



St. Lawrence Catholic Church

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St. Thomas Midkiff, TX St. Paschal Sterling, TX

Fr. Chinnapureddy Pagidela, Dcn. Joel Gutierrez, Dcn. Floyd Schwartz

October 25, 2020

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Monday, October 26 (St. Lawrence)

8:00 am + Doris Halfmann by Ernie & Debra Schwartz

Tuesday, October 27 (St. Thomas)

8:00 am + Benedict Hoelscher by Sheryl Wilson

Wednesday, October 28 (St. Lawrence)

7:00 pm + For Living and Deceased Knights of Columbus Memebers and their families

Thursday, October 29 (St. Thomas)

8:00 am +Alice Gleich by Billy & Diane Eggemeyer

Friday October 30 (St. Lawrence)

8:00 am + Elaine Pelzel (Death Anniversary) by Charles & Janet Pelzel

Saturday, October 31 (St. Lawrence)

6:00 pm + Jerome Hoelscher by George & Doris Schwartz

Sunday, November 1 All Saints Day

(St. Thomas, St. Lawrence, St. Paschal)

8:30 am + Sandy Wilson by Wayne & Susan Hirt

10:30 am +Jerline Frysak by Larry & Kathy Wheat

(Live stream)

12:30 For the Parish & Missions

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Eph 4:32 — 5:8; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 13:10-17

Tuesday: Eph 5:21-33; Ps 128:1-5; Lk 13:18-21

Wednesday: Eph 2:19-22; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 6:12-16

Thursday: Eph 6:10-20; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10;
Lk 13:31-35

Friday: Phil 1:1-11; Ps 111:1-6; Lk 14:1-6

Saturday: Phil 1:18b-26; Ps 42:2, 3, 5cdef;
Lk 14:1, 7-11

Sunday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24:1-6; 1 Jn 3:1-3;
Mt 5:1-12a

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For Funeral Needs: In the event of a death in the family, please contact Fr. Chinna & Parish Council Chair Person Nathan Halfmann 432-270-3542

St. Lawrence Church Ministries

Saturday, October 31

Sacristan: Charles Braden

Readers: Volunteers

Eucharistic Ministers: Volunteers

Sunday, November 1

Sacristan: Robert Michaelewicz

Readers: Volunteers

Eucharistic Ministers: Volunteers

Vocation Cross

Pray for all Seminarians, all Bishops, Priests, Deacons & all religious life. Please also pray for more vocations to the priesthood, religious life and Seminarians of the Diocese.

October 25

St. Lawrence– Carey & Renee Niehues

St. Thomas – Cody Wilson Family

November 1

St. Lawrence– Jimmy & Carolyn Strube

St. Thomas – Dennis & Dee Matthiesen



St. Lawrence

Birthdays: Brandon Dieringer

Anniversaries: Lawrence & Helen Jost

St. Thomas

Birthday: Emely Arriozola and Dario Reyes

Anniversaries: None

October - Respect Life Month

Each October the Church in the United States celebrates *Respect Life Month*, and the first Sunday of October is observed as *Respect Life Sunday*.

As Catholics, we are called to cherish, defend, and protect those who are most vulnerable, from the beginning of life to its end, and at every point in between. During the month of October, the Church asks us to reflect more deeply



CCD NEWS

The CCD program will be on Wednesday October 28 at 5:45 pm.

KC News

The KC's will meet on Wednesday October 28 at 7:30 pm. Mass will proceed the meeting

All Soul's Day Masses (November 2)

8:00 am Mass followed by the Blessing of the Graves in the Cemetery
11:00 am Mass
6:00 pm Mass



DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME WILL END AT 2:00 A.M. ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1. Be sure to set your clock **back** one hour before you go to bed on Saturday, October 31.

Gingerbread House Contest

Glasscock County is sponsoring a Gingerbread House Contest in conjunction with the Christmas at the Courthouse event to be held on December 6. Prizes will include \$150.00 1st place, \$100.00 2nd place, \$50.00 3rd place and \$100.00 People's Choice. There is a flyer in the back of church concerning the rules for the contest.

"You shall love the Lord, your God,

with all your heart,

with all your soul,

and with all your mind."

— Matthew 22:37

ALL SOULS NOVENA

Fr. Chinna will celebrate All Souls Novena with special prayers from November 2-10 and at St. Lawrence and St. Thomas Churches.

All Souls Day envelopes are available on the table at the entrance of the church. You are asked to fill in the names of your beloved departed on the space provided on the All Souls' Day envelope, put in the offering(s) and drop the envelope either in the Sunday stewardship collection basket or give them to parish office. The deadline for submission of the All Souls Day envelopes for the novena is November 1, 2020.

CATHOLICISM:

LITURGICAL OBJECTS USED

DURING THE MASS

The Processional Cross: This cross harkens back to the days of the Roman army when the standard bearer would carry the insignia of a particular legion into battle. The cross is the mark of a Christian.

Altar: The sacred table on which the Sacrifice of the Mass is offered to God; the table from which the faithful receive the Blessed Sacrament.

Altar Cloth: A rectangular white cloth that covers the altar for the celebration of Mass.

Altar Candles: Natural candles (more than 51% bees wax), which signify the presence of Christ, our light.

Cruets: Containers that hold the water and the unconsecrated wine that are often brought to the altar as gifts and used at Mass.

Lavabo: Container used for washing the priest's hands during the Mass.

Lavabo Towel: A towel with which the priest dries his hands after washing them during the Mass.

Ciborium: A golden vessel with a lid used for the distribution and reservation of the hosts (Blessed Sacrament) in the tabernacle.

Catholicism: Liturgical Objects Used During the Mass

Chalice: The vessel used to hold the wine that becomes the Precious Blood of Christ.

Communion Cups: Chalice-like vessels used at communion when the people receive the consecrated wine (blood of Christ) from the cup.

Corporal: A square cloth placed on the altar beneath the chalice and paten. It is folded so as to catch any particles of the consecrated host that may accidentally fall.

Paten: A golden "plate" that holds the bread that becomes the Body of Christ.

Pall: A stiff, square, white cover that is placed over the paten when it is on the chalice.

Purificator: A small rectangular white cloth used to cleanse the chalice.

Consecration (Sanctus) Bells: Rung during the elevation of the Body and the Precious Blood following the consecration of the bread and wine.

Easter/Paschal Candle: A large, usually decorated, candle that stands near the altar during the Easter Season and the baptismal font during the rest of the year. It may also stand near the casket during the funeral rites. It is prepared and blessed every year at the Easter Vigil

30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Entrance Antiphon

Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice;
turn to the Lord and his strength;
constantly seek his face. *Cf. Ps 105 (104):3-4*

Gloria

(When it is prescribed, this hymn is either said or sung:)

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

Collect

Almighty ever-living God,
increase our faith, hope and charity,
and make us love what you command,
so that we may merit what you promise.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of
the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Exodus 22:20-26

Thus says the Lord: "You shall not molest or oppress an alien, for you were once aliens yourselves in the land of Egypt. 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; then your own wives will be widows, and your children orphans. "If you lend money to one of your poor neighbors among my people, you shall not act like an extortioner toward him by demanding interest from him. If you take your neighbor's cloak as a pledge, you shall return it to him before sunset; for this cloak of his is the only covering he has for his body. What else has he to sleep in? If he cries out to me, I will hear him; for I am compassionate."

The Word of the Lord

R. I love you, Lord, my strength.

I love you, O Lord, my strength,
O Lord, my rock, my fortress, my deliverer. **R.**

My God, my rock of refuge,
my shield, the horn of my salvation, my stronghold!
Praised be the Lord, I exclaim,
and I am safe from my enemies. **R.**

The Lord lives and blessed be my rock!
Extolled be God my savior.
You who gave great victories to your king
and showed kindness to your anointed. **R.**

1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10

Brothers and sisters: You know what sort of people we were among you for your sake. And 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. For from you the word of the Lord has sounded forth not only in Macedonia and in Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has gone forth, so that we have no need to say anything. For they themselves openly declare about us what sort of reception we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God and to await his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, Jesus, who delivers us from the coming wrath.

The Word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia.

Whoever loves me will keep my word, says the Lord,
and my Father will love him and we will come to him. *Jn 14:23*

Alleluia, alleluia

Matthew 22:34-40

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and 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. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. The whole law and the prophets depend on these two commandments."

The Gospel of the Lord

True charity involves

**loving others who may not be particularly likeable,
much less lovable,
including those who don't reciprocate that love."**

Patrick Madrid

Taken from: *Does the Bible Really Say That?*

DAILY MEDITATION: MATTHEW 22:34-40

*Love the Lord. . . . Love your neighbor.
(Matthew 22:37, 39)*

What a rough day! From the start, Jesus had to contend with groups of religious leaders trying to trip him up. First came the chief priests and scribes, then some Pharisees, followed by some Sadducees, followed by even more Pharisees. And all the while, Jesus was trying to preach to the people—including “the blind and the lame”—who had gathered around him (Matthew 21:14). How ironic! Jesus faced a parade of dignitaries trying to trap him instead of asking how they could better care for the people surrounding him. Their very actions showed how blind they were to what it really meant to love God (Jesus) or their neighbor (the people). Of course, we shouldn’t single them out as especially evil or misguided. We can all point to times when we have overlooked opportunities to love, even when they are staring us in the face.

Why would that be? Part of the reason is that we may have a narrow definition of Jesus’ command to love. We might tend to reduce loving God to attending Mass or getting our prayer times in—walled-off situations that are limited in time and not very demanding. As for loving our neighbor, we can fall into the trap of deciding for ourselves who our “neighbor” is. Maybe he’s our husband but not the coworker who rubs us the wrong way. Maybe she’s our sister but not the in-law who is always offering her advice, whether we want it or not.

Jesus came to expose the indifference that lies at the heart of our failures to love. But he didn’t stop there. He also overcame it as only he could: by pouring himself out in love for us. May we take up his example and pour ourselves out as well.

“Jesus, teach me to love all my neighbors.”

Exodus 22:20-26

Psalms 18:2-4, 47, 51

1 Thessalonians 1:5-10

Profession of Faith

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,

(At the words that follow, up to and including and became man, all bow.)

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.
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.

Prayer over the Offerings

Look, we pray, O Lord,
on the offerings we make to your majesty,
that whatever is done by us in your service
may be directed above all to your glory.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Communion Antiphon

We will ring out our joy at your saving help
and exult in the name of our God. *Cf. Ps 20 (19):6*
OR
Christ loved us and gave himself up for us,
as a fragrant offering to God. *Eph 5:2*

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Prayer after Communion

May your Sacraments, O Lord, we pray,
perfect in us what lies within them,
that what we now celebrate in signs
we may one day possess in truth.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

