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**Worship Times**

Saturday Vigil Mass, 4:00p  
Sunday Mass 11:15a; En español, 1:00p  
Daily Mass, Holy Days Consult bulletin  
Sacrament of Reconciliation  
Saturdays, 3:00-4:00p

Sunday Mass 9:00a  
Communion Service Tuesdays, 12:15p  
Holy Days 7:00p  
Sacrament of Reconciliation  
By appointment

**Welcome, New Parishioners**

*We are a Stewardship Community, sharing our time, talent, and treasure, in the most life-giving ways possible. Parishioners are expected to participate in weekly worship, in our community life, and in our service among our dear neighbors.*

**Sacramental Life ~ Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, Matrimony**

*For Sacrament preparation, you must be a registered, active member and attend preparation sessions.*

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)**

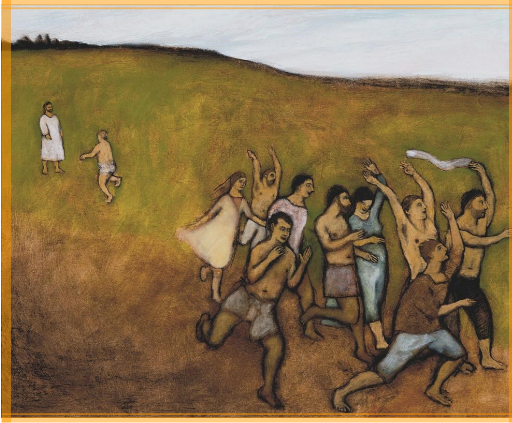
*For those who desire to explore the Catholic Faith, spirituality, customs, and practices.*

**Anointing of the Sick**

*For those with chronic illness or who are pre-surgery, contact Father John or Sister Janis*

**28th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
October 9, 2022**

## *Healing...Gratitude...Commitment...Service*



### *Morning Church!*

Declaring “all are equal” doesn’t make it so. Despite world-wide opposition South Africa’s Apartheid lasted almost 50 years. The 1983 Emancipation Proclamation declared all U.S. slaves were free persons. Legislation doesn’t change the embedded prejudice and racism that still dominates attitudes and practices today.

In biblical times, the most segregated group were the lepers. They were exiled to the outskirts of their communities and made to live as beggars.

Naaman, once a successful Syrian army commander had two strikes against him: he’s a leper and a foreigner. On top of being diseased, he is disdained and segregated because he’s an outsider. His healing challenges the Israelites to be inclusive and ecumenical in their attitudes and actions. God’s healing of Naaman is wholistic. He’s cured physically and spiritually. Naaman’s healing awakens him to the presence and power of God who loves all of us, without distinction.

In Luke’s gospel, Jesus heals ten lepers, one of whom is a despised foreigner, a Samaritan. The Lucan theme of The Great Reversal is very evident. Luke consistently proclaims: no one is outside of God’s loving mercy, even if *you* place them outside your love. God’s abundant, unconditional mercy is offered to all.

God, through Elisha, healed a Syrian soldier; Jesus heals the Samaritan leper. These foreigners, Naaman and the Samaritan leper, are grateful to God. Their gratitude is a faith response and illustrates that God’s loving mercy is extended to universally.

Note the parallel miracles in today’s scriptures. God’s saving power is revealed in the most unlikely people: these foreigners are healed through faith and humility, and restored to their families and communities. They remind us that Christ’s mission is our mission. Like the First Followers, we are charged to be a healing presence in any and all situations, and, by our invitation and example, lead others to faith in Christ Jesus.

Today’s Word is a perfect lead into a discussion on The Sacrament of Anointing. Prior to Vatican II, we called this Sacrament *Extreme Unction* or Last Rites. Extreme Unction means *Last Anointing*. (Your first Rite of anointing took place at your Baptism). Before 1964, the priest administered Extreme Unction only if someone were “in danger of death.”

Vatican II renewed and restored this sacrament to its rightful, pastoral nature. As a Sacrament of *Healing*, it can be given to anyone who is suffering chronic pain, lingering depression or other mental disorders; preparing for surgery or undergoing chemotherapy, etc. Vatican II re-titled Extreme Unction to be called Anointing of the Sick, which implied this Sacrament is for anyone is sick and suffering. It celebrates God’s mercy, compassion, and desire for your wholeness of mind, body, and spirit and can be received many times during a lifetime. When the Sacrament of Anointing is celebrated as death approaches, the priest offers the person the Eucharist, which, in this moment is called *Viaticum* (Latin) for “food for the journey.”

Today you are offered an opportunity to celebrate this sacrament within Mass, to hear God’s words of healing in the Scriptures, and receive the Body and Blood of Christ. By faith you are healed. May your healing lead you to grateful service.

God’s blessings,

*spanis*

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🌿 *Reflecting and Acting on The Word* 🌿

*What choices have you made that cause dis-ease to your spirit?  
Jesus stands before you. How do you want to be healed?*

Readings <https://bible.usccb.org/>

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OCTOBER	
 09	28th Sun OT ~ <b>Mass of Anointing</b> FAMILY FAITH FORMATION after Mass
10	Ladies Guild, <b>6p</b> ; SSJ Zoom 4-6:30p 
11	Communion Service, 12:15p
 12	RCIA, 6:45p
 15	SSJ Founder's Day (1650-2022) Men's Breakfast, Cracker Barrel 8:30a 
 16	29th Sun OT FAMILY FAITH FORMATION after Mass
17	SSJ Zoom 4-6:30p Give Blood ~ Elkin Rescue Center, 1-6p 
 18	Feast of St. Luke, Evangelist, physician, artist Communion Service, 12:15p
 19	RCIA
 20	Wise Ones Hosts: Barb & Bod DeJohn (336)737-4056 Benny's Italian & Latin Restaurant, Jonesville, 1p
 23	30th Sun OT FAMILY FAITH FORMATION after Mass
24	SSJ Christian Growth Group 10-1:00p
25	Communion Service, 12:15p
 26	RCIA
30	31st Sun OT <b>NO FFF</b>
31	SSJ Zoom 4-6:30p



**Liturgical Ministers:**  
please consult our website for your schedule.  
If you are unable to serve,  
please find your own substitute.  
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liturgical-ministries-1](https://www.ststephenc.org/liturgical-ministries-1)

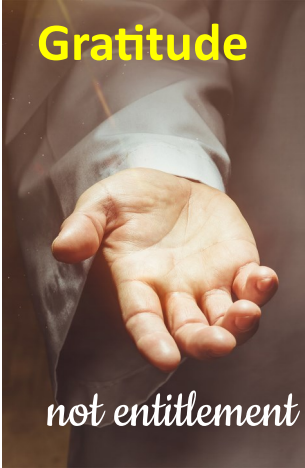
*Pope Francis Walking the Word*

Jesus heard their cry for mercy, and sent them to the priests who were designated by law to certify their healing and re-admit them to normal life. On their way, when they found themselves healed. Only one returned to thank Jesus and praise God before going to the priest. That man was a Samaritan, a sort of "heretic" for the Jews of that time. Jesus asks:  
"Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?"

🌿 Mass Intentions	
10/09	+Mona Schuafenbuel r/b Jerry +Elizabeth Simon r/b Jerry
You are welcome to request Masses for Special Intentions, Birthdays and Anniversaries, as well as Masses for deceased loved ones. If you are new to St. S, there are Mass Intention envelopes in the lobby and in the pew pockets. The usual stipend is ten dollars and the check is made payable to Fr. John, instead of St. S Church.	

**Parish Celebrations**

- |   |   |                           |
|---|---|---------------------------|
| 10 Angel Ledesma  |  | 20 John Darcey            |
| 11 Beth Orta  |   | 22 Hydee Go               |
| 12 Natalie Lopez  |   | Ty Keller                 |
| 14 Raquel Barrientos  |   | Ruben Ramirez             |
| 18 Athena Spicer  |   | 25 Beth Altemueller       |
|   |   | 26 Ramona Doyle           |
|   |   | Walter Nelson             |
| 10 Andrea Faw & Stephen Faust  |   | 25 Samantha & Andrew Ange |
| 19 Katrina & Joshua Baskey  |   | Rosa & Jose Islas         |



thankfulness

**YOUR HELP/PRESENCE IS REQUESTED**  
Stewardship: Sharing YOUR Time, Talent, Treasure  
in Gratitude for God's Goodness to You!

- Altar Linen Team,
- Choir
- Church Cleaning Team
- EM to Homebound
- Faith Formation Team
- Sm Church Upkeep Projects
- Ladies Guild
- Aileen (336) 874-2471
- Men's Group
- Jerry (336) 957-2250

Thank you!

## Our Latino Households



Rosalina Diaz  
 Raquael & Eric Barrientos  
 Anayeli & Victor Bustos  
 Natasha & Gabriel Cancel  
 Julia & Diego Carreon  
 Ayda & Sheldon Chanes  
 Epi & Julian Cortez  
 Sarahi & Antonio Crispin  
 Sonia & Sixto DeJesus  
 Minnie & Julian Espino  
 Alejandro Garcia  
 Marbel Garcia

Jusselly & Sergio Loyola  
 Lupe & Ray Hernandez  
 Roxana Hernandez  
 Catalina & Sergio Hernandez  
 Rosa & Jose Islas  
 Margarita & Guillermo Lara  
 Maria & Jose Ledesma  
 Emilio Lopez  
 Hilda & Joel Lopez  
 Marta & Jorge Lopez  
 Julia Mantero

Cindy & Ozzie Martinez  
 Elia & Luis Martinez  
 Maria & Salomon Mata  
 Natalie Lopez & Chris Ouellette  
 Rosa & Gerardo Parral  
 Erika & Ruben Ramirez  
 Louisa & Juan Rodriguez  
 Olivia & Isidro Rodriguez  
 Sonia Rodriguez  
 Ines & Carlos Trejo  
 Veronica & Marcelo Trinidad

**Es una bendición caminar contigo en la fe.  
 ¡Feliz Mes de la Herencia Hispana!**



**Our Lady,  
 Queen of Peace,  
 pray for us!**

~ **COMMUNITY NEED** ~  
**DIRECTOR:**  
**MEALS for the ELDERLY**  
**For more information:**  
**see Sept 25 bulletin**

**TRI-COUNTY  
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 IS BEST  
 AS WELL AS  
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**St. Stephen  
 Monthly Donation**

**OCTOBER**  
 Sm. dish liquid soap

**NOVEMBER**  
 Bar Soap

**DECEMBER**  
 Dry Beans





In our Gospel, Jesus cured the ten lepers. Leprosy is a horrible disease that eats away at a person's body until they die. How amazed were the ten lepers when Jesus told them to go and show themselves to the priest and they realized they were cured!!

Something else is important about this gospel. *Only one* of the them who had been cured came back to say, "Thank you" to Jesus and he was a Samaritan! Why didn't the others come back to thank Jesus? The grateful man, a Samaritan, is considered to be a traitor. Samaritans used to worship with the Jews in Jerusalem. Then they decided to leave and go to Samaria and build their very own Temple. This really saddened and angered the Jews.



Think about your own faithjourney. You may have been sick, yet you probably never had leprosy. God does amazing things for you all the time. God created us and gives us everything we need to live ~ our family and friends, the gift of faith, and a future full of hope.

The greatest gift God has given us is Jesus. We come to church each week to say "Thank you" to God for the great gift of Jesus. We listen to God's holy Word and we receive the gift of Jesus in the Eucharist. Eucharist is a Greek word that means, "thanksgiving"!

Give thanks to God for all that you are and all that you have; and *pray* to be as generous with others as God is with you.

ANSWERS TO TRUE OR FALSE: 1. true 2. false 3. true 4. false 5. false 6. true

# The Kids' Bulletin

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
October 9th, 2022

*How many lepers walked away without saying 'Thank you' when Jesus healed them?*

Luke 17:11-19



*Count how many of the people who are walking away are wearing dark grey clothes.*

# Pope Saint Callistus I

## October 14

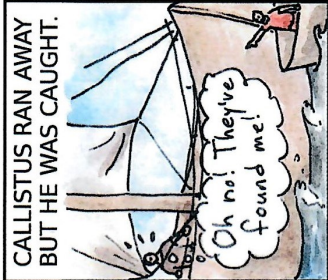
CALLISTUS WAS A SLAVE OF A CHRISTIAN MAN IN THE EARLY CHURCH. A NUMBER OF PEOPLE GOT HIM TO LOOK AFTER THEIR MONEY SO HE STARTED A BANK.



HOWEVER, HE LOST THE MONEY WHEN HE LENT IT OUT TO SOME MONEY-LENDERS.



CALLISTUS RAN AWAY BUT HE WAS CAUGHT.



Ah! I can't go any faster!  
FOR PUNISHMENT HE WAS FORCED TO WORK AT A MILL.



WHEN HE TRIED TO GET THE MONEY BACK HE WAS SENT TO WORK IN A MINE.



BUT THE POPE RESCUED HIM, MADE HIM A DEACON AND PUT HIM IN CHARGE OF A CEMETERY.



I agree. Callistus is a good choice.



WHEN THE POPE DIED, CALLISTUS WAS CHOSEN AS THE NEW ONE. HE WAS KILLED AS A MARTYR IN 223 AD, PROBABLY IN A RIOT SINCE THERE WAS NO PERSECUTION AT THE TIME.

SAINT CALLISTUS SAID THAT BAD SINNERS WHO HAD GONE TO CONFESSION AND DONE PENANCE COULD RETURN TO FULL COMMUNION WITH THE CHURCH. SOME PEOPLE DISAGREED WITH HIM, BUT THE CHURCH STILL TEACHES WHAT HE SAID. HOW CAN YOU GIVE HOPE TO PEOPLE THAT HAVE SINNED?

# True or False?

## Jesus Cures the Ten Lepers

How well do you know the story of Jesus and the Lepers?

1. When Jesus was walking to Jerusalem, he met ten lepers. True or false?
2. The lepers came right up to Jesus and touched Him. True or false?
3. Jesus didn't touch them; all He said was, "Go show yourselves to the priests." True or false?
4. Half of the lepers were healed and half weren't. True or false?
5. All of them came back to thank Jesus. True or false?
6. Only one man came back to thank Jesus, and he was a foreigner. True or false?
7. Jesus said, "Your faith has saved you." True or false?

