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THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR A OCTOBER 29, 2023

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arrangements are made.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Call anytime

FUNERAL: Tuesdays through Fridays Please call prior to final arrangements.

MASS SCHEDULES

Weekend

Saturdays: 4:00 p.m. Sundays: 7:00 a.m. & 9:30 a.m. CONFESSION: Saturdays: 3:30 p.m. or by Appointment

Weekday

Tuesdays & Thursdays: 12:15 p.m. Wednesdays & Fridays 7:00 a.m.

<u>HOLY HOUR</u> EXPOSITION AND ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRMENT FRIDAYS IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE 7:00 AM MASS



"TOGETHER BUILDING THE KINGDOM OF GOD."

30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE WORD FIRST READING: Exodus 22:20-26

The faithful and gracious Lord said, "You shall not wrong any widow or orphan....If you take your neighbor's cloak,...return it to him before sunset...If he cries out to me, I will hear him; for I am compassionate."

SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10

Paul commended the Christians of Thessalonica: "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 believers...the word of the Lord has sounded forth."

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 22:34-40

In response to a question from some Pharisees who wanted to trip Him up, Jesus said, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart...soul...and [mind]...You shall love your neighbor as yourself. "These are the two great commandments."

How does God want us to act toward others? That question is answered in today's readings. In Exodus, God tells the Chosen People how to treat strangers, widows, orphans, and others in difficult circumstances, and explains why. Writing to the Thessalonians, Paul says that by imitating the Lord they have become models for other believers. In the Gospel, Jesus teaches the Pharisees which commandment is the greatest. Let us allow God's word to penetrate our minds, our souls, and our hearts.

Daily Scripture Readings For The Week Of October 29,

30 - Monday St. Marcellus The Centurion, Martyr

Rom 8:12-17; Ps 68:2, 4, Ĺk 13:10-17 6-7, 20-21;

31 - Tuesday St. Wolfgang, Bishop of Ratisbon

Rom 8:18-25; Ps 126:1-6; Lk 13:18-21

01 - Wednesday All Saints Day Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24:1bc-4b, 5-6; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a

02 - Thursday All Souls' Day Wis 3:1-9; Ps 23:1-6; Rom

5:5-11 or Rom 6:3-6; 6:37

03 - Friday St. Martin De Porres, Religious

Rom 9:1-5; Ps 147:12-15, 19-14:1-6 Lk

04- Saturday St. Charles

Borromeo, Bishop Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29; Ps 94:12-13a 14-15, 17-18; Lk 14:1,

05 - Sunday 31st Sunday In O.T. Mal 1:14b—2:2b, 8-10; Ps 131:1-1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13; 23:1-12

MASS INTENTION

4:00 p.m.: Saturday October 28, 2023

- B'day Blessing George St. Rose rb Family

- Tracy Bhola and Family rb Patricia Browne

7:00 a.m.: Sunday October 29, 2023

- +Stephanie Joseph and Sybil Fox rb Quintina Joseph

9:30 a.m.: - B'day Blessing Simone Gaston rb Family

B'day Blessing Trevor Nelson rb Wife and children

- B'day Blessings Michael and Michaela Matthew rb Grandmother

- 9th Anniv. Stewards of Christ Ministry

12:15 p.m.: Tuesday October 31, 2023

- B'day Blessings Louise Hanson and Simone Gaston rb Simone Gaston

- B'day Blessing Simone Gaston rb Children and Grandchildren

Wednesday November 01, 2023 7:00 a.m.:

+Hendrick Nkadimeng rb His Son

Thursday November 02, 2023 12:15 p. m.:

- Souls in Purgatory

Friday November 03, 2023 7:00 a.m.:

- Priests of the Diocese

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THIS WEEK'S SANCTUARY CANDLE

ST. JOACHIM CHURCH: B'day Blessing Alex

Abraham rb Elizabeth Jacob

ST. ANN CHAPEL: Spl. Int. Louis, Agnes, Jessica

Melissa Alphonse

SHRINE: B'day Blessing Simone Gaston rb Family **ALTAR FLOWERS:** B'day Blessing Simone Gaston rb Patricia Browne

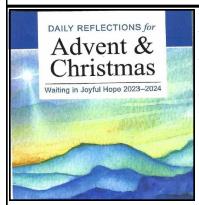
- Church Maintenance: Abundant blessings and thanks to our Altar Society Group "C" that cleaned and prepared the Lord's house for church services this past Saturday. Group "D" is scheduled to clean on Saturday, November 04, 2023. Please think and pray about giving just one hour each month to this ministry.
- Anniversary Mass Celebration: The Dominican United Cultural Group will be celebrating Dominica's 45th Independence and its 30th Anniversary with a Kweyol Mass on November 12, 2023 at 9:30 a.m. in the Joachim Church. The celebrant will be Fr. Herman Sharplis. All are invited.
- Important Workshop: Parishioners are invited to an Interactive Workshop on Grief, Trauma and Loss hosted by Tracy Sanders, RN, MN, CNS, founder of Continum Care, at St. Joseph's Hospitality Lounge on Thursday, November 16, 2023 at 3:00 P.M. The event is free and open to the public but registration is required via telephone (1-877-926-8300) or online at events.aarp.org/AARPVIGriefLossSeries.
- Thanksgiving Food Drive: Kindly bring your nonperishable food items prior to, or at the Thanksgiving Mass which will be celebrated on Thursday, November 23, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. in the St. Joachim & Ann Church. The Office will be closed on Friday, November 24, 2023, day after Thanksgiving.
- Book of Life: During the month of November, The Book Of Life will be provided for recording the names of those who have died within the last
- Religious Education: Religious Education Classes for all levels continue every Saturday from 9:00 - 11:00 AM.
- **Condolences:** We are saddened to announce the death of Mrs. Rita Schuster who passed away on October 26, 2023. All funeral arrangements are pending. May her soul, through the mercy of God, rest in peace!
- **Bookstore:** Come visit the Bookstore. We have an assortment of Anniversary T-Shirts, Rosaries, Birthday Cards, Crucifixes, Bibles, etc. We have two books on sale for \$2.00 each - Catholic Prayer for Catholic Families and A Parent Guide to Prayer. Come Browse!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM 2023 — 2024

Saturdays: 9:00 a.m. — 11:00 a.m.

Classes for ALL LEVELS - 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 & 9

PLEASE BE ON TIME AND ALSO PICK UP THE STUDENTS IMMEDIATELY AFTER CLASSES



Advent Daily Reflections

We are once again entering Advent Season 2023. You are being encouraged to participate in the Advent and Christmas Daily Reflections as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of the Lord. The cost is \$4.00 each and can be purchased in the Bookstore. Thank you.

UPCOMING MASS SCHEDULE

• Mass Schedule For November:

All Saints' Day - Wednesday 11/1/23 - 7:00 A.M. All Souls' Day - Thursday 11/2/23 - 12:15 P.M. Youth Mass - Sunday 11/5/23 - 9:30 A.M. Bishop Thanksgiving Mass-Tuesday 11/21/23 - 10:00 A.M.

Thanksgiving Day - Thursday 11/23/23 - 9:00 A.M.

Christ The King

Vigil Mass: Saturday 11/25/2023 4:00 P.M.

Sunday 11/26/2023 9:00 A.M.

(Only one Mass that day)

Followed by procession with the Blessed Sacrament

ALL SAINTS and ALL SOULS

ALL SAINTS: It's a yearly reminder of our connectedness as Christians to the Church. It's called "All Saints Day" and is commemorated every November 1st. About the year 731, Pope Gregory III consecrated a Chapel in St. Peter's Church in honor of all the saints, and since then the feast of All Saints has been celebrated in Rome. Gregory IV, while in France in 837, greatly encouraged the celebration of this feast in that country also. The Christian festival of All Saints Day comes from a conviction that there is a spiritual connection between those in Heaven and on Earth. In Catholic tradition, the holiday honors all those who have passed on to the Kingdom of Heaven. All Saints Day relates to giving God earnest gratitude for the lives and deaths of his saints, remembering those who were well-known and not.

(See All Souls on next column)

PRAYER CORNER

HURRICANE SEASON PRAYER

God our Father, all the elements of nature obey your command. Keep us safe from the dangers of hurricanes, floods, earthquakes, natural disasters and all acts of terrorism. May we be secure in your protection and always feel the presence of your love, as you turn our fear into praise of your goodness. Bless our families, bring peace to all nations and protect us from the Coronavirus and all other sicknesses. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ Your Son, who lives and reigns with You in unity with the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen!

FATIMA PRAYER

My God, I believe, I adore, I hope and I love Thee! I ask forgiveness for those who do not believe, do not adore, do not hope and do not love Thee. Amen!

ALL SOULS: All Souls Day is a solemn celebration in the Roman Catholic Church commemorating all of those who have died and are now in Purgatory, being cleansed of their venial sins and the temporal punishments for the mortal sins that they had confessed, and being made pure before entering into the presence of God in Heaven. The importance of All Souls Day was made clear by Pope Benedict XV (1914-22) when he granted all priests the privilege of celebrating three Masses on All Souls Day: one for the faithful departed; one for the priest's intentions; and one for the intentions of the Holy Father. On only a handful of other very important feast days are priests allowed to celebrate more than two Masses. On All Souls Day, we not only remember the dead, but we apply our efforts, through prayer, almsgiving, and the Mass, to their release from Purgatory.

Source: htt://learnreligions.com/Summary

OUR LADY OF BARRENSPOT SHRINE Located In The Sugar Mill, Erected 1808



Please feel free to visit, meditate and pray.

Please pray for the members of our Parish who are sick or suffering...

Gavin A. Navarro, Maria Hall, Eugenie Samuel, Blossy Julien, Gloria Roddy, Omar Dubois, Carla D. Beharry, Kimbel President, Neil Dennie, Madonna Hall, Madonna Remy, Patrice John, Francis Charles, Eldon Serrant, Alex Albert, George John, Gloria John, Matilda Nestor, Annel Sylvestre, Julius Francis, Helen Howard, Mary Bishop, Francis (Frankie) Xavier, Charles Philip, Joseph Vigier, Ferdin Tobierre, Juditha Joseph, Anisha Hendricks, Louise L. Henry, Worrell George, Polly Joseph, Mary Vincent, James Eugene, Anne Marie Eugene, Valerie Leon, Keeyan Scotland, Vel Beaubrun, Cammie R. Daniel, Agatha Joseph, Paulina Isaac, Mary N. Elliott, Princilla J. Eugene, Agatha Edwards, Alejandro Ayala, Anna Guiste, Kaishia Toussaint, Ruth Royer, Melanie Popo, Eugenia Johnson, Edita Emmanuel, Melvina Albert, Maureen Tyson, Elisa Harrison, Cornelia Willie, Celine Bradshaw, Uralise Eugene, Mabel Williams, Steven C. Mayers, Judith Nelson, Julien Thomas, Barbara Bretto, Cynthia Richards, Lynette Ettinoffe, Kieran St. Ange, Evarista Sampson, Mercedes Samuel, Leonard Joseph, Sr., Peter Nestor, Lawrence Patrick

Please call the Office to add or remove names from this list.

Members of the Armed Forces Serving Our Country

Aliyah Brooks, Justin Joseph, Malachi Gaston, Meriano Jacobs, Marquis Joseph, Natasha Massicott-Alcala, Erica Toussaint, Herman Bardouille, Jr., Nicholas Philogene, Alexander Buchanan, Rashad A. Richards, Tre'Von Portor, Akeem Grenidge, Enja Gumbs, Ganesia Milligan, Marvin Del Sol, Adrian Nelson, Brianna Nelson, Shawn Pryce, Michael Matthews, Rodney A. Fabio, III, Christopher Samuel, Recqiem Serrano, Jahkeel Richardson

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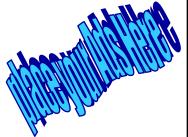




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