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His Excellency, Michael Barber, SJ, Bishop – Diocese of Oakland



Notes from Fr. Nick

## The Feast of Saint Francis

As with so many cherished traditions this year, the pandemic has upset our celebration of the Feast of Saint Francis, which takes place this Sunday. Not to be detoured by such exigencies, we are being creative. We've asked you to transmit photographs of your pets to which I will give an "electronic" blessing after Mass.

In a way, this plan is more inclusive than bringing our pets to church. If we've learned anything from this plague, it's the importance of physical gathering. But virtual gathering has its upside! Many more of you sent photos than would normally have brought their pets to our worship space. Everybody with an internet connection can see our larger parish community, which includes our furry, scaled and feathered charges.



Additionally, it's been an opportunity for parish members to use their creativity to produce the video of our pets. High-school junior John Ernst and his mother, Mary, worked long and hard to produce the video, which will be posted on our website. Send them your thanks on Facebook!

Isolation has let us know how important our pets are to us. They provide companionship when we are alone, and even protection when we might be in danger. Their personalities and loyalty inspire and amuse us. Caring for them brings us out of ourselves, so that we don't get too self-focused.

There are other animals who are not so directly connected to us, but who are, nevertheless, a part of our lives as well. I was recently confronted by a buck deer on the front lawn of the rectory at twilight. I regularly see the mischief of racoons and crows. Recently a friend saw a mountain lion on his security camera. (Don't worry—he lives over on the Peninsula.) All these animals participate in the grand ecology of our planet. There is only one 'critter' I want banished from the planet posthaste: the coronavirus. While I suppose one could make the case for population control, it seems to be about as useless and nasty as they come. With Saint Francis, let us pray that by this time next year we can stand in front of the church and receive a blessing along with our assembled pets. We will recognize how this pandemic has enabled us all to manage not only to get through it, but to grow, with a renewed appreciation of *All Creatures of Our God and King*.

*"Together we share our  
Faith in Jesus Christ.*

*We live the Gospel,  
and we care for others."*

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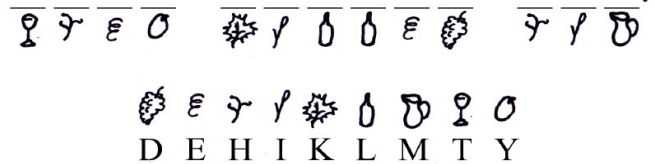
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# The Kids' Bulletin

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What did the bad tenants do when the owner's son came to get the produce?  
 Use the code below to find out.



## The Evil Tenants Word-Find



Find the words that are in CAPITALS in the puzzle and use the left-over letters to fill in the blanks:

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Jesus told this PARABLE: There was a landowner who planted a VINEYARD and built a tower and a WINE PRESS. When he went away, he LEASED it to tenants. In time, he sent SERVANTS to get his PRODUCE, but the tenants BEAT one, killed one, and STONED another. The man sent more servants, but the TENANTS did the same thing AGAIN. Finally, he sent his SON, thinking that they would RESPECT him at least. But the tenants saw the son coming and said, "Here comes the HEIR. If we kill him we can get his INHERITANCE!" So they SEIZED him, THREW him out and KILLED him too!

Jesus asked, "What will the land OWNER do when he COMES?"

The people said, "Put the tenants to DEATH and lease the vineyard to tenants who WILL pay."

# October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020 — 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Collection for the Week Ending September 27<sup>th</sup>

Sunday	Actual	Budget	Difference
09/27/2020	\$5,341.20	\$8,829.00	<b>-\$3,487.80</b>
Year-to-Date	\$321,356.92	\$355,502.00	<b>-\$34,145.08</b>

"Have in you the same attitude that is also in Christ Jesus."  
- Philippians 2:5

## The 2020 Bishop's Appeal



The Bishop's Appeal is Bishop Barber's annual call for us to help provide essential services as well as works of charity throughout the diocese. (Please see details below.)

**REBUILD  
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As of last week, Mary Magdalen parishioners had donated **\$14,861.00**, or 53.65% of our goal. Not bad for a pandemic, but **we still need to give \$12,839.00**.

Where do your donations go?

- ◆ Religious Education & Formation
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## Confirmations in the Dominican Garden!



## Mass Intentions

Saturday	5:30	Intentions of Teresita Paris
Sunday	8:00	José Luis Guzman RIP
	9:30	Julian Guerrero RIP
	11:30	For the People of the Parish
Monday	8:30	Intentions of Br. Anselm Dominic LeFave
	5:30	Intentions of Vada & Jan Grycz
Tuesday	8:30	Intentions of Fr. Joseph Sergott, OP
	5:30	Dr. Diane Murakami RIP
Wednesday	8:30	Jorge D. Mora RIP
	5:30	Intentions of Fr. Mark Padrez, OP
Thursday	8:30	Intentions of Linda Fitzgerald
	5:30	Intentions of Michael Mahoney
Friday	8:30	Intentions of Br. John Vianney Russell
	5:30	Intentions of Neda DeForrest
Saturday	8:30	E. Paul Kelly RIP

## Scripture Readings for the Week

4 <sup>th</sup>	27 <sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Isaiah 5:1-7 / Philippians 4:6-9 / Matthew 21:33-43
5 <sup>th</sup>	Weekday [Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos] Galatians 1:6-12 / Luke 10:25-37
6 <sup>th</sup>	Weekday [St. Bruno; Blessed Marie Rose Durocher] Galatians 1:13-24 / Luke 10:38-42
7 <sup>th</sup>	Memorial: Our Lady of the Rosary Galatians 2:1-2, 7-14 / Luke 11:1-4
8 <sup>th</sup>	Weekday Galatians 3:1-5 / Luke 11:5-13
9 <sup>th</sup>	Weekday [St. Denis & Companions; St. John Leonardi] Galatians 3:7-14 / Luke 11:15-26
10 <sup>th</sup>	Weekday [Blessed Virgin Mary] Galatians 3:22-29 / Luke 11:27-28

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