October 8th and 9th

Giving Thanks
A foreign leper is cleansed and in thanksgiving returns to offer homage to the God of Israel. We hear this same story in both the First Reading and Gospel today.

There were many lepers in Israel in Elisha’s time, but only Naaman the Syrian trusted God’s Word and was cleansed (Luke 5:12-14). Today’s Gospel likewise implies that most of the ten lepers healed by Jesus were Israelites, but only a foreigner, the Samaritan, returned.

In a dramatic way, we’re being shown today how faith has been made the way to salvation, the road by which all nations will join themselves to the Lord, becoming His servants, gathered with the Israelites into one chosen people of God, the Church (Isaiah 56:3-8).

Today’s Psalm also looks forward to the day when all peoples will see what Naaman sees, that there is no God in all the earth except the God of Israel. We see this day arriving in today’s Gospel. The Samaritan leper is the only person in the New Testament who personally thanks Jesus. The Greek word used to describe his “giving thanks” is the word we translate as “Eucharist.” And these lepers today reveal to us the inner dimensions of the Eucharist and sacramental life.

We, too have been healed by our faith in Jesus. As Naaman’s flesh is made again like that of a little child, our souls have been cleansed of sin in the waters of Baptism. We experience this cleansing again and again in the Sacrament of Penance—as we repent our sins and beg and receive mercy from our Master, Jesus. We return to glorify God in each Mass, to offer ourselves in sacrifice, falling on our knees before our Lord, giving thanks for our salvation.

In this Eucharist, we remember: Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David, Israel’s covenant king. And we pray, as Paul does in today’s Epistle, to persevere in this faith—that we too may live and reign with Him in eternal glory.

Scott Hahn
Saint Paul Center for Biblical Theology

Offertory Collection
October 2, 2016
Teach us to give and see there is no cost
Envelopes........................................ $ 528.00
Loose............................................. $ 746.70
Online Giving................................... $130.00
Total............................................... $1,404.70
Amount needed from Sunday collection.. $ 2,068.00
Difference...................................... $ -663.30

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Please Pray for Parishioners and Friends who are sick and recovering:

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The Untold Story Of An Unknown Masterpiece
Film Screening ~ Tuesday, October 18, 2016 ~ 7:00 PM
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Readings for the Week
Tue GAL 5:1-6 * PS 119:41-48 * LK 11:37-41
Thu EPH 1:1-10 * PS 98:1-6 * LK 11:47-54
Fri EPH 1:11-14 * PS 33:1-13 * LK 12:1-7
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This Week at Immaculate Heart of Mary

**Sunday, Oct 9th**
- Legion of Mary 9AM Parish Hall
- First Communion Class 9AM Church
- Mass (English) 11AM Church
- Ladies of Peter Claver 12:30PM Parish Hall
- Vietnamese Youth Group (GLVN) 1:30PM Church
- Vietnamese CCD 3PM Parish Hall
- Mass (Vietnamese) 5PM Church

**Tuesday, Oct 11th**
- Morning Mass 8AM Rectory

**Wednesday, Oct 12th**
- Morning Mass 8AM Rectory

**Thursday, Oct 13th**
- Morning Mass 8AM Rectory
- NAA Meeting 8PM – 10PM Parish Hall

**Friday, Oct 14th**
- Morning Mass 8AM Rectory

**Saturday, Oct 15th**
- El Shaddai 1PM – 4:30PM Parish Hall
- Vigil Mass 5PM Church
- NAA Meeting 8PM – 10PM Parish Hall

Please join Global Mustard Seed's
http://globalmustardseeds.com
Annual Taste the Tropics benefit
Enjoy delicious African food and music while supporting a much needed cause.
Saturday, October 15, 2016
The Mercy Corps Global Headquarters,
43 SW Ankeny Street,
Portland, OR 97204
Local DJ Michael Morris, children’s station with hands on art, and guest presentations.
Admission is free. However, there will be a silent auction and brief oral auction to provide opportunities for you to make much needed contributions.
*Proceeds go toward facilitating mobile medical teams run by local clinicians and other staff native to the countries served, such as Haiti and Tanzania.
Charmika Schuster 202-329-7212 or charmikaschuster@gmail.com

American composers Paul Moravec and Dan Forrest. Moravec’s “Songs of Love and War” is a setting of letters to and from American servicemen from four different wars. Forrest’s “Requiem for the Living” focuses on the humanity of those in mourning. Our hope with these concerts, in a time of great conflict throughout the world, is to create a brief respite for our audiences to experience the power and beauty of this music and its comment on our shared, human experience.

Tickets:
- Adults - $17 in advance; $20 at the door
- Senior - $14 in advance; $17 at the door
- Student - $5 in advance and at the door
- Arts for All - $5 in advance and at the door with Oregon Trail card

For tickets or information, visit www.portlandschoir.org
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Address: __________________________________
City: ___________________________ Zip: ________
Phone: ________________________________
E-mail: __________________________________
Others in your household: _____________________

Number of children under 18 years of age: ______