

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY

OCTOBER 18, 2020

From the priests' desks:

Dear brothers and Sisters of Sacred Heart:

“Is it lawful to pay the census tax to Caesar or not?” That was the question that the Pharisees, those persistent enemies of Jesus, asked him in today’s Gospel (Mt. 22:15-21). In asking, they thought they had put Jesus on the horns of a dilemma; that whatever answer he gave to the question, he would discredit himself. If he said “No”, it is not lawful to pay the tax, he would be defying the power of Caesar, the Emperor of the Rome, who governed the Holy Land with an iron hand, and was used to crushing anyone who challenged his authority; and if he said “Yes”, that the tax should be paid, then Jesus would be showing himself disloyal to his fellow Jews, who regarded Roman rule as illegitimate and repressive, and hated anyone who collaborated with the pagan dictator. The Pharisees thought it was a lose-lose situation for Jesus, but they were wrong. In giving the answer that he did— “Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God”—Jesus was saying that political authority is legitimate and should be obeyed, but that there is another authority beyond the political which also must be obeyed, an ultimate authority which belongs to God.

This saying of Jesus is not really defining the separation of Church and State the way we think about it today, but rather reminding us that God is the ultimate One to whom we should turn to find meaning and stability, security and happiness in our lives; and that these are things that the State cannot fully provide for us in any real or lasting way. Beyond this, perhaps, Jesus is reminding us that unlike the authority of the State which is based on force, the authority of God is based on love. St. Paul, in today’s second reading (1 Thess. 1:1-5b), reminds the people of Thessalonica, whom he addresses as brothers and sisters, that they are truly loved by God, and therefore he encourages them to work in faith, to labor in love, and to endure in hope, empowered to do all things by the Holy Spirit whom they have received.

This message comes to us at a timely moment, as we as a nation face an important election. We must participate, and we must do so as an informed and conscientious electorate, aware not only of our political but also our faith obligations; to vote for those candidates who respect religious liberty and are willing to recognize and affirm the

great contributions that our religion and people of faith have made to our culture and to our democratic way of life and continue to do so today.

Fr. Michael Rafferty, OAR

Fr. John Gruben, OAR

Entrance Antiphon:

*To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God; turn your ear to me; hear y words. Guard me as the apple of your eye;
In the shadow of your wings protect me.*

Responsorial Psalm

Give the Lord glory and honor.

*For great is the Lord and highly to be praised;
Awesome is he, beyond all gods.
For all the gods of the nations are things of nought,
but the Lord made the heavens.*

Give the Lord glory and honor.

Give to the Lord, you families of nations, give to the Lord glory and praise; give to the Lord the glory due his name! Bing gifts, and enter his courts.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

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Today the Church will celebrate World Mission Sunday.

Cardinal Dolan and the US Bishops ask us to support this collection which is truly a global effort for the entire Church. It is a central moment each year to provide for the building up of over one thousand local churches in Asia and Africa, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, an area that covers more than half the territory of the globe. Every day, faithful missionaries are reaching out in the name of Christ, offering practical, emotional and spiritual care to communities, children and families in desperate need. Please support the missions! For more information visit: www.IAmAMissionary.org

ALL SAINTS DAY
 (Holy Day of Obligation met with the Sunday
 Obligation)

Sunday, November 1

ALL SOULS DAY 2020
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2nd

9am, 12:10PM
7:30PM – Names of the Deceased will be Read

RESPECT LIFE CORNER

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.

“No Catholic can responsibly take a “pro-choice” stand when the “choice” in question involves the taking of innocent human life.” Resolution on Abortion (1989) National Conference of Catholic Bishops

Action: You're invited to join Catholics nationwide in celebrating Respect Life Month this October with the message "Live the Gospel of Life"! As we celebrate the 25th anniversary of John Paul II's encyclical *The Gospel of Life*, learn how you can respond to His summons to "respect, protect, love and serve life, every human life!" Learn more at <https://www.respectlife.org/2020>

LIFE CHAIN

Nanuet: 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm each week. Runs for 40 Days --Middletown Rd. and Route 59. Contact Eileen Peterson @ (845) 492-6709 or RachelMinister1@aol.com

SHARING WHAT WE HAVE IN JESUS' NAME

October 11th - \$8,373.
Last Year's - \$10,837.

(-\$2,464.)

**SACRED HEART RELIGIOUS ED. PROGRAM
 REGISTRATION 2020-2021**

*****All In Person Registrations Are By
 APPOINTMENT ONLY***
 Please call 845-357-6044**

This year we will be instituting At Home Family-Based Religious Education. Please contact Janis Batewell Coordinator to make an appointment to register if you have not already. Learning began Oct. 3, 2020.

PARISH CALENDAR

- Monday, October 19**
Mass at 9am
- Tuesday, October 20**
Mass at 9am
- Wednesday, October 21**
Mass at 9:00am
- Thursday, October 22**
Mass at 9:00am
- Friday, October 23**
Mass at 9:00am
- Saturday, October 24- 12:00pm Holy Rosary**

**SACRED HEART CHURCH
 \$10,000.00 RAFFLE**

**OUR BIGGEST MOST IMPORTANT
 FUNDRAISER OF THE YEAR!
 TICKETS \$100 EACH (1 IN 250 CHANCE TO WIN)**

**Available at the Rectory
 Monday to Friday - 9am to 5pm**

**1ST PRIZE - \$10,000.00
 2ND PRIZE - \$1,000.00
 3RD PRIZE - \$500.00**

Winning tickets will be drawn at 3:00pm in the school gymnasium on Sunday, November 29th, the First Sunday of Advent.



IHA Open Houses – Oct. 25 and 29 Will you be a member of IHA's Class of 2025?

Immaculate Heart Academy's Fall Open Houses are Sunday, October 25 from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. and Thursday, October 29 from 6:30-8:30p.m. Decide if you belong @theheart by attending our 2020 Fall Open Houses; online registration is requested at www.ihanj.com. Please check the website and social media pages for any potential changes in our Open Houses due to ongoing COVID-19 circumstances. For more information, contact Ms. Alexis Fatigati '07, director of admissions, at 201.445.6800, ext. 112 or afatigati@ihanj.com. IHA is located at 500 Van Emburgh Ave., Township of Washington, NJ, 07676.



BANNS OF MARRIAGE

For the First Time
GRISELDA STAUB AND CLEVELAND COOKE
For the Second Time
BRIANNE MURPHY AND MICHAEL SIMPSON
For the Third Time
DANIEL KAGDIS AND ERIN GUMBS

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We welcome into the Roman Catholic Church and our Parish Community the following child who was recently baptized at Sacred Heart:

LIAM MATEO VALDERRAMA CARRILLO
 Child of Claudio and Yolanda



9:00AM DAILY – (MONDAY – FRIDAY)
SUNDAYS
8:30AM, 11:30AM AND 5:30PM
10:00AM – (SPANISH)

LIVE STREAMED ON OUR WEBSITE:
WWW.SACREDHEARTPARISH.ORG

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17 VIGIL MASS

5:30pm – John Priest /
 Mary Colleen Koscuizska

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18

8:30am – Dianne Messina / Deacon Joseph Witt
 10:00am – Spanish Mass
 11:30am – Mary Ann Blanton /
 Palma & Henry Heck

5:30pm – Parish Memorial / All Parishioners

MONDAY, OCTOBER 19

9:00am – Sister Maureen / Margaret Kravic
 7:15pm – **NO Novena**

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20

9:00am – The Priests of Tagaste /
 Antonietta Dominijanni

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21

9:00am – Sr. Mary John / Thomas Mathai

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22

9:00am – Fr. Brian Coffey /
 Felicia Rourke Ausbury

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23

9:00am – Anna Isernia / Molly Ruddy

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24

12:00pm – Holy Rosary

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 5:30pm – **Vigil Mass** –
 Andrew & Johanna Seman /
 Frank Torlucci

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25

8:30am – Rose Bonadies / Harold “Hack” Gravius
 10:00am – Spanish
 11:30am – Edward Fryns / Nancy & Joe Camillieri
 5:30pm – Parish Memorial / All Parishioners



Please pray for those who are ill and have asked us to pray

for them: Keith Alanis, Jenna Applebaum, Theresa Anselmi, Michael Brady, Tyler Borenkoff, Angie Clifford, Robert Conly, Comerford Family, Teresa & Tom Consolo, Mirella Cosentino, The Cosentino Family, Janet Curcione, Joe Davey, Anthony DeFrancesco III, Matthew DeMayo, Cledha Desir, Mary Discini, John Duffy, David Eckert, Sr., Ginny Figula, Stefanie Gaudelli, Arlene Gentile, Joseph Gilson, Mark Goldman, Debra Gravina, Senan Halpin, Clement Hayes, Mr. Harris, Domenic & Anthony Iannaccone, Rob Incognoli, Bob Janson, Fran Janson, Anna Kasperska, Eileen Kennedy, Fred Lemoine, Elizabeth Lempka, Vasily Lockhart, Roberta Lynch, Laura Mack, Matthew Luludis, Charles Lynch, Kathy Masserano, Thomas Mathai, Jeanne Matera, Richard McCarthy, Rosemary McCormick, Debra McGovern, Catherine McMenamin, John McLoughlin, Jacob Mendelsohn, Ken Meyer, Florence Mohan, Mary Lou Oldfield Napolitano, Barbara Neilson, Robert Nunes, Thomas O’Connor, Jennifer O’Hara, Pat O’Neill, Nancy Overend, Leona Overend, Gerry Roemer, Daryl Pack, Shace Paljusevic, Noreen Pidgeon, Etta Rooney, Claudia Spallanzani, Joseph Pasculli, (Baby Ty) Reilly, Michael Shumway, Jean Simons, Roberto Sorgo, Maureen Starke, Shaun Stein, Patricia Steiper, Richard Vanadio, Barbara Veraldo Strano, Phyllis Varacalli, Kali Villela, Robert Vogt, Fr. Wing, and Vladimir Zaslavsky.

ALTAR MEMORIALS OCTOBER 18, 2020

**Altar Candles In Memory of
PALMA & HENRY HECK**

**Sanctuary Lamp In Memory Of
KEVIN BUKOWSKI**



Let us pray for our deceased parishioners, and family members and loved ones:
 Especially: **Kenneth Howell, Dolores**

Blusewicz

**Booster Club
Week 5 – MARGE DIEBNER**