

Twenty-Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time

October 12, 2025

Peace and Good! Dear brothers and sisters, in our Lord Jesus Christ.

This Sunday, the Word of God may surprise us when we read, significantly, that Naaman (1 Reading) and the Samaritans (Gospel) were two foreigners. Those who are marginalized for being foreigners can, on the other hand, teach us to walk the path the Lord desires.

The first miracle happens to Naaman (general of the Assyrian army and the Gentile leper). A few verses earlier, the sacred author writes: Naaman is angry with the prophet Elisha for ordering him to bathe seven times in the Jordan River (which he considered inferior to the rivers of Damascus) and for not coming out to meet him. Cf. 2 Kings 5:11-12). However, he is convinced by one of his servants to do what he commanded: *"...if the prophet had commanded you something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more since he said to you, 'Wash and be clean!'"* (2 Kings 5:13). The second miracle is for a Samaritan who, along with ten other men, was ill with leprosy. The focus of Luke's Gospel again becomes important in this text. For the Samaritan leper, it is his faith that has "saved" him. In saying this, Jesus tells the leper that he is not only saved from leprosy, but that he has received eternal salvation.

In both accounts, there is a similarity because they deal with the same disease (leprosy), but there is a great difference between the two texts. Naaman questions the prophet for ordering him to immerse himself seven times in the Jordan River (2 Kings 5:11), while the ten lepers in Luke's account ask for mercy, and Jesus suggests that they simply go and present themselves to the priests to attest that they do not have leprosy and have been cured. Ultimately, it is obedience to the word of God, but the Gospel shows that obedience without thanksgiving is not recognition of God's work. Naaman desires to offer treasures to the prophet (for his miraculous healing), but when Elisha refuses to accept any gifts, Naaman himself pleads: *"...at least grant me a few sacks of earth from this place, enough for a pair of mules to carry. I will use it to build an altar to the Lord your God, for I will sacrifice to no other god again"* (2 Kings 5:17). Like the Samaritan, he recognizes God as his Savior

and desires to praise Him forever in his life.

This story challenges us to consider our own actions: when God hears your prayers, how do you respond? Like those lepers, those who have faith in Jesus have been cleansed from an incurable disease; we have been saved from death and destruction, and we have received a new destiny. Furthermore, we have experienced God's faithfulness through his compassion. God hears our prayers and has provided for our needs. How should we respond to this? At the same time, this Gospel passage prepares us to celebrate Thanksgiving next November. May this approaching holiday remind us to pause at every moment of our lives and give thanks, and may it foster in our hearts a habit of thankfulness that lasts throughout the year.

Some questions to reflect on:

1. Where do I find myself in this story? Am I among the nine, doing everything socially and religiously correct, but failing to recognize the power and infinite mercy of God in my life? Or am I like the Samaritan, recognizing the presence of a saving God in my life? Do I take my health, my freedom, and my opportunities for granted? Am I grateful to God for the good things in my life?

2. Who are the "Samaritans" in our parish today? Are they poor? Are they immigrants? Does it depend on where and how they come: by land, but not by plane? Am I open to the potential of marginalized people? Do I stereotype "outsiders"? Do I act as a restorer and healer, restoring people's wholeness?

3. Or are we ungrateful like the other nine lepers who were healed? Perhaps we all need to say from time to time, "O God, you have given us so much; give us something more: a thankful heart."

Finally, before leaving Mass today, please say a prayer of thanksgiving. Thank you for the everyday things in life, which we often take for granted: your life, your faith, your family and loved ones. But above all, thank God for the greatest gift he has given you: his divine Son. The Son you can receive every time you approach the Eucharist, the Son who will heal you no matter who you are or what you have done. You are always welcome here at this altar to give thanks to God, who is our Father and who loves us unconditionally.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday October 11 4:30pm

+Mark Masterson & James Drannon, by Claudia Marin

Sunday October 12 9:30am

+Alfredo Poly Barros, by family

Wednesday October 15 8:00am

Saturday October 18 4:30pm

+Janet LaValley, 1st anniversary, by family

Sunday October 19 9:30am

+Lucia Goncalves, Lucinda Hernández, Tony Rocha, & Arminda Lima, by Eugene Goncalves

Collection 10/5 \$3803.00

Seminarians' Education \$1197.00

Online giving for September \$ 80.00

Second Collection

Fuel/Maintenance 10/12

World Mission Sunday 10/19

WE ASK FOR YOUR PRAYERS

For the following parishioners:

In the Hospital: Hope Fernandes

At Home: Jovina De Barros, Joyce Lagesse & Roberto Mejía

Jeanne Jugan Residence: Florence Corneau & Annette Tetreault

Grandview: Alberto De Barros

Sanctuary Lamp for October

For the Eternal Rest of Janet LaValley

By Family

"DO YOU WANT TO BE HEALED?"

(JN 5:6)

"Go and show yourselves to the priests." — Luke 17:14

In today's first reading and the Gospel passage, the steps involved in the healings of leprosy were ordinary rather than spectacular (2 Kgs 5:14; Lk 17:14). Humble obedience was required of the lepers, who were not healed until they obeyed. These healings are similar to the seemingly healings are similar to the seemingly ordinary healing power of the Sacraments (*Catechism of the Catholic*

Church, 1420-1421). We must partake of the sacraments to experience their healing effects. For example, the Sacrament of Reconciliation doesn't take effect until we go and show ourselves to the priest in the Confessional (see Lk 17:14). After doing this, we are forgiven and healed.

It may seem like the healing in a sacrament is a somewhat impersonal transaction. Actually, the Sacraments are deeply personal. In Holy Communion, the flesh of the Lord Jesus dwells within our flesh (Jn 6:56; 17:23). In Confession, the priest, even though he may seem detached, is sitting in the person of Christ (*Catechism*, 1461, 1465). Through him, Jesus forgives your sin very personally. The other Sacraments are also administered through the personal touch of the Lord.

Naaman wanted a personal, spectacular healing (2 Kgs 5:1-14). But he got the results he wanted through ordinary obedience (2 Kgs 5:14). Through His Church, Jesus has poured out incredible healing power. "Do you want to be healed" badly enough to receive it through the Sacraments Jesus established in His Church? (Jn 5:6)

Prayer: Father, may I seek healing on Your terms.

Promise: "If we have died with Him we shall also live with Him; if we hold out to the end we shall also reign with Him." — 2 Tm 2:11-12

Praise: Praise You, healing Jesus, risen in splendor. Alleluia!

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Drawing will take place during the Christmas Bazaar \$5.00 Each Ticket

Announcements

The office will be closed on Monday October 13.

Masses on Wednesday and Saturday 8am will now be celebrated in the Chapel. The donation is \$10 on weekdays and \$20 on weekends for each Mass.

This month's activity will be **Bingo**, which will take place on **October 26th at 1pm** (after the 11:30am Mass) in the basement of the Church. The tickets \$5 each and are being sold starting week-end. The day of the bingo you will present the ticket and you will get 3 bingo cards. We will also be selling food, pastries, soda, coffee, water, which you can get before the game starts or in the intermission. There will be prizes for the bingo winners! Hope to see you there!

Marian Parade

The Second Marian Parade will take place on October 18 at 9:00 a.m. leaving from St. Mary's Church at 538 Broadway to the Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul in Providence, where we will end with the Celebration of the Holy Mass. We will walk with the Blessed Virgin Mary in her different advocations. During the Parade we will pray for Priestly vocations and Peace in the world. If you want more information, you can call the Hispanic Ministry Office at 401-421-7833 x233.

Bishop Hendricken Open House

Bishop Hendricken High School will be hosting an Open House on **Sunday, October 26th from 12:00pm to 3:00pm** and an Information Night on **November 12th at 6:00pm**. These events will give families the opportunity to tour our facilities and receive information on our academics, admission procedures, financial aid, student life, transportation, and college placement. For more information, please contact the Admissions Office at admissions@hendricken.com or 401. 889.5425.

Faith Formation Class Schedule

October 15, 22, 29 – Class

Time 6:00 to 7:30pm

In the Church Hall, please enter thru Bullock St.

Anuncios

La oficina estará cerrada el Lunes 13 de octubre.

Las Misas de los miércoles y sábados 8am se celebrarán en la Capilla. La donacion es de \$10 entre semana y \$20 el fin de semana por cada Misa.

La actividad de este mes será el **Bingo**, que se llevará a cabo el **26 de octubre a la 1 pm** (después de la misa de las 11:30 am) en el sótano de la Iglesia. Los cartones cuestan \$5 cada uno y se venderán a partir del fin de semana. El día del bingo, al presentar el cartón, recibirás 3 cartones. También venderemos comida, pasteles, refrescos, café y agua, que podrás conseguir antes del inicio del juego o durante el intermedio. ¡Habrá premios para los ganadores del bingo! ¡Nos vemos allí!

Desfile Mariano

El segundo gran Desfile Mariano se realizará el **18 de octubre a las 9:00 a.m.** saliendo de la Iglesia St. Mary en 538 Broadway hasta la Catedral San Pedro y San Pablo en Providence, donde terminaremos con la Celebración de la Santa Misa. Caminaremos con la Santísima Virgen María en sus distintas advocaciones. ***Participando de la procesión y la Santa Misa podemos obtener Indulgencia Plenaria por el año jubilar 2025***. Durante el Desfile oraremos por las vocaciones Sacerdotales y por la Paz en el mundo. Si desea más información puede llamar a la Oficina del Ministerio Hispano 401-421-7833 x233.

Jornada de Puertas Abiertas de Bishop Hendricken

La Escuela Preparatoria Bishop Hendricken ofrecerá una jornada de puertas abiertas el **domingo 26 de octubre de 12:00pm a 3:00pm** y una Noche Informativa el **12 de noviembre a las 6:00 pm**. Estos eventos brindarán a las familias la oportunidad de recorrer nuestras instalaciones y recibir información sobre nuestros programas académicos, procedimientos de admisión, ayuda financiera, vida estudiantil, transporte y colocación universitaria. Para obtener más información, comuníquese con la Oficina de Admisiones a admissions@hendricken.com o al 401.889.5425.

XXVIII Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

12 de Octubre 2025

¡Paz y Bien! Estimados hermanos y hermanas, en nuestro Señor Jesucristo.

Este domingo la Palabra de Dios, puede sorprendernos al leer significativamente, Naamán (1 Lectura), y los samaritanos (evangelio), eran dos extranjeros. Quienes son marginados por ser extranjeros, pueden, en cambio, enseñarnos a andar por el camino que el Señor desea.

El primer milagro, acontece a Naamán (general del ejército Asirio y el leproso gentil), unos versículos antes el autor sagrado escribe: que Naamán se molesta con el profeta Eliseo, por mandarle a bañarse siete veces en el río Jordán (que consideraba inferior a los ríos de Damasco y por no salir a recibirlo Cfr. 2Re. 5, 11-12). Sin embargo, con-vencido por uno de sus siervos hacer lo ordenado: «... *si el profeta te hubiera mandado una cosa difícil ¿es que no la hubieras hecho? ¡Cuánto más habiéndote dicho: Lávate y quedarás limpio!*» (2Re. 5, 13). El segundo milagro, es para un samaritano que junto a otros diez hombres estaban enfermos de lepra. El enfoque del evangelio de Lucas vuelve a cobrar importancia en este texto. Para el leproso samaritano, es su fe la que lo ha “salvado”. Al decir esto, Jesús le dice al leproso que no solo se salva de la lepra, sino que recibe la salvación eterna.

En ambos relatos hay similitud porque se trata de la misma enfermedad (lepra), pero hay una gran diferencia entre ambos textos. Naamán cuestiona al profeta por mandarle a sumergirse siete veces en el río Jordán (2Re. 5, 11), mientras que los diez leprosos del relato de san Lucas, piden misericordia y Jesús, les propone ir simplemente a presentarse a los sacerdotes para que atestigüen que no tienen lepra y han sido curados. En el fondo la obediencia a la palabra de Dios, pero el evangelio evidencia que la obediencia, sin la acción de gracias no es reconocimiento de la obra de Dios. Naamán desea ofrecer tesoros al profeta (por su curación milagrosa), pero ante la negativa de Eliseo de recibir algún regalo, el mismo Naamán le suplica: “...*concédeme al menos que me den unos sacos con tierra de este lugar, los que puedan llevar un par de mulas. La usaré para construir un altar al Señor, tu*

Dios, pues a ningún otro dios volveré a ofrecer más sacrificios” (2Re. 5, 17), que al igual que el samaritano reconoce a Dios como su Salvador y desea alabarlo por siempre en su vida.

Esta historia nos desafía a considerar nuestras propias acciones: cuando Dios escucha tus oraciones, ¿cómo respondes? Al igual que aquellos leprosos, quienes tienen fe en Jesús han sido limpiados de una enfermedad incurable; hemos sido salvados de la muerte y la destrucción, y hemos recibido un nuevo destino. Además, hemos experimentado la fidelidad de Dios mediante su compasión. Dios escucha nuestras oraciones y ha provisto para nuestras necesidades. ¿Cómo debemos responder a esto? Al mismo tiempo este texto evangélico nos prepara para celebrar el Día de Acción de Gracias el próximo mes de noviembre. Que esta festividad que se acerca nos recuerde que debemos detenernos en todo momento de nuestra vida y dar gracias, y que fomente en nuestros corazones un hábito de agradecimiento que perdure durante todo el año.

Algunas preguntas para reflexionar:

1. ¿Dónde me encuentro en esta historia? ¿Estoy entre los nueve, haciendo todo lo social y religiosamente correcto, pero sin reconocer el poder y la infinita misericordia de Dios en mi vida? ¿O soy como el samaritano, reconociendo la presencia de un Dios salvador en mi vida? ¿Doy por sentado mi salud, mi libertad y mis oportunidades? ¿Estoy agradecido, a Dios por las cosas buenas de mi vida?
2. ¿Quiénes son los “samaritanos”; en nuestra parroquia hoy?, ¿pobres?, ¿inmigrantes?, ¿depende de dónde y cómo vienen: por tierra, pero no por avión? ¿Estoy abierto al potencial de las personas marginadas? ¿Estereotipo a los “forasteros”? ¿Actúo como restaurador y sanador, devolviendo a las personas su integridad?
3. ¿O somos de los ingratos cómo los otros nueve leprosos que fueron curados? Quizás

todos necesitemos decir de vez en cuando:
«Oh Dios, nos has dado tanto; danos algo
más: un corazón agradecido».

Por último antes de salir de la misa de hoy, recen una oración de agradecimiento. Gracias por las cosas cotidianas de la vida, que a menudo damos por sentadas: su vida, su fe, su familia y seres queridos. Pero sobre todo, den gracias a Dios por el mayor regalo que les ha dado: su divino Hijo. El Hijo que pueden recibir cada vez que se acercan a la Eucaristía, el Hijo que los sanará sin importar quiénes sean ni lo que hayan hecho. Siempre son bienvenidos aquí en este altar a dar gracias a Dios, que es nuestro Padre y que nos ama incondicionalmente.

INTENCIONES DE LAS MISAS

Sábado 11 de octubre Vigilia 6:00pm

+Por el eterno descanso de Marta Iris Hernández Pérez, intención de Marta Santiago

Domingo 12 de octubre 11:30am

+Por el eterno descanso de Alicia Echeverry & Jordan Berson, intención de la familia Durango

+Por las Benditas Almas del Purgatorio

Martes 14 de octubre 7:00pm

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Viernes 17 de octubre 7:00pm

+Por el eterno descanso de Cesar Zuleta Sr., intención de Cesar Zuleta Jr.

+Por las Benditas Almas del Purgatorio

Sábado 18 de octubre (Misa Bilingüe) 8:00am

+Por las Benditas Almas del Purgatorio

Vigilia 6:00pm

Por el pueblo (PRO-POPULO)

Domingo 19 de octubre 11:30am

+Por el eterno descanso de Danelia García de Mancebo en su primer aniversario, intención de Elizabeth Badia

+Por el eterno descanso de Alicia Echeverry & Jordan Berson, intención de la familia Durango

+Por el eterno descanso de María Natividad Roque, intención de Sus hijos y familia

+Por el eterno descanso de María Altagracia Londoño (2go mes), intención de sus hijos

+Por las Benditas Almas del Purgatorio

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Horario de Clases de Formación de Fe

Octubre 15, 22, 29 - Hay Clase

De las 6:00 a las 7:30pm

En el sótano de la Iglesia, entrar por la calle Bullock.

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por tus innumerables bendiciones,
por tu amor infinito y
por la oportunidad de
vivir cada día.*

thankfulness

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus cured ten lepers. Leprosy is a horrible disease that eats away at a person's body until they die. It was pretty amazing for those people when Jesus just told them to go and show themselves to the priests and they realized that they were cured!



But then something interesting happened. Only one of the ten who had been cured came back to say 'Thank you' to Jesus. Do you think that the other nine were not happy that they were better? Why do you think they didn't come back to thank Jesus?

THANK YOU FOR LETTING ME RECEIVE YOU!



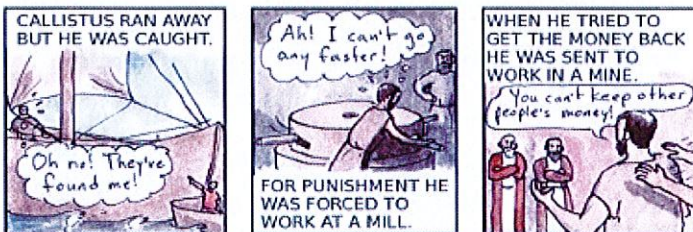
Now think about your life. You've probably never had a disease like leprosy, but God has still done amazing things for you. He made you and gave you everything you need to live. He gave you your friends and family, and most especially He gives Himself to us in the Mass and at Holy Communion.

Do you remember to say 'Thank you' to God?

Answers to True or False: 1.true 2.false 3.true 4.false 5.false 6.true 7.true

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Pope Saint Callistus I October 14



SAINT CALLISTUS SAID THAT BAD SINNERS WHO HAD GONE TO CONFESSION AND DONE PENANCE COULD RETURN TO FULL COMMUNION WITH THE CHURCH. SOME PEOPLE DISAGREED WITH HIM, BUT THE CHURCH STILL TEACHES WHAT HE SAID. HOW CAN YOU GIVE HOPE TO PEOPLE THAT HAVE SINNED?

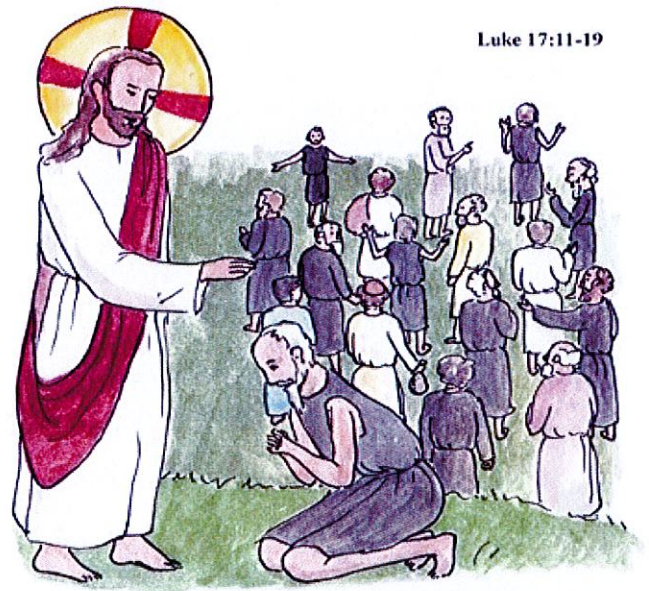
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The Kids' Bulletin

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 12th, 2025

How many lepers walked away without saying 'Thank you' when Jesus healed them?

Luke 17:11-19



Count how many of the people who are walking away are wearing dark grey clothes.

True or False? Jesus Cures the Ten Lepers

How well do you know the story of Jesus and the Lepers?

1. When Jesus was walking to Jerusalem, he met ten lepers. True or false?
2. The lepers came right up to Jesus and touched Him. True or false?
3. Jesus didn't touch them; all He said was, "Go show yourselves to the priests." True or false?
4. Half of the lepers were healed and half weren't. True or false?
5. All of them came back to thank Jesus. True or false?
6. Only one man came back to thank Jesus, and he was a foreigner. True or false?
7. Jesus said, "Your faith has saved you." True or false?





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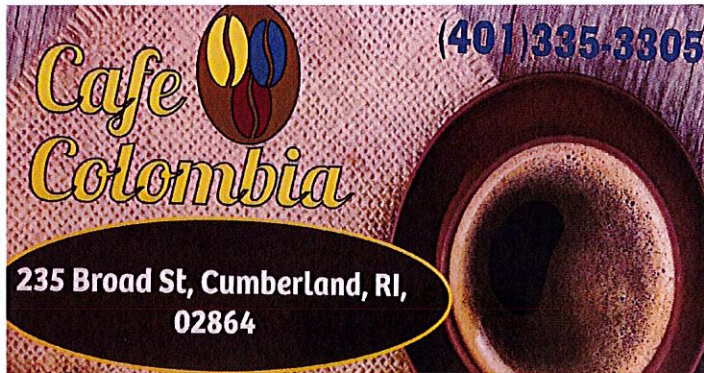
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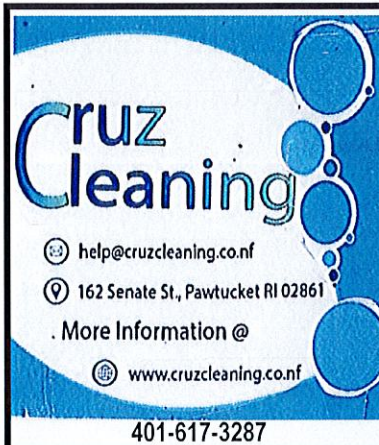
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