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Rev. Charles Onubogu, In Residence
Deacon John McGhee
Deacon John Sequeira, Parish Manager

Our Parish Clergy

Mass Schedule
Monday through Friday: 8:00 am
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Friday: Adoration begins following the 8:00 am Mass until 12:00 Noon and ends with Benediction.
First Friday: Adoration begins following the 8:00 am Mass and ends at 6:30 pm with Benediction.
Saturday, October 19, 2013
8:00 am - Fr. Juan Manuel
4:00 - 4:45 pm - Reconciliation / Confessions (bilingual)
5:00 pm - Fr. Joe
8:00pm - Fr. Joe (Spanish)

Sunday, October 20, 2013
8:00 am - Fr. Joe
10:00 am - Fr. Joe
12:00 Noon (Spanish) - Fr. Juan Manuel
6:00 pm - Fr. McComick

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May God Bless you all,
Fr. Juan Manuel

PERSEVERANT PRAYER

To the best of our knowledge, the authors of the New Testament did not spend much time in each other’s company following the Resurrection. They took their charge to go to the nations and spread the Good News seriously. Paul and Luke are an exception to this; having travelled together on missionary journeys. It is no accident, then, that perseverance in prayer is a favorite theme of both authors. Luke’s Gospel (which speaks most frequently about Jesus’ own prayer), Acts, and the Pauline Letters all exhort us to unceasing prayer.

Paul’s personality was certainly tenacious; he most likely would have admired the persistent widow in today’s Gospel passage. The purpose of these passages is not to make us think—as infants and toddlers do—that if we keep asking or yelling or crying we will eventually get our way. No, the point is that when true disciples believe in something, we will persist in following that belief whether it is convenient or not, even when we come up against seemingly insurmountable obstacles.

ORACIÓN PERSEVERANTE

Hasta donde sabemos, los autores del Nuevo Testamento no pasaron mucho tiempo juntos después de la Resurrección. Tomaron muy en serio la orden de ir a las naciones y esparcir la Buena Nueva. Pablo y Lucas son una excepción pues viajaron juntos en jornadas misioneras. No es accidental, entonces, que la perseverancia en la oración sea un tema favorito de ambos autores. El Evangelio de san Lucas (que habla más frecuentemente sobre la oración de Jesús), los Hechos de los Apóstoles y las cartas de san Pablo, todas nos exhortan a rezar incesantemente.

La personalidad de Pablo era ciertamente tenaz; muy posiblemente él habría admirado la persistencia de la viuda en el pasaje del Evangelio de hoy. El propósito de estos pasajes no es hacernos pensar—como hacen los bebés y los niños pequeños—que si persistimos en gritar y llorar, eventualmente conseguiremos lo que queremos. No, el punto es que cuando los verdaderos discípulos creemos en algo, persistimos y seguimos creyéndolo sea conveniente o inconveniente, aún cuando nos tropecemos con obstáculos aparentemente insuperables.
Sacrament Preparation

**Wednesday Evenings | RCIA**
Adults Religious Education. Join us every Wednesday evening at 7:00 pm in the Rectory Conference Room. Everyone is welcome! Sign-up now or just drop in. To register, call or email Terry Ruppel at 650.703.9495 or email: terryruppel@earthlink.net

**Baptism**
Spanish Baptism classes are the 1st Thursday each month at 7:00 pm. For preparation information, visit our website: http://www.ourladyofthepillar.org/sacraments or phone the church office 726-4674.

Parish Announcements & Upcoming Events

**Our Portuguese Community celebrated their Our Lady of Fatima Festival.** Visit our Parish Photo Gallery to see the photos from the special activities, masses, and processions. http://ourladyofthepillar.org/fatima

**Parishioner, Clyde Beffa, Co-Owner and Wine Director, K&L Wine Merchants is hosting this special evening in partnership with Sister Jeanette Braun, Director, TABLE of PLENTY. Thanks to Clyde Beffa’s generous invitation to Fr. Charlie Fermeglia, the TABLE of PLENTY’s founder. He will be here with us to share in the celebration our 1st-Year success. You can buy tickets AFTER MASSES or ONLINE:**
http://ourladyofthepillar.org/wine For more information, email us at olpwinetasting@gmail.com or visit the parish website: http://ourladyofthepillar.org/winetasting

Exploring Our Faith

**Reflecting on God’s Word**
My house shares a back yard with four college students. Ryan is one of them. Every morning the first thing Ryan does is go out the back door with a bagful of nuts and feed the squirrels. They hang out in our apple tree the way teenagers hang out around malls. One of the squirrels has become particularly bold and now waits expectantly for Ryan right at the back door. Lately the squirrel won’t go away, no matter the time of day, no matter who’s in the back yard. The squirrel just won’t leave, nuts or no nuts, people or no people. Because it’s became pesky, I now ignore the squirrel most of the time. Though Ryan doesn’t, I do. Nevertheless, the squirrel is slowly getting my attention. Over the course of my lifetime, God is getting my attention too. People tend to hear this week’s Gospel parable about the widow who keeps knocking on the judge’s door as a story about God who eventually gives in to the widow. I think it’s more a story about me eventually giving in to God. I hope God’s not offended by being compared to a squirrel, but God is much more like the squirrel (or the widow) than like the judge. God’s the one who does the pleading, it seems to me. While the parable seems to say, “Don’t lose heart; God will eventually hear and answer,” perhaps it’s really saying, “Don’t lose heart; God will not give up knocking on your door.”

**Reflexionemos sobre la Palabra de Dios**
Yo comparto el patio de mi casa con cuatro estudiantes universitarios. Rafael es uno de ellos. Lo primero que hace Rafael en la mañana es salir por la puerta trasera con una bolsa llena de nueces para las ardillas. Ellas pasan el tiempo en nuestro manzano igual que los adolescentes lo pasan en los centros comerciales. Una de las ardillas se ha vuelto particularmente atrevida y ahora espera a Rafael justo en la puerta trasera. Últimamente la ardilla no se va, no importa el momento del día ni quién esté en el patio. Hayan nueces o no, personas o no, la ardilla no se va. Como se ha puesto latosa yo la ignoro la mayoría de las veces. Rafael no, pero yo sí. No obstante, la ardilla poco a poco va llamando mi atención. En el transcurso de mi vida Dios también me está llamando la atención.

Al escuchar la parábola del Evangelio de esta semana acerca de la viuda que no se cansaba de suplicarle al juez, la gente tiende a pensar que la historia se refiere a Dios, que con el tiempo se rinde ante la viuda. Yo creo que es más bien una historia acerca de mí, rindiéndome ante Dios. Espero que Dios no se ofenda por compararlo con una ardilla, pero Dios se parece mucho más a la ardilla (o a la viuda) que al juez. A mi parecer, Dios es quien suplica. Aunque la parábola parece decir: “No te desilusiones, con el tiempo Dios escucha y responde”, tal vez lo que diga es: “No te desilusiones, Dios no se cansará de suplicarle”. 

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Supporting Our Parish | Your Offerings

October 12 - October 13, 2013 OFFERINGS

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**Building Fund 10/5/13, 6pm mass.

This week’s second collection: World Mission Sunday

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday EVENING, October 19, 2013
5:00 pm Dr. and Mrs. E.P. Lilly+
8:00 pm Almas del Purgatorio

Sunday, October 20, 2013
8:00 am Michael Rodrigues+
10:00 am Manuel Nunes Sousa+
12:00 noon Maria Bertao++
6:00 pm Apolinario Sales+

Monday, October 21, 2013
8:00 am Manuel Machado+

Tuesday, October 22, 2013
8:00 am Antonio Sr. and Virginia Coelho+

Wednesday, October 23, 2013
8:00 am Sophie Souza+

Thursday, October 24, 2013
8:00 am Francisco and Idalina Costa+

Friday, October 25, 2013
8:00 am Lorenzo Marcheschi+

Saturday, October 26, 2013
8:00 am Manuel Ferreira and Family+

St. Anthony’s
6:00 pm October 19 Por la Parroquia
9:00 am October 20 Natalino Marchi+

Our Lady of Refuge
10:30 am October 20 Maria Adelaide Ormonde+

Pray for Our Parishioners Who are Sick

Pray that God’s healing power will fill them with strength and hope. To add a name, please call the Parish Office at 726-4674.

Nancy Bakovic        Byron Geuy     Paul Miller
Darioush Youseffi   Glen Gonzalez  Lois Mullins
Nancy Madeiros      Geri Kavarda   Cesar Silvestri
Ana Maria Meissner  Will Rayhir    Marilyn Wright
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