Beyond The Stiff Upper Lip

Are you one of those captivated by the British TV series called “Downtown Abbey”? In case you’ve been living on the moon lately, it’s a costume drama that revolves around the lives and loves of the wealthy aristocrats and the working class people who serve them. Much of the tension and excitement lies in the rigid social rules and code of behavior which regulate those above and below-stairs.

Ultimately, rich and poor alike at Downtown Abbey are challenged to learn that traditions and social convention have meaning, but what is most important is goodness, love, and holding onto these deeper values. Jesus tries to teach a similar lesson to the Pharisees today; that the law exists for the deeper meaning behind it. Today they’re testing Jesus’ views on marriage and divorce.

Jews considered divorce a tragic failure, but in practice, divorce was easily gotten by men, and not by women. Women had no rights in the law. Into this unequal situation, Jesus proclaims that marriage is meant as an absolute permanency and unity in the mind of God. Here, Jesus upholds the dignity of both women and men.

“From the beginning,” when “God made them male and female,” a unique bonding of body and soul was intended, a permanent bond that can’t be broken by human law or changed regulations. But where individualism reigns supreme, we see divorce at record levels. We desperately need Jesus’ vision of marriage today, to protect the spirits, hearts, and bodies of us all.

Go in peace to love and serve our God!

 Seeds for Sowing Publication

Readings for the Week of October 7, 2012

Sunday Twenty-Seven Sunday in Ordinary Time
Gn 2:18-24; Ps 128; Heb 2:9-11; Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12

Monday Gal 1:6-12; Ps 111; Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday Saint Denis, Bishop and Companions, Martyrs ~ Saint John Leonardi, Priest
Gal 1:13-24; Ps 139; Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Ps 117; Lk 11:1-4

Thursday Gal 3:1-5; Lk 1; Lk 11:5-13

Friday Gal 3:7-14; Ps 111; Lk 11:15-26

Saturday Gal 3:22-29; Ps 105; Lk 11:27-28

Sunday Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Wis 7:7-11; Ps 90; Heb 4:12-13; Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27

Pope Benedict XVI'S Prayer Intentions for October

Please try to include the Pope’s monthly intentions in your prayers.

General Intention: New Evangelization. That the New Evangelization may progress in the oldest Christian countries.

Missionary Intention: World Mission Day. That the celebration of World Mission Day may result in a renewed commitment to evangelization.
October 7, 2012 ~ Twenty-Seventh Sunday ~ Ordinary Time

Please pray for...

Leticia Aguilar
Sobeida Garza
Domingo Perez
Ed Aki
Jackie Gaylord
Don Perkins
Ray Allen
Robert Golwas
Britney Pragliola
Maria L. Balderas
Alexis Gonzalez
Anthony Puccierello
Marcie Barajas
Domingo Gonzales
Estella Ramon
Mickey Barrera
Katie Daniel Gonzalez
Sharon Randolf
Bera & Samuel
Lydia Gonzales
Momoko & Daniel
Joey Baumann
Dan Graves
Rarick
Dana Beach
Jack Green & Family
Kyle Ratliff
Cecilia Benavidez
Buddy Grigsby
Robbie Reardon
Timmy Benavidez
Emilio Guzman, Jr.
Henrietta Rios
Timoteo Benavidez
Pete Guzman
Javier Rios
Matt Berckmoes
Trinidad Guzman
Katherine Reavis
Betsy Berry
Jordan Haas
Mary Remitz
Conn Berry
Concepcion Head
Anthony Resendez
Randall Boelling
Tim Hedrick
Cesar Rodriguez
Family of
Frederick Butler
Nancy Hogarty
Esmeralda Rodriguez
Judith Calcada
Lori Howard
Pat Sanders
Tom Calzada
Krystal Ison
Chris Schusteriet
Armando Cantu
Nan Jackson
Millie Schutz
John David Carbajal
Hunter Jasek
Jerry Scott
Angie Casteel
Logan Jasek
Jesse Scott, Jr.
Aima Centofante
Joey Jasso
Aubree Sklar
Leila Chial
James Jennings
Kathy Smith
Jose Castanedo
Ann Kondoff
Norelia Solís
Family of Tracey
Martha Krenek
Norma Solís
Crowell
Charlene Jaski
Paula Spohn
Eladia M. DeJesus
Bob Farga Larson
Leann Stokes
Charlene Dills
Fred Z. Leal
Royden Sumbil
Joe L. Domínguez
Gilbert Leal
Bob Swanson
Corby DuVall
Linda Lee
Melvin Syria
Debbie Durst
Rex Littleton, Sr.
Robert Vega
Robert Dul
Connor Magness
Dori Villa
Ed Emery
Jimmy Martinez
Guadalupe Villarreal
Bob Fargaharson
Sammy Martinez
Reid Waggoner
Robbie Fauverge
Msgr. John L. Matocha
Bill & Jeanne Weaver
Adrian Fernandez
Dave McDaniel
Kathleen Williams
Molly Fisher
Isaiah Mendiola
Stratton Williams
Family of Mrgr.
Shari Mikulenko
Sara Woods Yachim
Emilian Foltyn
Blas Montemayor
All who are in need
Joe Flores
Cande Montemayor
of prayer.
Gretchen Foresman
Larry Moore

(40 Days Rosary before the Presidential Election will be held in the Church each weekday morning after Daily Mass until Election Day)

Please call the church office if someone needs to stay on the prayer list for more than four weeks.

Craig’s Tire Service

Sponsor of the Week

| Offering for the weekend of September 23, 2012 |
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| Envelope | Loose | Total |
| $ 6,801.83 | $ 2,290.50 | $ 9,092.33 |
| Offering for the weekend of September 30, 2012 |
| Envelope | Loose | Total |
| $ 7,272.83 | $ 1,735.50 | $ 9,008.33 |
Sacred Heart School News…

The Sacred Heart School Yearbook Ad Sale has begun. If you would like to place an ad in our yearbook for 2012-2013, simply complete the form below and bring by the school with your payment. Ads can be for business or personal and will be printed in full color. Deadline for the ad copy and payment is Friday, October 19, so don’t delay. And, thank you for supporting our school and Catholic education.

May God be with you all.
Kathy Barnes, Principal

Sacred Heart School/2012-2013 Yearbook

Complete this form and return to SHS office with payment by October 19

Yes, I want to purchase the following ad:
(Choose appropriate ad below.)

____ One whole page for $150 & receive 2 free yearbooks! (ad attached) $_____
____ One half-page for $75 & receive 1 free yearbook! (ad attached) $_____
____ One quarter-page for $50. (ad attached) $_____
____ One business card-size ad for $25. (ad attached) $_____
____ One one-line ad can be purchased for $10. (ad attached) $_____
____ Yes, I want to purchase ___ (number desired)
Yearbook(s) at $15 each = $_____

____ My family will not be purchasing a yearbook this year.

Total amount that should be included with this order form. = $_____

Name_________________________ Phone______________________ Date______________
Adress:__________________________________________
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The Sanctuary Lamp

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn:
Friday, October 5th—Tuesday, October 9th
For All Sacred Heart Families by Fr. Ray & Fr. Alex
Saturday, October 13th—Wednesday, October 17th
†For Cruz Solis by Cora & Family

The Sacred Heart of Jesus Lamp

The Sacred Heart of Jesus Lamp will burn:
Sunday, October 7th—Tuesday, October 9th
†For Joe P. Zambrano, Sr. by Family
Wednesday, October 10th—Friday, October 12th
For †Emil Konvicka by Robert Konvicka

Flowers for the Altar

Donated the week of:
Saturday, October 13th—Friday, October 19th
In Memory of †Manuela Marquez by Alma Naro & Cecilia Benavidez

Knights of Columbus Barbecue

Includes: BBQ Chicken, with beans & slaw
Sunday, October 21, 2012 $7 a plate
Parish Hall Pick up 10:00am—1:00pm or until 300 plates are sold
Tickets for sale October 7th & 14th