



# ST. BERNARDINE OF SIENA

## Roman Catholic Church

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**Fr. José Raúl De León**  
Pastor

**OFFICE HOURS**  
Monday – Friday 9am-4pm

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### MASS TIMES

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday: 12:00pm  
Saturday: 4:30pm (Vigil)  
Sunday: 9:00am (English), 12:00pm (Spanish)

### CONFESSION TIMES

Thursday: 6:00pm – 7:00pm  
Saturday: 3:30pm – 4:30pm  
Or any time by appointment.

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## SACRAMENTAL & EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION

### BAPTISMS

Parents and godparents need to attend baptismal classes prior to baptism. Pre-registration is required. Please call the parish office to register for the class and to schedule a baptism.

### MARRIAGES

Please contact the parish office at least 6 months prior to the tentative wedding date.

### CARE OF THE SICK & DYING

Please contact the parish office if someone is sick or hospitalized and would like the sacrament of the anointing of the sick or confession.

### FUNERALS

Please contact the parish office.

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Grades Kindergarten to 8<sup>th</sup> grade including preparation for the sacraments of First Communion, First Reconciliation and Confirmation for Adults (RCIA).

### PARISH MEMBERSHIP

Registration forms are available in the vestibules of the Church and in our website. Please, notify the parish office if you change your address or move from the Parish.

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## Pope Francis' comments on same-sex unions

Many people have been asking me regarding the comments of Pope Francis that have come out this week on same sex union. He said in an interview: "Homosexual people have a right to be in a family. They are children of God and have a right to a family. Nobody should be thrown out or be made miserable over it. What we have to create is a civil union law. That way they are legally covered."

It is very hard to give your opinion when you don't know the context in which those phrases were taken from. However, Archbishop Victor Manuel Fernandez, a theologian who has long been close to the pope, said something that can clarify the comment of the pope. He said that the pope has it very clear that the expression 'marriage' has a precise meaning and only applies to a stable union between a man and a woman open to communicating life. However, there are very close unions between people of the same sex, which do not imply sexual relations per se, but a very intense and stable alliance. They know each other well, they share the same roof for many years, they take care of each other, they sacrifice for each other. Then it can happen that they prefer that in an extreme case or illness, they do not consult their relatives, but rather that person who knows their intentions in depth. And for the same reason they prefer that it be that person who inherits all their assets, etc. This may be contemplated in the law and is called 'civil union, or "civil coexistence law."

Another thing we need to keep in mind is that this is his personal view and cannot signal a change in the perennial teaching of the Sacred Scriptures and of the Church. The teaching remains clear that homosexual acts, along with fornication and adultery, are sinful and cannot be approved under any circumstances. Nor can any pope unseat the biblical teaching that marriage is the union of one man with one woman till death do them part, bearing fruit in the children God shall deign to send them.



### SUNDAY October 25, 2020

9AM Mass

12:00pm Mass (Spanish)

### MONDAY October 26, 2020

12:00PM. Mass

Mass Int: All Parishioners

6pm Holy Hour

7:30pm Catechesis for Youth & Adults

### TUESDAY October 27, 2020

12:00 PM Mass

### WEDNESDAY October 28, 2020

### THURSDAY October 29, 2020

11am Mass (Spanish)

12pm Mass +Herman Moeller (B.Day)

7:30pm Catechesis for Youth & Adults

### FRIDAY October 30, 2020

11am Mass (Spanish)

12PM Mass

6:30pm Religious Education

### SATURDAY October 31, 2020

11am Baptism

4:30pm Mass

6:30pm Mass (Spanish)

### SUNDAY November 01, 2020

9AM Mass

12:00pm Mass (Spanish)

## Offertory: Oct17-18

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### Catechesis for Youth and Adults

Come and listen to a word that can transform our life and can help us to grow closer to Christ.

Date: Mon & Thr

Time: 7:30pm

Where: Siena Hall

## Feast of the Week: St. Simon and Jude Feast Day: Oct 28

Saint Jude (or Judas) scarcely gets a mention in the Gospels. Many know him as the special friend and intercessor for those beset by seemingly hopeless predicaments. How he came to be associated with this likely has to do with his name and its similarity to the name of the one who betrayed Christ— another Jude, named Judas Iscariot. Few situations seem as hopeless as the predicament of the man who betrayed Christ and delivered him to his enemies.

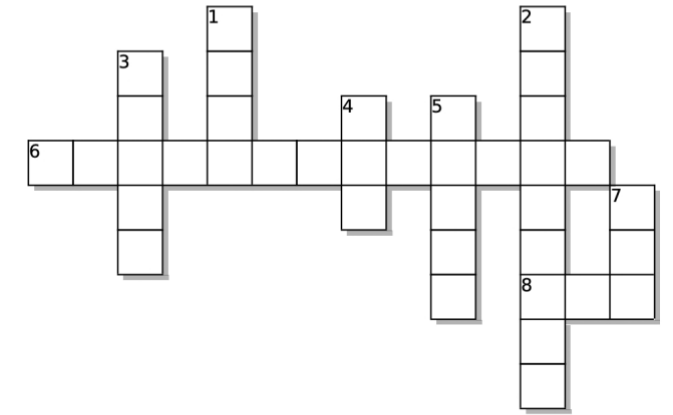
Somehow the apostle who shared the same name as the one whose life took such a desperate turn became the one folks would turn to in times of desperate need.

Saint Jude seems to have embraced this mission with gusto, stories of his intercession on behalf of the desperate and hopeless are renowned.

Prayer to St. Jude:

*Oh glorious apostle St. Jude, faithful servant and friend of Jesus, the name of the traitor who delivered thy beloved Master into the hands of His enemies has caused thee to be forgotten by many, but the Church honors and invokes thee universally as the patron of hopeless cases--of things despaired of. Pray for me who am so miserable; make use, I implore thee, of that particular privilege accorded thee of bringing visible and speedy help where help is almost despaired of. Come to my assistance in this great need, that I may receive the consolations and succor of heaven in all my necessities, tribulations and sufferings, particularly (mention your request), and that I may bless God with thee and all the elect throughout eternity. I promise thee, O blessed St. Jude, to be ever mindful of this great favor, and I will never cease to honor thee as my special and powerful patron, and to do all in my power to encourage devotion to thee. Amen*

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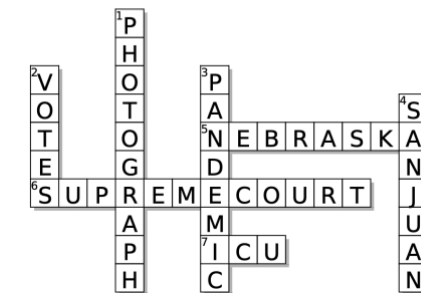
### ACROSS

- 6 Pope Francis's latest encyclical
- 8 Make a blunder

### DOWN

- 1 Rescue
- 2 The more you take, the more you leave behind.
- 3 "I love you" in Spain
- 4 Pot cover
- 5 "The Three Musketeers" author
- 7 DVD player's predecessor

## XXIX Ordinary. A



### Readings for the Week of Oct26-Nov01

Day	Feast	Readings
Monday 26		Eph4:32-5:8 Lk13:10-17
Tuesday 27		Eph5:21-33 Lk13:18-21
Wednesday 28	Sts. Simon & Jude	Eph2:19-22 Lk6:12-16
Thursday 29		Eph6:10-20 Lk13:31-35
Friday 30		Phil1:1-11 Lk14:1-6
Saturday 31		Phil1:18-26 Lk14:1,7-11
Sunday 01	All Saints. A	Rv7:2-4,9-14 1Jn3:1-3 Mt5:1-12

