

From Bishop Gregory

As we prepare to enter the month of October, I invite all our parishes to observe **Respect Life Month** in a special way. October provides us with an opportunity to renew our commitment to the dignity and sacredness of every human life, from conception to natural death, and to bring this intention before the Lord in our prayers and liturgies. I encourage our parishes to dedicate time throughout the month to **pray for the unborn, for mothers facing difficult pregnancies, and for all those who are vulnerable and in need of our support and compassion.** As a Church, we are called not only to proclaim the sanctity of life, but also to accompany women and families with love, mercy, and practical support.

The Bookmark Prayer of St. Teresa of Avila

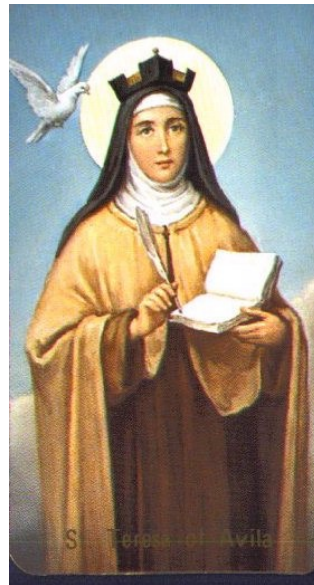
Feast Day—October 15th

Let nothing disturb you.
Let nothing frighten you.
All things are passing away.
God never changes. Patience obtains all things.
Whoever has God lacks nothing;
God alone suffices.

St. Teresa's Guidance Prayer

Lord,

grant that I may always allow myself to be guided by You,
always follow Your plans,
and perfectly accomplish Your Holy Will.
Grant that in all things, great and small,
today and all the days of my life,
I may do whatever You require of me.
Help me respond to the slightest prompting of Your Grace,
so that I may be Your trustworthy instrument for Your honor.
May Your Will be done in time and in eternity by me,
in me, and through me. Amen.



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Liturgy Schedule

Saturday: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 10:30 am
Weekdays: 9:00 am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:
Every Friday following the 9:00 am
Liturgy until 5:00 pm

Mystery of Reconciliation: Saturdays from 4:00 PM to
4:40 PM and Sundays from 9:45 AM to 10:15 AM
or by appointment

LITURGY INTENTIONS

WEEKEND OF OCTOBER 10 & 11, 2026

Saturday: 5:00 PM: The souls in Purgatory

Sunday: 10:30 AM: The souls in Purgatory

Monday, Oct 12: 9 AM- Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, Oct 13: 9 AM- Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday, Oct 14: 9 AM- Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, Oct 15: 9 AM-

Friday, Oct 16: 9 AM- Joyce Hampson, RIP (Bea & Dominic Lucchini)

WEEKEND OF OCTOBER 17 & 18, 2026

Saturday: 5:00 PM: Bob Landry, RIP (Don & Glenda Barnett)

Sunday: 10:30 AM: Jim & Wanda Donckers, RIP, birthdays (The Waddell Family)

Offertory— October 4— To be announced

SECOND COLLECTION— this weekend for the needy

ALTAR EUCHARIST CELEBRATION October

For the soul of my mom, Lourice F. Thomas. Prayers of thankfulness for her life, love, lessons, legacy and our relationship that continues.

By Lourice Thomas, II



Daily Scripture Readings

Week of October 11, 2026

Monday: Revelation 15:1-8 : John 12:20-28

Tuesday: Revelation 18:1-8 : John 16:20-24

Wednesday: Rev 19:1-2,5-9,11-13,16 : Luke 12:16-21

Thursday: Revelation 21:1-12,14 : Luke 13:6-9

Friday: Revelation 21:22—22:5 : Luke 15:3-7

Saturday: Revelation 22:16-21 : Luke 15:8-10

Sunday: Philippians 2:12-18 : Matthew 25:1-13

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Donations Needed

Religious Education classes will begin on Wednesday, October 14th at 6 PM.

Snacks and juice will be provided but not dinner.

We are asking our parishioners to donate snacks, juice boxes, etc throughout the school year for the students. Monetary donations are fine as well.

Please see Rima Hajje if you can help.

May God bless you for your generosity.

ALL SOULS' DAY

How often do we remember our faithful departed and how often do we pray for them? Mass for the Holy Souls will be celebrated on Monday, **November 2nd**. **Envelopes are included to put the names of those faithful departed loved ones you wish remembered during this Mass.** You can place the envelopes in the collection basket by **October 30th**.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT



St Elias has Eucharistic Adoration on Fridays from 10AM to 5PM in the St. Sharbel Chapel. We invite parishioners to join us at anytime. If possible, please commit to an hour during this timeframe.

We especially need an Adorer from 2-3PM.

Please consider spending an hour with our Lord.

“Could you not keep watch for one hour?”

Our Lady of Nazereth Soup Supper Discussions...

Magnifica Humanitas

Join us for Magnifica Humanitas, a five-part series exploring Pope Leo XIV's encyclical letter through weekly presentations and small-group discussion. Wednesdays, October 21– November 18, from 6:00–7:30 PM in OLN Fellowship Hall, featuring soup, fellowship, and discussion.