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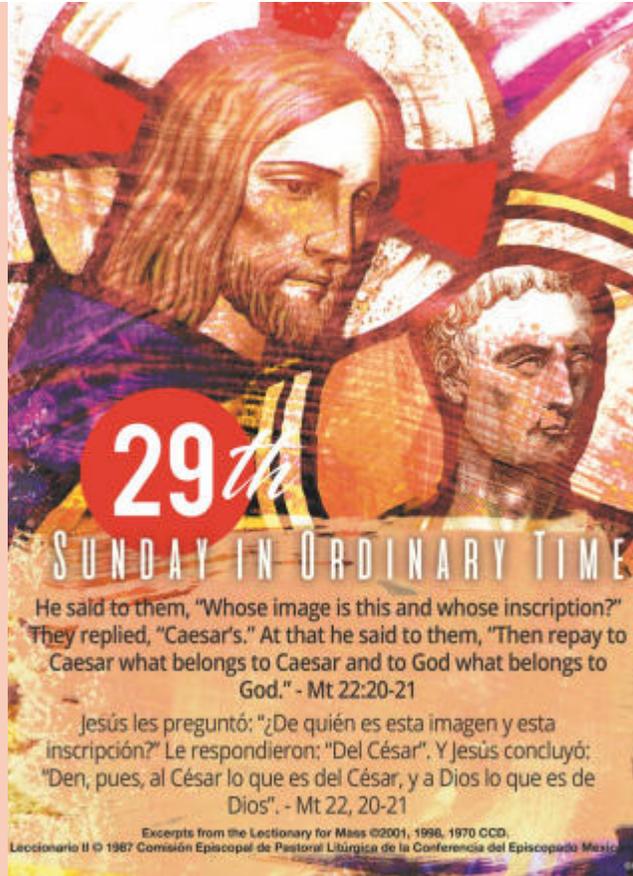
Los fariseos confabulaban contra Jesús para que aclarara lo de pagar los impuestos al César y de alguna manera buscaban la forma de atraparlos. Le tendían trampas para que cayera en ellas. Sin embargo, la sabiduría de Jesús se pone de manifiesto ante aquella situación. La respuesta a la pregunta fue clara y concisa, sin nada turbio. “Devuelvan, pues, al César las cosas del César, y a Dios lo que corresponde a Dios”. (Mateo 22:21). Ellos buscaban que se equivocara para acusarlo con la autoridad romana, y así quitarlo del camino. La respuesta deja claro que el dinero sirve solo para vivir y que ese no llega al cielo. Nadie se lleva tesoros cuando muere. Lo que si salva es la fe y darle culto verdadero a Dios.

¿Cuál es entonces el mensaje?
¿Qué debemos aprender de esta lección? Saber, que, Dios también tiene derechos.

Devolver a Dios sus derechos, es cumplir con sus mandamientos y el principal, amar al prójimo como a ti mismo. ¿Cómo? Este tiempo es tiempo de prueba, tú sabes si lo aprovechas. Pidamos, al participar en la Eucaristía, renovar nuestro compromiso de bautizados para participar en la misión que Jesús nos ha encomendado.

Evangelizar, con el ejemplo, al pueblo sufriendo en este tiempo de pandemia con la compasión y el servicio alegre --- no con palabras sino con hechos. ¿Qué te parece?

Es sencillamente, devolver a Dios lo que le corresponde, tal como lo dijo Jesús a las personas de su tiempo y nos lo recuerda ahora a nosotros.



Nobody enjoys paying taxes. Despite our displeasure in being forced to do so, we also realize that the monies generated from taxes allows governments to provide essential services for its people. Corruption really gets our goat, however. When we witness malfeasance, overspending, irresponsibility, and dishonesty in governmental spending, the grave injustices make an already unpleasant and arduous task even more difficult. The inappropriate distribution and use of hard-earned monies can leave a person quite angry and disconnected. It's bad enough the government wants something from me, now God does, too?

God is not concerned necessarily with our money, although its proper use does factor into our faith life. As the payment of secular taxes speaks of our allegiance to the government, our return to God speaks of our allegiance to God. All of creation, even the entire universe, is fashioned in the image and likeness of God. What speaks to God and

has meaning and relevance to him? All of creation and indeed our very selves! God delights in us and when we present ourselves back to him, he delights even more! As the payment of secular taxes is designed to secure the equitable distribution of goods and services to all people, so is our return of ourselves to God in gratitude meant to advance God's kingdom here on earth.

When our exclusive and sincere allegiance is given to God, God can use us to set things right and straight again. The wounds of sin distort our relationship and disorder our world. By giving ourselves and all of creation back to God in gratitude, we acknowledge the proper Creator and Author of life for who He is and devote our labors exclusively to God's kingdom and the justice, peace, or order God envisions. In giving back to God all that belongs to God, we set the axis of our lives correctly and put our priorities in proper order.

All of our relationships, especially with God, our brothers and sisters, and all of creation are perceived more clearly as they really are. Using, accumulating, wasting, exploiting, hoarding, and self-preservation are no longer necessary.

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OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday9:00 am - 4:00 pm

SACRAMENTS

Eucharistic Adoration Wednesday.....6:00-7:00 pm

Sacrament of Penance Wednesday.....6:00-6:30 pm

Saturday.....4:00-4:30pm

(Sacrament of Penance is also available by appointment)

San Juan Diego Mission—Stilwell

Misa en español: Domingo.....8:30 am

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MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, Oct. 18

Parishioners of St. Brigid

Tuesday, Oct. 20

+Jeannie Carlile

Wednesday, Oct. 21

+Arlan Hanson/+Larry Peterson (Sp)

Thursday, Oct. 22

+Anita Gunter

Friday, Oct. 23

+Arlan Hanson

Saturday, Oct. 24 (5:00pm)

Parishioners of St. Brigid



2020 Weekend Mass Times:

First Saturday 9:00am English

Saturday 5:00 pm English

Sunday 10:30 am English

12:30 pm Spanish

Weekday Mass Schedule:

Tuesday 5:30 pm

Wednesday 5:30 pm (Eng)

7:00 pm (Sp)

Thursday 12:15 pm

Friday 8:15 am

Pope's October Prayer Intention: The Laity's Mission in the Church

“We pray that by the virtue of baptism, the laity, especially women, may participate more in areas of responsibility in the church.”

ST BRIGID “BOXES OF JOY” CHARITY DRIVE—only 2 weeks left!

Once again this fall we are teaming up with Cross Catholic Outreach to give children living in the worst poverty something special for Christmas. Some of the children that will receive these boxes have never before received any Christmas gift. Last year, we had such a positive response from our parishioners, that we actually ran out of all the boxes within the first weekend! We hope this year will be an even greater success, as well!

Instructions and gift ideas will be included in each “Box of Joy” according to the age of the boy or girl who will receive your box (ie—things most needed, liked, etc.)

There's no limit to the number of boxes you may pick-up to fill. If you would like to give gifts for multiple children, no worries! We have twice as many boxes this year to go around!

Please remember each “Box of Joy” must include:

- Check written to **Cross Catholic Outreach** (*NOT St. Brigid—there was some confusion last year*) **for the amount of \$9.00** (this check will help CCO cover the cost of shipping per box).
- Appropriate and needed gift ideas (a list of suggestions is included in the box you will pick up to fill)
- Do NOT pack any liquids in your box
- Do NOT tape the boxes
- **All gift items should fit cleanly into that standard size “Box of Joy” box**, without overflow (bulk out-of-shape)
- FYI: IF you discover after filling your box that you've got it too full, you can always get another box to fill, or simply choose to bring your leftover items to the church office. Any extra items we have will not go to waste—these can be used to help fill-out any under-filled boxes we or Cross receive.

Deadline: Sunday, Nov. 1st (last day to return filled boxes)

Readings for the week of October 18, 2020

Sunday: Is 45:1, 4-6/Ps 96:1, 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10 [7b]/1 Thes 1:1-5b/Mt 22:15-21

Monday: Eph 2:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4ab, 4c-5 [3b]/Lk 12:13-21

Tuesday: Eph 2:12-22/Ps 85:9ab-10, 11-12, 13-14 [cf. 9]/Lk 12:35-38

Wednesday: Eph 3:2-12/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [cf. 3]/Lk 12:39-48

Thursday: Eph 3:14-21/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19 [5b]/Lk 12:49-53

Friday: Eph 4:1-6/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 6]/Lk 12:54-59

Saturday: Eph 4:7-16/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5 [1]/Lk 13:1-9

Next Sunday: Ex 22:20-26/Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 [2]/1 Thes 1:5c-10/Mt 22:34-40

This week's collection report will be included in next weekend's bulletin

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults has begun!

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is the process by which those interested in joining the Catholic Church may discern that call. Our adult faith formation sessions for RCIA are open to all who are interested in learning more about the Catholic Church and her teachings. This also includes those already Catholic or who are baptized Catholic but have not yet made their First Communion and/or Confirmation.

Steve Hamby conducts our sessions on Sunday mornings at 9 am in the first classroom on the right in the Activity Center.

Annual Catholic Charities Appeal

October brings the annual appeal for Catholic Charities in the Diocese of Tulsa & Eastern Oklahoma. Together with the annual Faith & Works campaign, Catholic Charities is the other major appeal we are asked to support. Faith & Works supports the ministry programs of the Diocese; Catholic Charities provides assistance to those in need throughout Eastern Oklahoma. Here at St. Brigid we receive support from Catholic Charities with our utility assistance program here in Cherokee County, and this year they also offered funding to help San Juan Diego Mission meet the needs of people in Adair County.

Please be generous in supporting this year's annual appeal for Catholic Charities. If you have not yet contributed to the appeal, you can still bring your donation to Mass and drop it into the contribution basket during October, or you may donate online. Just visit their website at

www.cceok.org.

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Tom Tinnen, Maria Gerber, Molly Peterson, Sue Hooper, Patty Calloway, Doug Roberts, Jane Bailey, Mary Thirsty, Abigail Flavin, Donna Lewis, Janie Hanson, Wallace H. Allen, Janice Archer, Rolland Turcotte, Lisa Herrin, Justin Simmons, Mary White, Sally Hilger, Mary Fulk, John Witosky, William Righthouse, Anita Brockman, Courtney Short, Don Brockman, Larry Guthrie, Amanda King-Summers, Marty Barnett, Robert Nicodemus, Nathaniel Galdamez, Rex Fann, Dean Harless, Terry Dunlap, Angie Fay, Gary Harrington, Maddie Cochran, Kirby Merrill, Marquetta Lyons, Renee Ridge, Ann Payette, Carol Carroll, Michael Roberts, Jim Roberts, Alana Roberts, Dixon Davis, Tiffany Robinson, Caden Murphy, Bill Scrimshire, Kylee Osburn, Donald Sizemore, J.D. Ward, Zack Kelley, Carrie Ann Mitchell, Melynda Elias, Jesse Price, Alan Linde, Joyce Eastham, Bobby Dean Ward, Rose Penton, Rosa Castillo, Margaret Miller, Meaghan Roberts, Kyla Roberts, Charlee Burke, Keith Burke, Glenda Burke, Debbie Rich, Kim Harris, Melanie Medaris, Kelly Callaway, Dan & Donna Trout, Darren Sunday, Della Moore, Mary DeHaas, Kathy Seidletz, Jon Mitchell, David Alley, Andy Groat, Angie Mitchell, Emily Mitchell, Walter Sizemore, Jessie Casey, Michael Murphy, Tony Croman, Jonah Evans, Janice Booker, Matt Booker, Eddie Booker, Calvin Pope, Jasmine Evans, Calvin McCoy, Danny Craig, Laura Lollar, Karan Housley, Eddy Mcinnis, Colin Mcinnis, Cathy Farinelli, Tom Carlile, Mary Mead, Connor McClure, Terry Hearn, Jim Madison, Steve Blair, Jennifer Vinson, Bobby McCaslin, and all our military.

BAPTISMAL CLASSES/PLATICAS PRE-BAUTISMALES

Las platicas pre-bautismales reunen el primer domingo de cada mes a las 11 am en el salon con Sra. Lula Andrade.

Baptismal classes for parents and godparents in English may be scheduled with Fr. Stuart through the Parish Office.

Reminders about CoVID-19 Precautions

Tahlequah does have a mandatory mask ordinance in place for places of public accommodation, which includes churches. If you need a mask when attending Mass, we have some disposable ones available in the church foyer. Hand sanitizer is also available in the pews and in the foyer for your use. Thank you to everyone for your consideration of others in helping us abide by these protocols.

Catholic Student Organization at NSU

Our CSO is the campus ministry group for students at NSU. All college-age young adults are welcome to attend CSO events. For information, please contact Montana Hale at (918) 284-6869 or Noah Enlow at (918) 708-2458.

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