

**READINGS**

October 4, 2015

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Genesis 2: 18-24

Second Reading: Hebrews 2: 9-11

Gospel: Mark 10: 2-16

**STEWARDSHIP**

Sunday September 27th .....\$1,306  
Our Lady of Wisdom relies on Bobcat Catholics like you for more than half the resources necessary to bring students of Texas State closer to their Catholic faith. Contact our Development Director, Zane Stehling, to join this mission at 512-392-5925.

**SUPERNATURAL LOVE IN MARRIAGE**

Have you experienced God's supernatural love helping you love those who are difficult to love? For those of us who are married, we expect to be loved by our spouses as much as we need to be loved. And we assume that it's always going to be mutual: We will always be loved by our spouse with the same passion as we love them. However, most marriages enter difficulties that require supernatural love as well as supernatural persistence. That's why we need the Sacrament of Matrimony instead of just a civil ceremony. Marriages need divine grace to endure with the permanence that God provides. Jesus explains that the Law of Moses permitted divorce because of the hardness of people's hearts. This is not an approval of divorce. He wants us to have hearts like his own which never stops loving anyone.

In the days of Moses, when a marriage became difficult or unsatisfying, many men abandoned their wives. Although marriage was from the beginning supposed to be a permanent covenant that united one man with one woman, a bill of divorce would allow an abandoned or rejected woman to remarry for her protection not an approval of divorce. Marriage is a reflection of God's faithful union with us. Permanence in marriage is a divine gift from God so that we can reflect him well. If we don't believe in the permanence of love within marriage how can we believe that God is always in love with us- including when we don't deserve it? And how can the children and others who watch us believe? Sometimes the lover goes to the Cross for the beloved. The vocation of marriage ordains the spouses to be a reflection of Christ's passion for all.

*Adapted from- Good News Reflections Gnm.org*

**PLEASE CONSIDER BISHOP VASQUEZ' PRAYER INTENTION FOR TODAY:**

For women and men united in sacramental marriage and those preparing for marriage, that constantly seeking God's grace, they may embody Jesus' sacrificial love and openness in their relationship with each other...

**AVERAGE SUNDAY MASS ATTENDANCE**

September 10am, 318; 5pm, 119; 7:30pm, 108

**GOSPEL REFLECTION**

Today Christ speaks to us of relationships and hardness of hearts. We are created for relationship with God and others. The loving and self-giving relationship of man and woman in sacramental marriage is to be a model. Relationships require openness and give-and-take. Hardness of heart and stubbornness are obstacles to the communion of relationship. Where is my hard heartedness an obstacle to my relationship with others, the Church or God?

**WEEKLY ACTIVITIES**

**ROSARY** every Sunday 9:30am in the Lounge

**ADORATION** of the Blessed Sacrament *Tuesdays* 5:45-9pm and *Mornings* Mon-Fri 8:30-9:30am in the Chapel

**NIGHT PRAYER** hosted by the men of Lambda Omega Alpha, 1st and 3rd Tuesday evenings after Adoration.

**FREE LUNCH** every Tuesday 11am-1pm in the Lobby

**BOBCATS FOR LIFE** Wednesdays 6:15pm in the Library

**BIBLE STUDIES** every day!

*CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION*

[www.txstatecatholic.org](http://www.txstatecatholic.org)

**WISDOM PRAISE & WORSHIP**

night starting this coming Thursday evening, October 8th at 7pm in the Chapel. SPO will host the night for anyone wanting to experience the Lord through music. Bring your friends!

*thank you!*

**BENEDICT BAUGHMAN** and the volunteers who helped make our back parking lot area and around the Chapel clean and inviting.

**ALSO**

The members of **Mu Epsilon Theta and their Fathers** for all the work around our center outside and inside that they did this past Saturday.

**NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING** offered here at Our Lady of Wisdom a CCLI NFP class series beginning this Tues. Oct. 6th at 7pm in the Library. The three part series cost is \$140 per couple and includes books, basal thermometer and a Couple to Couple League membership. To register go to <http://register.ccli.org>. Contact Randy and Grace-Marie Kolb at 512-891-5341 or [rkolb@austin.rr.com](mailto:rkolb@austin.rr.com).

**A DINNER FOR SINGLE CATHOLICS** Sat. Oct. 10 at Cedarbrake Retreat Center in Belton. The evening begins at 6:30 p.m. \$15/person. For more information or to register, contact Cedarbrake at (254) 780-2436 or [cedarbrake@austindiocese.org](mailto:cedarbrake@austindiocese.org).

**OCTOBER IS PRO-LIFE MONTH** Pick up your Baby banks today.

**TOGETHER ENCOUNTERING CHRIST OF CENTRAL TEXAS** has a 3-day retreat Oct. 10th-12th centered on the Paschal Mystery of Jesus. TEC is specifically designed for young adults into their 20s. Eagle's Wings Retreat Center in Burnet. To register visit [tecofctx.wordpress.com/applications/](http://tecofctx.wordpress.com/applications/) or contact Joseph at (512) 423-1338

**SCHEDULE CHANGES**

Fr. Will is out of the office this Mon. afternoon-Thurs. morning for the Diocesan Priest Convocation. We will have Communion Services Tues. Oct. 6th at 5:15pm and Wed. Oct 7th at 12:30pm. We will have Reconciliation at 4:45pm and Mass at 5:15pm on Thurs. Oct. 8th.

**HEALING MASS** hosted by the Catholic Charismatic Renewal with Praise and Worship on Friday October 16, 2015 at 7pm Holy Cross Catholic Church 1610 E. 11th Street, Austin, TX 78702  
Contact: Christina Turullois #512-563-7851

**CENTENNIAL GALA TICKETS** \$75 per guest. Please see our website [txstatecatholic.org](http://txstatecatholic.org) or come by the office M-F 9am-6pm