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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2020

30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind." - Mt 22:37


PARISH LIFE



Mass Intentions

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Monday	10-26-20
8:00am	Mark Kauskel rq by Loving Family
Tuesday	10-27-20
8:00am	Michael Sullivan rq by Loving Friends
Wednesday	10-28-20
8:00am	Michael Mazzaro rq by Marlene
Thursday	10-29-20
8:00am	Harold Marks rq by Loving Family
Friday	10-30-20
8:00am	Lucy Salvatoriello rq by Loving Family
Saturday	10-31-20
5:00pm	Mr. & Mrs. Salvatore Cancrillo Maria Stoppelli rq by Rita Nable
Sunday	11-1-20
8:00am	All Saints
10:30am	St. Ann Purgatorial Society
6:00pm	Parishioners for St. Ann



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rq by **Loving Family**

FALL SCHEDULE



Masses Mon - Fri 8A, Sat 5P, Sun 9A.

Office Hours Mon - Fri 9A - 1P.

Church Hours Mon - Fri 8:30A - 12P.

Confessions Sat 1P - 2P *outside* the double doors of the handicapped entrance.



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FIRST
Communion

Please pray for our children who will receive their First Holy Communion on Saturday, Oct 24th.

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 25, 2020

SUN 10/25	Ex 22:20-26/Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 [2]/1 Thes 1:5c-10/ Mt 22:34-40
MON 10/26	Eph 4:32—5:8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [cf. Eph 5:1]/Lk 13:10-17
TUE 10/27	Eph 5:21-33/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [1a]/Lk 13:18-21
WED 10/28	Eph 2:19-22/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5a]/Lk 6:12-16
THR 10/29	Eph 6:10-20/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10 [1b]/Lk 13:31-35
FRI 10/30	Phil 1:1-11/Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [2]/Lk 14:1-6
SAT 10/31	Phil 1:18b-26/Ps 42:2, 3 5cdef/Lk 14:1, 7-11
SUN 11/1	Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 6]/1 Jn 3:1-3/ Mt 5:1-12a

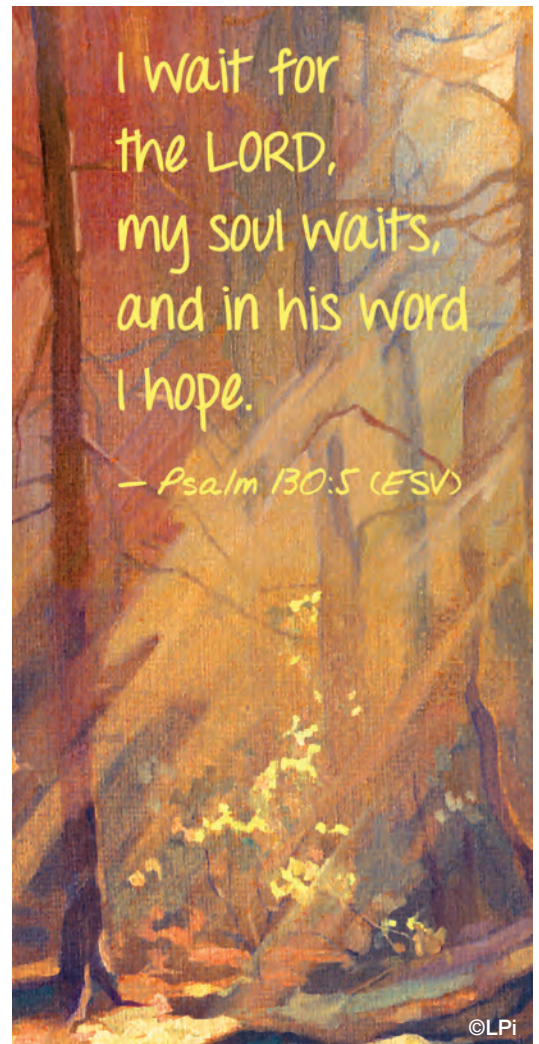
OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 25, 2020

Sunday:	30 th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Wednesday:	Sts. Simon and Jude, Apostles
Saturday:	All Hallows' Eve
Next Sunday:	All Saints; Daylight Saving Time ends; National Vocation Awareness Week

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

Do we really understand how important our relationships with our brothers and sisters throughout the world truly are? Many give God's commandment to love your neighbor and yourself a congenial glance of approval and agreement without really thinking about the implications. Sometimes it is easier to kneel in reverence before the tabernacle in a church than to kneel in reverence before the tabernacle of another person's soul. Witnessing and being consumed by the Divine Power alive in the heart of every living being transforms not only how we see our brothers and sisters but how we see God Himself. The cries of the poor and those who are hurting must echo in our hearts. We can no longer be deaf to the world's pain. It is no longer acceptable to judge others, unduly criticize, or marginalize, neglect, abuse, manipulate, or participate in the exploitation of anyone! We are asked to become hypersensitive to not only what we are doing, but why we are doing it. This holds true not only with regard to the daily conduct of our lives but our economic and corporate relationships and policies as well.



Faith
lifts the soul.
Hope
supports it.

WORSHIP & MEDITATION



FIRST READING

"You shall not wrong any widow or orphan.
If ever you wrong them and they cry out to me,
I will surely hear their cry.
My wrath will flare up, and I will kill you
with the sword." (Ex 22:21-23a)



PSALM

I love you, Lord, my strength. (Ps 18)



SECOND READING

You became imitators of us and of the Lord,
receiving the word in great affliction, with joy
from the Holy Spirit,
so that you became a model for all the believers
in Macedonia and in Achaia. (1 Thes 1:6-7)



GOSPEL

Jesus said to him,
"You shall love the Lord, your God,
with all your heart,
with all your soul,
and with all your mind.
This is the greatest and the first commandment.
The second is like it:
You shall love your neighbor as yourself."
(Mt 22:37-39)

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GOSPEL MEDITATION

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

For some reason, it is easier to genuflect in reverence to the presence of Christ in the tabernacle of a church, than to genuflect in reverence to the same presence of Christ in another person's soul. We wrongly believe that God divides himself, placing himself in one place in preference to another. It doesn't work that way. Love of God and love of neighbor are intimately and inseparably connected because the essence and spark of God's very presence is in all creation. God's presence is just as real in the one who is good, as in the one who is bad, and the one who is just, and the one who is unjust.

Our brains get in the way of truly contemplating the awesomeness of this truth. We like to separate things into boxes, the sheep from the goats and the deserving from the undeserving. But, with God there are no distinctions such as this. Our human classifications, subdivisions, and definitions hold no power or have any weight in God's eyes. Sadly, we relate to God and to each other as if they do.

We cannot be deaf to the world's pain. It is not about having, hoarding, accumulating, acquiring, securing, storing, protecting, owning, claiming, or any of the other human terms we use to distinguish mine from yours. We put so much power in these words and that power, even though we may not always realize it, can cause those words and the distinctions they carry to wound and hurt others. We have the whole order of things wrong, but we are so set on preserving this order that we are absolutely afraid to do it any other way. We go through hoops trying to convince ourselves why the perils of the person seeking a new place to call home are not our perils that we turn our back and justify closing our doors. It makes perfect sense to us. Yet, it makes no sense in terms of our faith. It doesn't square with any of the words found in Sacred Scripture or in any time-tested teaching of the church.

We have it all reversed. We know that we do because when Jesus speaks about such things and the words of the Old Testament prophets ring out again, we start to feel uncomfortable and anxious. What we do, directly or by omission, to one of the least of these little ones we do to God. It is quite possible that some of what we are doing personally, economically, politically, globally, and even religiously is doing more harm than good. Let's ponder that a bit.

LITURGICAL LIFE

RESPONDING to the Call

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments

Calculating Love

Have you ever Googled the word “love”? If you did you may have come across something called the Love Calculator. It is a website where you can supply two names, and the percentage chance of a successful relationship is calculated. Curious, I entered my name and my wife’s. Twenty percent! I hope my wife doesn’t read this!

I then decided to add my name and God. A whopping thirteen percent! Then for the last attempt, I put in my name and Jesus. A very disappointing zero percent! Am I that unlovable? Of course, then I read the small print at the bottom of the page: “Please note that this site has no serious intention whatsoever.” Shocking!

The truth is, the modern world increasingly seems to have no real idea what love is or how to determine when love is real. That makes the seemingly simple words of Jesus about loving God and your neighbor very complex indeed. How can you love God with your all your heart, soul, and mind when you have no idea what the act of loving means? And then, what constitutes loving a neighbor? To make it more complicated, Jesus commands you to love them like you love yourself. I bet you can agree with me that there are a lot of people out there who do not even come close to loving themselves. Knowing what love is in modern times is just not that easy. How is a well-meaning person able to find out the true meaning of love?

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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WHY DO WE DO THAT?

Catholic Life Explained:

Question:

What Happens if Someone Drops a Consecrated Host?

Answer:

Despite our best efforts, and this is as true in our liturgical celebrations as in all of life, accidents happen. Occasionally at Mass, a host may be dropped or some of the Precious Blood could even be spilled from the chalice, despite the best efforts of the priests, deacons, and extraordinary ministers of holy Communion assisting at the liturgy.

So, when a host is dropped or the Precious Blood is spilled, we can take guidance from the U.S. Bishops’ statement *Norms for the Distribution for Holy Communion Under Both Kinds*:

All ministers of Holy Communion should show the greatest reverence for the Most Holy Eucharist by their demeanor, their attire, and the manner in which they handle the consecrated bread or wine. Should there be any mishap — as when, for example, the consecrated wine is spilled from the chalice — then the affected “area . . . should be washed with water, and this water should be then poured into the sacrarium.”

According to no. 280 of the *General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, the general rule is that a dropped host is picked up by the minister distributing Communion and reverently consumed. The minister should be careful to make sure that no other particles from the host remain on the ground. As we see in the instruction from the bishops, the Precious Blood would be absorbed (customarily with a purificator) and the area attentively and reverently washed with water which would then be disposed of properly.

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One of them, a scholar of the law, tested him by asking, "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind."

– Mt 22:35-37

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QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

Invite Parishioners to Reflect and Respond to Scripture

First Reading

Today's reading is an excerpt from the many laws Moses received at Mount Sinai. We learn that God expects empathy and compassion for the most vulnerable in society. How do you show care for those in need?

Second Reading

Paul saw the believers in the city of Thessalonica as models for the faith in the surrounding regions of Macedonia and Achaia. Who would you hold up today as a model Christian?

Gospel Reading

Jesus teaches the religious leaders in Jerusalem that love of God and love of neighbor and self are the greatest commandments. Which of these two commandments do you find more challenging?



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PRAYER LIFE

Novena Prayer for the USA

Oct 26 - Nov 3

God our Father, giver of life, we entrust the United States of America to your loving care. You are the rock on which this nation was founded. You alone are the true source of our cherished rights to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. Reclaim this land for your glory and dwell among your people.

Send your Spirit to touch the hearts of our nation's leaders and citizens. Open our minds to the great worth of human life and the responsibilities that accompany respecting and protecting human life and religious liberty. Help us to bring an end to racial injustice, violence and all the evils that divide us. Remind your people that true happiness is rooted in seeking and doing your will. Make us instruments of your peace!

Through the intercession of Mary Immaculate, patroness of our land, grant us the courage to reject the "culture of death" and lead us always to respect life in all its stages and circumstance. We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

(Here mention intention listed below)

THEN, RECITE AN OUR FATHER, HAIL MARY AND GLORY BE
EACH DAY FOR OUR NATION

(individual recommended intentions for each day of the Novena)

Monday, October 26: For an end to abortion in our country and for respect for life in all its stages, from conception to natural death

Tuesday, October 27: For an end to the COVID pandemic in our country and for all those affected by it

Wednesday, October 28: For an end to racism and social injustice in our country

Thursday, October 29: For the protection of religious liberty in our country and around the world

Friday, October 30: For those who protect and serve us in law enforcement in our country and for an end to violence and destruction, especially in our cities

Saturday, October 31: For those who protect our country in the armed forces at home and around the world and for peace in the world

Sunday, November 1: For the poor, for immigrants and refugees, for the forgotten and most abandoned in our country

Monday, November 2: For the protection of marriage as the faithful union of one man and one woman and for the strengthening of family life in our country

Tuesday, November 3: For those who govern our country and for those who are running for elected office that they might serve with a commitment to life, respect, compassion, liberty and justice for all



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- Mt 22:37-39

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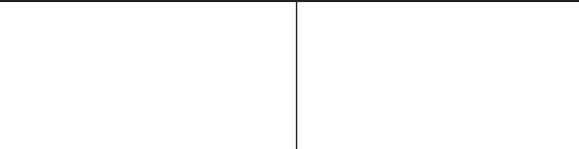

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