



**CATECHETICAL THEME:**  
Come to Me, all you who labor and are burdened.  
Matthew 11:28

**October 15—MASS ACTIVITIES**

PARISH LIBRARY  
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BOOK CART  
Bulletins & Coloring

**PARABLE OF THE WEDDING FEAST**

WORKERS FOR THE LORD

Ages 3+ and Ages 7+

You can get your Children's Bulletins online, too! Complete, add your name and grade or phone number to the front and place in the contest basket on the book cart in the Parish Library!

Check out a book!

**OCTOBER 18—NO CLASSES!**

Next Wednesday Grade 1-6 Classes—October 25

**OCTOBER SAINTS**  
St. Faustina—October 5  
St. Teresa of Avila—October 15



- St. Teresa of Avila—October 15
- Born in nobility
  - Loved to read stories about the Saints
  - Carmelite Nun
  - Started small convents all over Spain
  - Travelled on foot—called the 'walking saint'
  - She tried to follow God's will
  - Sometimes she 'felt like a lion' other times, 'like an ant'
  - Doctor of the Church

**St. Faustina Kowalska—October 5**

Third of ten children, she attended only three years of school. As a teenager, she worked as a domestic servant for other families. After being rejected by several religious orders, she became a nun in the Congregation of the Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy in Warsaw, Poland on 1 August 1925. The Congregation is devoted to the care and education of troubled young women. She changed her name to Sister Maria Faustina of the Most Blessed Sacrament. During her 13 years in various houses, she was a cook, gardener, and porter.

In the 1930's, Sister Faustina received a message of mercy from Jesus that she was told to spread throughout the world, a message of God's mercy to each person individually, and for humanity as a whole. Jesus asked that a picture be painted of him with the inscription: "Jesus, I Trust in You." She was asked to be a model of mercy to others, to live her entire life, in imitation of Christ's, as a sacrifice. She commissioned this painting in 1935, showing a red and a white light shining from Christ's Sacred Heart.



**OCTOBER 2023 WINNERS**

Ben D., Jason W., Emmett S., Keegan L., Wes B., Jillian W.

Contact Donna Doherty (donna@stgall.com) to arrange a day and time to pick your prize!

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1—CLASS AND MASS ALL SAINTS DAY**

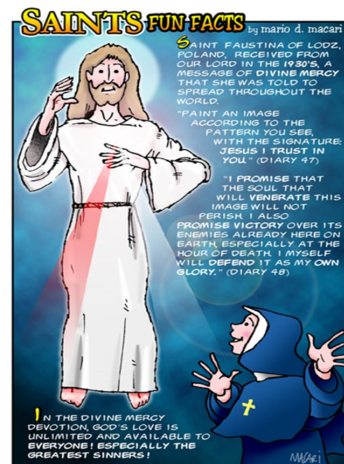
Who is your favorite Saint? Grade 1-4 students will dress like their favorite Saint for the November 1 class and attend the All Saints Day 5pm Mass. They need to know 3 things about their Saint. Grade 5-6 students are asked to create a poster about a Saint. See your email for costume ideas and assignments!

**SAINTS ARE HEROES!**



Learn more about St. Faustina and Divine Mercy from Fr. Michael Gaitley in Episode 4 of **The Second Greatest Story Ever Told:**

<https://tinyurl.com/5abe2cn5>



Go to Faith Formation Info & Events for links, info about the Eucharist and more!

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## Scripture Focus for OCTOBER 15

*R./ I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life. Ps 23:6cd*

### *Fill the Hall*

*In Philippians 4, St. Paul's letter addresses how to live. He says that he knows how to live in humble circumstances. He also knows how to live in abundance. It doesn't matter the circumstances. He has learned the secret of being well fed and hungry. He understands what it means to be in need. Not to worry! He says, "I can do all things in him who strengthens me." He is still grateful for their kindness. He prays that God will give them whatever they need, 'in accord with his glorious riches in Christ Jesus.'*

*In Matthew 22, Jesus speaks in parables again. He tells the story of a king who gave a wedding feast for his son. He sent invitations but they refused to come. He sent servants again to entice them with the details of the banquet, calves and fattened cattle! Some ignored the invitation and some beat the servant messengers. The king decides that they are not worthy of the banquet so he sends the servants out to invite anyone, good and bad alike, to come. One man was not wearing a wedding garment and the king cast him into the darkness.*

*Jesus' parable is about us. We have been invited! Will we answer the call? Will we prepare ourselves so that we can enter heaven? Will we reject or beat up the messenger? How will you respond?*

*We can repeat the words of St. Paul, "I can do all things in him who strengthens me." We can be grateful for all we have been given. "Let us rejoice and be glad that he has saved us!" (Is 25:6-10a)*

**Challenge**—follow the daily Mass to hear the whole story with a phone app or get your daily [Mass Readings](http://www.usccb.org) at [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org)!



**You're invited!**

**October 31**

**Group Study**

**7-8pm**

**Discussion on ZOOM**



**ST. GALL BINGO  
and DINNER**

**Friday, November 3**

**6-9pm**

Dinner \$5 per person, Family of 4 or more \$20. Bring a \$5 prize to play bingo! Register so we can anticipate food.



### **Episode 3—The Lamb of God**

*At every Mass many of us use the phrase "Lamb of God" without fully understanding what it means. Dr. Pitre examines two key instances of sacrificial lambs in the Old Testament-- and why John the Baptist's disciples were quick to leave him to follow the One he proclaimed as "the Lamb of God."*

*It's not too late to join the discussion and learn more about the Eucharist. Watch the episodes for free on Formed. Get your study guide for \$10. Contact Donna Doherty for your study guide, meeting dates and ZOOM link—*

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### **Volunteers needed!**

*Hosted by Faith Formation families. Contact Donna Doherty at [donna@stgall.com](mailto:donna@stgall.com) to help with setup, cleanup or calling numbers!*

