

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 2, 2022

St. John the Evangelist Church
309 Lotz Avenue, Altoona, PA 814-942-5503
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“If you have faith the size of a mustard seed,
you would say to this mulberry tree,
‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’ and it would obey you.”

Luke 17:6

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NEXT WEEK'S APPOINTMENTS

LECTORS

Sat. Oct. 8 - 4:00 PM - Maria Spayd,
Joyce Cunningham
Sun. Oct. 9 - 8:00 AM - Ginny Reeder, James Krug
Sun. Oct. 9 - 11:00 AM - Richard Consiglio, Bob Olson

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat. Oct. 8-4:00 PM - NOT FILLED, Sadie Swope
Sun. Oct. 9 - 8:00 AM - Nicholas Helsley, Emily Miller
Sun. Oct. 9 - 11:00 AM - Camille Krug , Colin Schurr

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Sat. Oct. 8 - 4:00 PM - Connie Baker, NOT FILLED
Sun. Oct. 9 - 8:00 AM - Darlene Scarpaci
Sun. Oct. 9 - 11:00 AM - Barbara Bundy,
Dolores Capriotti

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY

Sat. Oct. 8 - 4:00 PM - David Langguth, Betsy Lloyd,
Dennis Moughemer, Karen Moughemer
Sun. Oct. 9 - 8:00 AM - Lou Ann Clark, Carolyn English,
Ed Stoltz, Mary Turesdale
Sun. Oct. 9 -11:00 AM - Walter Bloom, Peg Madden,
Wendy Campbell , Mary Grace Horton

SACRISTAN

Sat. Oct. 8 - 4:00 PM - Jane Byrne
Sun. Oct. 9 - 8:00 AM - Darlene Scarpaci
Sun. Oct. 9 - 11:00 AM - Marilyn Bevan

SCRIP

Sat. Oct. 8 - 4:00 PM - Julie Beiswenger, Becky Merilli
Sun. Oct. 9 - 8:00 AM - Chris Palazzi, NOT FILLED
Sun. Oct. 9 - 11:00 AM - Peg Madden , Marge Rudolph

October Prayer Intention of Pope Francis For a Church open to everyone

We pray for the Church; ever faithful to,
and courageous in preaching the Gospel,
may the Church be a community of solidarity,
fraternity and welcome, always living in an
atmosphere of synodality.

MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY • TUESDAY - 8:30 AM
WEDNESDAY - 6:00 PM
THURSDAY • FRIDAY - 8:30 AM
SATURDAY - 4:00 PM
SUNDAY - 8:00 AM & 11:00 AM

A Few Words from the Pastor:

BLESSING OUR PETS! - Remember that this Sunday at 1 o'clock in the front circle we will have our annual blessing of pets, as we seek the intercession of St. Francis of Assisi, who was such a great friend of God's creatures!

MASS OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK - Now that the coronavirus is much better managed, we can resume having our annual Mass of Anointing. Please mark your calendars for this special Mass of Healing which will be celebrated on Sunday afternoon, October 16, at 2:00 PM. This will be an ideal time to reach out to those who have been homebound and arrange for their transportation to this important celebration. This liturgy is for all those who desire to receive the healing touch of Christ, whether one's challenges are physical, emotional, or spiritual. Christ the Healer extends his loving embrace to all! Please plan on joining us!

PRAYING FOR VOCATIONS! We are well aware of our need for vocations to the priesthood. This need is felt not only in our own diocese, but throughout the world, particularly North America and Europe. You will notice in the General Intercessions offered at each Mass that we have included weekly a prayer for an increase in vocations. You are urged to listen attentively to these intercessions and to make prayer for vocations an important part of your daily prayer. As Jesus reminds us, "*the harvest is great but laborers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into the harvest!*"

POPE FRANCIS SPEAKS! In this final Sunday of the "Season of Creation," (1 September to 4 October) Pope Francis encourages us to be attentive to our responsibility toward God's creation! He writes: *I exhort everyone to see the world through the eyes of God the Creator: the earth is an environment to be safeguarded, a garden to be cultivated. The relationship of mankind with nature must not be conducted with greed, manipulation and exploitation, but it must conserve the divine harmony that exists between creatures and Creation within the logic of respect and care, so it can be put to the service of our brothers, also of future generations.*



FORMED - We are excited to announce that we have decided to invest in an online Catholic video database service called Formed. Formed is a powerful video and program library full of bible studies, topical series on the Sacraments, movies on the saints, books on tape and much more. Each and every parishioner can access this whole library of video content from their own homes! Here is how you can start watching content on Formed.org:

Go to - <https://signup.formed.org/>

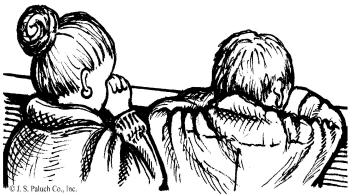
Search for the zip code 16602, and then select St. John the Evangelist Parish

Instructions on signing in and instructions on how to access Formed on different streaming devices (firestick or Roku) or cell phones/tablets (IOS or Droid) can be found on the formed website.

THIS WEEK'S SAINTLY COMPANIONS - Saint Francis of Assisi (Oct 4th) and Our Lady of the Rosary (Oct 7th)

Saint Francis of Assisi October 4th - (c.1181- October 3rd, 1226) – Francis was infamous for his party lifestyle in his youth. After fighting in a battle between the cities of Assisi and Perugia, Francis was captured and held for ransom for almost a year. After he was ransomed, Francis heard the voice of Christ calling him to repair the Church; therefore, he gave up his prior life, and embarked on a life of gospel poverty. Eventually, St. Francis wrote a rule for his followers that is used by Franciscans friars today. St. Francis is famous for embarking on a trip to convert the Sultan of Egypt, for having the stigmata (the wounds of Christ), and for his "Canticle of the Sun." St. Francis is the patron saint of animals, archaeologists, ecology, and Italy.

Our Lady of the Rosary October 7th - Saint Pius V established the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary in 1573 after the victory of the Christians at the battle of Lepanto. The victory over the Turkish navy by a Christian European alliance was attributed to widespread praying of the rosary, hence the feast day. During the Middle Ages, monks would pray all 150 psalms each day, and the practice of praying the rosary was a way for lay Catholics to pray along with those monks without having to learn all of the psalms. According to legend, the rosary was first given to St. Dominic, the founder of the Dominican Friars, by Mary around AD 1200. October is the Month of the Rosary because of this memorial, Our Lady of the Rosary.



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Come, let us bow down in worship;
let us kneel before the LORD
who made us.

—Psalm 95:6

Schedule for the Week

Sunday, October 2 - The 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM - Mass for *People of the Parish*
11:00 AM - Mass for *Stephan Fix* requested by
Brenda & Alex Fix

Monday, October 3 - Weekday

8:30 AM - Mass for *Barbara Neral* requested by
Bill & Norma Foose

Tuesday, October 4 - St. Francis of Assisi

8:30 AM - Mass for *Ida Prosperi* requested by
John Prosperi

Wednesday, October 5 - Weekday

5:30 PM - Confessions
6:00 PM - Mass for *David Petrak* requested by
Mary Petrak

Thursday, October 6 - Weekday

8:30 AM - Mass for *Frank Mento* requested by
Bob & Ginny Reeder

Friday, October 7 - Our Lady of the Rosary

8:30 AM - Mass for *Donna & Tim Sheehan* requested by
Connie Burkett

Saturday, October 8 - Vigil of The 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM - Mass for *David Thomas* requested by
Bob & Ginny Reeder

Sunday, October 9 - The 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM - Mass for *Dave Petrak* requested by
Mary Petrak
11:00 AM - Mass for *People of the Parish*

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gal 1:6-12; Ps 111:1b-2, 7-9, 10c; Lk 10:25-37
Tuesday: Gal 1:13-24; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-15; Lk 10:38-42
Wednesday: Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Lk 11:1-4
Thursday: Gal 3:1-5; Lk 1:69-75; Lk 11:5-13
Friday: Gal 3:7-14; Ps 111:1b-6; Lk 11:15-26
Saturday: Gal 3:22-29; Ps 105:2-7; Lk 11:27-28
Sunday: 2 Kgs 5:14-17; Ps 98:1-4; 2 Tm 2:8-13; Lk 17:11-19

FAMILIES AND THE GOSPEL: Faith is one of those things we just can't get enough of! In today's gospel the apostles asked Jesus to "Increase our faith." It is faith in ourselves, our spouse, our children and our parents which equips us to overlook annoyances helps us to forgive and urges us to ask forgiveness. "Lord, increase our faith!" *Reprinted with permission: A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar.*

STEWARSHIP CORNER: Today's readings urge us to wait in hope, and remind us that we are equipped by the Holy Spirit with power to love and have self-control. Through God's invitation and grace, we can use our gifts as faithful disciples and prudent stewards to build up God's Kingdom here on earth. Like the servant, we are expected to continue to serve our Lord until we have completed the work God has given us. Our very lives belong to God. When we share our time, talents, and finances we should not ask, "What's in it for me?" Whatever we do on God's behalf with our lives and our gifts is simply our God-given responsibility. (*Stewardship Reflections by Catholic Stewardship Consultants*, 9/2019)

September 17/18 2022

Envelopes	\$ 3,704.00
Loose Offerings	\$ 484.70
Children's Offerings	\$ 5.00
Parish Development	\$ 65.00
Catholic University	\$ 25.00
Retired Priest Medical	\$ 50.00
Food Bank Collection	\$ 60.00
Online Giving	\$ 1,582.00
Total Offertory	\$ 5,975.00

Catholic Ministries Drive

January 1 - August 31

Gifts/Pledges \$39,555

Goal - \$42,211

PUMPKINFEST SOUP SALE: Saturday, October 15, is the annual Pumpkinfest in downtown Hollidaysburg. We will be selling homemade soup to benefit our Twin Parish: Sts. Peter & Paul, Haiti. Please help by making soup and/or helping out at the booth. Signup sheets are on the kiosk in the Gathering Space. There are also envelopes in the Gathering Space for those who cannot help, but would like to make donation. For more information, please contact the office or Ginny (695-7671). Thank you.



Hollidaysburg Pumpkin Festival

GIVE US THIS DAY: Give Us This Day is a monthly publication centered on the Word of God. Drawing inspiration from a multitude of voices, it provides a relevant and trustworthy understanding of Scripture. If you would like



to renew or begin a new subscription to Give Us This Day, you can place your \$30 payment in the envelope in the Gathering Space and drop it in the collection. Because the subscription runs from December 2022 through November 2023, we need to place our order at the beginning of October.

ST JOHN'S PRAYER LIST

Please call Ginny Reeder (695-7671) or email her at ginnen.reeder@gmail.com to add or remove someone from the prayer list. PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING and their caregivers and give thanks for those who have recovered. *Lord we ask for your blessings and care for these and all people in need:*

Aiden • Seth Alexander • Janine Anna • Joshua Banks
Bernie Beiswenger • Scott Brenneman • Dan Burley
Cari Ann • Arthur Campbell • Cheryl Cherry
Michelle Cooney • Mary Lee DeStefano
Michael DeStefano • Kathy Felty • Leann Frazier
Donna Harpster • Norman Hastings • Don James
Nancy James • Tim Jimenez • Lisa • Bradley Johnson
Sherri Maffettone • Genevieve Mathias
Angela Mazzei • Susie Miller • Karrie McCall
Sylvia Louise Mills • Ailani Myers • Patricia Olson
Linda Pletcher • Mary Rajnish • Ryan Raybuck
Allison Recker • Vicki Riley • John Rita • Carol Rodgers
Olga Romerowicz • Mike Rudolph • Bruce Shank
Anne Showalter • Betsy Slat • Mary Jo Stephenson
David Sunderland • Patty Swanson • Rick Swanson
Tim Temofonte • Marion Tessitore • Mary Truesdale
Kathy Wagner • Lois Werfel

Please respect the person's right to privacy and secure permission before placing a name on the Prayer List.

We ask that when a person recovers you call the office and have their name removed from the list.

SCRIP TIP: You spend a big portion of your monthly budget on groceries and gas. By using scrip to pay for your regular grocery purchases, you can earn funds for our church every time you shop. You pay face value and your gift card is worth face value, but St. John's earns a rebate on every gift card you purchase. If you spend just \$100 a week on scrip grocery cards for Giant Eagle, Martins, Weiss or Hometown Market, you can earn 4% of that for St. John's! Our scrip program has gift cards for Sheetz, Martin Oil Co., Giant Eagle and Martin Food Stores in stock. Earn from 3% to 5% of your total purchase for St. John's by purchasing these cards from us. Pick up a scrip order form at the scrip table the next time you come to mass and start ordering your grocery and gas gift cards through scrip.

You can also shop gift cards from more than 750 top brands to earn on your daily purchases with the mobile app RaiseRight by ShopWithScrip. Anytime you want, anywhere you go. Get the app: <https://www.raiseright.com/> For more information, contact our scrip coordinator, Chris Palazzi at cpalazzi52@yahoo.com.

Download our RaiseRight
mobile app



FAITH FORMATION NEWS

- October 2: NO CLASS
- October 9: CLASS - 9:15 - 10:45 AM
- October 16: NO CLASS
- October 23: CLASS - 9:15 - 10:45 AM
 - 9th Grade Fall Session (The Creed)
 - 10th Grade Fall session (Scripture)
- October 30: NO CLASS K-8
- October 30: 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM 11th Grade Fall Session
- October 30: 1:00 PM TRUNK OR TREAT
 - If you would like more information or have questions, please contact Diane Ryan at 814-942-5503 or email stjohnsecretary@atlanticbb.net.

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Lord Jesus Christ, shepherd of souls, who called the apostles to be fishers of men, raise up new apostles in your holy Church.

Teach them that to serve you is

to reign: to possess you is to possess all things. Kindle in the hearts of our young people the fire of zeal for souls. Make them eager to spread your kingdom upon earth. Grant them courage to follow you, who are the Way, the Truth, and the Life; who live and reign forever and ever. Amen.

NOCTURNAL ADORATION: Adoration for the First Friday of the Month will be celebrated here at St. John the Evangelist Church this Friday, October 7, from 8 PM until 11 PM. The suggested hour for St. John's parishioners is from 10 PM to 11 PM. Please join in this time of prayer.

HAITI STUDENT SPONSORSHIP 2022-2023: Please consider sponsoring a student in our sister parish, Sts. Peter and Paul, for \$150. The political and economic conditions in Haiti have deteriorated since we began our consistent trips in 2009. It is too dangerous to visit now. Our continued assistance in prayer and finances is more essential than ever to keep the school open and the parish a center of community and charitable support. Money for Haiti is wired from our bank to theirs. It is received by the pastor, Father Bernard, who then sends a financial report for each contribution. Thank you for your continued generosity for our mission. Envelopes are located in the Gathering Space. Please return in the collection basket or the office by October 2.





ANNUAL MARIAN CELEBRATION FAMILY MASS AND ROSARY

Sunday, October 2nd at 3:00 PM

"Mary and the Holy Eucharist"

Principal Celebrant, Bishop Mark Bartchak
St. Benedict Church
2310 Bedford Street
Johnstown, PA 15904

MENTAL HEALTH WORKSHOPS: The Family Life Office and Catholic Charities are working with the National Alliance on Mental Illness to offer Mental Health Workshops for our Diocese. The focus of these workshops will be to identify mental health risk factors in others, to address our own mental wellness, and to help us know how to respond to crises. This will be especially helpful to pastors caring for their flock, as well as anyone who is in need or knows someone who is. The first workshop will be on Thursday, October 13, from 1:00-4:00pm at the Diocesan Pastoral Center in Altoona. *There is no cost to attend, but please register in advance by Monday, October 10.* You may register online at <https://www.wesharegiving.org/App/Form/218fc0ce-d3b7-4361-8bae-9a7292bf9bf1> or by calling the Pastoral Center at 814-695-5579 x0.

CALLING ALL SINGERS AND RINGERS! Our Youth Choir (grades 2 – 9) begins rehearsing this Tuesday, October 4, from 6:00 to 7:00. *Singing in the choir is a great way for our students to become more engaged in the Liturgy. Music plays a vital role in our liturgical prayer.* In choir, children grow in their faith, develop an appreciation for the rich musical tradition of the Roman Catholic Church, and learn to provide an important ministry to their parish. The Youth Handbell Choir will begin later on Thursdays from 6 to 7, but requires 8 ringers to begin and to date we have about 4. The Adult Choir rehearses every Wednesday evening from 7:00 to 8:30. In addition to adults, high school students are also welcome to sing in the Adult Choir. There is no audition and you do not need to know how to read music.



Choir News

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Anyone interested in joining the Adult Choir is invited to come to rehearsal on Wednesday, October 5 at 7:00. For more information, contact Debbie Johnson at 931-2867.

Can you fit us into your schedule this year? For more information, contact Deborah Johnson 814-931-2867.

ROSARY RALLY: Saturday, October 8th at noon to mark the 105th Anniversary of the Miracle of the Sun at Fatima Portugal. The Rosary Rally will be held in the Saint Matthew School (1105 Cameron Avenue, Tyrone PA) parking lot (near the statue of the Blessed Mother) Chairs will be provided. Light refreshments afterwards. In case of inclement weather, the rosary will be held in the Gathering Space between the church and school.

JOURNEY THROUGH LOSS AT ST. ROSE OF LIMA AND ST.

JOHN THE EVANGELIST PARISHES: Have you, a family member, or a friend experienced a significant loss through death? Whether your loss was this year, or in the past, you are invited to join the Journey Through Loss support group. We come together to share or to listen, to connect with others who understand, to learn about common grief experiences, and to cling to Christ our great hope. Journey Through Loss is a Christian based support group. All faiths are welcome.

We will meet from 1:30-3:00 at the St. Rose rectory on Thursday afternoons, for six weeks from November 3rd through December 15th. To register or for more information contact

Mary Petrak, (814) 502-6076 or mfpetrak@hotmail.com

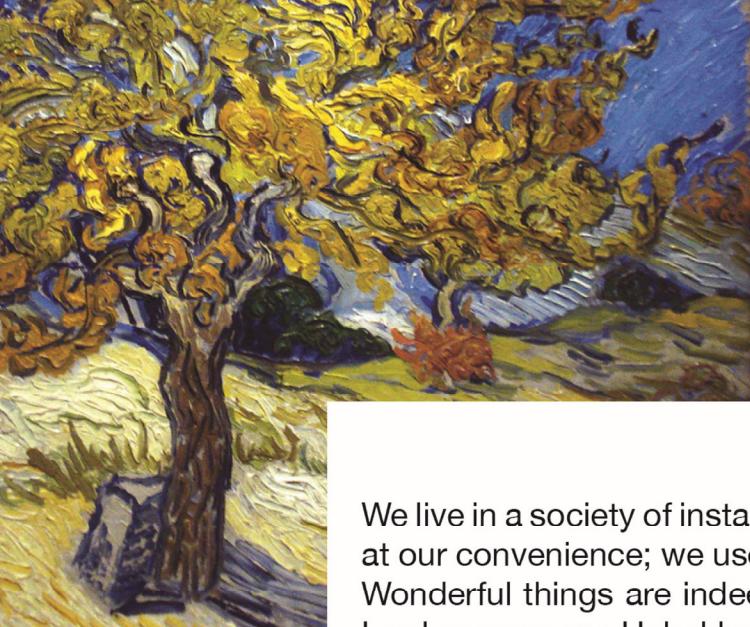
CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS:

Court Prince Gallitzin #2625 — Serves all 11 Altoona parishes and beyond. New members are always welcome! Find us online at: cda2625.com. Catholic Daughters primary focus is Spirituality and Service! On Monday, October 10, 2022, please join us for our monthly business meeting, in the basement of Saint Rose of Lima, also known as the Social Hall! Use the entry between the Maria Parish Center and the school, through the double glass doors. Social begins at 6:30 PM and the business meeting begins at 7:00 PM.

If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact us at <https://cda2625.com/contact/>



LIFE CHAIN SUNDAY: The Altoona Life Chain will be held this Sunday, October 2nd, from 2:00-3:00pm along 17th Street (near Station Medical Center). Please come and spend one hour in prayer as we publicly witness for the unborn and their mothers. We are at a critical juncture in our society and we encourage people of faith to prayerfully join with us to witness to the sacredness of all human life. All are welcome. For more information call 814-946-0681.



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PATIENCE

We live in a society of instant gratification. We download and stream and binge-watch at our convenience; we use drive-throughs or have our food and groceries delivered. Wonderful things are indeed coming, but we must learn patience and humility! The Lord encourages Habakkuk to quit being impatient and wait for the vision to mature. Anyone who has started a fire knows how patient you must be to, as Paul admonishes, "Stir into flame the gift of God you have," and to guard it well. Even in their good zeal, Jesus slows down the apostles. He equates faith to a mustard seed and tells them to settle down. As it takes that little seed many years to become a great tree, the Apostles and disciples must spend their time in service and grow in learning and love, and faith will come with it.

LESS IS MORE

The last few weeks, we have seen Jesus speaking in parables that were long and complex, and sometimes it was difficult to find the point of his message. But today he speaks simply to the Apostles and gives them a graphic image that is very easy to grasp. Think of how many pictures you have seen with an open hand holding mustard seeds, or the image of the seeds and the grown tree. The thing is, those photos are worth a thousand words. One could call it the "elevator pitch" on faith. Jesus provides his followers with a touchstone to hold onto, a spiritual roadmap as it were. But along with that beloved parable is a more difficult message.

REMEMBER WHO YOU ARE

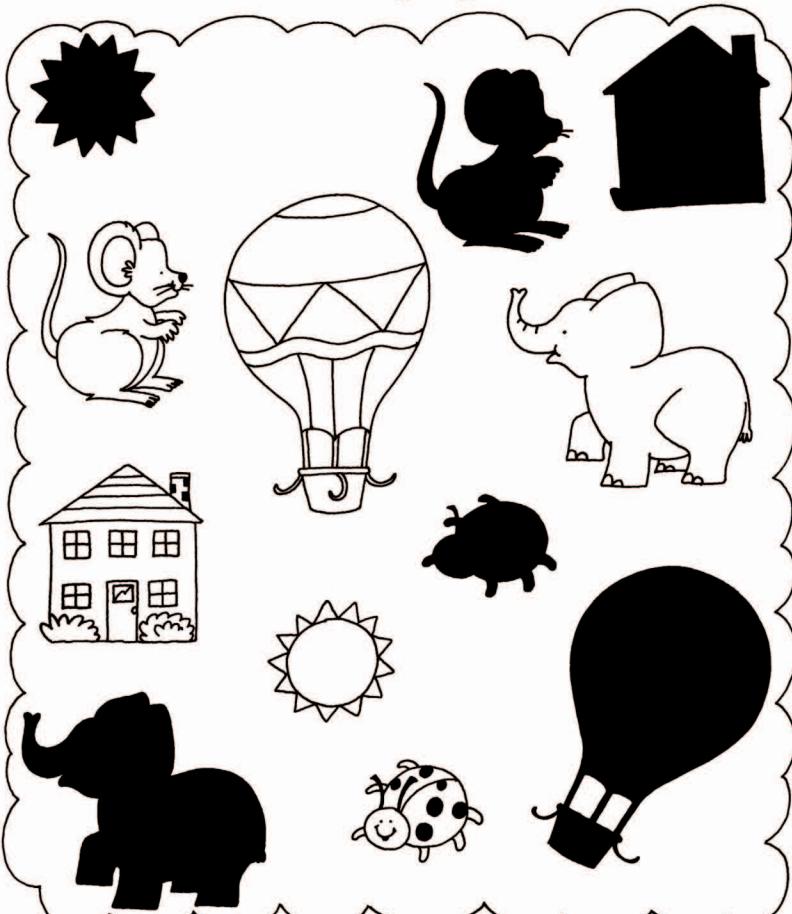
At some point, Jesus must just get exasperated with these folks. The Apostles and disciples have been following him for how long now? And they still don't understand. The kingdom of God is not about how great you are on earth, or how much faith you have. There is much work to be done. He reminds them that they are still the folks who are going to be cooking dinner when they come home in the evening. They are the servants. Their work continues until the kitchen is clean! Similarly, it is not enough for us to simply show up to church on Sunday morning. We must be servants in our daily lives. On my computer screen is a yellow sticky note that says "If serving is below you, then leadership is above you." Right now, "Servant Leadership" is a big buzzword phrase bordering on overuse, but there is a lot of truth to it. Some of the ways we may lead our families, our workgroups, our faith groups include: listening to others, showing empathy, healing yourself through work-life balance, developing your self-awareness, and being a good steward. Wrap it any way you want, it is all about being a good Christian. Have faith. Serve others. Watch it grow!

TODAY'S READINGS

Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4
Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9
2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14
Luke 17:5-10

God's Word for Children

Jesus told his apostles
if they had faith the size of something small (a mustard seed)
they could move something big (a mulberry tree).
Match these small and big things to their shadows.



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Do you know that God doesn't give us a cowardly spirit?
Find what the Bible says we are given instead (2 Timothy 1:7).

Look at the letter below each blank.

Then locate it in the alphabet and move to the right (+) or
left (-) according to the number shown.

The first letter has been written in.

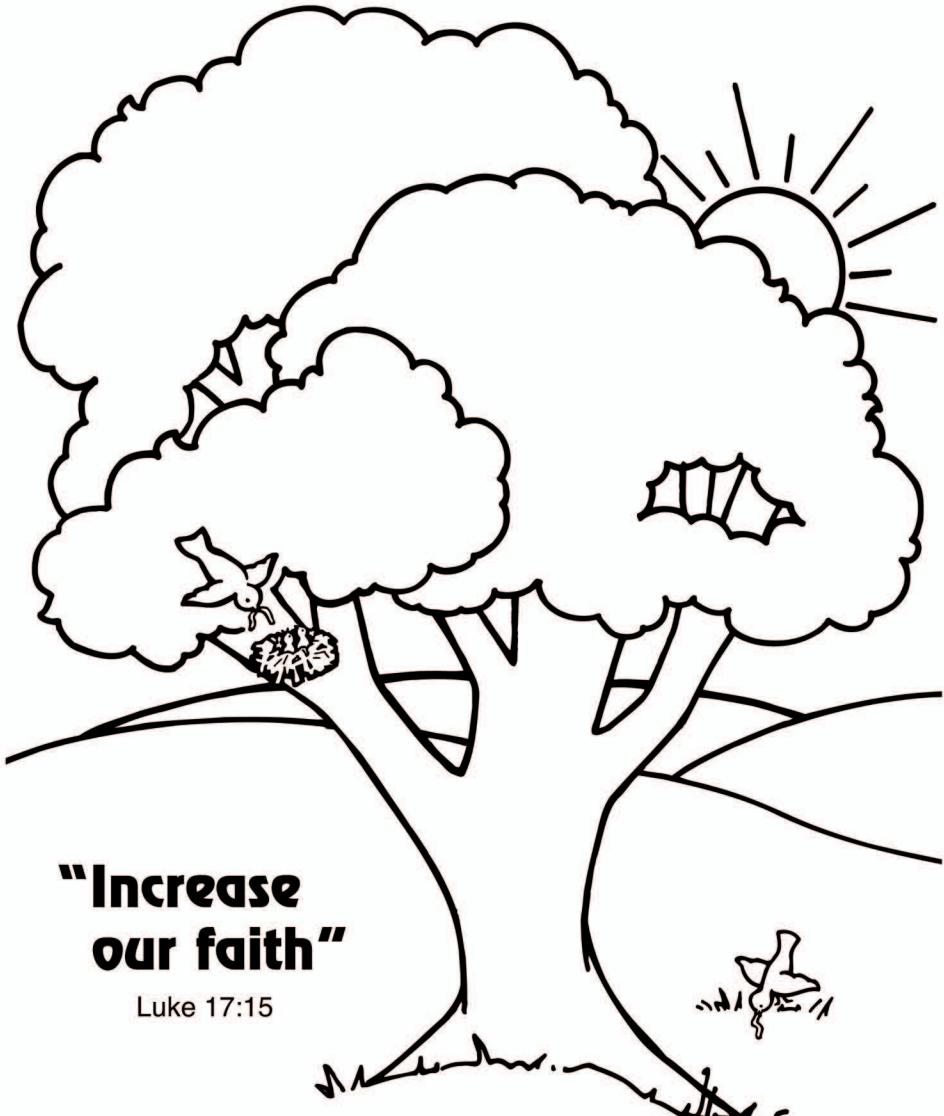
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$Z-7$ $C+2$ $G+5$ $J-4$ $B+1$ $K+4$ $V-8$ $R+2$ $X-6$ $M+2$ $M-1$





**"Increase
our faith"**

Luke 17:15



OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY

On October 7 we remember Our Lady of the Rosary.

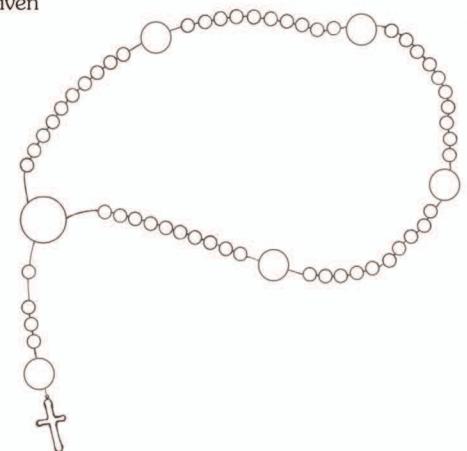
In the ninth century Irish monks would chant the 150 psalms of the Bible as part of their prayer. People who lived nearby and heard this beautiful devotion wanted to pray as the monks did. But many people could not read, and it was difficult to memorize the psalms without written copies, so they were encouraged to recite 150 prayers. Very often they prayed the Our Father 150 times.

With such a large number of prayers, people needed a way to keep count of how many they said. They began by putting 150 small pebbles into a container. Each time they said a prayer they moved a pebble from one container to another. Eventually they tied fifty knots in a thin rope and counted it three times to add up to 150 prayers. Finally they settled on using a string connecting small pieces of wood or beads in groups of ten.

Throughout Europe at that time many people recited a prayer known as the Angelic Salutation. This prayer, the angel's greeting to Mary, is what we know today as the Hail Mary. While people prayed they meditated on the life of Jesus and Mary. These meditations were referred to as *rosaria*, a word referring to roses or rose gardens. Appropriately, this collection of prayers was compared to a bouquet of roses given to Mary.

Our rosary today is composed of five groups of ten beads called decades. Each decade is prayed by saying the Our Father, then ten Hail Mary, one on each bead. We also pray the Glory Be after the tenth bead of the decade. The rosary has a long and beautiful history of people creating a special way to pray and think about Jesus and Mary.

During October, the month dedicated to the rosary, gather with your family to pray the rosary together. It is a beautiful way to honor Mary and unite your family. On this rosary color the large Our Father beads blue. Color each Hail Mary bead red, the color of roses.



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