

# CHURCH OF CORPUS CHRISTI

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## WEEKLY LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday (Vigil of Sunday) .....4:00 p.m.  
Sunday ..... 8:30 & 10:45 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.  
**Spanish Mass (3rd Sunday) ..... 1:00 p.m.**  
Monday .....12:10 p.m.  
Tuesday ..... 12:10 & 5:30 p.m.  
Wednesday-Friday ..... 7:00 a.m. & 12:10 p.m.

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Tuesdays (12:45-3:15 p.m.); Thursdays (7:00 p.m.)

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

***As disciples of Jesus, we live our faith through Word, Sacrament, and Service.***

Rev. Paul D. Becker, Pastor ..... 255-4600 (ext. 203)  
Rev. Raphael Obotama, Parochial Vicar 255-4600 (ext. 211)  
Rev. Terry Wipf, Parochial Vicar.....255-4600 (ext. 218)  
Tracy Kraft, Parish Manager.....255-4600 (ext. 212)

## **PASTORAL MINISTERS**

Cindy Anderst, Pastoral Care.....255-4600 (ext. 205)  
Jennifer Braun, Music Ministry.....255-4600 (ext. 209)  
Mariah Conner, Faith Formation .....255-4600 (ext. 219)  
Mary Janusz, Pastoral Care .....255-4600 (ext. 220)  
Patrick Hall, Confirmation .....(call office)  
Sr. Ivo Schoch, Outreach Ministry .....255-4600 (ext. 208)

**DEACONS:** Michael Fix, Lonnie Grabowska, Rex McDowall

## **PARISH SUPPORT STAFF**

Loretta Arntz, Bookkeeper ..... 255-4600 (ext. 201)  
Jane Bosch, Kitchen Manager..... 255-4600  
Viola Bullert, Janitress ..... 255-4600  
Niel Heinze, Maintenance Technician ..... 255-4600  
Bridget Johnson, Administrative Secretary..... 255-4600  
Colleen Reinhardt, Receptionist ..... 255-4600



## September 25, 2016

### **SACRAMENTS**

**Reconciliation** - Saturdays at 3:00 p.m., Weekdays: 15 minutes prior to Mass or please call the pastor at 255-4600 for an appointment. If you are homebound and unable to come to the Church and need a priest to come to your home for confession, please call 255-4600 to set this up.

**Baptism** - The Baptism Preparation Program and Baptism Schedule are by arrangement. Please call the parish office at 255-4600 to register prior to your delivery date and the program director will return your call. Parents must be registered at Corpus Christi or have permission from their parish.

**Marriage** - Couples planning to be married should call the parish office at 255-4600 at least **10 - 12 months** in advance. Completion of required paperwork and taking the FOCCUS premarital inventory is also needed this early. This process is usually administered the fourth Thursday of each month from 7:00-9:00 p.m. There will be no August meeting. The next FOCCUS meeting will be September 22.

**Natural Family Planning Classes** are offered by the Bismarck Diocese. The methods offered are Billings Ovulation Method, Creighton Model Fertility Care System, Marquette Model and Sympto-Thermal Methods. If you have questions about NFP please contact the Diocese of Bismarck at 222-3035 or [www.bismarckdiocese.com/nfp](http://www.bismarckdiocese.com/nfp).

Persons wishing to learn more about the Catholic faith may call Tracy Kraft at 255-4600.

**PARISH BULLETIN DEADLINE:** Articles must be received by noon on Wednesdays (*typed format*).

**PRAYER TREE:** 255-4600

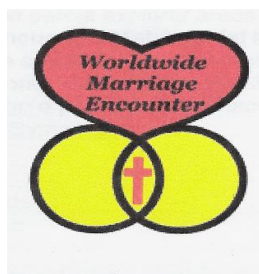
**Live Simply, So That Others May Simply Live.** The Parable of Lazarus and the rich man speaks to our hearts. In some ways, we may be able to identify with either of the individuals. In any event, we are asked to place ourselves into the scene and to ask some difficult questions if we identify ourselves with the rich man. How do we share the gifts and richness that we have? Are we blind to the needs of those who (although are not at our feet) are in front of our eyes, at our door, or on the street where we live? If we see ourselves as the poor man, do we see a hope for our resurrection into new life through and during our suffering? We all have a part to play in the drama of the spiritual journey, and Jesus calls us to the same happy ending into the Kingdom. How well do we respond to those needy at our door?

**Looking at life properly.** It's easy to ignore the harshness of a righteous path when our eyes are closed in prayer or staring into the face of God. It is only when we look down, focusing on ourselves, that the view seems dismal. Where

The Saint Mary's Central High School Homecoming Breakfast will be Sunday, September 25th from 9am-1pm in the school cafeteria. Proceeds will benefit the SMCHS Music Department. Free will offering. Please come enjoy the food and fellowship.

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**

Make plans for a fall get-away with the one you love before your calendar fills up!! A Marriage Encounter Weekend is a private weekend away from life's distractions that allows a husband and wife to focus on each other. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are November 11-13, 2016 in East Grand Forks, MN and November 11-13, 2016 in Medora, ND. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at [ndwwme.org](http://ndwwme.org) or contact Rob & Angie at [Applications@ndwwme.org](mailto:Applications@ndwwme.org) or 701-347-1998.



**Vocation Views:** Who do you identify with - the rich man or Lazarus? Choose to notice others and to reach out to those in need. Support those who serve the poor. (Luke 16:19-31)

**Stewardship Thoughts:** Stewardship is an important concept for our spiritual growth as Catholics. It is a way of thanking God for all of the Lord's blessings by returning to God a portion of the time, talent and treasure we have received.

CONTRIBUTIONS (GENERAL FUND) - (2,222 households)	
Adult Envelopes (295).....	\$19,826.05
Youth Envelopes .....	\$ 306.03
TOTAL RECEIVED (September 18).....	\$20,132.08
1st Sunday.....	\$21,856.67
Electronic Contributions (135).....	\$12,484.81
2nd Sunday .....	\$19,943.11
3rd Sunday .....	\$20,132.08
Electronic Contributions (97) .....	\$ 8,696.81
Spanish Mass .....	\$ 189.50
4th Sunday .....	\$ 0
5th Sunday .....	\$ 0

*We appreciate your generosity which is part of being faithful stewards of Corpus Christi.*

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION.** Tuesdays 12:45-3:15 p.m. (private, quiet time, incense free) with the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3:00 p.m. All are welcome to spend time in Jesus' awesome Eucharistic presence. Eucharistic Adoration (Benediction, Rosary and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy) is also available Thursdays with Father Terry from 7:00-8:00 p.m.

**Weekly Mass Intentions**

- Monday, Sept. 26- †Lillian Welder (12:10 p.m.)*
- Tuesday, Sept. 27- †John Copp (12:10 p.m.)*  
*Special Intentions (5:30 p.m.)*
- Wednesday, Sept. 28- †Ed Burke (7:00 a.m.)*  
*†Anne Johnson (12:10 p.m.)*
- Thursday, Sept. 29- †Laverne Siewert (7:00 a.m.)*  
*†Marge Olson (12:10 p.m.)*
- Friday, Sept. 30- †George & Irene Lauinger (7:00 a.m.)*  
*†John Olson (12:10 p.m.)*
- Saturday, Oct. 1- Corpus Christi Benefactors (4:00 p.m.)*
- Sunday, Oct. 2- †Pete & Gen Horner (8:30 a.m.)*  
*†Elizabeth Haugland (10:45 a.m.)*

**STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE**

Corpus Christi is in need of volunteers to help out with some duties around the church. Please call the office at 255-4600 if you are interested in giving of your time to serve Corpus Christi.

**Media and Technology Assistance:** Assist with camera operation during weekend liturgies. This help is especially needed at our 4:00 p.m. mass. The system is easy to operate. Training is provided.

**Christmas Cantata Rehearsals**

It's not too late to sing in the Christmas Cantata!!! Rehearsals began Wednesday September 21. We practice Wednesday evenings from 6:30-7:30 p.m. All high school students and adults are welcome to join in this wonderful celebration of music. Please come sing! Contact Jennifer at 255-4600 or email her at [Jennifer.Braun@corpuschristibismarck.com](mailto:Jennifer.Braun@corpuschristibismarck.com).

**College Student and Military Care Packages**

The High School Youth Ministry Group will be making care packages for college students and military personnel of the parish on Sunday, October 9th. Donations, along with names and addresses of people to receive a care package should be given to the Parish Office by Thursday, October 6th. If you would like to donate goodies to include in the care packages or money to help fill them or pay for postage, please turn it into the parish office by October 6th.

**MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY**

Middle School Youth Group is up and running. If you are in grades 6-8, please join us for the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month in the youth room from 7:00-8:30 p.m. For more information, call Tracy or Rachael in the parish office at 255-4600.

**MIDDLE SCHOOL youth ministry**

**HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY**

High School Youth meet Sunday nights after the 6:30 p.m. mass from 7:30: 9:00 p.m. Please join us in Room 140 for food, fun and Catholic culture. All 9-12 graders are invited. We hope to see you there.

Corpus Christi High School Youth Group now has a Facebook page and an Instagram account! Like our page or follow us on Facebook for Catholic content and information about upcoming events. Search "CCYG Bismarck" on Facebook to find us!



**What's Going on Here This Week**

- Tues. 9/27 Quilters, 9:00 a.m., Community Room  
Eucharistic Adoration, 12:45-3:15 p.m., Chapel  
Grace Within, 7:00 p.m., Room 203-204
- Wed. 9/28 Faith Formation Group B, 3:30-5:00 p.m.  
Children's Choir, 4:30 p.m., Choir Room  
Faith Formation Group B, 6:00-7:30 p.m.  
Adult Choir Practice 6:00-6:30 p.m. Choir Room  
Cantata Practice, 6:30 p.m., Choir Room  
Confirmation (3), 6:30 p.m., Conference Room  
Pre-Confirmation (2), 7:00 p.m.,  
Community Room  
Confirmation (4), 7:30 p.m., Conference Room
- Thurs. 9/29 Toastmasters, 6:30 a.m., Community Room  
Eucharistic Adoration, 7:00-8:00 p.m., Chapel  
Grace Within, 7:00 p.m., Room 203-204
- Sun. 10/2 Faith Formation, 9:30-10:30 a.m.  
Children's Liturgy, 10:45 a.m., Community Room  
Praise and Worship Choir, 5:15 p.m.

**SOUNDS OF SILENCE (SOS).** After a suicide...there are people who understand. The Sounds of Silence Support Group meets at Parkway Funeral and Cremation Service, 2330 Tyler Parkway on the first and third Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. (September-May). The facilitators are Brenda Bergan and Kathleey Dwyer. On **Tuesday, October 4**, there will be a talk on "Dealing with Fear" If you have questions, please call Brenda at 426-1021.

**Lotus (Looking Onward To Understanding and Serenity)** is a group for men, women and young adults who have experienced a death. All groups meet at the Serenity Center for Loss and Healing at Parkway Funeral Service, 2330 Tyler Parkway on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month. On **Tuesday, September 27**, the topic will be "*Grief, Identified and Discussed.*" The times are 10:00 a.m. for men, 1:00 p.m. for women and 7:00 p.m. for both men and women.

**Check out the bulletin board in the lower gathering space for information about annual fall dinners and festivals at area churches.**

**FOOD PANTRY NEEDS FOR SEPTEMBER**

PASTA SAUCE AND CANNED VEGETABLES





*The Holy Father Speaks...* "Humanity should feel ashamed it can wage war, kill the innocent, bomb cities and prevent food and medicine from reaching survivors." Violence and division are the work of the devil who "wants to kill everyone," and that is why people need to come together to pray for peace, united in the conviction that "God is a God of peace," he said. "There is no god of war," he said. "If we shut our ear to the cry of these people who suffer being bombed, who suffer exploitation by arms traffickers, it could be that when it's our turn no one will respond to us." Perhaps 'we don't see' war personally or 'we get frightened' by an act of terrorism, he said. But none of that can compare to what is happening in some parts of the world, "where day and night, the bombs fall and fall...killing children, the elderly, men and women." War in fact, really isn't that far away at all, he added. "War touches everyone" because "war begins in the heart." The Pope prayed that God would "give us peace in our heart, eliminate every urge for avarice, greediness, conflict." He prayed that people's hearts would be the hearts of men and women of peace and that they would be able to see beyond religious differences "because we are all children of God." While he and other leaders were praying in Assisi, he asked that everyone pray and "feel shame. Shame for this: that human beings, our brothers and sisters, are capable of doing this," of killing and wounding others.

*Welcome! Thank you for choosing to worship with us today and we hope you will return often. If you do not belong to a parish, please consider choosing Corpus Christi as your church home. You may call the parish office at 255-4600 to register.*

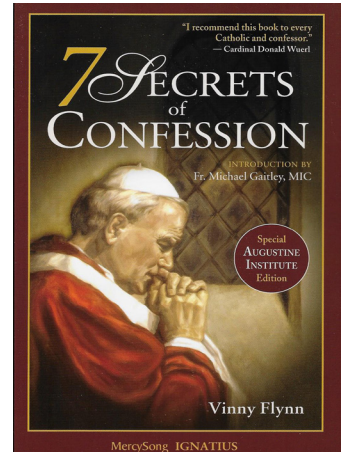
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	2		2	Brian Steffl	2	Beverly Larson	2	Lauren Hornbacher	
	3		3	Heather Steffl	3	Rita Mastel	3		
	4		4	Catherine Williams	4		4		
	5		5	Francis Williams	5		5		
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<b>Ushers</b>	1	Irene Kraft	1	Kenneth Heil*	1	Anthony Silvernagel Jr.*	1	Gene Rivinius*	
	2	Yvonne Regnier	2	Mike Hilbert	2	Dan Sauter	2	Bev Rivinius	
	3	Phyllis Roemmich	3	Eldon Beastro	3	Dale Schneibel	3		
	4		4	Ron Torkelson	4	Lonnie Zahn	4		
	5		5	Virginia Torkelson	5	Yvonne Richter			
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<b>Lectors</b>	1	Lisa Frank	1	Norita Kress	1	Christopher Knudson	1	Todd Van Orman	
	2	Imelda Long	2	Charlie Volk	2	Jo Kralicek	2	Emma Konieczka	
<b>Servers</b>	1	Meghan Friese	1		1	Jaxson Walz	1	Eliza Konieczka	
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	1-R	Carol Thompson	1-R	Dean Anagnost	R-1	Pamela Vetter	R-1	Adeline Pelster	
	2	Clyde Thompson	2	Shawn Anagnost	2	Janet Spooner	2		
	3	Larry Thelen	3	Brenda Bergen	3	Jo Kralicek	3		
	4	Jerome Volk	4	Debbie Best	4	Elizabeth Schatz	4		
	5	Derek Theurer	5	Lynn Best	5	Cathy Schatz	5		
	6	Phyllis Lentz	6	Karen daSilva	6	Daryl Wanner	6		
	7	Mary Ann Metcalf	7	Lorelei Anderson	7	Phyllis Lentz	7	Father Terry	
	8	Elaine Thompson	8	Mike Anderson	8		8		
	9	Father Paul	9	Father Raphael	9	Father Paul			
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1	Al Emineth	1	Dominic Volesky	1	Shirley Bachmeier	1	Doug Kostuck		
2	Terry Fugere	2	Vernon Welder	2	Carolyn Heintz	2			
3	Char Blaskowski	3	Donna Schauer	3	Doretta Bornemann	3			
4	Marion Hoffman	4	Robert Schauer	4	Nancy Christensen	4			
5	Donna Martel	5	Gerry Teevens	5	Jeff Heintz	5			
6	Les Witkowski	6	Mike Teevens	6	Jill Schlosser	6			
7	Deacon	7	Deacon	7	Deacon	7	Deacon		
8	Suzanne Witkowski	8	Joyce Welder	8	Kathy Howe	8			
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Can you help? The blank spaces mean we need more help in that ministry. Please come to the ushers room and sign in on the schedule to help. Thank you.

## 7 SECRETS OF CONFESSION

BY VINNEY FLYNN

*"I want to go to Communion, so I have to go to confession."* Sound familiar? To many Catholics, confession is just a means to an end: cleaning us up from sin so we can receive Communion. But, as Pope Francis tells us, confession is much more than "going to the dry cleaner." It's "an encounter with Jesus, who waits for us as we are." In *7 Secrets of Confession*, best-selling author Vinny Flynn explores the "hidden" truths of this encounter with Jesus, presenting what to many will be a whole new way of going to confession, and inviting you to begin an exciting personal journey to healing and holiness. If you do not yet look forward to confession in the same way you look forward to communion, read on. It will change your life.



**This Book and others can be found on the book rack downstairs in the lower gathering space. A \$4.00 donation is suggested for each Book to help us continue this program.**

**Marriage Moments:** A fiance was thrilled to have finally found Ms. Right. Not long after the wedding, he was disillusioned to discover that her first name was "Always." Of course you can reverse the genders. Negotiating differences and letting go of my way is the art of marriage.

**Parenting Pointers:** September 26 is "Eat Dinner Together Day." How many days a week should your family eat together? Experts say try for at least 4 or 5.....Susan Vogt at [www.Susanvogt.net](http://www.Susanvogt.net).

**2016 THIRST - A EUCHARISTIC CONFERENCE.** Who do you know that is thirsting? Join us October 28-30, 2016 at the Bismarck event center for THIRST 2016. This exciting and free event has something for all ages and backgrounds. Come and gather with others from around the diocese and region to rediscover the depths of God's love in this Jubilee Year of Mercy. Register online at [www.bismarckdiocese.com/thirst2016](http://www.bismarckdiocese.com/thirst2016).

**SAVE THE DATE - EUCHARISTIC ADORATION** will be taking place throughout the THIRST Conference. The Church of Corpus Christi's assigned time slot for **Eucharistic Adoration** is Saturday, October 29 from 6 a.m. - 9 a.m. No need to sign up, just come and join your fellow parishioners.

The Benedictine Sisters of Annunciation Monastery, Bismarck, invite single Catholic women to an "Ever Wonder?" weekend retreat on October 1-2 at Annunciation Monastery. Learn about the rich life of prayer, community and service of the sisters. No cost. Pre-register by calling Sister Hannah at 425-9734 or: [hvanorny@gmail.com](mailto:hvanorny@gmail.com)

### **PART-TIME YOUTH COORDINATOR**

We are excited to welcome Rachel Krueger to the staff at Corpus Christi. Rachel will be helping us part-time with our middle school and high school youth programming. Rachel is a student at the University of Mary, studying Communications and Catholic Studies. She will be working with Tracy Kraft and our Youth Ministry Core Teams to plan and execute our programming this year. Rachel can be reached at 255-4600 or at [Rachel.Krueger@corpuschristibismarck.com](mailto:Rachel.Krueger@corpuschristibismarck.com).

## Remember in Prayer

The parish has a list of parishioners that wish to be prayed for during our weekend liturgies. Their names are posted on the wall in the upper gathering space of the church and also read by the deacons at the weekend masses. The names will remain on the prayer list for 30 days unless you call before that time to have them removed. If you want your name to remain on the list after 30 days have passed, please contact the parish office to have your name or the name of your loved one added again. Thank you.



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## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2016

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
**Not just another day**

“Casual Fridays” began in the 1990s. Employers were trying to improve office morale without spending any money, so workers were permitted to wear jeans, T-shirts, and flip-flops to work. A look at the Communion procession in most contemporary churches this morning would indicate the idea has spread even to Sunday Mass. If formality in church attire has disappeared, what about honoring the day of the Lord by remembering, “Keep holy the Sabbath Day”? Find a way to make Sunday different from other days of the week in your home.

TODAY’S READINGS: *Amos 6:1a, 4-7; 1 Timothy 6:11-16; Luke 16:19-31 (138)*. “But you, man of God, pursue righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience, and gentleness.”

## MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

MEMORIAL OF COSMAS AND DAMIAN, MARTYRS  
**For the public good**

Cosmas and Damian were brother physicians in the early church, famous for never accepting payment for their work as a way to witness to their deep Christian faith. While most of us need to earn an income off our professional skills, we also can let these saintly brother doctors inspire us to offer our skills in some volunteer or *pro bono* (for the public good) work. Look for a way to match your skills to society’s needs and volunteer somewhere today.

TODAY’S READINGS: *Job 1:6-22; Luke 9:46-50 (455)*. “Whoever is not against you is for you.”

## TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

MEMORIAL OF VINCENT DE PAUL, PRIEST

**Master of your soul**

Life in Europe around 1600 was filled with uncertainty and danger. Vincent de Paul, a priest living comfortably in France, was enslaved after being abducted by pirates during a sea voyage. He was bought and sold several times in Muslim countries and ended up with a master who had converted to Islam to obtain his own freedom from slavery. Vincent’s example of steadfastness convinced the master to return to the Catholic faith, and they fled back to France and freedom. Every situation in life, no matter how dire, offers an opportunity to witness to the power of faith.

TODAY’S READINGS: *Job 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23; Luke 9:51-56 (456)*. “The disciples . . . asked, ‘Lord, do you want us to call down fire from heaven to consume them?’ Jesus turned and rebuked them.”



Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow—a day at a time.

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## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

MEMORIAL OF WENCESLAUS, MARTYR

**When the going gets tough**

“Good King Wenceslaus” is a Christmas carol about a Czech king, who was later martyred and sainted, but who first braved a long journey in a snowstorm, giving alms to the poor along the way. The king’s servant struggled to continue in the harsh weather, but managed to do so by following Wenceslaus’ footprints in the snow. Christ, the saints, and myriad Christians before you have already beaten the path you’ve been called by your Baptism to take. Following their lead will help you through the trying conditions along it.

TODAY’S READINGS: *Job 9:1-12, 14-16; Luke 9:57-62 (457)*. “No one who sets a hand to the plow and looks to what was left behind is fit for the kingdom of God.”

## THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

FEAST OF MICHAEL, GABRIEL, AND RAPHAEL, ARCHANGELS

**I hear the rush of angels’ wings**

Go on: Try to argue that you don’t miss the angels. When we were kids, angels were dear divine lifeguards to whom we were committed by God’s love, in the words of a popular prayer. But somewhere between surrendering Santa and the Tooth Fairy, many of us lost a sense of a celestial companion, a divine messenger, a fighting force for good at our side “to light and guard, to rule and guide” us along life’s journey. While faith in winged beings is optional, the conviction that we’re divinely accompanied, advised, and rescued is not. Jesus believes in angels. He should know!

TODAY’S READINGS: *Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14 or Revelation 12:7-12a; John 1:47-51 (647)*. “You will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man.”

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

MEMORIAL OF JEROME, PRIEST, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

**A word so deep**

“Ignorance of the scriptures is ignorance of Christ.” In the fourth century, Jerome was a priest who peculiarly never celebrated the Mass. Instead, he dedicated his life to creating a new translation of the Bible. To probe the mysteries of the Old Testament, he studied Hebrew with rabbis in the Holy Land—a collaboration no Christian had considered for centuries. Aided by lay women like Saint Paula who assisted his work and financially supported him, Jerome labored in a cave in Bethlehem until his death. Catch the spark of Jerome’s passion. Read the Bible regularly.

TODAY’S READINGS: *Job 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5; Luke 10:13-16 (459)*. “Have you entered into the source of the sea, or walked about in the depths of the abyss?”

## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1

MEMORIAL OF THÉRÈSE OF THE CHILD JESUS, VIRGIN, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

**Less is more**

Thérèse is one of the most beloved of saints because she found “a little way” to sanctity and made it accessible to all. A sickly child and frail adult who died in 1897 at the tender age of 24, Thérèse nonetheless left her mark on the spiritual life by discovering the strength in being weak. As she wrote: “I will seek out a means of getting to Heaven by a little way—very short and very straight, a little way that is wholly new. . . . To get there I need not grow; on the contrary, I must remain little, I must become still less.” What less can you do?

TODAY’S READINGS: *Job 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; Luke 10:17-24 (460)*. “Many prophets and kings desired to see what you see, but did not see it.”