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Message by Parish Priest



My dear brothers and sisters!

We are in the month of October, a month dedicated to Mary our Mother as we honor her by praying Rosary as a community and family. Today we also celebrate the feast of St. Francis of Assisi, a saint who lived a life of poverty and brought about tremendous transformation in the life of the Church. St. Francis of Assisi invites us all to seek God in all things and people. He was so close to nature that he could address the animals and birds as his brothers and sisters. Today we celebrate the 27th Sunday of the year. The parable of the wicked tenants are given for our reflection. Every detail of the parable of the vineyard and the wicked tenants was familiar to the hearers. The vineyards were surrounded with a thick-set thorn hedge, designed to keep out both the wild boars and thieves. Every vineyard had its own wine press, and a watch tower.

The actions of the owner of the vineyard were all quite normal. In the time of Jesus, Palestine was a troubled place with little luxury. Therefore, the land lords were interested only in collecting the rent at the right time.

Even the action of the cultivators was not out of the common. The country was seething with economic unrest. The working people were discontented and rebellious. Jesus uses this familiar contemporary situation very powerfully, to describe God's actions in the history of salvation. The vineyard is the nation of Israel, and its owner is God. The cultivators are the religious leaders of Israel. The messengers who were sent successively are the prophets. They were often rejected and killed by the people of Israel. Here, Jesus was prophetically addressing the chief priests and the Pharisees who were present.

One of the most important messages of the passage is "God's trust in men. The owner of the vineyard entrusted it to the cultivators. He did not even stand over them to exercise supervision. Every task we receive is a task given us by God. Along with human freedom and human privilege, it speaks of human answerability.

Many times we look for easier way, which ends up in troubles. Hard work is the only means to take ownership of the responsibilities entrusted to us. The harder a person works, the better he feels. A mother completes her works at home, and when she retires to bed she experiences a sense of satisfaction and pride in her achievements of the day.

Let us pray that we may take up ownership of the Kingdom in our situation, whether it is in our families, offices or communities.

God Bless!!!!

Parish Priest

Fr. Lawrence PR

Asst. Parish Priests

Fr. John Britto

Fr. Shinil Jacob

Fr. Arokia Raj

Mass Timings

Saturdays

6.30 pm (Eng)

Anticipated Mass

Sundays

9.00 am - English

10.30 am - Hindi

11.45 am - English

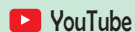
6.30 pm - English

Live streaming
of Holy Mass

Sunday: 9:00 am - English

10:30 am - Hindi

Weekday: 6.30 pm - English

Sacred Heart Cathedral
New DelhiSacred Heart Cathedral
New DelhiSunday Holy Mass
CelebrantEnglish 9:00 am
Fr. Lawrence PRHindi 10:30 am
Fr. Ajeet PatrickEnglish 11:45 am
Fr. John BrittoEnglish 6:30 pm
Msgr. Susai Sebastian

SUNDAY READINGS & REFLECTION

1st Reading: Isaiah 5:1-7

The Prophet Isaiah, through the symbolism of the vineyard, describes the care and the concern of God for his people.

Response Ps: 79

The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.

2nd Reading: Philippians 4:6-9

St Paul exhorts us to resort to prayer and to fill our minds with what is truthful, holy, just, pure, lovely and noble.

Gospel: Matthew 21:33-43

The parable of the wicked servants portrays God's steadfast love and human beings' ingratitude and transgressions.

Prayers of the Faithful:

Lord, help us to produce good fruits.

पहला पाठ: एजेकिएल का ग्रन्थ 5:1-7

नबी इसायस इस्त्राएल की तुलना एक दाखबारी से करते हैं। उसके स्वामी ने उत्तम फसल की आशा से उसकी अच्छी देखरेख की थी, किन्तु उसे निराश होने पड़ा। ईश्वर ने बड़े प्रेम से इस्त्राएल की रक्षा की थी। किन्तु इस्त्राएल ने ईश्वर के साथ विश्वासघात किया है, इसलिए ईश्वर अब उसकी रक्षा नहीं करेगा।

अनुवाक्य: भजन स्तोत्र 79

प्रभु की दाखबारी इस्त्राएल का घराना है।

दूसरा पाठ: फिलिप्पियों के नाम पत्र 4:6-9

सन्त पौलुस फिलिप्पियों से अनुरोध करते हैं कि वे चिंता न करें और हर जरूरत में भरोसे के साथ ईश्वर से प्रार्थना करें। ऐसा करने से और पौलुस की शिक्षा के अनुसार चलने से उन्हें ईश्वर की शांति प्राप्त होगी।

सुसमाचार: सन्त मत्ती 21:33-43

येसु नबी इसायस की तरह दाखबारी के विषय में एक दृष्टांत प्रस्तुत करते हैं। जमींदार ईश्वर है, दाखबारी इस्त्राएल हैं, असामी यहूदी नेता हैं, नौकर नबी हैं, पुत्र मसीह हैं और दूसरे असामी गैर-यहूदी हैं। यहूदियों ने मसीह को तुकरा दिया, इसलिये ईश्वर ने उनका सर्वनाश कर दिया।

विश्वासियों के निवेदन

हे पिता, हमारी प्रार्थना सुन।

REFLECTION

My Dear brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus!

In both the first reading and the gospel, we have the parables on the vineyard. These parables have much to tell us about God and us:

(i) It has much to tell us about God.

(a) God's trust in human beings. The owner of the vineyard entrusted it to the cultivators. He did not even stand over them to exercise a police-like supervision. He went away and left them with their task. God pays men the compliment of entrusting them with his work. Every task we receive is a task given us to do by God.

(b) God's patience. The master sent messenger after messenger. He did not come with sudden vengeance when one messenger had been abused and ill-treated. He gave the cultivators many chances to respond to his appeal. God bears with humans in all their sinning and will not cast them off.

(ii) It has much to tell us about human beings.

(a) Human privilege. The vineyard was equipped with everything -the hedge, the wine press, the tower--which would make the task of the cultivators easy and enable them to discharge it well. God does not only give us a task to do; he also gives us the means whereby to do it.

(b) Human freedom. The master left the cultivators to do the task as they liked. God is no tyrannical task-master; he is like a wise commander who allocates a task and then trusts a man to do it.

(c) Human responsibility. To all humans comes a day of reckoning. We are responsible for the way in which we have carried out the task God gave us to do.

The parables of the vineyard both in today's first reading and the gospel invite us to produce the expected fruit as God's people. The readings speak explicitly of God's continued actions of salvation for all of us. We are His beloved, the vineyard He planted with so much love and care. He comes looking for good grapes. We need to realize God's love and care for us and to examine how we respond to that love. Are we ready to produce the fruits that God expects from us?

CHURCH NOTICES

27th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR 04-10-2020

1. MONTH OF ROSARY: The month of October is dedicated to Mother Mary. There will be Rosary every day in front of the Grotto at 06.00 pm followed by Mass at 06.30 pm. All the parishioners are requested to join in this devotion.

2. Today we celebrate the VINCENT de PAUL SUNDAY. We thank all the members of the society for their service. Let us continue to pray for them and support them in their ministry of service.

3. On 7th of October, at 6.30 pm, there will be Month's Mind Mass for Fr. Cirilo Rodrigues.

4. 18th of October will be celebrated as the Mission Sunday. We request your prayers and support for the Mission.

5. Next Sunday, being the second Sunday of the month, there will be a second collection towards Seminary Fund.

**Fr. Lawrence PR
Parish Priest**

READINGS OF THE WEEK

- 05 Mon:** Gal 1:6-12 / Ps 111/ Lk 10:25-37
06 Tue: Gal 1:13-24 / Ps 139 / Lk 10: 38-42
07 Wed: Gal 2:1-2, 7-14 /Ps 117/ Lk 11:1-4
08 Thu: Gal 3:1-5 / Lk 1:69-75 / Lk 11:5-13
09 Fri: Gal 3:7-14 / Ps 111/ Lk 11:15-26
10 Sat: Gal 3:22-29 / Ps 105/ Lk 11:27-28



The Laity's Mission in the Church

We pray that by the virtue of baptism, the laity, especially women, may participate more in areas of responsibility in the Church.

—Pope Francis—

ST. MARIA FAUSTINA

(A Prayer to be Merciful)

Help me, O Lord, that my eyes may be merciful, so that I may never suspect or judge from appearances, but look for what is beautiful in my neighbor's souls.

Help me, O Lord, that my ears may be merciful, so that I may give heed to my neighbor's needs.

Help me, O lord, that my tongue may be merciful, so that I should never speak negatively of my neighbor. Help me, O Lord, that my hands may be merciful and filled with good deeds, so that I may do only good to my neighbor.

Help me, O Lord, that my feet may be merciful, so that I may hurry to assist my neighbor.

Help me, O Lord, that my heart may be merciful, so that I myself may feel all the sufferings of my neighbor.

May Your mercy, O Lord, rest upon me. Amen.



FEASTS OF THE WEEK

05 Mon: St Maria Faustina

06 Tue: Sts Bruno & Bl. Marie-Rose Durocher

07 Wed: Our Lady of the Rosary

08 Thu: Sts Sergius & Bacchus

09 Fri: St Denis & John Leonardi

10 Sat: St Francis Borgia



PRAYER TO ST BRUNO

Thy life, O Father Bruno, was resplendent with many monastic virtues. As thou wast unwavering in thy faith to thy last breath, O saint, pray that we may emulate thy virtues and thereby be found worthy of eternal salvation. Amen

PRAYER TO ST. FRANCIS BORGIA

O Lord Jesus Christ, who art both the example and the reward of true humility:

We beseech Thee that even as Thou didst make blessed Francis Borgia glorious by following Thee in despising earthly honors, so Thou wouldst suffer us also to become his companions alike in following Thee and in his glory. Who lives and reigns with God the Father, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.





St. Vincent de Paul Sunday

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**AN APPEAL BY
THE SOCIETY OF
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL (SSVP)
SACRED HEART
CATHEDRAL CONFERENCE**

**DEAR FRIENDS,
ON THE OCCASION
OF THE FEAST OF
ST VINCENT DE PAUL,
WE THE MEMBERS
OF THE
SACRED HEART CATHEDRAL
CONFERENCE REQUESTING**

**YOU TO GIVE US YOUR HELPING HAND IN ANY
OF THE FOLLOWING WAYS:**

- **BECOME AN ACTIVE /AUXILIARY MEMBER OF THE SSVP**
- **SPONSORING ONE OR MORE ADOPTED FAMILIES BY CONTRIBUTING FIXED AMOUNT EVERY MONTH.**
- **GIVING A LUMP SUM DONATION.**
- **SPONSORING A CHILD FOR EDUCATION.**
- **GIVING NEW AND OLD CLOTHS/BLANKETS/FOOTWEAR ETC. WHICH ARE IN GOOD CONDITION.**
- **DONATING DRY RATIONS OR DROPPING IN THE SSVP RATION BOX KEPT AT THE ENTRANCE OF THE CHURCH.**

NOTE: FOR DONATION BY CHEQUE.

**CHEQUE MAY BE DRAWN IN FAVOUR OF "SOCIETY OF
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL, SACRED HEART CATHEDRAL"**

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3) Amount transferred, 4) Details of payment

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“प्रभु! हम किसके पास जायें!
आपके ही शब्दों में अनंत जीवन का सन्देश है।”
योहान 6:68

हे प्रभु, तू हमारे लिए क्रूस पर मर गया ताकि हमें जीवन प्राप्त हो और परिपूर्ण जीवन प्राप्त हो। हम अपने पापों को स्वीकारते और स्वयं को तेरे चरणों में सौंपते हुए तेरी दया की भीख मांगते हैं। प्रभु हमारी रक्षा कर कि हम कोविड-19 महामारी से नष्ट न हो जाएं। तेरी असीम दया और प्रेम पर ही हमारा भरोसा है।
आमेन

“Lord, to whom shall we go? you
have the words of eternal life.”
John 6:68

Lord Jesus, you died for us that we may have life and have it in all its fullness. We surrender our lives to you confessing our sins and begging for your mercy. Save us Lord from this terrible COVID-19 pandemic lest we perish. We trust in your infinite kindness and love. Amen.