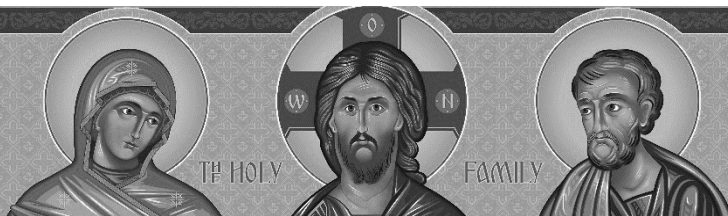


*Holy  
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*Catholic  
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## 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

YEAR A

8<sup>th</sup> October 2023

### FIRST READING : Isaiah 5:1-7

Let me sing to my friend the song of his love for his vineyard. My friend had a vineyard on a fertile hillside. He dug the soil, cleared it of stones and planted choice vines in it. In the middle he built a tower, he dug a press there too. He expected it to yield grapes, but sour grapes were all that it gave. And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah, I ask you to judge between my vineyard and me. What could I have done for my vineyard that I have not done? I expected it to yield grapes. Why did it yield sour grapes instead? Very well, I will tell you what I am going to do to my vineyard: I will take away its hedge for it to be grazed on, and knock down its wall for it to be trampled on. I will lay it waste, unpruned, undug; overgrown by the briar and the thorn. I will command the clouds to rain no rain on it. Yes, the vineyard of the Lord of Hosts is the House of Israel, and the men of Judah that chosen plant. He expected justice, but found bloodshed, integrity, but only a cry of distress.

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM : Psalm 79(80):9,12-16,19-20



℟ The vine-*yard of the Lord is the house of- Is-rael.*

*You brought a vine out of Egypt, to plant it, you drove out the nations. It stretched out its branches to the sea, to the Great River it stretched out its shoots. ℟*

*Then why have you broken its walls? It is plucked by all who pass by. It is ravaged by the boar of the forest, devoured by the beasts of the field. ℟*

*God of hosts, turn again we implore, look down from heaven and see. Visit this vine and protect it, the vine your right hand has chosen. ℟*

*And we shall never forsake you again: give us life that we may call upon your name. God of hosts, bring us back: let your face shine on us and we shall be saved. ℟*

### SECOND READING : Philippians 4:6-9

There is no need to worry; but if there is anything you need, pray for it, asking God for it with prayer and thanksgiving, and that peace of God, which is so much greater than we can understand, will guard your hearts and your thoughts, in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers, fill your minds with everything that is true, everything that is noble, everything that is good and pure, everything that we love and honour, and everything that can be thought virtuous or worthy of praise. Keep doing all the things that you learnt from me and have been taught by me and have heard or seen that I do. Then the God of peace will be with you.

### GOSPEL : Matthew 21:33-43

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'Listen to another parable. There was a man, a landowner, who planted a vineyard; he fenced it round, dug a winepress in it and built a tower; then he leased it to tenants and went abroad. When vintage time drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his servants, thrashed one, killed another and stoned a third. Next, he sent some more servants, this time a larger number, and they dealt with them in the same way. Finally, he sent his son to them. "They will respect my son" he said. But when the tenants saw the son, they said to each other, "This is the heir. Come on, let us kill him and take over his inheritance." So they seized him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?' They answered, 'He will bring those wretches to a wretched end and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will deliver the produce to him when the season arrives.' Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the scriptures: It was the stone rejected by the builders that became the keystone. This was the Lord's doing and it is wonderful to see? 'I tell you, then, that the kingdom of God will be taken from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit.'

"On the day of my ordination, I made two resolutions: 1. I would offer the Holy Eucharist every Saturday in honor of the Blessed Mother to solicit her protection on my priesthood. The Epistle to the Hebrews bids the priest offer sacrifices not only for others, but also for himself, since his sins are greater because of the dignity of the office. 2. I resolved also to spend a continuous Holy Hour every day in the presence of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament." Archbishop Fulton Sheen

"The devil is afraid of us when we pray and make sacrifices. He also is afraid when we are humble and good. He is especially afraid when we love Jesus very much. He runs away when we make the Sign of the Cross."

*St. Anthony of the Desert*

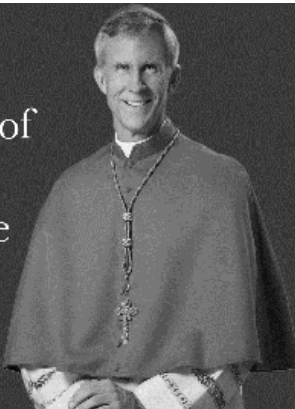
"... A MAN WHO GROWS  
**ACCUSTOMED**  
TO THE USE OF  
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MAY FORGET THE REVERENCE  
DUE TO **A WOMAN**, AND,  
DISREGARDING HER PHYSICAL AND  
EMOTIONAL EQUILIBRIUM,  
**REDUCE HER** TO BEING A MERE  
INSTRUMENT FOR THE SATISFACTION OF  
HIS OWN DESIRES, NO LONGER  
CONSIDERING HER AS HIS PARTNER  
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**CARE AND AFFECTION.**"

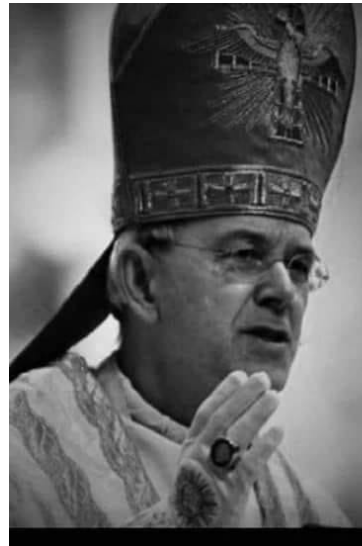
- PAUL VI, HUMANAE VITAE 17

"The road to hell is paved with the skulls of bishops, and I don't want to be part of the pavement."

**Bishop Joseph Strickland**



"We wish to make it clear that departure from the Church's teaching, or silence about it, in an effort to provide pastoral care is neither caring nor pastoral. Only what is true can ultimately be pastoral." - Joseph Ratzinger



We must put an end to Communion in the hand. The entire Church has to kneel down again before Our Eucharistic Lord, to love Him, to venerate Him. Only then will her heart be healed.

- Bishop Athanasius Schneider

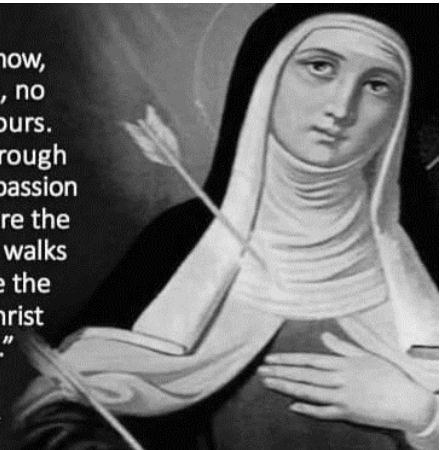
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When churchmen give the impression that the Church's moral teaching has changed or will be changed, this cannot fail to lead some of the faithful into sinfully acting contrary to that teaching, and others to doubt the Church's claim to indefectibility. And when sycophants blame only the faithful for being scandalized, but not the churchmen who scandalize them, it compounds the harm, for it reinforces such churchmen in their dereliction of duty and leads those who doubt into further despair. "Woe to the world because of scandals. For it must needs be that scandals come: but nevertheless *woe to that man by whom the scandal cometh*" (Matthew 18:7).

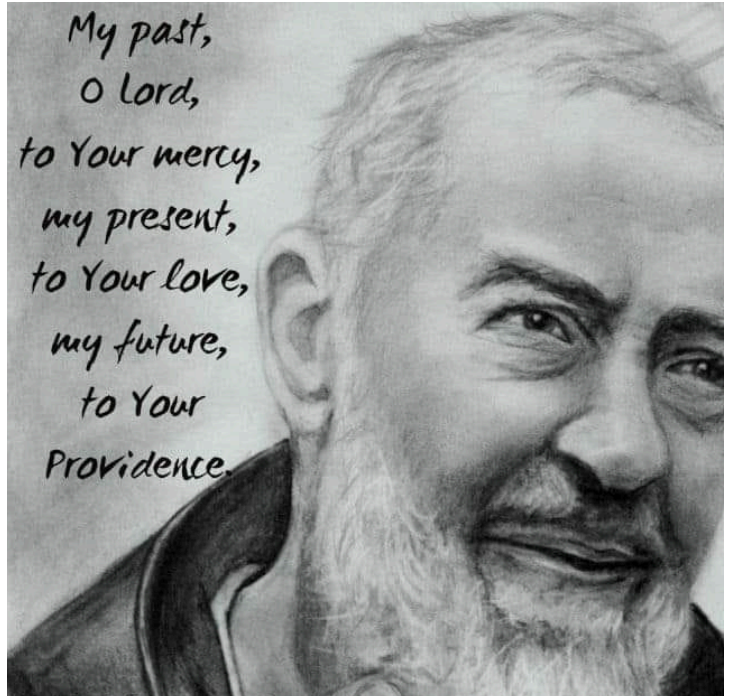
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"Christ has no body now, but yours, no hands, no feet on earth, but yours. Yours are the eyes through which Christ looks compassion into the world. Yours are the feet with which Christ walks to do good. Yours are the hands with which Christ blesses the world."

*St. Teresa of Avila*



My past,  
O Lord,  
to Your mercy,  
my present,  
to Your love,  
my future,  
to Your  
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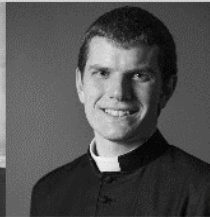
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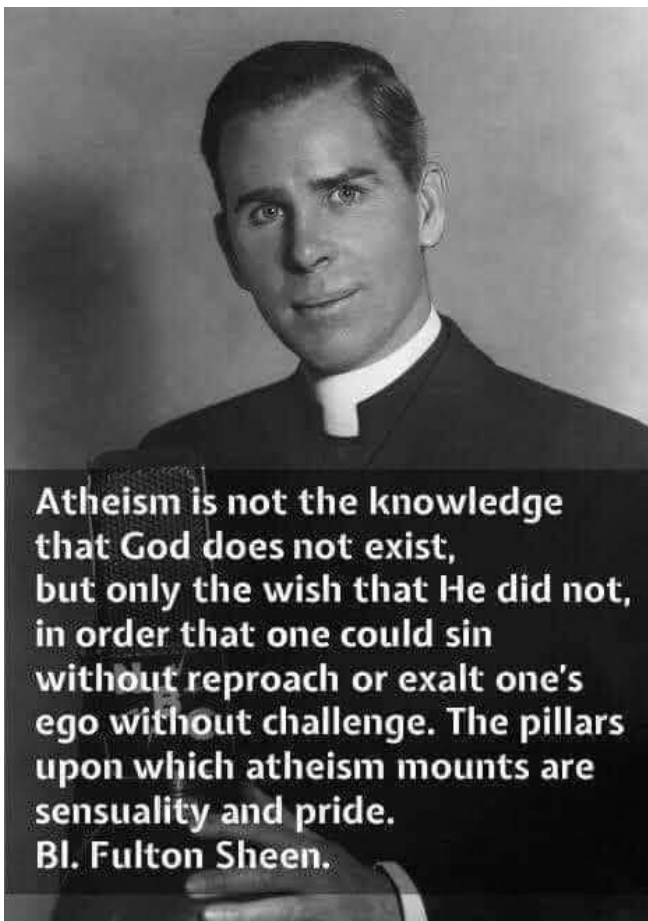
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**Atheism is not the knowledge that God does not exist, but only the wish that He did not, in order that one could sin without reproach or exalt one's ego without challenge. The pillars upon which atheism mounts are sensuality and pride.**  
Bl. Fulton Sheen.

We can infer the manner in which souls suffer in purgatory. The fire, when applied, would be powerless over them if they did not have imperfections from which to suffer. These imperfections are the fuel that catches on fire, and once they are gone there is nothing left to burn. So it is here on earth; when the imperfections are gone, the soul's suffering terminates, and joy remains.

St. John of the Cross, *The Dark Night of the Soul*

**Let us remember that love lives through sacrifice and is nourished by giving. Without sacrifice, there is no love.**

- St. Maximilian Kolbe -

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN:**

We gather to worship God,  
in truth and in spirit,  
We gather to be made holy,  
to build up the Body of Christ  
United in Jesus  
that God might be all in all.

We gather to know His Word,  
be fed by His Body,  
We gather to make thanksgiving  
by offering the Spotless Lamb,  
And offering ourselves  
that God might be all in all.

O Sacrifice of the Cross,  
extended through the ages,  
A memorial for Your spouse  
of your death and resurrection,  
Our gift to the Father  
that God might be all in all.

O Banquet where Christ is consumed,  
O Sacrament of love,  
O Bond of purest charity,  
O sign of perfect unity,  
O pledge of the glory  
when God will be all in all

**OFFERTORY HYMN:**

The Church's one Foundation is Jesus  
Christ her Lord; She is his new  
creation by water and the Word:  
From Heav'n he came and sought her  
to be his holy bride; with his own  
blood he bought her, and for her life  
he died.

Elect from ev'ry nation, yet one o'er  
all the earth, her charter of salvation  
One Lord, one faith, one birth; one  
holy Name she blesses, partakes one  
holy food, And to one hope she  
presses, with ev'ry grace endued.

Though with a scornful wonder men  
see her sore oppressed. By schisms  
rent asunder, by heresies distressed,  
Yet saints their watch, are keeping,  
their cry goes up, "How long?" And  
soon the night of weeping shall be  
the morn of song.

'Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult  
of her war, she waits the  
consummation of peace  
forevermore; till with the vision  
glorious her longing eyes are blest,  
And the great church victorious  
shall be the church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union with God  
the Three in One,  
And mystic sweet communion with  
those whose rest is won:  
O happy ones and holy!  
Lord, give us grace that we, Like  
them, the meek and lowly, on high  
may dwell with thee.

**COMMUNION HYMN:**

*(English translation)*  
*On the Babylonian river we sat and wept*  
*when we remembered thee, Zion.*  
*On the aspens of that land,*  
*we hung up our harps.*

O thou, who at thy Eucharist didst pray  
that all thy Church might be for ever  
one, grant us at every Eucharist to say  
with longing heart and soul, "thy will  
be done." O may we all one Bread, one  
Body be, through this blest Sacrament  
of unity.

For all thy Church, O Lord, we  
intercede; make thou our sad divisions  
soon to cease; draw us the nearer each  
to each, we plead, by drawing all to  
thee, O Prince of Peace; thus may we all  
one Bread, one Body be, through this  
blest Sacrament of unity.

We pray thee too for wanderers from  
thy fold; O bring them back, good  
Shepherd of the sheep, back to the faith  
which saints believed of old, back to  
the Church which still that faith doth  
keep; soon may we all one Bread, one  
Body be, through this blest Sacrament  
of unity.

**RECESSIONAL HYMN:**

Hail, Queen of heav'n, the ocean star,  
Guide of the wand'rer here below;  
Thrown on life's surge,  
we claim thy care:  
Save us from peril and from woe  
Mother of Christ, star of the sea.  
Pray for the wand'rer, pray for me.

O gentle, chaste, and spotless maid,  
We sinners make our prayers through  
thee; Remind thy son that he has paid  
The price of our iniquity.  
Virgin most pure, star of the sea,  
Prayer for the sinner, pray for me.

Sojourners in this vale of tears,  
To thee, blest advocate, we cry:  
Pity our sorrows, calm our fears,  
And soothe with hope our misery.  
Refuge in grief, star of the sea,  
Pray for the mourner, pray for me.

**HOLY FAMILY PARISH NOTICES**

Fr Jeremy will be away at this week at  
the National Clergy Assembly in  
Rotorua, from Oct 10 until Oct 13.  
Consequently, there will be no Mass,  
Confessions, or Adoration this  
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and  
Friday. However, there will still be  
Mass tomorrow Monday, Oct 9 at 9am,  
as per usual.

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**NEXT SUNDAY:****15<sup>th</sup> October 2023****28<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME***Is 25:6-10; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20;**Mt 22:1-14;***LITURGY ROSTER****Readers:** G. Lao, T. Molloy**Prayers of the Faithful:** C. Tagiilima**Offertory:** P. Tagiillima Family**Special Ministers:** F. Ulugia**CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER**

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**SUNDAY CUP OF TEA ROSTER**

Samoan Community

**ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK****8 Oct:** Randall Turner, Margaret Hall,*Lasela Visesio, Francis Cross***9 Oct:** Peter Rooney, Colleen Moroney,*Raymond Barlow, Thomas Sadgrove***10 Oct:** Doris Shaw**11 Oct:** Ingrid De Jongh**12 Oct:** St Savio, Edward Moore, Angne Kessler**13 Oct:** Rose Kessler, Heather O'Neill,*Keith Corrick***14 Oct:** Ellen Matthews**PARISH FINANCES****Parish** \$2,019.00**Priests** \$1,009.80**Total AP's and Cash** \$3,029.40

**Catechism Classes:** Don't forget  
Catechism Classes start next Sunday 15<sup>th</sup>  
October after the 9:30am Mass.

**Sacramental Programme: 1<sup>st</sup> Holy  
Communion,** please don't forget to  
register, classes start 21<sup>st</sup> October at 4 to  
5pm in the Bugler Centre. *Please note: to  
register your child for 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion  
they would have received preparation for  
the Sacrament of Reconciliation earlier in  
the year.* To register email  
[hfp parish@xtra.co.nz](mailto:hfp parish@xtra.co.nz)

**Church Carpark** -just a reminder that we  
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