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Mass Schedule for this Week

Saturday – October 3	**Mass at 8:30 am and 5:00 pm**
Sunday – October 4	**Mass at 8:30 am and 10:30 am**
Monday – October 5	**Mass at 9:30 am**
Tuesday – October 6	**No Mass**
Wednesday – October 7	**No Mass**
Thursday – October 8	**No Mass or Adoration**
Friday – October 9	**Mass at 9:30 am**

Rosary: 30 Minutes before Mass
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays 4 – 4:30 pm
Eucharistic Adoration: No Adoration this week.

REFLECTION FROM FATHER AKUTI

In today's first reading, called, *Isaiah's Song of the Vineyard,* the prophet describes God's care of, and expectations for, His Chosen People. God's Chosen People failed to bear fruit, in spite of the blessings lavished upon them by a loving and forgiving God. Further, they were poor tenants in the Lord's vineyard. Hence, God laments: *"I expected My vineyard to yield good grapes. Why did it yield sour ones instead?"*

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells an allegorical parable in which the landowner is God, the vineyard is Israel as God's special people, and the tenants are the political and religious leaders of Israel. The story emphasizes the failure of the tenants, the Chosen People of God and their leaders, to produce fruits of righteousness, justice, and mercy. Giving a theological explanation of Israel's history of gross ingratitude through the parable, Jesus reminds us Christians that, since we are the "new" Israel, enriched with additional blessings and provisions in the Church, we are expected to show our gratitude to God by bearing fruits of the kingdom, fruits of the Holy Spirit, in our lives, giving Him all the Glory.

TAKEAWAYS: — **Are We Good Fruit-Producers in the Vineyard of the Church?** Jesus has given the Church everything necessary to make Christians fruit-bearing. a) The Bible to know the will of God. b) The Sacrament of Holy Orders to Consecrate Bishops, Priests, and Deacons to lead the People in God's ways. c) The Sacrament of Reconciliation for the Remission of Sins. d) The Holy Eucharist as our Spiritual Food. e) The Sacrament of Confirmation for a Dynamic Life of Faith. f) The Sacrament of Matrimony for the sharing of Love in Families, the Fundamental Unit of the Church. g) The Sacrament of (Last) Anointing to Restore and Strengthen Spiritual Life and Bring Mental Emotional and Physical Healing as well, if that is what God wills. h) Role Models in thousands of Saints. We are expected make use of these gifts to produce fruits for God.

Are We Fruit-Producers in the Vineyard of the Family? By the Mutual Sharing of Blessings, by Sacrificing Time and Talents for the Members of the Family, by Humbly and Lovingly Serving others in the Family, by Recognizing and Encouraging each other and by honoring and gracefully obeying our parents, we become producers of "good fruit" for the Vine, Christ, in our families, and so give Glory to God.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday: 10:30 am	Sunday School
	Confirmation Class
Monday: 5:00 pm	OCIA Class
Tuesday: 1:00 pm	Grief Share
Wednesday:	Communion Class
5:30 pm	Celebrate Recovery
Thursday: 10:00 am	Circle of Caring

Mass Intentions for Oct 3 to Oct 9th

Saturday 8:30am	Rudy Herzog
Saturday 5:00pm	Mary Alger
Sunday 8:30am	Kip Craig
Sunday 10:30am	Elizabeth & Alvin Somera
Monday 9:30 am	Chris, Lisa, Eston, and Ila Gibbons
Tuesday	No Mass today
Wednesday	No Mass today
Thursday	No Mass today
Friday 9:30 am	+ Rodney Louis and + Brandon Hare

Seminarian Appeal

Thank you to those who have already donated to the Seminarian Appeal. It is not too late to make a donation or pledge for this year. We will have a second collection at Mass today. There are still envelopes in the pews for you to complete and put in the 2nd collection or take home and mail.

CATHOLIC PODCAST

Join Michaelle for intimate interviews on life and the Catholic faith. Just login to:
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How does a 30-year-old Vanderbilt professor, newly married with an infant, face stage 4 cancer with courageous faith? And how can we better comfort those who are suffering around us?

OPPORTUNITIES FOR PRAYER

A TIME FOR HEALING: Please pray for Daniel Dougherty, Bill Harrison, Susan Curry, Doris Strafford, Susan Motsinger, Joseph Allscheid, Steve McDonald, Donna & Kelly Molyndike, Jane Gillis, Leon Bruneau, John & Lara Bender, Nancy Dietrich, Mark Storey, Cynthia Sinn, Deanna and Roger Fullop and their family, Clyde Sullivan, Sean Dooher, Gloria Lyons, Alicia Voss, Al Giacchero, Paul & Maureen Sterling, Greg Molley, Ken Hillyer, Doris Matthews, Frank Moran, Louie Mendez, Jim and Nellie Welsh, Mike Scott, Rolando Deangkinay, Rhoda DeGiovanni, Louise Rosas, Al Weber, Jim & Kathleen Hickey, Ron Patterson, and all those who are sick or need healing.

A TIME FOR SORROW (May God rest their souls in eternal peace): Please pray for Bill Molendyke, Albert Chek, Jim Springer, Robert J. Kocarnik, Alexis Goddard, Lloyd Schwend, George Reging, James Welsh, Fr. James Dieringer, Dorothy Giacchero, Robert Fulks, Luz Deangkinay, Nellie Deangkinay, Plum Snow, Burma LaVallo, Sharon Cote, and all those who have died recently.

A TIME FOR JOY AND CELEBRATION: We pray for all those who are celebrating a birthday, anniversary, or other special occasion this week. Happy Birthday to Tino Rodriguez, Blake Rocha, and Jule Folster.

And pray for all our Parish friends and family who are listed in our Prayer Intentions Book.

GriefShare

Are you grieving a loss? We are meeting on Tuesdays from 1-3 PM through December 1st. Please know you may join GriefShare at any time. For more information, contact Marie Hennessy or visit www.Grief Share.org/findagroup and search St. Mary by the Sea in Rockaway.

LAST WEEK'S DONATIONS

Offertory	$2764.75
Needy	$51.00
Building/Maintenance	$327.00
Seminarian Appeal	$678.00
Votive	$37.00
Winter Survival	$51.00

THANKSGIVING DAY COMMUNITY DINNER

If you are able to volunteer on either the prep day or on Thanksgiving Day or both, contact Teri Bruneau at 503-317-8967 as soon as possible so they can plan ahead.
Thank you for being willing to help.