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JESUS SAID,
"YOU SHALL LOVE THE LORD, YOUR GOD,
WITH ALL YOUR HEART . . .
YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF.
THE WHOLE LAW AND THE PROPHETS
DEPEND ON THESE TWO COMMANDMENTS."

MATTHEW 22:37, 39

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THE GREAT COMMANDMENTS

Love your neighbor. It sounds so simple. Yet it is not always easy to accomplish. Many things get in the way of taking this commandment to heart. Sometimes, it is things that get in the way, but more often, we get in the way. We tend to see things through our own perspective, rather than considering the other person's point of view. In our interactions with others, we often fail to truly listen, focusing instead on our next response or point to be made. We say we love our neighbor, right up to the point at which doing so requires some sacrifice of time, attention, or financial support, and then suddenly, a thousand reasons for keeping to ourselves emerge. Jesus knew this when he summed up the great commandments of loving God and neighbor. Notice what he said about this: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

LOVE GOD

"You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind" (Matthew 22:37). In this greatest and first commandment, Jesus describes deep and intentional love of God. Like the Thessalonians to whom Saint Paul wrote, we are to turn away from anything that could become an idol, anything that takes first place in our lives ahead of God. Loving God so completely calls us to place our lives in the heart of God, assured that when we do, all will be well. When we love God with all our heart, soul, and mind, we gradually learn to see the world and all people through the eyes of God, who is love.

LOVE NEIGHBOR

When God gave the covenant to Moses, the commandments of loving God and neighbor were clear, including what love of neighbor is all about. For example, "You shall not molest or oppress an alien, for you were once aliens yourself in the land of Egypt" (Exodus 22:20). In other words, care for the least among you; their struggles are not so different from your own. And remember, they are precious in God's sight, as are you. All are held in love by our good and gracious God. Jesus is the ultimate sign of God's love, and the perfect model of what it means to love God. Jesus teaches that real love requires sacrifice. There are moments when loving our neighbor requires us to put the other person first. No longer is it just nice to help the person who is poor, ill, lonely, in prison, homeless, or grieving. It is necessary. Their need is greater than our own. Failing to meet the person in his or her need is to ignore our very self. To love God is to love our neighbor; to love others is to love God, in whose image all are made.

TODAY'S READINGS

Exodus 22:20-26
Psalm 18:2-4, 47, 51
1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10
Matthew 22:34-40

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Reading 1
Ex 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.”

Reading 2
1 Thes 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.

Gospel
Mt 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.”

READINGS FOR THE WEEK of *Oct. 26 - Nov. 1, 2020*

Sunday: Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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:

Ss. Simon and Jude

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:

Blessed Virgin Mary; Halloween

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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Bob Lass
Ricardo Villanueva
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Feliciano Manansala
Janet Calleja

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Sunday, October 25th

8:00 am

Macario Pinlac †
 Juan Pinlac †
 Simeon Bautista †
 Adelaida Warfel †
 Mary Jo Courtney †
 Jose Pacaonces Sr. †
 Hermenegilda Baxa †

9:45 am

Jang Ho Lee †
 Bong Hak Chung †
 Rosario Hernandez †
 Lorenzo Ramos Sr. †
 Aurora Ramos †
 Dickie Olsen †
 Gary Nixt †
 Rafoncila Baltazar †
 Zenaida Alegado
 Rudy & Toni Bernaldo †

Monday, October 26th

Bernadette Genaro Family

Wednesday, October 28th

Manuel Venturina †

Saturday, October 31st

Magdalena Chung †

In Memoriam

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Andrew Fenady
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Lucy Torroba
Dickie Olsen
Lauro Tecson Jr.

Did you know? Trick-or-treating safety, social distance style

If your neighborhoods are allowing trick-or-treating for Halloween this year, now would be a good time to review safety rules and guidelines with your family. Make sure your children are visible in their costumes, especially if they are wearing dark colors. Consider adding reflective tape and carrying flashlights. Young children should always be accompanied by an adult. For children old enough to trick-or-treat alone, consider giving them a cell phone so you can reach them, and discuss where they can and cannot go, and when they need to be home. For more Halloween safety tips, visit <https://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/>.



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