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**Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 21, 2012**

Through his suffering, my servant shall justify many.
— *Isaiah 53:11b*

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21

7:30 AM People of the Parish
9:30 AM William "Bill" Decker

MONDAY, OCTOBER 22

9:00 AM No Mass

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23

9:00 AM No Mass

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24

9:00 AM No Mass

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25

9:00 AM No Mass

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26

9:00 AM No Mass

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27

4:30 PM Walter Kertesz

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28

7:30 AM People of the Parish
9:30 AM William "Bill" Decker

SANCTUARY CANDLE THIS WEEK: Intentions of Tom & Seenie Shade requested by Ermine Olah.

PEACE CANDLE THIS WEEK: In memory of Earl Yoder requested by Mary Lou Daddio.

RESURRECTION CANDLE: In memory of Martin Zelesnikar.

BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE: Special intention Jennifer Kowalchick Claus requested by Mom & Dad.

THE ALTAR BREADS AND ALTAR WINE that will be consecrated at all our Masses this week are in memory of Gina Melito given by Erenstine Cicini.

Father Tamburro will be at the Diocesan Workshop from October 21 through October 26. Daily Mass will be celebrated at St. Joseph Church Monroe Street please call 752-5684 for the schedule. Miraculous Medal Novena @ St. Mary's Church. Wednesday @ 7:00 PM

PARISH SUPPORT

October 14 offering

Adults	\$4,700.50
Youth	25.50
Loose	325.00
	\$5,051.00

Catholic Education: \$1,185.00

Thank you for your generosity!

"MISSIONARIES OF FAITH"

Today is World Mission Sunday. We are called to this Eucharistic celebration—along with Catholics in every parish, chapel and church throughout the world—to fulfill the call we first heard at Baptism, the call to be missionaries, to share faith. On World Mission Sunday, we are called in a special way to be "missionaries of faith" through prayer and participation in the Eucharist, and by giving generously to the collection. Let us pray especially for who long to hear the hope-filled, saving message of Jesus, and for the priests, religious and lay catechists in mission countries worldwide who offer them that "Good News."

PARISH DATEBOOK

MONDAY, OCTOBER 22

BIBLE STUDY/SHARING: 7:00 PM meeting room.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23

YOUTH CHOIR REHEARSAL: 3:45 PM

BLOOD DRIVE in the parish center.

HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL cash bingo in the parish center. Doors open @ 5:00 bingo starts @ 6:30 PM. \$20 for 20 games. Tickets: 752-2021.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA: 7:00 PM.

ADULT CHOIR REHEARSAL: 7:30 PM.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26

BLUE ARMY HOLY HOUR will be prayed at 8:00 AM.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27

CONFIRMATION RETREAT registration @ 10:00 AM. Retreat begins @ 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28

NO CLASSES:

--St. Ignatius of Antioch

SERVICE FOR THE LORD

Next Sunday, October 28

Saturday, 4:30 PM

Eucharistic Ministers: B & D DeLuca, Panzak
Lector: Confer
Altar Servers: 2
Greeters: Torsella

Sunday, 7:30 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: Curry, Wolfe, Pierce
Lector: Stephens
Altar Servers: 3
Greeters: M & B Samsel

Sunday, 9:30 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: Dante, Monatesti
Lector: Belford
Altar Servers: 6
Greeters: S & L Lizardi

ST. MARY'S POLISH POTTERY BINGO will be held in our parish center on Sunday, November 11, 2012. Doors open @ 12:30 PM. Games start @ 2:00 PM. 20 games for \$20.00. Tickets are limited and are available in the parish office or by calling Joann @ 759-9227. Your help is needed to purchase pottery. If you are able to make a monetary contribution, please call the parish office @759-8113.

VOCATION AWARENESS:

“Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?” Should the Lord direct these words to you in prayer, how will you respond? As a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call the Office of Vocation (717) 657-4804 email frrlavoie@hbgdiocese.org.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Mission Sunday
Tuesday: St. John of Capistrano
Wednesday: St. Anthony Mary Claret
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

THE PATH

People find their way to paradise more by a path of footprints than by a pack of road maps
--Anonymous

SOBRIETY

Be sober, as God's athlete.
The prize is incorruption and life eternal.



THE HUMANITY OF JESUS CHRIST

All three readings today support—each in its own way, of course—a reflection on the humanity of Jesus Christ and how that humanity played a key role in the drama of our salvation. Although not chosen specifically to coordinate with the other two readings, today's second reading does in fact carry forward the theme of Christ's humanity in a remarkable way. The author of the Letter to the Hebrews highlights the solidarity that exists between Jesus and us, precisely because in his human nature Jesus has known the same sufferings and testing that are our own experience. Because he can “sympathize with our weaknesses,” we can “approach the throne of grace to receive mercy.” For the author of Hebrews, the humanity of Jesus was an essential requirement for his redemptive death, as well as an invitation to us to find in Jesus someone with whom we can identify in our daily struggles.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In the eyes of many, the papacy is a peculiar institution. Still bedecked with some of the regalia of medieval princes, contemporary popes have worked to define their role in ways that give them influence over the world both within and outside the Church. The trappings of royalty, never really a good fit for the successors of Peter, could render a pope distant and irrelevant. On the other hand, the tendency of many to think of the pope as if he were the CEO of a modern corporation is also inaccurate.

St. Gregory the Great, himself a pope, first called the pope “the servant of the servants of God.” He is “first among equals” among other bishops, who by tradition exercise significant authority within their own dioceses, not depending on the pope's authority. This arrangement often puzzles those accustomed to a top-to-bottom “chain of command.” History has seen popes of many styles, but most strive to live up to Gregory's definition. Perhaps today's Gospel puts it all into the best perspective: “Whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all.” Pray for the pope this week.
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