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1 Corinthians 5:6


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## Good News!

October 4, 2015  
**TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)**  
Gn 2:18–24 / Heb 2:9–11 / Mk 10:2–16 or 10:2–12

My mother was convinced that none of her children would get married. We were older when we were called to that vocation but, one by one, we did marry. I am happy to say that my husband and I continue to share this vocation three decades later, and we give our thanks to God. My sister was not as fortunate. After years of abuse, she divorced her husband. She did not make that decision lightly. She went into counseling, prayed, and talked. She considered her children, her husband, and herself. And she read and reread today's Gospel from Mark. In the end, her safety and the safety of her children was a major concern.

Jesus railed against the ease of divorce. A man had simply to hand his wife a piece of paper, and he could do so for any reason, including infertility and a failure to please him. But Jesus advances the woman's cause, refusing to allow her to be treated like a piece of property or disposed of at whim. He saw marriage as a sign of God's covenantal love and lifelong fidelity and exalts it as a sacrament. When both spouses commit themselves to each other and to their vocation, this grace is made manifest, and their bond is strengthened. But sin and human brokenness can interfere with God's plan, leaving separation or even divorce as the only option.

In the longer form of this reading, the people brought their children to Jesus, and he blessed them. Maybe we can do the same for those affected by abuse or divorce, so they too, at long last, can be healed.

Mary Katharine Deeley  
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**Monday**  
OCTOBER 5  
*Weekday*  
Jon 1:1–2:2, 11  
Lk 10:25–37

**Tuesday**  
OCTOBER 6  
*Weekday*  
Jon 3:1–10  
Lk 10:38–42

**Wednesday**  
OCTOBER 7  
*Our Lady of the Rosary*  
Jon 4:1–11  
Lk 11:1–4

**Thursday**  
OCTOBER 8  
*Weekday*  
Mal 3:13–20b  
Lk 11:5–13

**Friday**  
OCTOBER 9  
*Weekday*  
Jl 1:13–15; 2:1–2  
Lk 11:15–26

**Saturday**  
OCTOBER 10  
*Weekday*  
Jl 4:12–21  
Lk 11:27–28

**Sunday**  
OCTOBER 11  
*Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
Wis 7:7–11  
Heb 4:12–13  
Mk 10:17–30  
or 10:17–27

## dear Padre

October 4, 2015  
**How should we deliver the Sign of Peace?**

What is the etiquette for the Sign of Peace? I attend Mass alone and feel awkward as family members hug and kiss as though they haven't seen each other in years but ignore me even though I'm standing right next to them.

The Sign of Peace is a time to acknowledge Christ's presence in the congregation. It comes immediately before Communion. It is not time for shaking hands with someone you haven't seen for a while or for running around the church greeting everyone. It is time for wishing peace to one another before we receive the Eucharist as one body.

Remember Christ's words: "If you bring your gift to the altar, and there recall that your brother has anything against you...go first and be reconciled..." (Matthew 5:23–24). The Church's guidelines state, "in a sober manner, offer the sign of peace only to those who are nearest" (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, 82). They also say that local conferences of bishops should establish norms according to the customs of the people.

It is appropriate for husband and wife to kiss each other, or for parents to kiss their children; in some places an embrace is also appropriate. The important thing is to remember that Christ is present in our midst and to acknowledge that presence in one another. If you feel excluded, I would suggest you let them know after Mass. You can simply say, "I felt left out."

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October 4, 2015 – 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time



**REGULAR MASS TIMES:**  
 Saturday 6:00 p.m., Sunday 7:30 a.m., Sunday 9:00 a.m.  
**Confessions:** Saturday 4:30 – 5:15 p.m., or by Appointment  
**Daily Masses:** Tue. – Fri. 7:30 a.m.

**Mass Intentions for the Week**

Tues. – Michael Lee Lerma (SI) By: Frank & Gloria Wearden  
 Wed. – Mass of Thanksgiving (🎵)  
 By: Bernard & Kathleen Deckert  
 Thurs. – Raymond Vanak (†) By: Ken & Doe Richter  
 Fri. – Al Jenkins (†) By: Ken & Doe Richter  
 Saturday, 6:00 p.m. – Jacob Moehrig (🎵) By: John & Rhonda Griffin Sheffel  
 Sunday, 7:30 a.m. – James Zak (†) By: David & Norma John  
 Sunday, 9:00 a.m. – Justine Vesely (SI)

**Mass Intention Symbols**  
 † - In honor of deceased  
 ♥ - Anniversary/Marriage  
 🎵 - Birthday/Thanksgiving  
**SI** - Special Intentions

**Next Weekend's Ministry Schedule**

**ALTAR SERVERS**

Sat: Jace & Abigail Pfuhl  
 Sun. 7:30 Natalie Koehl, Maddie Nuñez  
 Sun: 9:00 Colton & Katelyn Letbetter

**CANTOR:** Chryseis Baker  
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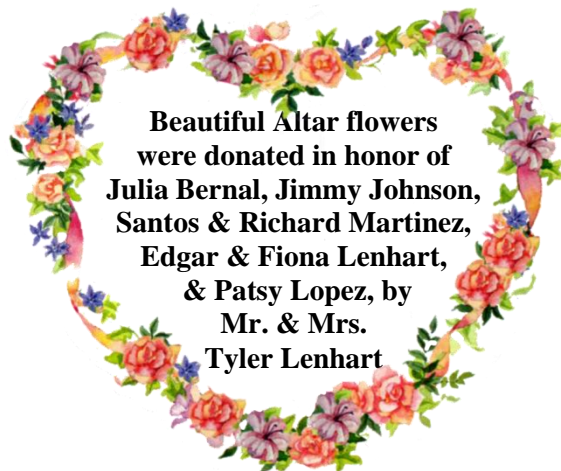
Sat: Dale Zuck  
 Sun. 7:30: Kathy Davis  
 Sun. 9:00: Karen Franz, Donna Nelson, Volunteer

**LECTORS**

Sat: Elida Zuck  
 Sun. 7:30: Kolodziejczyk  
 Sun: Lori Witte

**USHERS**

Sat: Maraggia Brothers, Pat Miori, Volunteer  
 Sun. 7:30: J. Koch, C. Horelka, D. Zacek  
 Sun. 9:00: John Weitz, Stephen Griffin, Mark Kolb, Volunteer



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**CHURCH REPORT**

**Sept 27**

Weekly Envelopes	\$2,147.00
Loose	\$1,408.21
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,555.21</b>

Message of the Week:

**THE GREATEST FAULT IS TO BE CONSCIOUS  
 OF NONE.**

[http://www.stewartsigns.com/church\\_messages.php?code=15GOOG](http://www.stewartsigns.com/church_messages.php?code=15GOOG)

**Information for the Bulletin and Announcements needs to be submitted to the office by  
 Wednesday in order for it to be printed for that weekend. Thank you.**

**Please Pray for the Repose of the Soul of Charles Strnadel, Jr** who passed away 9/25/15. Our prayers are with his family and friends.

**Upcoming Events Calendar** (you may go to <http://stjosephine.org/events> for all upcoming events)

**Oct 4 – Nazareth Academy & Sisters of The Incarnate Word and Blessed Sacrament Fall Festival** – Traditional turkey dinner with sides at the Victoria Community Center.

**Oct 6 – Parish Council Meeting** – 7:00 pm in Meeting Room

**Oct 10 America Needs Fatima Rosary Rally – 12 Noon - 2015 Public Square Rosary Crusade** will be held beside the Education Building (in case of bad weather it will be inside the CCD Hall) For information call Karen Franz 573-9029 or 550-5183. You may also visit [www.ANF.org](http://www.ANF.org) for info., resources & materials.

**Oct 11 – CCD Sunday – Safe Environment for Kinder – 4th**

**Oct 11 - The Knights of Columbus Chicken Fried Steak Fundraiser**, with sides of potatoes & green bean, Plates –to-go \$8.00. Serving will start after 9:00 a.m. Mass

**Oct 14 – Finance Meeting** – 6:00 p.m. – Meeting Room

**Oct 14 – Altar Society Meeting** – 6:30 p.m.

**Oct 18 – CDA Court Mass – 9:00 a.m.** Cookies & Refreshments after Mass

**Oct 18 – St. Theresa's Catholic Church Picnic – LaSalle 11:00 a.m.**

**Oct 21 – CDA Meeting** – 6:00 p.m. Meeting Room

**Oct 24 & 25 – CDA Bake Sale** after all Masses

**Nov 1 2:00 a.m. – You clocks 'Fall' back** for Central Standard Time

**Nov 1 – All Saints Day** – Holy Day of Obligation

**Nov 2 – All Souls Day**

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**🎵 Happy Birthday 🎵 & ♥ Happy Anniversary ♥**

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**Amor Meus Spirituality Center**, 1101 NE Water St Victoria, Guided One Day Retreat, Oct. 10, 9:30 am-3:30 pm call 361-575-7111. Also a **Taizé Prayer Service** Thurs., Oct. 15, 7 pm-8 pm.

**OLV Family Women's ACTS Retreat Oct. 22-25** Registration forms the Narthex or call: Carolyn Love 550-8928, Denise Smith 571-9300, Samantha Wharton 281-389-8240, Diana Galvan 920-8321

**"Come and See" Discernment Weekend for single Catholic women** 18 to 50 years of age on October 10-11, 2015 at Incarnate Word Convent in Victoria, Texas (361) 575-7111 or email [iwbsvoc@yahoo.com](mailto:iwbsvoc@yahoo.com) or website [www.iwbsvictoria.org](http://www.iwbsvictoria.org) for more information.