

# OCTOBER 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28 Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost	29 Dedication of St. Michael the Archangel	30	1	2	3 First Friday	4 First Saturday
5 Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost	6 Bible Study	7	8	9	10 Pro-Life Vigil	11 Roses of Mary Men's Schola
12 Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost	13	14	15	16	17	18 Altar Guild Men's Schola
19 Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost	20 Bible Study	21	22	23	24	25
26 Christ the King  All Saints Party	27 Adult Catechism	28	29	30	31	1 All Saints
					All-Night Adoration 	

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### Repose of the Souls of:

Pope Francis  
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# + IMMACULATE + CONCEPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH



NINETEENTH  
SUNDAY after  
PENTECOST

October 19, 2025



### Sunday Schedule:

Low Mass: 7 a.m.  
9 a.m.  
Sung Mass: 11 a.m.

### Confessions:

One-half hour before Mass  
and Saturdays at 4 p.m.

### Daily Mass Schedule:

Monday, Tuesday,  
Wednesday: 8 a.m.  
Thursday: 6 p.m.  
Friday, Saturday: 8 a.m.

### Holy Hour:

Thursday: 7 p.m.

"O Mary, through thine Immaculate Conception  
make my body pure and my soul holy."

Pastor:

FR. JAMES GORDON, F.S.S.P.

Assistant Pastor:

FR. DENNIS GORDON, F.S.S.P.



Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter parish in Colorado Springs

# Consolation in TEMPTATION

*Consoling Thoughts on Trials of an Interior Life*  
[of St. Francis de Sales], compiled by Fr. Père Huguet

Be not troubled, however great the temptations that assail you. Let the enemy rage at the door; let him stamp, thump, romp, yell; do the worst in his power; we are sure he cannot enter but by the door of our consent. Let us keep it closed, often taking a look to see that it is properly fastened, and there is nothing to fear.

Humble yourself very much, and be not at all surprised. The lilies that grow among thorns are the whitest. *What does he know who has not been tempted?*

It is a misfortune that you dread temptations so much. Be assured that all the temptations of Hell cannot sully a soul which is displeased with them; let them do their worst then. The Apostle St. Paul suffered terrible ones, and God, out of love for him, would not remove them. Come, come, have courage; let this heart belong to Jesus, and let the mastiff bark at the door as long as he pleases. Join the sweet Jesus and His sweet mother in the midst of darkness, nails, thorns, lances, derelictions. Live for a time in tears, without obtaining anything; God will at length rejoice you, and grant you the desire of your heart. But even if He should not, let us not cease to serve Him, for He does not cease to be our God, and the affection that we owe to Him

should be immortal and imperishable.

I observe very distinctly that an ill of inclinations that self-love nourishes and spreads over your heart, and I know quite well that the nature of your subtle, delicate, and fertile mind, contributes something thereto; but still, they are only inclinations, and since you are annoyed by their importunity, there is no reason to suppose that they are accepted by any consent, or at least by any deliberate consent.

No, your dear soul, having conceived the great desire with which God has inspired it to belong to Him, could not easily consent to any contrary design. Your heart may be shaken by its passions; but I think it can rarely sin by consent. "miserable man that I am," said the great apostle, "who will deliver me from this body of death?"

He perceives a regular army, composed of his humors and aversions, natural habits and earthly inclinations, that have determined on his spiritual death; and because he fears them, he testifies that he hates them; and because he hates them, he cannot endure them without grief; and his grief finds expression in this affecting exclamation, to which he replies himself by saying that

## Upcoming Parish Events

### October 20~ Bible Study

Fr. Dennis Gordon will continue his lectures on the book of Exodus, 7 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

### October 24-25 ~ All-Night Adoration

Sign up in the vestibule to spend an hour in meditation, prayer and adoration before the Blessed Sacrament; times available from 7 p.m. on Friday to 7 a.m. Saturday.

*the grace of God through Jesus Christ should preserve him*, not from fear, or from terror, or from alarm, or from battle, but from defeat.

"It is true," you say, "but I have already often taken the knife to cut off and circumscribe my passions; I have done all, as appears to me, that I possibly could, employing much time, with very great care and vigilance, yet I still experience the same aversion, disgusts, and repugnances." Ah! My dear soul, do you not know that we are not in this world for enjoyment, but for suffering? Wait awhile, until you are in Heaven, and then you will possess a full peace and a perfect contentment — exempt from all the irregular motions of a nature vitiated and corrupted by sin — a tranquility and repose unalterable, because it is there we are to enjoy peace, and not in this life, where we must suffer, and must circumscribe ourselves. He who would live here without passions would not suffer, but enjoy himself, which cannot be; for as long as we live, we shall have passions, and shall never be free from them

before death, according to the opinion of doctors received by the Church. But why be in trouble, since in combating those passions and motions lies our victory, our triumph, our glory?

To be in this world, and not to feel any emotion of passions, is an inconsistency. The glorious St. Bernard says that it is heresy to assert that we can persevere in one same state here below, inasmuch as the Holy Ghost, speaking by the mouth of Job concerning man, declares that *he never remains in the same state*. This is an answer to your complaints regarding the levity and inconstancy of your soul; for I believe, without a doubt, that it is continually beaten about by the winds of its passions, and consequently is always in commotion; but I believe as firmly that the grace of God and your good resolutions remain steady in the summit of your soul, where the standard of the cross is firmly planted, and where faith, hope, and charity exclaim aloud: "Long Live Jesus!"

Take notice of this: so long as the temptation displeases

## \* MASS INTENTIONS \*

FOR THIS WEEK

Monday, October 20 ~ St. John Cantius

8 a.m. — Private Intention

Tuesday, October 21 ~ Feria

8 a.m. — Private Intention

Wednesday, October 22 ~ Feria

8 a.m. — Private Intention

Thursday, October 23 ~ St. Anthony Mary Claret

6 p.m. — Private Intention

Friday, October 24 ~ St. Raphael the Archangel

8 a.m. — Private Intention

Saturday, October 25 ~ St. Isidore the Farmer

8 a.m. — Private Intention

Sunday, October 26 ~ Christ the King

7 a.m. — Private Intention

9 a.m. — Private Intention

11 a.m. — Pro Populo

Fr. Dennis Gordon is accepting Mass intentions.

you, there is nothing to fear; for why does it displease you, but because you do not approve of it? These importunate temptations come from the malice of the devil; but the pain we feel on their account comes from the mercy of God, who, in opposition to the will and from the wickedness of our enemy, draws a holy tribulation by which He refines the gold intended for His treasury.

I say, then, that your temptations are from the devil and Hell, but your afflictions are from God and Heaven; the mothers are from Babylon, but the daughters are from Jerusa-

lem. Despise the vain allurements; embrace the precious tribulation.

It is necessary for the soldier to be victorious in war, to be at his ease in peace. Never shall we possess perfect meekness and charity, unless we are exercised in repugnances, aversions, and disgusts. True peace does not consist in never fighting, but is found after victory. The vanquished no longer combat, yet they do not enjoy true peace. We should be exceedingly humbled to see that we are yet so little masters of ourselves, and so much attached to our own ease and repose. + + +