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Learning Forgiveness

I have long been convinced that forgiveness is one of the
greatest forms of charity. The reason is, firstly, because it is at
the heart of Jesus' redemptive act. We all remember the first
words of Jesus on the cross: "Father, forgive them for they do not
know what they do." The whole reason for Jesus' passion and
death on the cross was to forgive our sins and open the gates of
heaven. Forgiveness is a high form of charity also because it is so

difficult. It requires
swallowing our
pride and accepting
the weakness of
others as well as
our own. It means
to not take into
account the offense
received and
simply will to
forgive the person.
This is never easy.
It does not mean
necessarily



forgetting the offense. Sometimes we may think that if I have not
forgotten, I have not forgiven. At times it is helpful to forget, but
forgiveness is not in the memory but in our will. We WANT to
forgive and therefore extend our forgiveness to the other and
make the effort to act sincerely as one who has forgiven. There
are times when it is necessary not to forget. We want to
remember situations of abuse or of sins where we were taken
advantage of so as not to fall into those situations again. This
does not mean that we have not forgiven, but may simply be part
of the virtue of prudence. As long as we are sincere in our
willingness to forgive, we have imitated the Lord.

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OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Thursday

7:30 am to 3:30 pm



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Today’s Gospel contains not only the mandate of Christ to forgive as many times as is necessary but He also gives us a parable where we come to understand that the need to forgive becomes unavoidable. The parable has to do with one who owes his king an amount impossible to pay (the situation of all of us in the world who owes to God our whole life and the possibility of eternity which we did not earn). When that servant was forgiven his debt, he found a person who owed him a much smaller - and payable - debt to him (the situation of the debt of offenses of the sins of others towards us). The servant was not willing to forgive, and instead punished the other until he had paid it.

Jesus is not referring in the parable to the justice system, which must function as well as possible to maintain order in society. Justice, however, without mercy, is not true justice and in all cases we must learn to forgive others as Jesus forgave us.

Fr. Peter

Saints of the week:
September 16: Saints Cornelius and Cyprian



September 12 - September 20		
Eucharistic Celebrations:		
Saturday 12:	5:30 pm	PRO POPULO
Sunday 13:	9:00 am	+ ANTHONY, + VIRGINIA & + FRANK BALESTRINO
	11:00am	PRO POPULO
Monday 14:	8:00 am	+VAUGHN & +MARGARET LARSON
Tuesday 15:	8:00 am	NO MASS
Wednesday 16:	8:00 am	NO MASS
Thursday 17:	8:00 am	NO MASS
Friday 18:	8:00 am	NO MASS
Saturday 19:	5:30 pm	+ DANIEL GONZALES
Sunday 20:	9:00 am	+ERIC MCCONNELL
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Catholic in Recovery, Mondays @ 5:30 at the Turn of the Card Community Center. Call 480-408-4513 for info.

AA - call hotline 928-537-7800 for meeting information

This week in our parish:		
Monday:	8:00 am	Mass
Tuesday:	8:00 am	No Mass
Wednesday :	8:00 am	No Mass
	9:30 am	Madonna Guild Book Study - Hall
	11:00 am	Prayer Group - Church
Thursday:	8:00 am	No Mass
	6:00 pm	Religious Education in St. Joseph Family Center
Friday:	8:00 am	No Mass. <i>Parish Office Closed</i>

For routine, non-emergency as well as emergency care for the **sick or dying**, please contact the parish office or Fr. Peter at 928-367-2080, Monday through Thursday between 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Outside of these hours, please call 928-367-1278, leave a message and we will get back as soon as possible.

PASTORAL COUNCIL: Katherine Larson; Mike Caruth; Mary Knaust; Tim Williams; Steve Vasquez; Margie Zavala; Fr. Peter Short. Next meeting: **TBD**
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Would you like to receive the sacrament of Baptism, Reconciliation, Confirmation or Holy Communion, or would like your child to receive them? Or would you like to learn more about your faith? Come join us for an hour each week to learn and share the faith.

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Note: We will be placing the Priest Retirement Fund envelopes on chairs for all Masses during the month of September. One can contribute to the collection using the envelopes at any time (or online), but the official collection will be taken up on September 26-27.

What Do Their Deaths Demand? On Wednesday, September 23, at 9:30 am in the Overflow Hall, we will begin the next Madonna Book Study. Written by Bishop Barron, he explores the real stories of people persecuted for their faith and what we can do about it now. All are invited.



Join us in prayer in Eucharistic Adoration every Sunday from 8:00 am till 8:45 when there will be Benediction with the Blessed Sacrament.

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