



Bartimaeus

In the Gospel of Mark Jesus is the one who brings salvation to Israel. His healings are a sign of the coming of the kingdom.

The story of Bartimaeus is as much a call story as a healing story. The expression 'followed him along the way' doesn't simply mean that he joined the crowd on the road to Jerusalem. There can be no doubt what Mark intends: Bartimaeus followed Jesus on the way of Christian discipleship. He is presented as a model of faith.

It seems that the story was used in the early Church as a model of encouragement to believers and would-be believers.

Bartimaeus serves as a model for those who are spiritually blind and whose lives lack direction. Through faith they can have purpose, energy and direction in their lives. An enthusiastic following of Jesus results in a happy and fulfilled life.

Liturgical celebrations:

Thursday – Saint Simon and Saint Jude (feast)

The names of Simon and Jude appear in New Testament lists of the apostles but little else is known about either. Since there are two apostles named Simon and two named Judas, these are distinguished as Simon the Zealot and Judas the son (or the brother) of James, the others being Simon Peter and Judas Iscariot. Simon is surnamed the Cananaean or the Zealot, names which refers to his zeal for the Law. Jude is also called Thaddeus. Traditionally, both these apostles suffered martyrdom. In a later tradition, Jude became a patron of so-called hopeless causes.

Pope's Prayer Intention for October

Evangelization: *Missionary disciples -*

We pray that every baptized person may be engaged in evangelization, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavour of the Gospel.

This Week

Monday, October 25

11:00am Funeral +Simone Paula Knutson
7:00pm Mass Int Iveta Krizan

Tuesday, October 26

8:00am Mass
6:00am Meeting Men's Prayer Group (Virtual)
6:30pm Meeting Parish Religious Education (PREP)
7:00pm Mass +Martin Perez
7:30pm Meeting Adult Faith Study

Wednesday, October 27

8:00am Mass
7:00pm Meeting Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)
7:00pm Mass Int Elizabeth Tolentino

Thursday, October 28

8:00am Mass Int Cathy Jewitt
7:00pm Mass +Angel Rosales

Friday, October 29

8:00am Mass +Dominic d'Souza
7:00pm Mass

Saturday, October 30

8:00am Mass +Martin Perez
5:00pm Mass +Mary Battle, Sr.

Sunday October 31

9:00am Mass
11:00am Mass
2:00pm Bapt
Bapt
5:00pm Mass

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Sunday: \$8,692.00

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WELCOME TO OUR FAITH COMMUNITY

Max David Makischuk

Delilah Ann Makischuk

MARRIED IN CHRIST

Monica Krystyna Jochlin

&

David Sydney Greenfield

Knights of Columbus

The 60th annual Knights of Columbus Charity Appeal ticket draw has begun. There are 12 cash prizes with 5 main draws and 7 early bird draws.

Tickets may be obtained digitally online at:

kofcdraw.net/c8319

Tickets are \$3.00 each or 5 for \$15.00 and 10 for \$30.00

The proceeds support many Charitable organizations within the province. If you have any questions, please ask any Knight of Columbus in the Parish.

Thank you for your support.

Why are we here? What's life all about?

You're invited to journey with us over 7 weeks exploring the existence of God in a Christian context and tackling life's big questions of every human heart in a non-judgmental and welcoming space.

Everyone is welcome whether your faith is solid, you are unsure of your faith, or you are simply asking questions.

Register and learn more: www.staugustineschurch.ca

Contact: faithformation@staugustineschurch.ca or (604) 618-7699

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

The RCIA is the process of inquiry for those interested in learning about the Catholic faith. It is an opportunity for adults to 'come and see' what Catholic Christians believe.

The RCIA process runs through May to Pentecost. We meet in the Parish Centre Wednesdays from 7:00 to 8:30pm.

If you are interested in the Catholic faith or know someone who is, please contact Linda Arnold at 604-736-4455 Ext 229 or rcia@staugustineschurch.ca for more information.

Readers at Weekday Mass

Are you interested in reading at Mass during the week? If so, please contact Carol Gielens at cagiens@hotmail.com

Consider Becoming an Usher!

As COVID subsides The Ministry of Ushers is regrouping/ rebuilding and would welcome participation from Parishioners – young and old at all weekend Masses.

If you are able to contribute to this important ministry, please contact Bill Borgen at 604-224-2632.

**We need more than sight...we need a Vision!**

"Where there is no vision, the people perish" *Proverbs 29:18*

There are many forms of blindness besides physical blindness. Selfishness might blind us to the needs of others. Ignorance might blind us to the hurt we're causing to others. Prejudice might blind us to the true dignity of another person. It is not with the eyes only that we see. We also "see" with the mind, the heart, and the imagination. A narrow mind, a small heart, an impoverished imagination – all of these lead to loss of vision, darken our lives, and shrink our world.

May Bartimaeus' prayer, "My teacher, let me see again", become ours, so we will be able to embrace God's vision for our lives. In discerning our vocation, meaning and purpose in life, God offers to us guiding signs, clues and insights. But we have to be able to see and read them. To answer God's call we need more than an eyesight... We need a vision!

By Jarek Pachocki OMI

Vocation Director

Annual Mass for Deceased Bishops, Clergy and Consecrated Men and Women

The annual Mass for deceased Bishops, Clergy and Consecrated men and women will be held at Holy Rosary Cathedral on Wednesday, November 3 at 12:00 noon. All parishioners are most welcome to attend this special Liturgy concelebrated by the priests of the Archdiocese. Remember kindly in your prayers during the month of November those who have laboured for the Church in Vancouver and pray that the Lord will send more dedicated men and women to continue their ministry.

WELCOME TO ST. AUGUSTINE'S PARISH

St. Augustine's Oblate Parish is a Catholic community centered in Christ and the Eucharist that has a shared mission to – welcome and invite all to participate – celebrate in Word and Sacrament – foster evangelization and spiritual formation – advocate for social justice – care for our common home.

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Monday is the Priest's day off.

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If you are new to our Parish Community or have an address or telephone change, please fill out the information below and submit it to the parish office or drop into the collection basket. please print in block letters.

New Parishioner Need Envelopes Information Change

First Name	First Name
Spouse First Name	Spouse Last Name
Children: Name(s) & Date of Birth	
Mailing Address	
City	Phone
Postal Code	Email
Comments	