

# St. Joseph The Worker Parish

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*As the leaves turn gold and yellow...*

*The air turns crisp...*

*Thanksgiving comes, a time to remember...*

*Our blessings and make good cheer  
with all those who are so dear.*

*Wishing you a Thanksgiving  
as special as you are.*



## GOSPEL REFLECTION: THE POWER OF FAITH

*Your faith has saved you. (Luke 17:19)*

Imagine how this Samaritan must have felt when he heard Jesus say these words to him! As a foreigner, he was outside of God’s covenant with Israel, and yet this Jewish miracle worker had just assured him of salvation—all because of his faith. His heart must have been bursting with gratitude!

But what about his nine friends, who did not return to Jesus? Surely they had faith as well. What else would compel them to cry out to Jesus for healing or to call him “Master” (Luke 17:13)? Why would they go show themselves to the priests if they didn’t believe that Jesus would heal them along the way? Of course they had faith!

But there was something different about this Samaritan. He had the kind of faith that opened him up to worship and gratitude and praise to God. He saw Jesus in a different light than the other nine. Jesus wasn’t just a “Master,” as in a teacher of spiritual truths. He was a vessel for God’s grace. Realizing he was healed, this man knew that God was working through Jesus, and that moved him to return and praise the God who had been so good to him. And that act of worship opened him up to the greatest healing of all: salvation.

Readings like today’s can prompt us to examine our faith. Does it include the grateful, joy-filled worship of the Samaritan? Or like the nine, do we limit ourselves mostly to prayers of petition and acts of obedience?

Don’t worry; everyone needs to deepen their faith. Just don’t think that you have to do it on your own. Worship is a two-way street. Just as deeper faith can lead to more joyous worship, so too can prayers of worship and praise deepen your faith. So lift your heart to Jesus. Proclaim his greatness. Praise him for his love and mercy. Let your worship—and your faith—help you experience his salvation.

## MASS READINGS

**First Reading:** 2 Kings 5.14-17

**Second Reading:** 2 Timothy 2.8-13

**Gospel:** Luke 17.11-19

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Sunday 9 October, 9:00 AM  
(Italian)**

Domenico Di Sciolio

**Sunday 9 October, 10:30 AM**  
For all Parishioners

**Sunday 9 October, 12:00 PM**  
+ Norberto & Mauro Delara

**Tuesday 11 October, 9:00 AM**  
+ Domenico Giovinnazzo

**Wednesday 12 October, 7:00 PM**  
+ Virginia B. De La Cruz

**Thursday 13 October, 9:00 AM**  
+ Thanksgiving for Diosy Francisco

**Friday 14 October, 7:00 PM**  
+ Restitutta Baldassara,  
+ Nicomedes Exclamador,  
+ Maria & Tony Varone,  
+ George Lawrence,  
+ Ida Caravetta,  
+ Zaybion Lawrence,  
& Angels and Thanksgiving

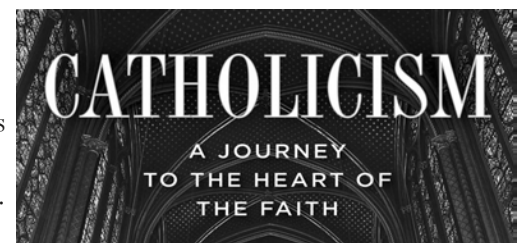
**Saturday 15 October, 9:00 AM**  
+ Roberta Casmiro

**Saturday 15 October, 5:00 PM**  
+ Vincente Peteza

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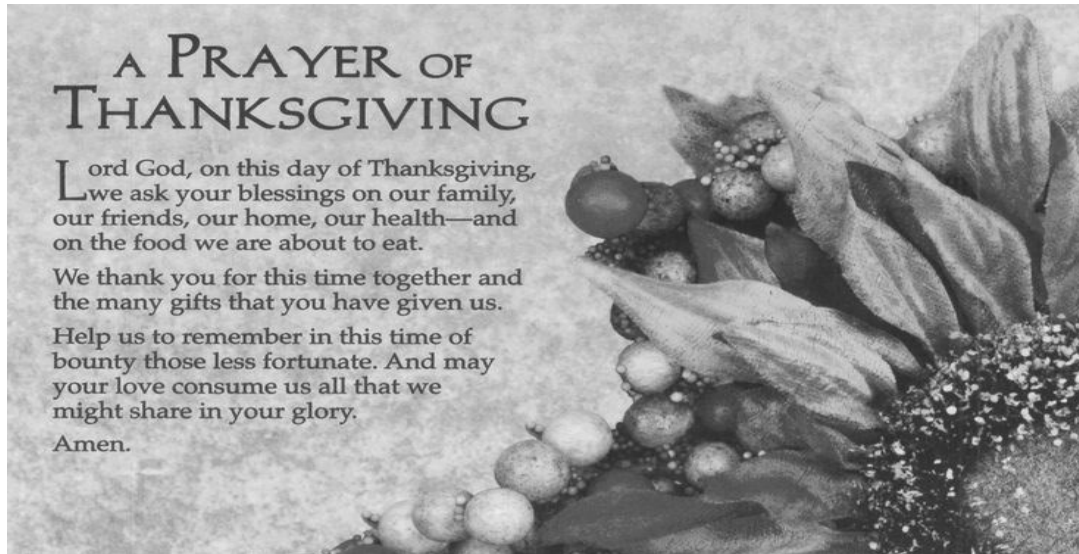
Sign up on StJW’s Eventbrite website or after mass in the foyer. Sessions will take place every Thursday from October– January, with the exception of December 16, 23, and 30. All are wel-



## CHILDREN’S LITURGY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

The Parish is in need of volunteers to teach and guide the children during the 12 PM Masses on Sundays. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact stjwchildren@gmail.com for further questions or inquiries.

## HAPPY THANKSGIVING!



### Ushers' Meeting

All parish Ushers are invited to an important meeting in the Church Hall on October 12 after the 7pm Mass.

### OUR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS 2022 – CAST YOUR VOTE!

A Municipal Election will be held on **Monday October 25, 2022**. All Catholics are strongly encouraged to exercise their democratic right to vote. To help learn more about the Candidates for Catholic School Board Trustee & Municipal Chancellor, literature will be distributed to Parishioners departing Mass from October 1/2 through October 22/23. Thank you for your interest and involvement in this fall's municipal elections!

### MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE

The Marriage preparation course is here! The course starts on **Friday October 28**, and repeats every Friday for 6 weeks. All couples intending to get married should please

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2022-2023

Parents must visit the office to submit the necessary documentation/fees by **Sunday 6 November, 2022**

#### First Holy Communion Registration Link:

<https://forms.gle/w2m49TaKaFQALHx9A>

### CONFIRMATION SCHEDULE 2022-2023

#### Parent's Meeting:

**Thursday 13 October 2022 at 7:00 p.m.**

Parents must visit the office to submit the necessary documentation/fees by **Sunday 6 November, 2022**

#### Confirmation Registration Link:

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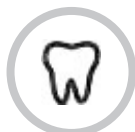
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