

A major theme in the Gospel of Luke is the importance of the care of the poor in the life of discipleship. In the parable found in today's Gospel, Jesus contrasts the life of a rich man and the poor man, Lazarus, who lives in the shadow of the rich man and his wealth. Both die. Lazarus finds himself in heaven; the rich man in the netherworld. The rich man asks for assistance from Lazarus in his torment. But Abraham reminds the rich man of the good things he had in his life and describes the current situation as a reversal of fortunes. The rich man then asks that Lazarus be sent to warn his family, but this is denied with the reminder that Moses and the prophets have warned of judgment for those who neglect the care of the poor.

In the context of Luke's Gospel, this parable, delivered in the presence of a crowd of listeners, is part of Jesus' response to some Pharisees. These Pharisees are described in Luke's Gospel as "loving money." (Note: The Pharisees were followers of a sect of Judaism active before, during, and after Jesus' lifetime. They taught an oral interpretation of the Law of Moses as the basis for popular Jewish piety. They put less emphasis on Temple worship and more on applying the law to everyday life. Though they are often portrayed negatively in the Gospels, they shared many of Jesus' and the early Church's concerns about the law.) Jesus observed that the actions of some Pharisees betrayed misplaced priorities: they spoke one way, but acted in another. The story of the rich man and Lazarus demonstrates the importance of the care of the poor and is a reminder to those who would follow Jesus of the unimportance of wealth in the eyes of God.



MASS SCHEDULE WITH MASS INTENTIONS

Week of September 29, 2019

Sun.....9/29.....9:00 am..... Kathleen Evanhoe +
 Sun.....9/29.....9:00 am.....*Missa ProPopulo.....St. Michael*
 Sun.....9/29.....11:00 am.....Sheila Lauda +
 Sun.....9/29.....5:30 pm.....Michelle Ciba, Sp. Int.
 Mon.....9/30...7:00 am.....All Souls.....Mercy Hospital Chapel
 Mon.....9/30...8:30 am.....John Wolfe +
 Mon.....9/30...12:15 pm.....Agustin Perez +
 Tue.....10/1.....7:00 am.....All Souls.....Mercy Hospital Chapel
 Tue.....10/1.....8:30 am.....Agustin Perez +
 Wed.....10/2.....7:30 am.....*Agustin Perez +.....St. Michael*
 Wed.....10/2.....8:30 am.....Dolores Girimonte +
 Thu.....10/3.....7:00 am.....All Souls.....Mercy Hospital Chapel
 Thu.....10/3.....8:30 am.....Barrett Baker, Sp. Int.
 Thu.....10/3.....12:15 pm.....Agustin Perez +
 Fri.....10/4.....8:30 am.....Mini Family, Sp. Int.
 Sat.....10/5.....8:30 am.....Harry Grashoff +
 Sat.....10/5.....5:30 pm.....Ilie Kofford +

Altar Service Schedule Week of Oct. 5th & Oct. 6th,

<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>
5:30PM	9:00AM	11:00AM	5:30PM
S. Soares	D. Gonzalez	K. Loveelopez	H. Davis
A. Stierli	J. Mansfield	V. Medina	R. Davis
	C. Johnson		N. Romero

INDEPENDENT COMPENSATION PROGRAM

On Monday, September 16, the Independent Compensation Program (ICP) began accepting registrations. The Diocese of Sacramento is joining those in Los Angeles, Fresno, Orange, San Bernadino and San Diego in a program that brings compensation and justice to those who were sexually abused as minors by diocesan priests. All claims, regardless of how long ago they may have occurred, will be considered by the program. The ICP is independent, outside the control of any diocese. For more information, including how to submit a claim, Opleae visit www.CaliforniaDiocesesICP.com. Let us always remember to pray for the victims of priest sexual abuse. As their pain is ongoing, so must our prayers for them be.

MARRIED COUPLES: Would you attend a seminar to enhance your job or to increase your salary? *Why not give your marriage the same attention?* Enhance your good marriage by attending a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend!** The next Marriage Encounter will be the weekend of Oct 4-6, 2019 in Reno, NV. For more information and/or to register for a Weekend, visit our website at: <https://www.sacramentowwme.org> or contact Terry & Janet at applications@sacramentowwme.org Or call: 916-489-3464.