

The Pharisee & The Tax Collector

For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted. Luke 18:14b (NIV)

The puzzle is based on Luke 18:9-14 (NIV).



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TEMPLE JUSTIFIED BREAST MERCY

EXALT HEAVEN COLLECTOR TAX

PHARISEE ROBBERS ADULTERERS

PARABLE RIGHTEOUS THANK CONFIDENT

LOOK HUMBLE **EVILDOERS** SINNER

WEEKDAY READINGS (PSALTER WEEK 2)

27 Monday - Weekday in Ordinary

Romans 8:12-17; Luke 13:10-17

28 Tuesday - Sts. Simon and Jude, Apostles

Ephesians 2: 19-22; Luke 6: 12-16

29 Wednesday - Weekday in Ordinary

Romans 8:26-30: Luke 13: 22-30

30 Thursday - Weekday in Ordinary

Romans 8:31b-39; Luke 13: 31-35

31 Friday - Weekday in Ordinary

Romans 9:1-5; Luke 14:1-6

01 Saturday - Solemnity of All Saints

Revelation 7: 2-4, 9-14; Matthew 5: 1-12a

The second parable that Jesus tells in Luke 18 addresses attitude in prayer. In contrasting the prayer of the Pharisee with the prayer of the tax collector, Jesus teaches his disciples to pray in humility before God.

Jesus again surprises his listeners by showing the tax collector as the example of faith, rather than the Pharisee. Remember that Pharisees were members of a sect of Judaism active in Jesus' time. They taught an oral interpretation of the Law of Moses as the basis for Jewish piety. If anyone would be a model for prayer, a Pharisee was a likely candidate.

In contrast, Jesus offers the tax collector as a model for prayer. Tax collectors were collaborators with the Roman authorities in a system that allowed the tax collectors to line their own pockets by charging in excess of the defined taxes. Yet, in this parable, Jesus offers the humility of the tax collector as a model for the prayer of a disciple.

The parable reminds us that when we pray, we must remember our need for God in our lives. If we are too full of ourselves, there is too little room for God's grace to work in us.



Pope's prayer intention for October:

For collaboration between different religious traditions

Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice, and human fraternity.

NOTICES

- The Catholic Charismatic Renewal invites all to a day of Renewal this Sunday (26th October) which will be held at Christ the King Catholic Church, Grand Roy, starting time 2:00 pm.
- **November** is the month specially dedicated to our departed loved ones. Please do not forget to pray and request mass for family members and friends departed. Envelopes are available for the purpose of mass request for our departed ones.
- Masses at the Cathedral on Saturday 1st (All Saints) 6:15 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.
- Sunday 2nd (All Souls Day)

Mass/Sunday Service as usual.

- Our Lady Queen of the Universe (Mt. Moritz) extends a heartfelt thank you, to all who supported the Barbeque sale last Monday.
- Are you an engaged couple or a couple who are seriously thinking about marriage? There will be a Catholic Engaged Encounter Weekend Retreat at the St. Martin's Retreat Center from Friday 7th to Sunday 9th November, 2025. Interested persons can contact the parish office for further details.

Nutrition Tip for the week

Ensure your child has sufficient water for extra curricula activities especially if none is available at the center.

"Love the Child"

LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK AND SHUT-INS IN OUR PARISH COMMUNITY:

Limo Grant, Ann Bishop, Thelma Joseph, Michael Philbert, Dean Andrew, Clarissa Bain, Arnold Joseph, Ambrose Noel, Andrea Jessica, Veronica Thomas, Emma Joseph, Joseph Ross, Finley Gill.

Parish Pastoral Team: Fr. KUFRE EMMANUEL MSP (Cathedral Administrator) **DEACON RAPHAEL JOHNSON (Parish Deacon)** THE PRESENTATION BROTHERS

Catechesis Corner

PRAYING FOR THE DEAD.

First, it isn't only Catholics who pray for the dead. Except in the Protestant community, prayer for the dead is universal among Christians. Further, prayer for the dead has been practiced by Jews since before the time of Christ and continues to be practiced by them today.

In Scripture, Judah Maccabee and his men were retrieving the bodies of fallen comrades when they discovered the men who had fallen were wearing pagan amulets, and so "they turned to prayer, beseech- ing that the sin which had been committed might be wholly blotted out" (2 Macc. 12:42).

Protestants may not regard this passage as Scripture, but Catholics do, and it is thus legitimate for them to appeal to it. Whether one regards it as Scripture or not, it constitutes evidence of prayer for the dead among Jews before the time of Christ, and Jews continue to pray for the dead today, particularly using a prayer known as the Mourner's Kaddish.

The New Testament also contains a plausible instance of prayer for the dead. After praying for the household of a man named Onesiphorus, Paul goes on to pray "may the Lord grant him to find mercy from the Lord on that Day" (2 Tim. 1:18). Paul twice mentions "the household of Onesiphorus" (2 Tim. 1:16, 4:19), but does not greet him with the rest of his household and speaks of him only in the past tense. Many scholars have concluded that Onesiphorus had passed away and thus Paul was praying for the departed.

Many Protestants, too, spontaneously ask God to bless their departed loved ones. Thus the Protestant apologist C.S. Lewis writes: "Of course I pray for the dead. The action is so spontaneous, so all but inevitable, that only the most compulsive theological case against it would deter me. . . . At our age the majority of those we love best are dead. What sort of intercourse with God could I have if what I love best were unmentionable to Him?" (Letters to Malcolm: Chiefly on Prayer, 107).

It is a natural human impulse to pray for our loved ones, even when they have passed from this life.

(culled from 'Catholic Answers')

COLLECTIONS:

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time /C - 19th October, 2025 (Mission Sunday)

Cathedral 6.00 p.m. \$ 1564.84 Belmont \$ 372.60 Cathedral 8.00 a.m. \$ 1859.82 Mt. Mortiz \$ 460.00 Happy Hill \$ 746.00 Fontenoy \$ 42.30

Tempe \$ 330.45

Total: \$ 5,376.01

May God continue to bless you!

Prayer for the Discernment of A New Bishop

O God, Eternal Shepherd, who govern your flock with unchanging care, grant to your Church in St. George's-in-Grenada a shepherd who will faithfully follow in the footsteps of your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. Give us a Bishop filled with wisdom and understanding so that, guided by your Holy Spirit, he may be a faithful pastor, a prudent teacher, wise in discerning the needs of our diocese and region. Strengthen him to uphold the gospel of truth, to lead your flock with humility and courage and to build up the Body of Christ in love and holiness. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Immaculate Mary, Mother of the Church, pray with us and for us. **Amen.**

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We wish everyone celebrating their birthdays today and this week



We wish everyone celebrating an anniversary today and this week



CATHEDRAL OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION



Our Lady Queen of Peace, **BELMONT/SPRINGS** Saints Joachim & Anne, **BRIZAN**;

Blessed Trinity, **FONTENOY**;

Church of the Uganda Martyrs, **HAPPY HILL**;

Our Lady Queen of the Universe, MT. MORITZ; St. Benedict the Moor, RIVER ROAD/DARBEAU

Our Lady Lily of the Valley, **TEMPE.**



30th Sunday in Ordinary Time /C - October 26th, 2025

Sunday Mass Schedules:

Cathedral Saturday: 6:00 p.m. Belmont Saturday: 6:00 p.m. Brizan Sunday: 6:30 a.m. Cathedral Sunday: 8:00 a.m. Happy Hill Sunday: 8:00 a.m.
Tempe Sunday: 8:00 a.m.
Fontenoy Sunday: 10:00 a.m.
Mt. Moritz Sunday: 10:00 a.m.

Weekday Masses:

Cathedral: 6:15 a.m. & 12:15 p.m. Happy Hill - Wednesday - 6 pm

CONFESSION:

Cathedral: Saturdays: 7.00 a.m. - 8.00 a.m. (Priests available at request)

Welcome!

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us a story about two men who went up to the Temple to pray, one boasted about his goodness and the other one confessed his sins. We gather here to humbly offer our prayers to our God.

First Reading: From the Book of Ecclesiasticus chapter 35, verses 12 to 14 and 16 to 19. God shows no partiality for the rich and powerful, He listens to the humble prayer of the just and the lowly.

Second Reading: Paul, a prisoner in Rome, feels that his death is drawing near, but his confidence is unshaken and his hope of the 'crown of glory' is bright. This we hear from his letter to Timothy chapter 4 verses 6 to 8 and 16 to 18.

Gospel: According to Luke chapter 18 verses 9 to 14, tells us the parable of the Pharisee and the tax-collector, - both of them, at prayer.