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Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Offertory:

Open My Eyes

Open my eyes, Lord
Help me to see your face
Open my eyes, Lord
Help me to see.

Open my ears, Lord
Help me to hear your voice
Open my ears, Lord
Help me to hear.

Open my heart, Lord
Help me to love like you
Open my heart, Lord
Help me to love.

I live within you.
Deep in your heart,
O Love.
I live within you.
Rest now in me.

Communion:

Ubi Caritas

*Ubi caritas est vera, est vera
Deus ibi est
Deus ibi est*

Recessional:

We Are the Light of the World

Blessed are they who are poor in spirit,
Theirs is the kingdom of God.
Bless us, O Lord, make us poor in spirit;
Bless us, O Lord, our God.

Refrain:

*We are the light of the world,
may our light shine before all,
That they may see the good that we do,
and give glory to God.*

Blessed are they who are meek and humble, ,
They will inherit the earth.
Bless us, O Lord, make us meek and humble;
Bless us, O Lord, our God. R./

Blessed are they who will mourn in sorrow,
They will be comforted.
Bless us, O Lord, when we share their sorrow;
Bless us, O Lord, our God. R./

Bless those who hunger and thirst for justice,
They will be satisfied,
Bless us, O Lord, hear our cry for justice
Bless us, O Lord, our God. R./

Entrance:

Christ Be Our Light

*Christ be our light.
Shine in our hearts, shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your church gathered today.*

Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
Light for the world to see. R./

Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has pow'r to save us.
Make us your living voice. R./

First Reading:

Exodus 22:20-26

Responsorial Psalm

I love you, Lord, my strength.

Second Reading:

1 Thessalonians 1:1-5b

Gospel:

Matthew 22:15-21

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

October 25th - November 1st

Sunday, October 25th -

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ex 22:20-26/ 1 Thes 1:5c-10/Mt 22:34-10
5:00pm Vigil Sp Int For Our Parish Family
8:00am Decd Costantino & Ludovina Cucchiella
9:45am Decd Joaquim Henriques
11:30am Decd Sheila Tuohy

Monday, October 26th -

Eph 4:32-5:8/Lk 13:10-17
8:30am Decd Salvatore DiResta

Tuesday, October 27th -

Eph 5:21-33/Lk 13:18-21
8:30am Decd Agrippina & Andrew
DiGiannantonio & Family

Wednesday, October 28th - Sts Simon and Jude

Eph 2:19-22/Lk 6:12-16
8:30am Decd Helen & Michael Burke
7:30 pm Decd Elizabeth Gonzales

Thursday, October 29th -

Eph 6:10-20/Lk 13:31-35
8:30am Decd Joseph J. Welsh

Friday, October 30th -

Phil 1:1-11/Lk 14:1-6
8:30am Sp Int In Thanksgiving

Saturday, October 31st -

Phil 1:18b-26/Lk 14:1,7-11
8:30am Decd Lisa & Lea Cucchiella

Sunday, November 1st -

Solemnity of All Saints

Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a
5:00pm Vigil Sp Int For Our Parish Family
8:00am Decd Carmella Benjamin
9:45am Decd Gail Yakimovich
11:30am Decd Paula Soto

Memorials Week of October 25th

Bread and Wine
Decd Maura Roche
Sanctuary Lamp
Decd Maura Roche



Parish Office Hours
Monday - Closed
Tuesday - Friday 9:00
am - 4:00 pm

We will tape the 8:30 Weekday Mass
from the church for Broadcast at 10:00 am.

Eucharistic Adoration
Thursday, October 29th
3:30-7:00 pm

Please Pray
for the repose of the souls of **David Bona,**
Thomas Mitchell,
and all the deceased parishioners of Sacred Heart,
and the Special Intentions of
Our Parish Family members,
listed in our Prayer Intention Book.



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From the Pastor's Desk

The Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time: Two Great Commandments

Jesus makes it sound so easy, doesn't he? When asked a rather difficult question, "which is the greatest commandment?" the Lord responds, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind." That sounds simple enough. Of course we love God! What does it mean to love God with ALL our heart, with ALL our soul, with ALL our mind? This means much more than an occasional prayer, especially one that offers praise and gratitude to God and not only a request for a special need. It means more than squeezing in time for God; it acknowledges that all time belongs to God! It means being conscious and aware of God's presence at each moment of each day. Do my words and actions show a desire to share all eternity with the Lord? Do I regularly nurture my spiritual life through the Sacraments, especially Reconciliation and the Eucharist? Now Jesus' response doesn't sound quite so easy!

Without being asked, Jesus goes on to say, "The second [commandment] is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself." Again, that sounds easy at first. But then trying doing it! What does it mean to love another person as I love myself? How do I express my care and concern for another person? How do I demonstrate Christ-like love for another person? How do I try to reach out and care for another person? Do I treat others the way I treat myself? Do I treat them the way I would like to be treated? How am I able to do this when my neighbors annoys me? When their music is too loud or their dog won't stop barking, when they took my parking space in front of the house? When someone cut me off in the parking lot? I'm sure you get the picture!

As we begin a new week and continue our journey with and for the Lord, perhaps we might take a few moments today and reflect meditatively on how we respond to these two great commandments. Are there specific actions I can take to improve my response to them? Is there anything I need a little extra help with? If so, ask the Lord's assistance; we can't love God and our neighbor as completely as Jesus teaches us without his help and the guidance, inspiration and support of the Holy Spirit.

YAM (Young Adult Mass) Schedule
Mark Your Calendars for our Upcoming
Young Adult Masses at 7:00 PM in the Church

****** THIS Sunday, October 25******

Sunday, November 15th
Sunday, December 13th

Bridging the Gap

Thank you to the many parishioners who offered such positive feedback on my presentation at all the Masses last weekend. Sincere and grateful thanks to those parishioners who have already responded with their characteristic generosity.

In case you missed it, allow me to share a few of the highlights I made in the presentation, in response to similar questions asked by parishioners.

Despite the many adverse effects of the Coronavirus (the death of a family member, knowing others who have lost loved ones, recovering from COVID-19, knowing people who have lost a job and are struggling to make ends meet, perhaps having fallen prey to fear, sadness, insecurity, or even despair) Sacred Heart Parish continues to reach out to those in need. Our Food Pantry did not close during the pandemic. We have responded to individual families in need. Tuition assistance was given to students in our parish high school. And much more that I didn't include last weekend: many burials, anointing of the sick, broadcasting of daily and weekend Masses, implementing protocols for the safety of those who come to church, schools and parish offices.

Prior to COVID-19, our average weekend attendance was between 650-750. Presently, the attendance has not exceeded 425 people. In fact, that is the exception rather than the rule. Our attendance is about 50% what it was before the pandemic.

We acknowledge that many families in our parish have had to adjust to the impact of the coronavirus on their personal and/or family finances. Since the beginning of the pandemic, the parish offertory is presently \$60,000 behind where it normally would be. Lost income to the Renew and Rebuild campaign pledges that we made several years ago is expected to fall by more than \$184,000. For the most part, the bills remain the same, at least the bigger bills which we must pay in order to keep the doors open.

Many parishioners have begun using E-giving to make their donations to the parish. I am grateful and encourage even more parishioners to consider this option. It helps to guarantee a regular collection but also saves the parish the cost of printing offertory envelopes. (It also saves some trees in the process!)

What has been the impact of the lower attendance and lower offertory? To name just a few:
No maintenance projects have been undertaken;
No parish fundraisers were conducted; no additional spiritual events were added
We put off the hiring of a new parish employee;
Cut the number of weekday Masses (at least for now) as well as the stipend for assisting priests;
Fewer lights on in church, especially in between Sunday Masses;
Daily opening the church a little later and closing a little earlier;
Shortening the run times for the Air Conditioner;
Fewer flowers and altar decorations in the church;
We have not employed Cantors as frequently as before.

Bridging the Gap is a ONE-TIME special request to help us bridge the gap between the parish budget and the actual offertory shortfall to date. This collection takes the place of the annual **Cash Appeal** which is normally used for a particular project. The envelopes for this special request will remain in the church for the next several weeks and all registered parishioners will receive this request in the mail.

I invite all parishioners and all those who consider “The Monastery Church of the Sacred Heart” their spiritual home to prayerfully consider participating in this special request. Donations may be made on line, included in the offertory boxes in the church, or dropped off/mailed to the parish office.

We know that God is good – all the time. He will never be outdone in generosity. I know you love your parish and I am grateful for all the ways you express that love. May God bless you now and always.

*Save the Evening of Saturday, December 13th
(Early details next week!)*

Fr. Bob

Act of Consecration to the Sacred Heart

Merciful Jesus, I consecrate myself today and always to your Most Sacred Heart.

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, I implore, that I may love You more and more.

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, I trust in You!

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us!

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, I believe in Your love for me.

Jesus, meek and humble of heart, make my heart more like Yours.

Lord Jesus, hear these prayers I make for my parish, named after Your Most Sacred Heart.

Answer them according to your will and for your greater glory and honor!

Bless our parish with faithful witnesses to the Gospel message you have entrusted to us.

Bless our parish with an increase of parishioners seeking to find you.

Strengthen our resolve to serve you in all our brothers and sisters.

Watch over all those who are most in need in our parish,

especially the sick, those who mourn, and those who feel alone with no one to attend to their needs.

*Without judgment or prejudice, may our arms and hearts be open to welcome home to our worshipping community all those who
have left the practice of their faith*

and to extend a special welcome to all those looking for a parish to call their home.

Additionally, I pray for my family and their many needs.

I pray, too, for... (here mention your own personal prayers and needs.)

We make all these prayers through Christ, our Lord. AMEN.



We were blessed to have two Confirmations this past week celebrating the students from Sacred Heart Grade School, Sacred Heart Religious Education and Christ the King Religious Education. Congratulations to all our Confirmandi and their families.

October 20

Alexandra Michelle Brito
 Eliana Michelle Burkard
 Brian Patrick Burlingham
 Jorge Christopher Delgado
 Hannah Ciara Fuller
 Gavin Vincent Gallicchio
 Isabella Catherine Gasparro
 Aiyana Rose Hernandez
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 Tierney Isabelle Licht
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 Emily Cecilia Pena
 Caitlin Gabriela Pinto
 Kyle Francis Pinto
 Conner Sebastian Podesta
 Emily Catherine Robles
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 Adriana Irene Williams

October 22, 2020

Joseph <i>Brendan</i> Barca	Genevieve <i>Theresa</i> Jacobi
Za <i>Nyah</i> Catherine Bernard	Angel <i>Luke</i> Martinez
Riley <i>Francis Xavier</i> Colon	Toni <i>Hillary</i> Martinez
Madison <i>Josephine</i> Cooper	Brianna <i>Magdalene</i> McDermott
Antonio <i>Correia</i>	Kaitlyn <i>Clare</i> Mitchell
Michaela <i>Maria</i> Dedde	Emma <i>Catherine</i> Nozica
Armani <i>Luke</i> DeSouza	Andrea <i>Catherine</i> Pena
Bianca <i>Francis</i> Dolan	Aisling <i>Catherine</i> Perez
Ariela <i>Elizabeth</i> Franco	Gabriela <i>Elizabeth</i> Ramos
Dallas <i>Joan</i> Galinski	John <i>John Paul</i> Retome
London <i>Elizabeth</i> Garcia	Ava <i>Victoria</i> Tangredi
Lily <i>Gemma</i> Giorgianni	Jack <i>Luke</i> Tickell
Trey <i>Edward</i> Giorgianni	Gabriel <i>Juan Diego</i> Tovar
Noelle <i>Charlotte</i> Giorgianni	Gianna <i>Olivia</i> Verrier
Nick <i>Monica</i> Gutierrez	

A Thank You from Xaverian Missionaries

We received a Thank you from Fr. Mark on behalf of the Xaverian Missionaries thanking us for hosting Fr. Michael back in August. It reads in part, “ We are deeply grateful to you and your parishioners for your generous love which will allow us to keep reaching out to so many sisters and brothers in our Missions overseas who are in dire need and bring them the Word of Life and some hope for a better future. Your parishioners’ generosity will indeed make a difference in the life of a number of sisters and brothers in our missions.” Fr. Mark

We are always grateful to our parishioners for their support to us and those in need.

Fr. Bob

Puzzle Day...
 match the key to get
 Today's Verse

<u>7 5 16</u>	<u>24 9 3 1 1</u>	<u>1 5 18 4</u>	<u>11 9 4</u>	<u>1 5 21 25</u>
<u>7 5 16 21</u>	<u>23 5 25</u>	<u>6 8 11 9</u>	<u>3 1 1</u>	<u>7 5 16 21</u>
<u>9 4 3 21 11</u>	<u>6 8 11 9</u>	<u>3 1 1</u>	<u>7 5 16 21</u>	<u>24 5 16 1</u>
<u>3 10 25</u>	<u>6 8 11 9</u>	<u>3 1 1</u>	<u>7 5 16 21</u>	<u>2 8 10 25</u>

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#WHATSMYNAME

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