

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 25, 2015

Salesian Sunday Reflection

In today's Gospel we experience Jesus preaching, "The kingdom of God is at hand," as He invites several fishermen to come after him. St. Francis de Sales notes:

God has many ways of calling men and women to service. God uses preaching more than any other form to convert individuals. Through the ministry of preaching God has touched the hearts of many people, and called them to special vocations. Preaching is like a divine seed cast into the ground of our hearts by the words of preachers.

God touches others while they are reading good books. Still others when they hear the holy words of the Gospel while being read. There are others who were disturbed by the misfortunes, troubles and sufferings that befell them in the world. Still, even if God is all-powerful and can do anything, God does not want to take away the gift of freedom given to us. Whenever God calls us to service, He wants us to come willingly, and not out of force or compulsion.

Nonetheless, even if some people come to God's service because they are disgusted with the world or because some sorrows and afflictions trouble them, they can still give themselves to God freely and willingly. Our sufficiency is from our Redeemer who taught us how to be fit ministers and capable of doing God's will. One who abides in Christ partakes of his divine Spirit, who is in the midst of our hearts as a living fountain. Through the love the Holy Spirit pours into our hearts, the frail reeds of our actions are turned to gold. Our hearts, flooded with the love of the Holy Spirit, produce sacred actions that tend towards immortal glory and carry us to it.

(Adapted from the writings of St. Francis de Sales, especially his Spiritual Conferences, I. Carneiro, Ed.)

Make friends with the angels, who though invisible are always with you. Often invoke them, constantly praise them, and make good use of their help and assistance in all your temporal and spiritual affairs.

~ St. Francis de Sales



Please let Fr. Fred know when a parishioner or family member is in the hospital or homebound. He would appreciate the opportunity to visit and offer his services. Also if you would like a Eucharistic Minister to visit you at home during an illness or

when unable to attend Mass, please call Fr. Fred 252-995- 6613 or Anita 252-995-7892.

Music for the Liturgy

Processional: # 672 All Creatures of Our God and King

Psalm Response: "Teach me your ways, O Lord."

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia (Traditional chant)

Presentation: # 693 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You

Communion: # 615 Amazing Grace

Recessional: # 685 Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

The Reading for today's Mass are found in the **Glory & Praise** at number **807**

1st Reading ~ Jonah 3:1 – 5, 10

2nd Reading ~ 1 Corinthians 7:29 – 31

Gospel Reading ~ Mark 1:14 – 20



Prayer for the Year of Consecrated Life

O God, throughout the ages you have called women and men to pursue lives of perfect charity through the evangelical counsels of poverty, chastity, and obedience. During this Year of Consecrated Life, we give you thanks for these courageous witnesses of Faith and models of inspiration. Their pursuit of holy lives teaches us to make a more perfect offering of ourselves to you. Continue to enrich your Church by calling forth sons and daughters who, having found the pearl of great price, treasure the Kingdom of Heaven above all things. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

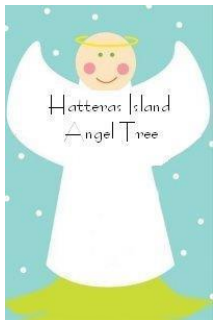
Oración para el Año de la Vida Consagrada

Oh Dios, tú que a través de los tiempos has llamado a mujeres y hombres a fin de que vivan la caridad perfecta por medio de los consejos evangélicos de la pobreza, la castidad y la obediencia. Durante este Año de la Vida Consagrada te damos gracias por estos valientes testigos de la fe, que son también modelos de inspiración. Con su empeño por lograr la santidad ellos nos enseñan a ofrecerte nuestra vida de una manera más perfecta. Te pedimos que continúes enriqueciendo a tu Iglesia con hijos e hijas que, habiendo encontrado la perla de gran valor, atesoran el Reino de los cielos por encima de todas las cosas. Por nuestro Señor Jesucristo, tu Hijo, que vive y reina contigo en la unidad del Espíritu Santo y es Dios por los siglos de los siglos, Amén.

Our Stewardship

(1/11/2015 Weekend)

	<u>Buxton</u>	<u>Ocracoke</u>
Offertory	\$514.00	\$132
Debt Reduction	\$493.00	
Attendance	96	36



"Angel Gift"

THANK YOU for honoring Christmas by giving to those in need! Our Lady of the Seas once again joined Hatteras Island churches, businesses and individuals to help 68 families and 144 children enjoy a brighter Christmas. A special thanks to all who volunteer their time and helped

organized the shopping and distribution efforts. As always, THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

We Take Request ~ Book of Prayer Intentions

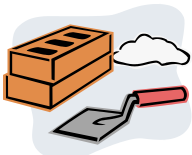


Our church family can now make prayer requests by way of our Book of Prayer Intentions, which is provided

specifically for that purpose. The dark blue book is in back of the nave near the baptismal font. Just write your intentions in it, and they will be remembered during the Prayer of the Faithful at our Masses. "Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving make your requests known to God." -Philippians 4:6

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PAVERS FOR THE WALKWAY

The church is working on a new batch of pavers for our walkway. We need 100 pavers total to place the order. If you are interested in

purchasing a paver, for your convenience the form is located hanging on the wall at ALL the exits of our church. Or, on the church website, click on the FORMS button on the left, download, fill it in and mail it with your check. <http://www.ourladyoftheseas.org>



First Communion Class

The class will be held on Tuesdays' after school in our Social Hall. No class on January 20th. It resumes on January 28th at 3:30 pm.

Parents can contact Karen Huizing at 252- 305-3211 should you have any questions.

DONATING MADE EASY ON OUR WEBSITE!!!



If you're one of the "billions" of people, who do your charitable giving on line, then you will be glad to know that Our Lady of the Seas website now has the ability to accept on-line donations. It is a secure easy way to make your donation and is available 24-hours a day for your convenience. Currently four categories are available for donation: Offertory, Debt Reduction, Pastor Discretionary & Hurricane Relief. Your comments and suggestions on this new capability, or other aspects of our web site, are encouraged and welcomed.

Mass Schedule ~

Tuesday, Wednesday	8:30 am
Thursday	5:30 pm
Saturday	5:30 pm
Sunday	9:00 am & 5:30 pm Spanish

Hatteras Island Food Pantry



Our pantry is still busy and requires regular replenishment. Please consider adding a few items each time you shop.

Since the size of the families accessing the food pantry varies, please avoid bulk sized items. Shopping suggestions and items needed are listed below **VISITORS:** Save room packing! Donate any unopened non-perishable items at our convenient 24-hour drop box on the Social Hall porch.

Items Commonly Needed (Standard Sizes Preferred)

- Basic foodstuffs – vegetable oil, flour, sugar, coffee, tea, rice, pasta
- Canned meats/stews
- Canned vegetables – beets, tomatoes and greens are local favorites
- Cereals – both hot and cold
- Personal care products
- Paper Products – individually wrapped paper towels, toilet paper
- Laundry care and cleaning products
- Pet products

No time to shop? Checks may be made out to:

United Methodist Men,

PO Box 1591

Buxton, NC 27920

Thank you for your generosity!

~ Confirmation Class ~



Confirmation Class will be meeting in the SOCIAL HALL immediately following the 9:00 am Mass TODAY. ALL Confirmation Candidates are to bring their bible and workbook.

Any questions please contact Karen Huizing at 252.305.3211



Keep up with our parish, whether you're on Hatteras or on Antarctica. "LIKE" *Our Lady of the Seas Catholic PARISH* to get

our latest Mass schedule, keep up with our fellowship activities, learn about the parish's special needs, and get accurate post-hurricane news on our church community.

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"The Welcoming Light of Our Lady of the Seas"

Our parish's beautiful limited-edition fine art prints that you see on the cover of this bulletin make lovely remembrances of your wedding, anniversary celebration, child's baptism, or vacation. "The Welcoming Light of Our Lady of the Seas" is signed and numbered by the artist - Linda Browning. Each print comes sleeved, backed, and ready to frame in a 12"x16" mat. Price: \$39.50. Proceeds go towards our debt reduction. Thank you!