

September 27, 2020

St. Dominic Catholic Church & School

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Jesus said
to the chief priests
and elders of the people,
"Amen, I say to you,
tax collectors
and prostitutes
are entering into
the kingdom of God
before you."

MATTHEW 21:31

TWENTY-SIXTH
SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
SEPTEMBER 27
2020



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 Pre-School / Extended Day Care

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday	7:30 AM	Juan and Nina Aguirre, thanksgiving
	9:00 AM	Catherine Carreon, birthday
	11:00 AM	Mario and Maria Garcia, Wed. Anniv. and birthday
	1:00 PM	Hector Benitez, †
	5:00 PM	Pro Populo
Monday	8:00 AM	Emelda Bernabe
	6:00 PM	Soledad M. Fernandez, †
Tuesday	8:00 AM	Mrs. Ng Ang Kiong Te, †
	6:00 PM	Divinagracia C. Valencia, thanksgiving
Wed.	8:00 AM	Geronimo Micor Ele, †
	6:00 PM	Bernie Hilado, Sr., †
Thursday	8:00 AM	Jorge Allan Tengco and Joselito Tengco, †
	6:00 PM	Atinodoro O. Urbano, Jr., †
Friday	8:00 AM	Desiderio Serrano, †
	6:00 PM	Dec. Dominican Friars, parents, friends and benefactors
		Brenda and David Balangue, †
		Fred Legasca, †
		Candido del Rosario, †
Saturday	8:00 AM	Theresa Taft, birthday
	5:00 PM	Guadalupe Silva, †

(Important: Some of these Masses will be celebrated in the private chapel of St. Dominic's Priory. All the written intentions will be honored. Thank you for your understanding.)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Jb 1:6-22; Ps 17:1bcd-3, 6-7; Lk 9:46-50
Tuesday:	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a; Ps 138:1-5; Jn 1:47-51
Wednesday:	Jb 9:1-12, 14-16; Ps 88:10bc-15; Lk 9:57-62
Thursday:	Jb 19:21-27; Ps 27:7-9abc, 13-14; Lk 10:1-12
Friday:	Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5; Ps 139:1-3, 7-10, 13-14ab; Mt 18:1-5
Saturday:	Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130; Lk 10:17-24
Sunday:	Is 5:1-7; Ps 80:9, 12-16, 19-20; Phil 4:6-9; Mt 21:33-43



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A Message from Fr. Roberto

Transformer or Transmitter? If we do not transform our pain, we will always transmit it.

Every one of us experiences pain at different times in our lives. The question for us is how do we deal with that pain? Below is an article by Fr. Richard Rohr, OFM, a well-known writer and speaker, in which he gives us some very helpful and challenging insights.

“If I were to name the Christian religion, I would probably call it ‘The Way of the Wound.’ Jesus agrees to be the Wounded One, and we Christians are these strange believers in a wounded healer. We come to God not through our strength but through our weakness. We learn wisdom and come to God not by doing it all right but through doing it all wrong.

“If you were going to create a religion, would you think of creating, as your religious image, a naked, bleeding, wounded man? It is the most unlikely image for God, the most illogical image for Omnipotence. None of us in our wildest imagination would have come up with it. It must expose a central problem of human existence, for God to come into the world in this form and in this way. Sadly, we Christians have become accustomed to the cross—perhaps we have domesticated it—and we no longer receive the shock and the scandal of all that this image of failure is saying. Being wounded, suffering, and dying are the quickest and most sure paths to truly living.

“Using a scapegoat is our much-preferred method. We deny our pain, sins, and suffering and project them elsewhere. This ancient method still works so well that there is no reason to think it is going to end or change. Until we are enlightened by grace, we don’t even see it; it remains safely hidden in the unconscious where it plays itself out. Once we spot and stop the pattern, the game is over. The cross of Jesus was a mirror held up to history, so we could spot the scapegoating pattern and then stop participating in it.

“Only the Great Self, the True Self, the Godself, can carry the anxiety within us. The little self can’t do it. People who don’t pray can’t live the Gospel because the self is not strong enough to hold the anxiety and the fear. **If we do not transform our pain, we will always transmit it.** Always someone else has to suffer because we don’t know how to suffer; that’s what it comes down to.

“Most people are like electric wires: what comes in is what goes out. Someone calls us a name, and we call them a name back. That is, most people pass on the same energy that is given to them. Now compare an electric wire to those big, grey transformers that you see on utility poles. Dangerous current or voltage comes in, but something happens inside that grey box and what comes out is, in fact, now helpful and productive. That is exactly what Jesus does with suffering.

“That is what Jesus did: he did not return the negative energy directed at him—not during his life nor when he hung on the cross. He held it inside and made it into something much better. That is how ‘he took away the sin of the world.’ He refused to pass it on! Until the world understands that, there will be no new world.”

For more articles by Fr. Richard Rohr, OFM, go to <https://cac.org/>.



Electric Transformer



**Rosary Sunday
Dominican Student Appeal
October 4, 2020**

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We continue to pray that you and your loved ones have been safe and healthy during the pandemic.

Fr. Roberto



**Confirmation Meetings will begin on
Wednesday, October 7, 2020 at 7:00 pm**

**Confirmation Year 1
Registration**

Year 1 Registration Forms are available. The parish office is closed to the public, but we are here, just knock on the door and we will give you a form. The student must be in the 9th, 10th or 11th grade to sign up.

Please bring a copy of their Baptism Certificate along with a copy of their First Communion Certificate. The fee for Year 1 is \$100. Should we be allowed to have a retreat, there will be an additional fee of \$150.

**Confirmation Year 2
Re-Registration**

Re-registration forms were mailed to all students entering Year 2. You can re-register at any time. If you have any outstanding fees from Year 1, these must be paid before you can register for year 2. The fee for year 2 is \$100. Should we be allowed to have a retreat, there will be an additional fee of \$150.

These meetings will be either via Zoom or in person at the Community Center. Of course Social distancing, masks, temperature check, and sanitizing will all be in effect.

Un Mensaje de Padre Roberto

¿Transformador o Transmisor? Si no transformamos nuestro dolor, siempre lo transmitiremos.

Cada uno de nosotros experimenta dolor en diferentes momentos de nuestra vida. La pregunta para nosotros es ¿qué hacemos con ese dolor? A continuación se muestra un artículo del P. Richard Rohr, OFM, un conocido escritor y orador, en el que nos brinda algunas ideas muy útiles y desafiantes.

“Si tuviera que nombrar la religión cristiana, probablemente la llamaría 'El Camino de la Herida'.

Jesús acepta ser el Herido, y los cristianos somos estos extraños creyentes en un sanador herido. Venimos a Dios no por nuestra fuerza sino por nuestra debilidad. Aprendemos sabiduría y venimos a Dios no haciéndolo bien, sino haciéndolo todo mal.

“Si fueras a crear una religión, ¿pensarías en crear, como tu imagen religiosa, un hombre desnudo, sangrando y herido? Es la imagen más inverosímil de Dios, la imagen más ilógica de la Omnipotencia. A ninguno de nosotros jamás nos habría ocurrido. Debe exponer un problema central de la existencia humana, para que Dios venga al mundo de esta forma y de esta manera. Tristemente, los cristianos nos hemos acostumbrado a la cruz —quizá la hemos domesticado— y ya no recibimos el impacto y el escándalo de todo lo que dice esta imagen del fracaso. Ser herido, sufrir y morir son los caminos más rápidos y seguros para realmente vivir.

“Utilizar un chivo expiatorio es nuestro método preferido. Negamos nuestro dolor, pecados y sufrimiento y los proyectamos en otra parte. Este método antiguo todavía funciona tan bien que no hay razón para pensar que vaya a terminar o cambiar. Hasta que seamos iluminados por la gracia, ni siquiera lo vemos; permanece escondido de forma segura en el inconsciente donde se manifiesta. Una vez que detectamos y detenemos el patrón, el juego termina. La cruz de Jesús era un espejo reflejando la historia humana, para que pudiéramos detectar el patrón de chivo expiatorio y luego dejar de participar en él.

“Solo el Gran Yo, el Verdadero Yo, el Yo Divino, puede llevar la ansiedad dentro de nosotros. El pequeño yo no puede hacerlo. Las personas que no oran no pueden vivir el Evangelio porque el yo no es lo suficientemente fuerte para contener la ansiedad y el miedo. **Si no transformamos nuestro dolor, siempre lo transmitiremos.** Siempre alguien más tiene que sufrir porque no sabemos sufrir; eso es a lo que se reduce.

“La mayoría de las personas son como cables eléctricos: lo que entra es lo que sale. Alguien nos insulta y nosotros le devolvemos el insulto. Es decir, la mayoría de las personas transmiten la misma energía que se les da. Ahora compare un cable eléctrico con esos grandes transformadores grises que ve en los postes de servicios públicos. Entra corriente o voltaje peligroso, pero algo sucede dentro de esa caja gris y lo que sale es, de hecho, útil y productivo. Eso es exactamente lo que hace Jesús con el sufrimiento.

“Eso es lo que hizo Jesús: no devolvió la energía negativa dirigida a él, ni durante su vida ni cuando colgó de la cruz. Lo mantuvo dentro y lo convirtió en algo mucho mejor. Así es como ‘quitó el pecado del mundo’. ¡Se negó a transmitirlo! Hasta que el mundo entienda eso, no habrá un mundo nuevo”.



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Ticket sales end on October 8th