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The Workers in the Vineyard

'These men who were hired last worked only one hour,' they said, 'and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the work and the heat of the day.' **Matthew 20:12 (NIV)**

Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Substitute the correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words.



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- 5-12-21-11-8 _____
- 17-7-9-1 _____

VINEYARD LAST	UNFAIR GENEROUS	WORKERS FIRST	GRUMBLE MONEY	HIRED HOUR
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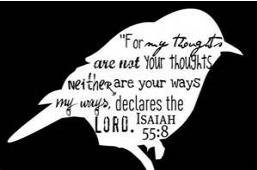
Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 21, 2014

REFLECTIONS

FAITH IN GOD’S AUTHORITY

By Diona Rudolph



As adults we have to take charge of so many things in our lives. Often times we face many trials and burdens independently. Even though some of us may have a support system to help us through our difficulties, we still may feel as though we are the only person who is capable

or responsible for the heavy burdens we face. These times are when prayer is a crucial part of our process to relieve those burdens. The Prophet Isaiah writes “For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord.” God is telling us to seek him because he is the only one who has the authority to change our situation for the better. We do not have this authority. In addition, in this statement, God is disregarding our notion that we may feel invincible, all knowing and powerful enough to handle our situations independently. God is redirecting us to recognize his power, which surpasses any power we may think we have. Further Isaiah concludes in his passage “as high as the heavens are above the earth, so high are my ways above your ways and my thoughts above your thoughts”. God’s word delivered by Isaiah is not to belittle us or to make us feel incapable. God provides us with gifts of ability and endurance in order to go about the trials of life. However, he does not want us to forget him in the process. He is our loving Father and we must have faith in his authority.

REST IN PEACE HIAWAYI!!!



We join the city of Prichard and Mobile Alabama to com-miserate with the Robinson family on the tragic death of their beloved daughter Hiawayi Robinson who was found dead after being declared missing for two days prior. We pray that the soul of Hiawayi Robinson and the souls of all the faithful departed may rest in peace. Amen. We pray that God grant the Robinson family the consolation they need at this very difficult moment of grief. Amen

Mobile Area Inter-Parish Council 2014 Revival!

Theme: "Doing the Will of the Lord"

Revivalist: Fr. Vernon Hughley

Host Parish: St. James Major Catholic Church, 927 W Prichard Ave.

Dates: September, 28, 29, 30 & October 1



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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil.....4:30 PM

Sunday Mass9:30 AM

Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday.....5:30 PM

Thursday & Saturday.....7:45 AM

Holy Days Of Obligation.....6:00 PM

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Sunday8:45 – 9:15 AM
(or by appointment)

THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday.....For the People of the Parish

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Religious Education Class – After Sunday Mass

Bible Study -Monday.....5:00–6:00 PM

RCIA Classes -Thursday 6:00 PM

CHOIR REHEARSAL

Friday.....6:00 PM

LEGION OF MARY

Thursday8:30 AM

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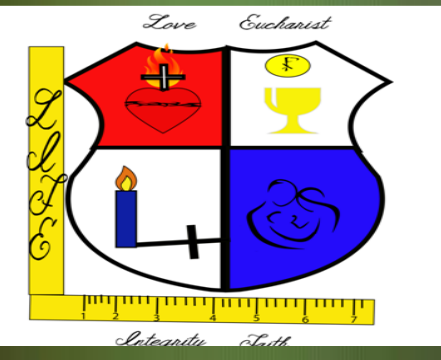
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MINISTRIES

Altar Servers.....Brandon Barnes
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Bereavement.....Pamela Barnes
Bible Study.....Ruth McKitric
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Liturgical Dancers.....Yvette Smith
Male Choir.....William Frazier
Media & Public Relations.....Greg Cyprian
Parish Council.....Thomas Whittaker
RCIA.....Deacon Ronnie Hathorne
Religious Education Dir.....Tiffany J. Barnes
St Joseph School Alumni.....Shawn Bivens
Stewardship.....Keith Brewer
Technology/IT.....Michael Smith
Youth Activities & Family Life.....Tara Evans

MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

•TODAY – September 21

Lectors.....Sheila Mosley
Pavia Dewberry
Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist.....
.....Keith & Claudia Brewer
Altar ServersBrandon, Ashley, Azure

•Next Week– September 28

Lectors.....Windola Thompson
Rose Mary Austin
Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist.....
.....Charles & Barbara Mitchell
Altar ServersKai, Keari B., Kiara

SEPTEMBER CELEBRANTS

BIRTHDAYS

02.....Denise Cyprian
08.....Matthew Hawthorne
13.....Willie Lott
14.....Joyce Williams
15.....Kayla Fuller
15.....Marcus DuCloux
16.....Pavia Dewberry
16.....Tiffany Barnes
19.....Ruth McKitric
19.....Willie Key
23.....Thomas Whittaker
23.....Tara Evans
24.....Walter Battles
25.....Akeem Haughton
25.....Blakely Davis
25.....Alice Diaz
27.....Jade Womack
29.....Jean Carleton

ANNIVERSARIES

30.....Johnny & Hilda Carroway—34 yrs.

Weekly Collection – \$2,597.00
(September 14, 2014)

Attendance - 105
Communion - 75
Blessings - 13



An Overview of RCIA Pt. II

By Deacon Ronnie Hathorne

The Steps of the Journey

The Rite of Christian Initiation is based on the principle that the process of conversion proceeds gradually, in stages. Progress from one stage to the next is marked by a liturgical celebration in the midst of the parish community. The experience and needs of those in each category described above differ, and so the length of time may vary for each person. Yet there are certain similarities among all the groups and the process they will experience. RCIA consists of four periods of formation which are marked by rituals that celebrate what has been completed and that call a person into the next phase.

Period of Evangelization and Precatechumenate

The first stage is called the period of inquiry (or the precatechumenate). This is when the individual first expresses an interest in becoming a Catholic, and begins to explore, with the help of the parish community, what his or her relationship with Christ might be and how that relationship might be fulfilled and deepened by joining the Catholic Church. There is no liturgical rite to mark the beginning of this stage. There is no time limit or constraints placed on this period. It is rather a very flexible and open time period, which may take several months or several years. Some people engage in this first stage as a long process of searching and discernment. For others, it is a much shorter period of time. This stage is completed when the inquirer feels ready to move forward and the community is prepared to welcome him or her or decides against continuing in this direction. There is no commitment necessary, and no expectations during this time. During this period of time individuals, who are called inquirers, are introduced to the person, the life, and the ministry of Jesus Christ. This period revolves around the four Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke and John) and learning about the Truth expressed in the Gospels. One is introduced to prayer and learns the importance of developing a prayer life. People share their personal stories and their life journeys in a supportive environment and are encouraged to ask questions about the Catholic faith. It is a time for building communion and for listening, learning, sharing, and asking questions. It is a time of initial conversation and conversion.

**We will have more on this topic for several weeks to come.

MAYSVILLE GOSPEL FEST 2014

October 11—Church Grounds

10:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

Theme: Fishers of Men



Gospel Fest 2014 is patterned after Jesus; preaching, teaching, healing, and feeding the multitudes in the book of Matthew. The gospel of Jesus Christ will be presented in words, preaching the gospel, in testimony, with evangelism teams giving witness to the gospel, and gospel music will be sung by church choirs, gospel groups and through praise dancing. There will also be a health fair, games, food and music.

THOUGHTS & REMINDERS

Keep In Prayer Our...

Ill & Homebound Parishioners

Mrs. Delores Isom Mrs. Reola Juzang
Mrs. Theresa Gulley Ms. Josephine Betton
Mr. & Mrs. Allen Hickman Mrs. Ireola Frazier
Sr. Jose’, Delores Lewis Mrs. Katie Peters
Sis. Rita Washington Mr. John Austin
Mr. Patrick Rankins

(Please sign the Healing Prayer Book to list ill parishionrs).

SACRAMENTS

Baptism: Parents desiring baptism for their children are encouraged to contact the pastor at least two weeks in advance to arrange for the required preparation class for parents and godparents.

Sacrament of Matrimony: Any parishioner seeking marriage must contact the Pastor at least six (6) months prior to the desired wedding date.

Mass of Christian Burial: When a funeral is to be celebrated, please contact the Pastor before contacting the funeral home. Funerals are not permitted on Sundays or Holy Days of Obligation.

READINGS FOR MASS

Twenty-Third Week in Ordinary Time
September 22– September 27



MON 22	First Reading: <u>Proverbs 3:27-34</u> Gospel: <u>Luke 8:16-18</u>
TUE 23	First Reading: <u>Proverbs 21:1-6, 10-13</u> Gospel: <u>Luke 8:19-21</u>
WED 24	First Reading: <u>Proverbs 30:5-9</u> Gospel: <u>Luke 9:1-6</u>
THU 25	First Reading: <u>Ecclesiastics 1:2-11</u> Gospel: <u>Luke 9:7-9</u>
FRI 26	First Reading: <u>Ecclesiastics 3:1-11</u> Gospel: <u>Luke 9:18-22</u>
SAT 27	First Reading: <u>Ecclesiastics 11:9-12:8</u> Gospel: <u>Luke 9:43b-45</u>
SUN 28	Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time First Reading: <u>Ezekiel 18:25-28</u> Second Reading: <u>Philippians 2:1-11/</u> <u>Philippians 2:1-5</u> Gospel: <u>Matthew 21:28-32</u>



Parish Announcements

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Any parishioners interested in serving on the planning committee for the Christmas Event/ Fundraiser please sign the list in the back of the church or see Marshae Blackmon for more information.

MONTH OF THE ROSARY

October is the Month of the Rosary, we encourage all parishioners to join us and pray the rosary every Sunday morning especially throughout the month as a way of deepening our devotion to the Blessed Mother.



ROSARY PROCESSION AND MASS

, in honor of our Lady of the Holy Rosary on October 14 at 5:30pm. We are all encourage to be part of this prayerful event. “Holy Mary Mother of God; Pray for us. Amen

PLEDGE DRIVE SUNDAY

September 28, 2014 will be Pledge Drive Sunday. Keith Brewer will make a 10-15 minute presentation about the status of the pledge drive, need of the pledge drive, the good it has done, the goal of the pledge drive, and how we are going to achieve the goal.

MEMORIAL MASS

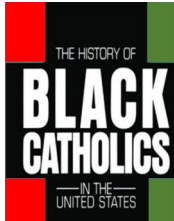
Next Sunday a sign-up sheet will be placed in the pews for names of deceased loved ones whom you would like prayer for at the Memorial Mass on November 2, 2014. Please complete the sheet and place in the basket in back of the church or give to Fr. Sohe or Ms. Pam Barnes.

St. James Major Catholic Church will hold its Annual Fall Festival October 11, 2014 from noon until 7:30pm at their Parish Center. Raffle books are available if you wish to sell or purchase, see Fr. Sohe, Pam Barnes or Ruth Pettaway.



MOST PURE HEART OF MARY CHURCH & SCHOOL ANNUAL FALL FESTIVAL!

All are invited to come and join us for this fundraising event that helps to support the only Black Catholic Elementary School in the Mobile Area. **Where:** Most Pure Heart Of Mary, 304 Sengstak St., Mobile, AL, October 18, 2014,



NOVEMBER IS BLACK CATHOLIC HISTORY MONTH

The entire parish is encouraged to dress in African attire on November 16, 2014 in celebration of history. If you do not have African attire, please wear red, black or green.