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The letter from Saint James is quite explicit about the problem of war and peace. “The fruit of righteousness is sown in peace for those who cultivate peace.” So then, “Where do the wars and where do the conflicts among you come from? . . . You kill and envy but you cannot obtain; you fight and wage war.” War is an evil and never to be the first resort in settling conflicts.

**SIMPLICITY AND LOVE**

As Jesus walks along with his disciples, they are talking and arguing. Jesus asks them what they are discussing, but he knows. They are arguing about which of them will be greatest in the reign of God. He tells them that whoever wishes to be first must take the last place and be the servant of all.

Then he takes a little child and places it in their midst. “Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me.” Sometimes it is assumed that small children are incapable of understanding the teachings of the Gospels and the sacraments of the Church. The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, which has its roots in the Montessori method of pedagogy, allows even very small children as young as three to experience the life of Jesus and the liturgy of the Church through materials such as the altar, small vestments in sacerdotal colors, and wooden maps of the Holy Land where Jesus lived and traveled, as well as other materials related to the Gospels and the liturgy. People who observe the children at their work using this method of catechesis are amazed at their understanding of the Gospels and especially the parables. Most importantly, the children develop a genuine love for Jesus that is deep and touching.

There is a lesson here for all of us, as Jesus pointed out. We must have the same simplicity and love for Jesus as these little children in order to enter the reign of God.

Today’s Readings: Wis 2:12, 17–20; Ps 54:3–4, 5, 6–8; Jas 3:16 — 4:3; Mk 9:30–37

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OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA EVERY TUESDAY BEFORE MASS
Rosary weekdays after 8 am Mass

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Requested by Duane & Daunel Gump

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES
Sunday: Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time;
Sukkot (Jewish harvest festival) begins
at sunset; Autumn begins
Wednesday: Ss. Cosmas and Damian
Thursday: St. Vincent de Paul
Friday: St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions;
St. Wenceslaus
Saturday: Ss. Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael

Blessing of the animals
Saturday, October 6 at 10:00 in
the church parking lot. All are
invited to bring your animal
companions to our annual
blessing of the animals, in cele-
bration of the Feast day of Saint
Francis Assisi, the patron saint
of animals. To protect and respect the church and
all creatures, please make sure that your animal
companions are secured and that any “spontaneous
offerings” are cleaned up.

Thank You

Special thank you to everyone who helped with the
Grandparent’s Day Celebration: Our beautiful
children of the parish always do a wonderful job.
To our bakers & helpers: Trish Whitelatch, Cathy
Frame, Eric & Julie Fecat, Christine McDonald,
Jimmy Regiec, Gatlin Neely, Jim Fitzsimmons,
Jerry & Lottie Durbin, Braden Whitelatch, Father
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Please write clearly to insure correct spellings appear in the bulletin.

Masses will be scheduled on a first come first serve basis.

We will honor your request to the best of our ability but occasionally a priest is not available.

In the case of a conflict, we will call you with other options.

Dates will not be scheduled until offering is received.