



Saint Joseph's Passionist Church

12th October 2025
28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Saturday: Mass 11am; Vigil: 6.30 p.m.

Sun Mass: 9.30, 11 & 12.30; 6.30 pm

Mon-Friday Mass 8:30am

Every Saturday before Mass: Eucharistic Adoration: 10:30am.

Confession: Saturday: 11.30 – 12.30

& 5 – 6 p.m. or by appointment.

CCD:

Sunday 12th October

Regular classes

Please note : THERE WILL BE NO CCD classes on the 19th & 26th October and 3rd Nov. due to ALL SAINTS' HOLIDAYS.

Classes will resume 9th Nov.

A FIRE DRILL will also be held TODAY at ALL CLASSES.

Parish Information day Sunday October 5th

Our gratitude for all those who helped in setting up the garden as well as those who patronized the burgers which gathered 193€30.

Bible Study: Wednesdays at 10:30am

Faith and Dance for Children: 19th October at 12:15 pm to 1:30pm

RCIA: Adults preparing for Sacraments of Initiation: continues 16th Oct Thursday at 8pm. There will be NO RCIA on the 23rd & 30th Oct due to ALL SAINTS' holidays. It will resume on 6th Nov.

The newly formed **Integration & Outreach Taskforce** of St. Joseph's is calling for resource-persons as we are looking to develop our mission into action :

- *If you know your way around the French Public Administration (Prefectures, Bureau des séjours des étrangers etc.)...*

- *If you know good folks and their contacts in associations, local civil society organizations and other types of NGOs that help marginalized communities, expat and foreign communities ...*

- *If you are bursting with ideas on ways to reach out and make an impact in other communities and make St. Joseph's Church known to more around you...*

Then please join us or simply come have a chat with us, either way drop us a message at integration.outreach.sjparis@gmail.com.

COLLECTIONS : Masses 4/5 Oct:

Collections 3741,78€; CC: 703,00€;

Shrines: 106,28€; CC: 43,00 € ;

Bookstall: 155,00€; Coffee: 94,06€;

Burgers PID : 193,30€ ; CC : 27,00€

Please Note: "St Joseph's ADP" is the French Tax receipt Authorized Charity for St Joseph's; COLLECTION : 846€00. Direct regular debits or single donations can be done from our website; cheques to "St Joseph's ADP". Thanks a lot for your constant generosity.

DOOR COLLECTION of the Order of Malta this weekend, 11 & 12 October



Faith and Gratitude

It is not accidental that the ten lepers stood at a distance. On one level, this was simply because the law of Moses required people with skin disease to keep apart from others. But their physical position also seems to suggest a spiritual distance from Jesus. They are reluctant to come too close to him.

Jesus respected their caution and, without seeking to touch them...he simply sent them to the priests, those authorised to determine whether skin disease has been cleared up. All ten carried out this act of faith.... Somewhere along the way, they found to their amazement that they had in fact been healed! But nine of them simply continued on the way. They showed no particular interest in the one who healed them, no desire to find out who it was who had such life-giving power, not even the common courtesy to thank him.

But one leper *turned back*—a verb that suggests the turning of conversion. He gave what Scripture often describes as the right human response to God's mighty deeds: loud praise and thanks, publicising to everyone within earshot the wonderful things the Lord had done for him. *I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart; I will tell of all your wonderful deeds* (Ps 9:1). *My lips will shout for joy, when I sing praises to you; my soul also, which you have redeemed* (Ps 71 [70]:23).

No longer isolated and socially alienated, the healed man has become an evangelist, one who tells others of the wonderful works of God! He is no longer distant from Jesus. He draws near and falls on his face at Jesus' feet—a posture of worship, suggesting that he somehow knows he is in the presence of the Lord, the divine Physician. This man, Luke points out, happens to be a Samaritan. He had therefore been doubly outcast—an unclean leper and a member of a despised people. But now he has been brought into a relationship with Jesus and, by implication, with the disciples who surround him. The shame and loneliness associated with his former condition are gone. His heart is overflowing with gratitude and joy.... He received far more than a physical cure. He experienced a profound healing on every level of his being.

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