

From the Desk of Father David Jenuwine

Dear Parish Family,

I continue to be amazed at what a wonderful parish we have here at Holy Family. I can't begin to express how grateful I am to be able to offer Mass and dispense the sacraments in such a beautiful setting with such awesome people.

This evening begins the bi-annual priest's assembly. Please pray for me and my brother priests over the next several days as we meet together with our bishop to discuss pressing issues for our ministry and our diocese.

October brings with it feasts and memorials of some well-known saints.

October 1 is the memorial of St. Terese of Lisieux, October 2 is the memorial of the Guardian Angels, and on October 7 is Our Lady of the Rosary.

Friday, October 4, is the memorial of St. Francis of Assisi. After the 9:00 am daily Mass, we will have blessing of animals. Later in the month October

18, another Friday, is the feast of St. Luke. At the 9:00 am daily Mass,

there will be an opportunity for the Sacrament of Anointing.

If you are having surgery, or are in need of healing, the

Sacrament of Anointing is available after any Mass.

Daily Masses are on Wednesdays at 4 pm, and

Fridays at 9 am. If you can come, please join us.

Let us pray for the graces to always grow in our love of Jesus Christ and for each other.

Fr. DAVID



The first prayer I ever learned as a child was the Guardian Angel Prayer:

"Angel of God my guardian dear to whom God's love commits me here.

Ever this day (night) be at my side, to light and guard to rule and guide.

— Amen."

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St. Luke the Evangelist - October 18

Luke the Evangelist (Greek: $\Lambda o v \kappa \hat{\alpha} \varsigma$, Loukás) is one of the Four Evangelists or authors of canonical Gospels of Jesus Christ. Luke was a native of the city of Antioch in Syria. The early Church Fathers ascribed to him authorship of both the Gospel according to Luke as well as the book of Acts of the Apostles, which originally formed a single literary work. His authorship was later reaffirmed by prominent figures in early Christianity such as St. Jerome and Eusebius, although within scholarly circles, both secular and religious, there are discussions as to the identity of the author of these works.

In the New Testament, Luke is mentioned briefly a few times, and referred to as a physician in the Pauline epistle to the Colossians; thus he is thought to have been both a medical doctor and a disciple of Paul. Considered by early Christians as

a saint, he is believed to have died a

martyr, although accounts of the events do vary.

He is venerated as Saint Luke the Evangelist in the Catholic Church, and in other major denominations. He is the patron saint of artists, physicians, surgeons, students, and butchers. His feast day is October 18.



Blessing of Animals - St. Francis's Day - Oct 4

The animals of God's creation inhabit the skies, the earth, and the sea. Remembering St. Francis' love for all creatures, we invoke God's blessing on these animals, and we thank God for letting us share the earth with them.

O God, reach out with your right hand and grant that these animals may serve our needs and that your bounty in the resources of this life may move us to seek more confidently the goal of eternal life.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

- Amen.



St. Terese of Lisieux - October 1

Saint Thérèse of Lisieux (January 2, 1873 – September 30, 1897), known in religious life as Sister Thérèse of the Child Jesus and the Holy Face, O.C.D., was a French Discalced Carmelite nun. She is popularly known as "The Little Flower" of Jesus" or simply, "The Little Flower".

Therese felt an early call to religious life, and overcoming various obstacles, in 1888 at the early age of 15, she became a nun and joined two of her elder sisters in the cloistered Carmelite community of Lisieux, Normandy. After nine years as a Carmelite religious, having fulfilled various offices such as sacristan and assistant to the novice mistress, and having spent her last eighteen months in Carmel in a night of faith, she died of tuberculosis at the age of 24.

