

# Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

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**WELCOME!**

Thank you for celebrating with us today. We invite you to come and worship with us again. If you would like to be a member of our faith community, please take a moment to register. We would love to have you as our spiritual companion.

## MASS SCHEDULE

### SATURDAY

5:00 pm Vigil Mass (Vietnamese)

### TUESDAY - FRIDAY

6:00 pm (Vietnamese)

### SUNDAY

8:30 am Mass (English)

10:30 am Mass (Vietnamese)

Livestream (Facebook and Youtube)

12:30 pm (Vietnamese for Youth)

## ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASS

1st Friday of the Month - 5:30 pm Adoration  
6:00 pm Mass

## CONFESSIONS

Saturday 4:30 pm - 4:50 pm  
Sunday 8:00 am - 8:20 am  
Tuesday - Friday 5:30 pm - 5:50 pm

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### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday: Closed  
 Tuesday & Friday: Please Call for Appointment  
 Wednesday: 9:30am - 3:00pm  
 Thursday: 9:30am - 3:00pm  
 Please leave a message if no one answers and your call will be returned.

### FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP (OCTOBER 22ND – 23RD)

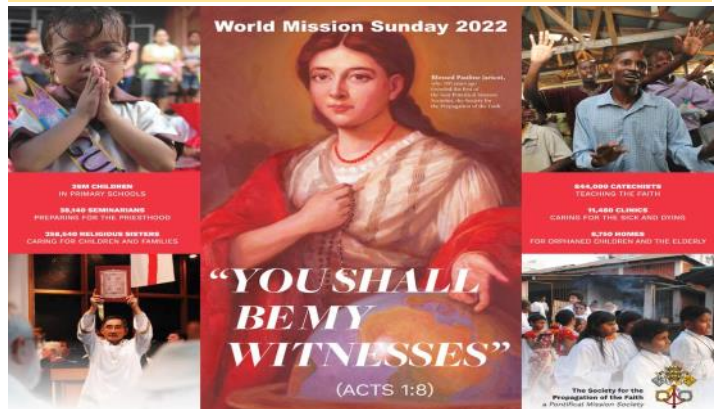
Donation	\$3,796.00
Donation Online	\$1,452.00
Maintenance Fund	\$35.00
Debt Reduction	\$0
<b>Total Donation</b>	<b>\$5,283.00</b>

**2022 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL GOAL \$24,876**

**GIFTS RECEIVED \$39,695.00**

 **Annual Catholic Appeal**

**TOGETHER WE CAN  
 be Christ to Others**



### SPECIAL COLLECTION: WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

**THANK YOU** for your generous response to the collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith last weekend on World Mission Sunday. Our parish raised **\$5,779**. You may stay connected year-round to the Pope's missions, continuing the commitment of World Mission Sunday, by visiting [MISSIO.org](http://MISSIO.org).



## **The Son of Man came to Seek and to Save what was Lost**

**Homily by Fr. Joseph Vu**

St Paul has a shocking phrase in the first Letter to St Timothy: “I am the greatest of sinners.”

- St Paul was one of the greatest saints who ever lived.
- The guy was volcanic. He crisscrossed the ancient Mediterranean world to bring the good news of Jesus Christ to countless people.
- He would ultimately die as a martyr for Christ.

So when he says “I am the greatest of sinners” is it simply a pious exaggeration?

Not at all. St Paul took Christ’s words in today’s gospel seriously: “The Son of Man has come to seek and save what was lost.”

Each one of us needs to be sought and saved.

**SEEK:** God is always seeking us. Sometimes we believe that we’re the ones looking for him, but the only reason we can even look for him is because he’s already looking for us.

- St John of the Cross said that if we’re seeking God, know that he is seeking us even more.

Jesus didn’t walk by that sycamore tree by accident: he’d been planning his encounter with Zacchaeus. Zacchaeus was mired in his sins, trapped in a selfishness he couldn’t escape. Jesus came to find him.

**SAVE:** But Jesus didn’t only come to seek. He came to save. We can’t heal ourselves from sin. Whether it appears to be a terrible, glaring sin, or whether we think it’s a peccadillo, we can’t save ourselves. But Jesus can. And in today’s gospel he sets Zacchaeus free.

This is the meaning of Christ’s wonderful words that he came to seek and save what was lost.

### **Saint Ignatius Loyola gets Radical**

When St Ignatius Loyola studied in Paris in the 1530’s, a priest he knew wasn’t exactly a paragon of virtue.

- He had broken his vows, and was living with a woman.
- He was giving terrible example to others.

St Ignatius wasn’t content to ignore this man’s moral misery. He prayed for him. He sacrificed for him. And he did something else. He went to his house one night, knelt next to his bed, and asked him to hear his confession.

When the priest witnessed Ignatius’s faith, something changed. He returned to the priesthood and began to dedicate himself to serving God’s people.

Through Ignatius Loyola, Christ came to seek and to save what was lost.

### **Let ourselves be Found (Sacrament of Reconciliation)**

Zacchaeus allowed himself to be found. He did not hide from Jesus, but went out on a limb in order to see Jesus (literally).

Christ also asks us to let ourselves be found by him. He’s always seeking, but, since we’re free, we have to choose to be found.

One of the most powerful ways to do that is the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Christ meets us in a personal encounter of mercy.

When we go to confession, Jesus repeats the same words he said in Zacchaeus’s home: “Today salvation has come to this house.”





**GOSPEL MEDITATION**  
**Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture**

Barry had a life sentence in prison for doing unthinkable crimes. He would often remark to the chaplain that he was an atheist and could not bring himself to believe in any "god." When the chaplain asked why, Barry quickly retorted that the book of Genesis speaks of God creating everything and feeling very good about it. God's creation of people and things is beautiful. Barry continued, "If there is a God who creates something and likes what He makes and that God is good, then how could He have created someone as evil as me?" The chaplain fell silent as tears welled up in his eyes. "God loves you too, Barry. The stuff that you did is another matter. God puts His image and likeness in each one of us, in our souls. How can God not love himself?" God cannot despise or hate anything or anyone. He made you. Life hurt you. He is always about unconditional love and mercy. Barry found a glimmer of hope that day and was touched by love.

Zacchaeus met love incarnate in Jesus. He knew there was something special about him, and he had to see Jesus for himself. Realizing and knowing God's unconditional, penetrating love is a game-changer. Sinners don't repulse Jesus, he wants to eat with them! We can often find ourselves conflicted about how God sees us. We want to believe that He loves us, but other tapes playing in our heads convince us that this cannot be true. We carry our sins around like heavy sacks weighing on our shoulders. We are crippled.

God's divine blessing lives in each of our souls. It is our essential goodness, a free gift given to us by God. The beginnings of salvation's blessings are discovered when we begin to understand who God is, who we are, and how we are to act relative to our brothers and sisters. We become more focused and courageous, eager to gather up all of the fragments of our lives and become whole. Zacchaeus, after meeting Jesus, finally knew who he was. He saw his sins and his potential for goodness as a blessed child of God. When we allow God to meet us and touch us in such a profound way, we find what our selfishness has lost. We are on the road to salvation.



**All are invited to:**  
**ST. THOMAS**  
**PANCAKE BREAKFAST!**

**Sunday, November 6th 9:00 AM**

**Adults \$8.00, Children 5 and under \$2.00**

Sponsored by:



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**MASSES WILL BE CELEBRATED IN PERSON**

**Feast of All Souls' Day**

**English**

**Wednesday, November 2**

**Calvary Cemetery**  
Archbishop Etienne presiding  
10:30am

**Holyrood Cemetery**  
Bishop Elizondo presiding  
10:30am

**Gethsemane Cemetery**  
Bishop Schuster presiding  
10:30am

**Korean and Vietnamese**

**Wednesday, November 2**

**Gethsemane Cemetery**  
8:30am - 워경 일

**Holyrood Cemetery**  
1:30pm - 워경 일

**Saturday, November 5**

**Gethsemane Cemetery**  
Nghĩa Trang Gethsemane lúc 10:30AM thứ bảy

**Holyrood Cemetery**  
Nghĩa Trang Holyrood lúc 1:00PM thứ bảy

**We Remember and We Give Thanks**

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