

## Calendar

### Monday

OCTOBER 28

Sts. Simon and Jude,  
Apostles

Eph 2:19-22

Lk 6:12-16

### Tuesday

OCTOBER 29

Weekday

Rom 8:18-25

Lk 13:18-21

### Wednesday

OCTOBER 30

Weekday

Rom 8:26-30

Lk 13:22-30

### Thursday

OCTOBER 31

Weekday

Rom 8:31b-39

Lk 13:31-35

### Friday

NOVEMBER 1

All Saints

Rv 7:2-4, 9-14

1 Jn 3:1-3

Mt 5:1-12a

### Saturday

NOVEMBER 2

All the Faithful

Departed (All Souls)

Wis 3:1-9

Rom 5:5-11

Jn 6:37-40

### Sunday

NOVEMBER 3

Thirty-first Sunday

in Ordinary Time

Wis 11:22-12:2

2 Thes 1:11-2:2

Lk 19:1-10

# Dear Padre,

**I see hate everywhere these days—in social media, politics, even between religions. Are we helpless to do anything about hatred?**

Traditionally, the Church promoted the idea of seven deadly sins. One might assume that hatred is one of these sins, but it's not. Hatred flows out of something else: It's a byproduct of the sins of envy, pride, anger, and avarice. The way to counter hatred is to promote virtues that are the opposite of the deadly sins from which hatred flows.

The virtue opposing the vice of envy is love. In love, we rejoice over our neighbor's good. 1 Thessalonians 5:15 talks about how we seek good for each



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person. The opposite of pride is humility. Today's Gospel parable of the Pharisee and tax collector praying together (Luke 18:9-14) speaks of true humility. The tax collector recognized a basic truth: that God is the creator, the source of our life and spirit. The virtue opposing anger is meekness. In meekness, we put aside our feelings to seek reconciliation with our neighbor. Jesus taught that we cannot bring our gift to the altar if we

recall that our neighbor has something against us or vice versa (Matthew 5:23-24). Finally, the virtue that destroys avarice is poverty. Poverty doesn't mean giving away all our money; it means we strive to become rich in what matters to God (Luke 12:20) and to share with those who have less.

Hatred will be no more if we strive to be virtuous in the face of our envy, pride, anger, and avarice.

—Fr. Paul J. Coury, CSsR  
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## A Word from Pope Francis

*Sadly, we are witnessing a presentation of religion and religious values in a fundamentalist way, which is used to justify the spread of hatred, discrimination, and violence. The justification of such crimes on the basis of religious ideas is unacceptable, for "God is not the author of confusion, but of peace" (1 Corinthians 14:33).*

—Joint declaration with pope of the Armenian Apostolic Church, June 26, 2016

# Our Parish COMMUNITY

October 27, 2019

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Sr 35:12-14, 16-18

2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18

Lk 18:9-14

## The Sincere Prayer of a Sinner

Scholars tell us that no other Gospel talks more about prayer than St. Luke's. Last Sunday's Gospel insisted that we persevere in our prayer; this week we're admonished to pray with humility and

sincerity of heart. The prayer of a humble soul pierces the clouds, rising to the throne of God!

The Pharisee, Jesus' example of pride, doesn't kneel, bow his head, or sit in listening. He lists before God all that he does, almost as evidence of how much he deserves God's blessings. We can almost read in his words his conviction that God is lucky to have a Pharisee like him.

In contrast, the publican, a politician and a public figure considered by the Jews to be a sinner and collaborator in evil, slips in the back of the temple. He won't even lift his eyes up to God, as he is ashamed and keenly aware of his unworthiness. He only recalls his sins, beats his chest in penance, and asks for mercy. This is the power of humility before God. It is the necessary condition of our salvation and justification.

When we observe someone with Pharisaic presumption, it produces in us an interior rejection. Yet when we witness the vulnerability and self-effacement of one who admits weakness, we're moved to compassion and ready to forgive. If we who are imperfect respond like this, how much more will God, knower of the souls of humanity, respond with mercy to even the hardest sinners who pray to him with a sincere heart?

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC



Piece: *Father in Prayer*, 1902  
Artist: Edvard Munch  
Location: Vatican Museums

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## For Reflection

*Do I sometimes present myself before God as if I were doing him a favor with my faith?*

*How can I grow in humility toward God and those closest to me?*

*[Jesus said,] "But the tax collector...beat his breast and prayed, 'O God, be merciful to me a sinner.'"*

Luke 18:13





# Saint John the Baptist Catholic Church Saint Terence Mission

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## Parish Staff

**Deacon:** Michael Sullivan  
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**Groundskeeper:** Michael Beasley  
**Housekeeper:** Pam Little  
**Music Director:** Justin Lincecum

### Masses

Anticipated Mass: Saturday, 4:00 PM  
Sunday: 8:00 AM (@ St. Terence)  
11:00 AM (with Children's Liturgy)  
Tuesdays: 5:00 PM  
Wednesday—Friday: 8:00 AM  
First Saturdays: 8AM

### Las Lecturas de Hoy 27th Octubre

Siracide 35: 12-22  
Salmo 33  
2 Timoteo 4: 6-8, 16-18  
San Lucas 18: 9-14  
*Misa en espanol el primer domingo de cada mes a las 5PM; Confesiones a las 4PM*

### Mission Statement

We, the people of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church and St Terence Mission, in union with the Holy Father and our Bishop, being filled with the Holy Spirit, strive to promote and deepen the Catholic faith in the lives of all who share in our life together. As Disciples, we seek to worship God and find His kingdom among us and in the world around us. Our calling is to proclaim the Kingdom of God through the proclamation of the Word, the celebration of the Eucharist, the Sacramental life, community service, evangelization, and Christian education.



**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** is held at St. John's on Wednesdays from **8:30AM to 6PM**. Recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet and Benediction begin at **5:30PM**. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet are held at St. Terence each Friday at **3PM**

### The Sanctuary Candle

October 27th-November 2nd, 2019

St John + Dr Robert Brocato  
+ Stephanie DeKeyser  
St Terence Norma Bergeron (SI)

Please call the church office to request the Sanctuary Candle in memory/honor of a loved one.

### Parish Support

(Thank you for your generosity!)  
Weekend of Oct. 19th-20th, 2019

St John	\$ 4384.25	Attendance: 275
St Terence	\$ 1009.00	Attendance: 110

### ~This Week~

**Sun, Oct. 27th** Pumpkin Patch Open, 12:30PM - 6PM  
Faith, Food & Fun, 4:30PM  
**Mon, Oct. 28th** Pumpkin Patch Open, 3:30PM - 6PM  
**Tues, Oct. 29th** Pumpkin Patch Open, 3:30PM - 6PM  
RCIA, 6PM  
Finance Council Meets, 6PM  
**Wed, Oct. 30th** Eucharistic Adoration, 8:30AM-6PM  
Pumpkin Patch Open, 3:30PM - 6PM  
CCD, 5:30PM  
**Thurs, Oct. 31st** Pumpkin Patch Open, 3:30PM - 6PM  
Chili Supper, 3PM until  
**Fri, Nov. 1st** Pumpkin Patch Open, 3:30PM - 6PM  
All Saints Day, Holy Day of Obligation

### Faith Formation

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, Tuesdays, 6:00PM  
Parish School of Religion, Wednesdays, 5:30PM, Sept. to May.

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

At St. John's each Wednesday, 8:30AM to 6PM; Sept. - May  
**Recitation of the Holy Rosary**

Everyone is invited to join us in the recitation of 30PM the holy rosary before weekend masses: Saturdays, 3:30 PM at St. John, Sundays, 7:30 AM at St. Terence and 10:30 AM at St. John.

### Anointing of the Sick /Ministry to the Sick

Please call the church office if someone is in a hospital, nursing home, shut-in, and would like to be visited or receive the sacraments.

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:00 - 3:45 pm at St. John; Sunday: 7:15-7:45AM at St. Terence; Seasonal Penance Services; and, by appointment

### Sacrament of Baptism

Call the office in advance to register for seminar.

**Funerals** Arrangements may be made by calling the church office

Date	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Altar Servers	Ushers
<b>Friday, November 1st, 8AM (Saint John) All Saints Day</b>	Katie Lombardino	Sybil Gandy Shirley Veuleman	Brandy Soilleau	Volunteers Needed
<b>Friday, November 1st, 6PM (Saint John) All Saints Day</b>	Rosemary Sullivan	Angelique Mitchell Louise LaCour	Juan Plascencia Illario Plascencia	Volunteers Needed
<b>Saturday Vigil, November 2nd, 4PM (Saint John)</b>	Matthew Couvillion	Pat Gandy Sybil Gandy Paul McCormic	Masen Starks Illario Plascencia	Leo Springer Johnny Mowad Terry DeLatin Marty Starks
<b>Sunday, November 3rd, 8AM (Saint Terence)</b>	Tina Nichols	Jeanette Polson Buddy Polson Glenda Shuff		Earl Anderson Rufus Shuff
<b>Sunday, November 3rd, 11AM (Saint John)</b>	Amy Ebarb	Beckie Bayer Amy Ebarb	Emma Dickson Braxton Koss	George Koss Michael Beasley Marion Koss Jerry Mitchell

### Gumbo Fundraiser: Saturday, November 2, 2019

Our youth will be having their annual gumbo fundraiser next **Saturday, November 2nd from 11AM until 1PM**. Lunch will consist of gumbo, rice and crackers and dessert for \$6. Drinks may also be purchased. Thank you for supporting our youth!

### All Saints Day: Friday, November 1st

This **Friday, November 1st** is the Feast of All Saints and is a holy day of obligation. Mass at St John will be at **8AM and 6PM**.



### Church Census Update



Over the next few weeks, we will be updating our church census. While the parish office strives to maintain accurate records, we realize that some families are no longer active members or have undergone changes: new addresses, phone numbers, deaths, births and children leaving home. Having an accurate count of our members is important to our parish community. This information is important for our stewardship efforts, communicating information, promoting organizations and ministries and most importantly, for ensuring the availability and access to the sacraments. We are asking each family to complete a census form. The form can be found on our website at [www.stjohnmany.org](http://www.stjohnmany.org) or paper copies are available in the back of the church. . Even if you have been a member of our church parish for several years, we are asking each family to complete the census form. We thank each of you in advance for taking the time to do this.

### Office Schedule

The church office will be closed on **Friday, November 1st**, All Saints Day.

### Group Discussion

There will be no group discussion before the 11AM Mass next **Sunday, November 3rd**.

### Church Directory Save the Date!

Our new church directory is coming soon! Pictures will be taken on **December 5-7**. Each family photographed gets a free 8X10 just in time for Christmas! See future bulletins for more details.

### Chili Supper Planned: October 31st

St Terence Church will be hosting a chili supper to be held at St John the Baptist on **Thursday, October 31st**, beginning at **3PM** in front of the church. Chili, Frito Pies, chili dogs and hot dogs will be available for purchase. All proceeds will benefit the Pumpkin Patch fundraiser. If you would like to help, please contact Pam or Frank Little. There will also be various items for sale after the 8AM Mass in October, also to benefit the Pumpkin Patch proceeds.

### Please Support the St John's Pumpkin Patch



This is the last week of our Pumpkin Patch. Hours of operation are: **Weekdays: 3:30PM—6PM; Saturdays: 10AM—6PM; Sundays: 12:30PM—6PM**. We still have a good selection of pumpkins and great scenes for photos. Pumpkin prices begin at \$2.00.

### Blessing of the Graves Next Weekend

**Saturday, Nov 2, 9AM:** Cemetery Clean-up  
Youth Gumbo Fundraiser: **11AM—1PM**  
**Sunday, Nov. 3:** Blessing of the Graves following the 11AM Mass with covered dish lunch afterwards.

### Thanksgiving Food Baskets for Needy Families

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul plans to once again provide Thanksgiving Food baskets to needy families in our church parish and community so that they may have a Thanksgiving meal. If you would like to sponsor a family, the donation amount is **\$35.00**. Food items including turkeys or contributions of any amount are welcome.