

*Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
*October 18, 2015*

*Salesian Perspective*

It's interesting that Jesus does not directly criticize James and John when they ask to sit at his side in glory. Instead he challenges them: "Are you able to drink the cup that I drink?" He contrasts their lofty ambitions with his humility: zeal for glory is set against God's call to humble service.

Jesus' humility was born of his love for the Father and for the world. Because he loves, Jesus is willing to endure anything – even death – in order to save the human race. This kind of humility releases God's love to the world and advances the kingdom of God. It's this kind of humility we heard Jesus teaching his followers: "Whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be a slave to all."

It's obvious that Jesus is not trying to gather a bunch of shrinking violets. That's not the kind of humility he's looking for in his disciples. He wants a people like himself who will shoulder the Father's sadness over the suffering in the world. He is looking for a people who will work with him so that the world will be free of sin. Rather than rebuking the misdirected ambition of James and John, Jesus channels it into an embrace of the Father's will: "The cup that I drink of you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized."

Jesus is speaking to you and me, is challenging you and me. The challenge is not an easy one. It would be easy for us to become discouraged. What Jesus shows us through his life and suffering and death is that the cup of sacrifice is also one of intimacy with God. Every willing act of death to self for the sake of the kingdom brings us closer to Jesus.

The more fully we are willing to drink of this cup, the more fully we learn that Jesus never asks more of us than **he empowers us** to give. Jesus is always inviting us to "draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need." Jesus is reminding us that he knows what our suffering is like, and we never have to suffer alone. He is telling us that our suffering can be a time of grace – for us and others.

Are we willing to drink of our cup, as Jesus drank of his? If we are willing, then let us approach Jesus where we will receive mercy and find grace to help us.

Rev. Michael S. Murray, OSFS, is the Executive Director of the De Sales Spirituality Center.

*Music for the Liturgy at 9:00 am*

Processional: # 713 Rain Down  
Gloria (Mass of Creation)  
Psalm Response: "*Lord, let your mercy be on us as we place our trust in you.*"  
Gospel Acclamation (Celtic Mass)  
Offertory: # 605 Though the Mountains May Fall  
# 656 Christ Be Our Light  
Communion: # 626 Shelter Me, O God  
# 606 The Lord Is Near  
Recessional: # 639 There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

The Reading for today's Mass are found in the

**Glory & Praise** at number **885**

*1<sup>st</sup> Reading* ~ Isaiah 53:10 – 11

*2<sup>nd</sup> Reading* ~ Hebrews 4:14 – 16

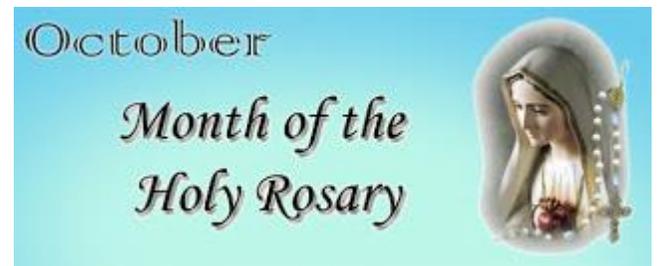
*Gospel Reading* ~ Mark 10:35 – 45 or 10:42 – 45

*Explaining the Catholic Faith*

Starting **NEXT Sunday the 25<sup>th</sup> of October**, Fr Fred will continue with the program of **Explaining the Catholic Faith**. It will take place at the rectory following the 9 am Mass. There will be a CD presentation followed by a discussion. **All are welcomed** even if you did not participate in the last 5 episodes.



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**"THE ROSARY IS A SCHOOL OF PRAYER, THE ROSARY IS A SCHOOL OF FAITH"**

~ **POPE FRANCIS**

*~ Mass Schedule ~*



Saturday 6:00 pm

Sunday 9:00 am

Sunday 6:00 pm (Spanish)

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 8:30 am

*"Let us use well the time that God gives us, so that He may give us His eternity."*

~ *Blessed Louis Brisson*

### Our Stewardship 10/11/2015 Weekend

	Buxton	Spanish	Ocracoke
Offertory	\$1,495.00	\$79.00	\$ 366.00
Debt Reduction	\$1,335.00		
Attendance	194	25	28

**Principal Balance as of 8/30/2015 ~ \$378,996.56**

Our Lady of the Seas has two collections during Mass. The first collection funds the ordinary expenses of the church. The second collection is applied only to the mortgage and to a fund set aside for major maintenance and repairs to our church. These items include, but are not limited to: a new roof, air conditioning/heating system, new carpeting, etc. Thank you for your generosity!



### "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!

### PAVERS FOR THE WALKWAY

The church is working on **OUR LAST BATCH OF PAVERS** for our walkway. 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>



### Clases de Ingles ~ English as A Second Language

**WHEN:** Thursday's

**TIME:** 6:00-8:30 pm

**LOCATION:** Our Lady of the Seas Social Hall  
Every Thursday, Dare County Literacy Council is offering free classes to anyone interested.

Todos los jueves a las 6:00 de la tarde en el hall de la parroquia. Principiantes, intermedios y avanzados.  
Preguntas llamar a Lynn Blackburn at 252-261-6514

### YELLOW HOUSE MINISTRY

**WHEN:** Monday's

**TIME:** 6:30-8:30 pm

**LOCATION:** OLS Social Hall

Our Women's Bible Study meet at Our Lady of the Seas Social Hall @ 6:30pm to 8:30 pm. The study will be HOSEA, Unfailing Love Changes Everything by Jennifer Rothschild. I hope this study will challenge you, comfort you, and help you know Him better and love Him more.



### 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. Donate any unopened non-perishable items at our convenient 24-hour drop box on the Social Hall porch.

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

United Methodist Men,  
PO Box 1591  
Buxton, NC 27920

**Thank you for your generosity!**

**Elimination of Fees for a Declaration of Nullity.** As of July 1, 2015, the Diocese of Raleigh eliminated all costs associated with a Declaration of Nullity. Bishop Burbidge decided the Diocese will absorb all costs related to the nullity process in order to make it more accessible to those who have been previously married and divorced. If you are interested in beginning or learning more about the nullity process, please contact Mrs. Susan Stanton (919-821-9754) or Mrs. Vikki Newell (919 821-9759). If you speak Spanish, please contact Ms Teresa Aldahondo (919-821-9758). - See more at:

<http://dioceseofraleigh.org/offices/communications/centralized-mail#sthash.avcIrpHm.dpuf>

**Eliminación de Honorarios para la Declaración de Nulidad.** Desde el primero de julio, del 2015, la Diócesis de Raleigh elimino todos los costos asociados con la Declaración de Nulidad. El Obispo Burbidge decidió que la Diócesis absorbería los costos relacionados con el proceso de nulidad, de esta manera hacer que el proceso de nulidad sea más asequible para aquellos que han estado casados y divorciados previamente. Si está interesado en conocer o aprender más acerca del proceso de nulidad, por favor contactar a la Sra. Susan Stanton (919-821-9754) o Sra. Vikki Newell (919-821-9759). Para Español, contactar a la Sra. Teresa Aldahondo (919-821-9758). - See more at: <http://dioceseofraleigh.org/offices/communications/centralized-mail#sthash.avcIrpHm.dpuf>

### WOMEN'S GUILD MEETING



The next Women's Guild will be meeting on Saturday, October 31st at 10 am in our Social Hall



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