子耶穌基督支持、伴隨我們的傳教使命。恰恰是耶穌的喜樂和傳教門徒們的喜樂是我想展示的聖經景象，也就是《路加福音》中揭示的（參見 10, 21-23）。

詳細內容請參閱梵蒂岡電台網址

堂區活動

「上主的所有門徒都
蒙召培養福傳的喜樂」

十月十九日

普世傳教節 2014

今年的普世傳教節主題「我要建立我的教會」瑪竇福音 16: 18。普世傳教節是普世教會及福傳的全球標誌。全世界的每一個堂區都會在十月慶祝。您的祈禱及奉獻將可支援世界遭遇災害及受戰爭蹂躪國家的難民提供緊急的援助，並提供醫療和運輸給予當地服務的神父、傳道員，信友及牧靈工作入員。它也提供了所有傳教神父日常生活需要的開支。普世傳教節是我們幫助全世界天主教團體成爲一家的機會。藉著所獲信仰恩寵的分享，我們將希望與愛心帶給那些有需要的人們。請爲普世傳教節祈禱，並在普世傳教節慷慨解囊。

願主永遠降福您們！

普世傳教節捐獻

10月19日將進行第二次捐獻作普世傳教節之用，請慷慨支持及回應。

十月敬禮聖母玫瑰月

十月份每台主日彌撒(包括星期六下午五時彌撒)前二十分,本堂將會集體誦唸玫瑰經。

玫瑰經卡

聖母會及聖母軍將於十月每台彌撒後派發玫瑰經卡，請教友按卡中祈禱意向在家中自行或與家人一齊誦唸玫瑰經。

代父母，代子女家庭玫瑰經聚會

十月爲特別敬禮聖母的月份。堂區福傳組誠意邀請各位代父母，代子女踴躍參加十月二十六日(星期日)中午十二時三十分至下午二時三十分在上禮堂舉行的家庭玫瑰經聚會，與聖母一同祈禱。

歡迎堂區所有代父母，代子女參加。是日特備午餐招待。

平日彌撒取消

因阮神父參與司鐸進修，10月7日(星期二)至11日(星期六)之早上九時彌撒及10月7日(星期二)之晚上七時彌撒取消。

2014 教區公益金

「讓我們一起來行動」

主題：「...以愛德行事的信德。」迦拉達書：第五章六節

今年本堂的配額爲\$24,300。懇請各位

教友繼續支持，合力幫助本土社區及國外成千上萬的勞苦大眾。

截至9月9日，捐款已累積至28,680元。捐款信封可在聖堂入口處索取。就讓我們立即行動，慷慨解囊！

活動一週

星期三、五 10月8,10日

永援聖母松柏軒

時間：上午9時至正午12時

地點：永援聖母堂上禮堂

星期五 10月10日

永援聖母堂童軍

時間：晚上6時30分至8時30分

地點：永援聖母堂上禮堂及下禮堂

星期六 10月11日

聖母軍

(聖母軍聖母無玷聖心支團)

時間：早上9時45分(開會)

地點：聖堂二樓騎士會室

楊式太極班

時間上午10時至12時30分

地點：永援聖母堂下禮堂

永援聖母大專青年團練習聖詩

時間：晚上6時至8時

地點：永援聖母堂下禮堂

信仰小團體(西北區)

時間：晚上7時30分至10時

聯絡：Wendy Tai 403-208-2268

星期日 10月12日

成人慕道班(粵語及英語)

時間上午9時30分至12時30分

地點：永援聖母堂下禮堂

聖言的力量

當我覺得天主好像離我很遠時 (瑪廿八 16-20)

十一個門徒就往加里肋亞，到耶穌給他們所指定的山上去了。他們一看見祂，就朝拜了祂，雖然有人還心中疑惑。耶穌便上前對他們說：「天上地下的一切權柄都交给了我，所以你們要去使萬民成爲門徒，因父及子及聖神之名給他們授洗，教訓他們遵守我所吩咐你們的一切。看！我同你們天天在一起，直到今世的終結。」

當我覺得心靈疲憊時 (瑪十一 25-30)

就在那時候，耶穌發言說：「父啊！天地的主宰！我稱謝你，因爲你將這些事瞞住了智慧和明達的人，而啓示給小孩子。是的，父啊！你原來喜歡這樣。我父將一切交给了我；除了父外，沒有人認識子；除了子和子所願意啓示的人外，也沒有人認識父。」

凡勞苦和負重擔的，你們都到我跟前來，我要使你們安息。你們背起我的軛，跟我學罷！因爲我是良善心謙的：這樣你們必要找得你們靈魂的安息，因爲我的軛是柔和的，我的擔子是輕鬆的。

心靈小品

生命旅程

生命是一個旅程。爲某些人，它是沒有意義的旅程，但爲我們，那是天主安排的一段旅程。祂在旅途的起點安放我們的脚步，讓我們上路，然後在旅途的終點等待我們。我們都知道，世無永城，我們的現世生命只是異域，不是家鄉。

把生命看成旅程或朝聖，至少解釋了生命的意義，它有助於解釋生命中的坎坷和悲傷。在旅途的終點，所有的事物將會被修正，一切也都能得到幸福的合一。我們是旅人，因此注定要面對許多的困難。然而我們將懷著信心去開始每個新的一天，相信一切所發生的事，對愛天主的人都有好處。世事無常，所以我們該提醒自己：「我只有一次機會走過此世，因此，如果有我可以表現的慈悲，或我能行的善，讓我現在就做它吧！千萬別遲延或忽視它，因爲我將不會再走過這同一條路。」

而且如果有時我們在途中感到疑惑，或甚至暫時迷失了方向，我們也知道何處可以找到路標。宗徒們像我們一樣，也經常陷於困惑。他們會對基督說：「主！我們怎麼知道那條路呢？」(若十四5)耶穌回答說：「我是道路、真理、生命。」(若十四6)

因爲基督是我們的道路，所以我們的旅行就成了神聖的。而且因爲我們是通過他走向父，所以我們不祇是生命

的旅人，我們也不祇是過客，我們是朝聖者。我們的生命是一次朝聖，否則，它就毫無意義與目的。

靈修小故事

「我來過，我很乖」

網路上有一則故事「我來過，我很乖」，記述著一個八歲即過世的小女孩，成長的故事，她出生即被人遺棄在草叢裡，而由好心單身的養父所帶大，女孩乖巧瞭解自己的身份和家庭情況，五歲起就幫忙做家事，在學校裡也努力讀書，為得是讓養父增添光彩。

她在八歲的時候被診斷出「急性白血症」，因為養父不識字，無力面對龐大的醫藥費，因此女孩放棄了就醫，但是消息傳出後，卻有許多的善心人士伸出了援手，提供所需要的醫藥費用，頓時使父女迎向一線曙光，即使如此仍然無法即時救回女孩的生命。她臨終前與養父留下合照，以便將來與養父作伴，剩餘的醫藥費則捐給醫院，為救治與她相同情況的孩子，最後她平安的結束人生的旅程，在墓碑上寫著「我來過，我很乖」。

生命的價值不在乎長短，而在於是否能夠在有限的條件下發光發熱，小女孩生命雖短，但已經將自己的愛發揮到極致，因此為四周的人們留下深刻的記憶。

知多一點點

聖職人員

聖職人員之培育

- 培育服務聖職的人員，是教會的職責，而且是其本有的和專有的權利。
- 整個基督信徒的團體有培育聖召的職責，以足夠供應整個教會的聖職需要；信徒家庭和教師，特別是司鐸，尤其是堂區主任更應盡此職責。教區主教在教會，極須努力推行聖召，教導託付給他的子民有關聖職的重要性以及聖職人員在教會的需要性，並請他們關心及支持，教會為此設立的事業。
- 司鐸們，尤其是教區主教，須努力以言語和行動，使自忖有聖職聖召之

成熟男子，得到細心的輔助，和相宜的準備。

- 已存在的小修院或其他類似的機構，應保存及維護，在其內為了培育聖召，應設法使宗教陶成，與人文和科學教育一併傳授；而教區主教認為適宜時，應設立小修院或類似的機構。
- 除非在某些情況下，環境不許可外，凡有意晉升司鐸之青年，應受人文及科學的教育，藉此準備在本地接受高等教育。
- 有意晉升司鐸的青年，應在大修院全部的時間中，接受適當的神修和司鐸本有職務的教育，如教區主教認為環境有此需要，至少為期四年。
- 凡在修院外合法居留者，教區主教應付託虔誠而適當的司鐸照顧之，使之接受神修生活和紀律的培養。
- 期望終身執事職位者，須照主教團的規定，接受神修生活的薰陶，以及為善盡其本職的課業：
 1. 如為青年，應在某特定住所至少居留三年，但教區主教因重大原因另有安排者除外。
 2. 如為已婚或獨身的成年人，應依主教團所規定的計劃受三年的陶成。