

# St. Felicitas Catholic Church

OCTOBER  
18  
2020



*Jesus said to the Pharisees,*

*“Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar  
and to God what belongs to God.”*

*Matthew 22:21*



**TWENTY-NINTH  
SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME**

*SUNDAY MASS and DAILY MASS will be outdoor at SAINT MARY'S PARKING LOT.  
NO RESERVATIONS NEEDED. Kindly refer to page 3 for more information.*

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## *Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time - October 18, 2020*

Isaiah speaks to us today of Cyrus, King of Persia, anointed by the Lord. God calls Cyrus by name and leads him in service to the Israelites. In this passage we hear that it is the Lord who gives Cyrus his title, who arms him against his enemies, and who opens doors and unbars gates before him. And God does all of this so that the people will know that “I am the LORD,” and that “there is none besides me” (Isaiah 45:6). Paul opens his letter with essentially the same notion—that in God alone we find our grace and peace. Paul also gives thanks to God on our behalf, calling to mind our work of faith, hope, and love.

In the familiar Gospel reading, Jesus tells the Pharisees to give to Caesar what is Caesar’s and to God what is God’s. Perhaps the most shocking sentence in today’s Gospel comes from the mouth of a Pharisee: “And you are not concerned with anyone’s opinion, for you do not regard a person’s status.” In context, that false compliment sounds savagely passive-aggressive. These scripture scholars do not actually admire Jesus’ freedom, the unconventional way he interacts with men, women, and children from every background. It’s possible some of Jesus’ peers are jealous of his confident ease, but mainly they find Jesus threatening. Over and over again, Matthew’s Gospel highlights the ways Jesus offends the Pharisees and scribes: failing to wash his hands in the traditional manner, for example, or, on the Sabbath, curing diseases and allowing his disciples to pick grain. Jesus does not focus on earthly status and the status quo; his mission is to proclaim the kingdom of God.

Truly, Jesus Christ does not “regard a person’s status.” Inspired by this divine impartiality, we pray: Lord God, help us to love the extravagant freedom that comes from you. Help us to follow you out of the status quo and into your compassionate heart.

**Today’s Readings:** Isaiah 45:1, 4–6; Ps 96:1, 3, 4–5, 7–8, 9–10; 1 Thessalonians 1:1–5b; Mathewt 22:15–21

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### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Ephesians 2:1-10; Ps 100:1b-5; Luke 12:13-21  
Tuesday: Ephesians 2:12-22; Ps 85:9ab-14; Luke 12:35-38  
Wednesday: Ephesians 3:2-12; Isaiah 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Luke 12:39-48  
Thursday: Ephesians 3:14-21; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19; Luke 12:49-53  
Friday: Ephesians 4:1-6; Ps 24:1-4ab, 5-6; Luke 12:54-59  
Saturday: Ephesians 4:7-16; Ps 122:1-5; Luke 13:1-9  
Sunday: Exodus 22:20-26; Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51; 1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10; Matthew 22:34-40

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## *FAMILY*

*As the family goes, so goes the nation and so goes the whole world in which we live.*

*—St. John Paul II*

## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please remember that Sunday obligation is still dispensed. Yet we welcome you to be one with us in the celebration of the Holy Mass on the weekends and daily masses. This will now be our temporary Sunday mass schedule during this pandemic time and we change it due to weather conditions as well. There is **NO NEED FOR RESERVATION**. There will be priority lane for the elderly and persons with disability. **NO FACE MASK NO ENTRY** will be imposed and you are to observe social distancing at all times. Chairs will be provided for the outdoor mass at the Saint Mary's Parking Lot. Please come 30 minutes before the Mass for temperature check and log in. Kindly share all this information with other parishioners.

### **OUTDOOR MASS SCHEDULE:**

**Saturday Mass:** 5:30 p.m. - English Mass  
7:00 p.m. - Spanish Mass  
**Sunday Masses:** 7:00 a.m. - English Mass  
8:30 a.m. - English Mass  
4:30 p.m. – Vietnamese Mass

**Daily Mass is from Monday to Saturday at 7:00 a.m. at Saint Mary's Parking Lot except on first Friday of the month which is at 8:15 a.m. with the school children and exposition and benediction of the Blessed Sacrament that follows after mass.** We have Novena Prayer to Our Mother of Perpetual Help every Wednesday after the 7:00 a.m. Mass.

**Note: Masses for 5:30 p.m., 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. English Mass and 7:00 p.m. Spanish mass will be live stream" for those who are not comfortable coming to church and those who are vulnerable to the COVID19.**

For your Sunday offerings and support to Saint Felicitas Church, you may use one of the following options:

1. Venmo
2. Faith Direct
3. Mail-in your Sunday Envelopes
4. Drop off your Sunday Envelopes at the office Mail Box

As always we are very grateful to all our parishioners for their donations and continued support. God Bless you all. Thank you!

### **Parish Offering - October 11, 2020**

Sunday Mass Collection/Drop off :	\$ 5377.00
PPE :	\$ 299.00
Venmo	\$ 80.00



*Mass Intentions*  
*Ý Lễ trong tuần*  
*Intensions' para las Misas*

**Week of**  
**Oct. 17,**  
**2020**

Sat.	10/17	5:30 pm Parishioners 7:00 pm Ernesto Zamora Mellar †
Sun.	10/18	7:00 am Theresa Mary Cao † 8:30 am Belen, Fadian, Eloy Antonio † 10:30 am Edilberto Padilla † Myriam Rodriguez † 4:30 pm Vietnamese Mass
Mon.	10/19	7:00 am Theresa Mary Cao † 8:15 am Elizabeth Nguyen †
Tue.	10/20	7:00 am Theresa Mary Cao † 8:15 am Martha Ha †
Wed.	10/21	7:00 am Marie Choury † 8:15 am Theresa Mary Cao †
Thur.	10/22	7:00 am Theresa Mary Cao † 8:15 am Edilberto Padilla †
Fri.	10/23	7:00 am Theresa Mary Cao † 8:15 am Pedro Quiroga †
Sat.	10/24	8:15 am Theresa Mary Cao † 5:30 pm Tag Figueiredo † 7:00 pm
Sun.	10/25	7:00 am Parishioners 8:30 am Theresa Mary Cao † 10:30 am Ronald Peterson † Myriam Rodriguez † 4:30 pm Vietnamese Mass

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**SAINTS ISAAC JOGUES (1560-1646) AND JOHN DE BRÉBEUF (1593-1649)**  
**AND THEIR COMPANIONS - October 19**

Their mission was to New France, but these missionaries found in present-day New York State and the province of Ontario a world wildly different from the homes they left behind. Six Jesuit priests, Fathers Isaac Jogues, John de Brébeuf, Anthony Daniel, Gabriel Lalemant, Charles Garnier, and Noël Chabanel - and Jesuit lay volunteers René Goupil and John LaLande - shared the gospel with the Native Americans they met, in languages they painstakingly learned, and through images they creatively adapted to the indigenous cultures (for example, John de Brébeuf's "'Twas in the Moon of Wintertime: the Huron Carol"). But their evangelization was caught up in turmoil beyond their control: a smallpox epidemic, battles between French and English trading interests - the traders united only by their willingness to exploit the Native Americans - and conflict among the tribes themselves, Huron, Mohawk, Iroquois. The missionaries' perseverance despite exhausting hardships, their steadfast courage in facing unspeakable tortures, and undaunted love even for those who martyred them, bore fruit, immediately in Kateri Tekakwitha's sanctity, eventually in the Catholicism that still flourishes in the United States and Canada.

## ST FELICITAS CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION

Dear Parents.



We are excited to start children's grade school Faith Formation through distance learning.

We will be using RCL Benzinger for our classes.

Please send an email to Sandi at [StFelicitasCCD@comcast.net](mailto:StFelicitasCCD@comcast.net) so we can generate a code to purchase your online materials.

The curriculum will be self-paced for the convenience of your family.

If you have any questions please call the Faith Formation office or send us an email.

Thank you

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### IMPORTANT REMINDER

Envelopes for All Saints' and All Souls' Day are now available for you to pick up at the exit after the mass. Kindly return them **before October 30th** by dropping them in the offertory/donation boxes during weekend masses, dropping them at the mailbox in the office or you could also send them by mail.

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Monday: Ss. John de Brébeuf, Isaac Jogues, and Companions

Tuesday: St. Paul of the Cross

Thursday: St. John Paul II

Friday: St. John of Capistrano

Saturday: St. Anthony Mary Claret;

Blessed Virgin Mary; United Nations Day