

Saint Francis Village Catholic Chapel

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REFLECTIONS

Spiritual Wisdom From Pope Francis

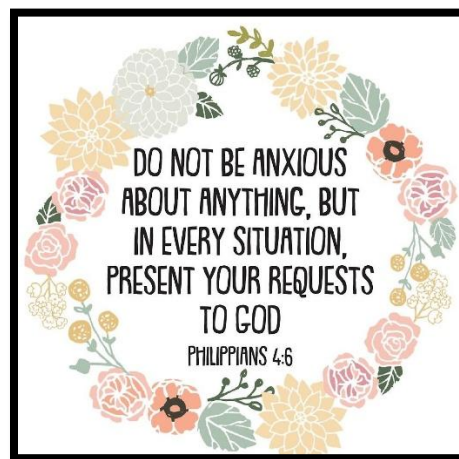
You can have flaws, be anxious and even be angry, but do not forget that your life is the greatest enterprise in the world. Only you can stop it from failing. You are appreciated, admired and loved by so many. Remember that being happy is not having a sky without storm, a road without accidents, a job without effort, a relationship without disappointments.

To be happy means to find strength in forgiveness, hope in battles, security in fear, love in discord. It's not only to enjoy the smile, but also to reflect on the sadness. It's not just about celebrating success; it's about learning from failures. It's not just about feeling happy with applause; it's about being happy anonymous. Being happy is not a fatality of life, but an achievement for those who can travel within themselves.

To be happy is to stop feeling like a victim and become the author of your own fate. It's walking through deserts, but being able to find an oasis deep in the soul. It's thanking God every morning for the miracle of life. Being happy is not being afraid of your feelings and being able to talk about yourself. It's having the courage to hear a "No" and find confidence in criticism, even when that criticism is unwarranted. It's kissing your children, cuddling your parents, having poetic moments with your friends, even when they hurt us.

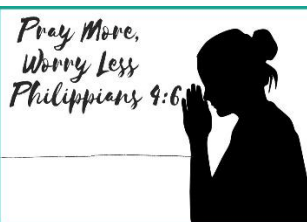
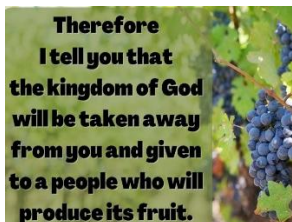
Being happy is letting the creature that lives in each of us live, free, joyful and simple. You have the maturity to be able to say "I've made mistakes." It's having the courage to say "I'm sorry." It's having the sense to say "I need you." It's the ability to say "I love you." And when you make a mistake, start over, because only then will you be in love with life. You will discover that being happy isn't having a perfect life. But use tears to irrigate tolerance. Use your defeats to train your patience. Use your mistakes with the serenity of the sculptor. Use pain to tune into pleasure. Use obstacles to open the windows of intelligence. Never give up . . . Above all never give up on the people who love you. Never give up on being happy because life is an incredible spectacle.

From Father Ken

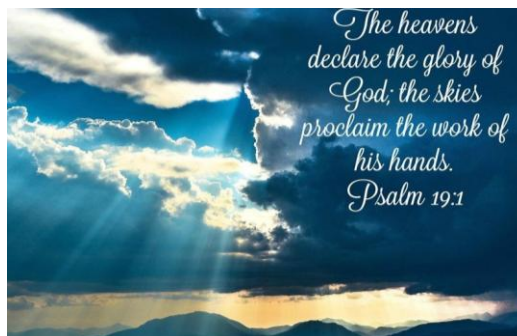


My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This is the 27th Week in Ordinary Time. The scripture reading encourages us to bear spiritual fruit in plenty. This will be pleasing to the Lord. By leading lives marked by love and respect, we accomplish that goal. Paul, in the second reading, gives us the antidote to anxiety. We find peace through prayer and thanksgiving. Jesus's parable in the Gospel this week reminds us that Jews and Christians are to have a faithful and faith-filled relationship with God. That relationship will always produce good fruits of righteousness and justice.

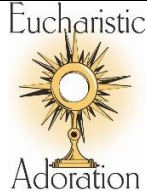


The Benedictine Daughters of Divine Will wrote in their October Newsletter the following: "Every corner of creation serves to reveal to us the glory and Majesty of God. Just as Psalm 19:1 says: 'The Heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the works of his hands.' When we look upon the delicate petals of a flower, listen to the cheerful song of a bird, or witness the beauty of the world around us we experience a direct personal whisper from the creator – a living reminder of his immense love for us. Too often we become so caught up in enjoying the beauty and comfort of these everyday blessings that we overlook the generous one who provided them. By pausing to truly see creation, we can shift our hearts from simple enjoyment to active gratitude, mindfulness, and a deeper connection with God."



*May Christ's will be done on earth
as it is in Heaven. God Give You Peace.
Mike Pierson*

Chapel Worship Opportunities



Daily Masses	9:00 AM Monday through Friday
Eucharistic Adoration	9:30 AM Wednesday 10/7/2026 9:30 AM Friday 10/9/2026
Anointing of the Sick	During 9:00 AM Mass Thursday 10/8/2026
Confessions	Following 9:00 AM Mass 10/9/2026 from 10:15 AM to 11:30 AM
Saturday Vigil	5:00 PM Vigil Mass 10/10/2026

SAINT FRANCIS VILLAGE



**Saturday
Oct. 24th**

FREE ADMISSION
Open to the Public – invite your friends!
10 AM to 4 PM

Mass Intentions

Oct. 4, 2026	SFV Catholic Chapel Community
Oct. 5, 2026	Intentions of Hoa (Anna) Phan By Miriam Gore
Oct. 6, 2026	Father Bob Strittmatter
Oct. 7, 2026	Repose of the Soul of Sudi Regan By Bill Ruzicka
Oct. 8, 2026	Intentions of Jim McCraw By Tom McCraw
Oct. 9, 2026	Intentions of Linda Hoshino By Miriam Gore
Oct. 10, 2026	Repose of the Soul of Dan Hayden By Connie Carter (5:00 PM Vigil Mass)