

**CONVERSATIONS FOR THE HOME CHURCH**  
**29<sup>h</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time, October 19, 2014**

The religious traditions that you set up in your home will tell children the faith is important to you. Your greatest gift to your children will be an appreciation of the Faith as a totally new way of looking at life. If we are to live forever with God, we walk thru a passing world with hearts set on a world that will never end.

The home is the first church in which a child worships. The home and parents have 90% more impact on children than either the Church or the School. At this time, let us make a renewed effort to share the faith with future generations by beginning where a child's faith begins – in the Home.

Our Thinkabouts are based on the Daily Mass Readings

(Readings for Mass for each day may be located from: NCCB Daily Readings. Make it a "Favorite".)

**Sun. Oct. 19, 2014: 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time: Is: 45: 1-6; 1Thes. 1:1-5; Mt. 22:15-21**

God uses all things to shape our characters into the instruments of God's peace. List some things you learned from the tough things you lived. Jesus in the gospel incident tells us we render to Caesar what belongs to Caesar. He could remind us that the same obligation of rendering to God is a responsibility of ours. Do we live the latter?

**Mon. Oct 20, 2014: Eph. 2:1-10; Lk. 12:13-21**

Paul reminds us and the people of Ephesus that we all have a history of brokenness and God has forgiven us and worked good things thru us. Attribute to God the credit for the good, and when things don't happen as we'd like – say it's not yet God's time. Then God works wonders. Jesus says: Think and act as God does. He'll welcome you.

**Tues. Oct. 21: 2014: Eph. 2:12-22; Lk. 12:15-38**

Paul tells us today that we are part of a special community. Individually and as community we are to model the kingdom of God – where very different people live together in peace and are excellent at forgiving one another. Does this describe our person, family and community? Jesus tells us: Kingdom is here – Live it now and always.

**Wed. Oct. 22, 2014 Eph, 3: 2-12; Lk. 12:29-48**

Paul speaks of God's love for all people. In the kingdom of God, of which we are now a part, each person must be respected regardless of race, creed, color, and economic level. This is to be one of the characteristic ways of our community. Cite how it is. Is yet to become. Jesus tells us how we live this shapes our eternity. Are we doing well?

**Thurs. Oct.. 23, 2014: Eph. 3:13-21; Lk. 12:49-53**

Paul prays that our experience of God's love will profoundly move us to model in our lives how Jesus lived when among us. The highest form of response to God is Imitation. Couple this with profound trust that God is in charge. Where are we with this as family? Jesus reminds us this is a deeply personal responsibility – covenant. Is it?

**Fri. Oct. 24, 2014 Eph. 4:1-6; Lk. 12:54-59**

Paul charges us to live the life God gave us for others – as Jesus did. Be worthy of the calling to model for all the world how people can indeed – with compassion and forgiveness – model World Peace. Jesus reminds us that we are to read God speaking thru the signs of the times – aging, illness, and challenges. All form God's image in us.

**Sat. Oct. 25, Eph. 4:7-16; Lk. 12:1-9**

Paul reminds us we are part of a Body – the Body of Christ. Each of us – functioning properly, does his/her part in enabling the body to enhance, grow, and mature. Christmas happened so God could come to us as someone we can relate to. Let us ask help in personalizing Christ in ourselves. Gospel is preached by lives – Christ's lives in us