# ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

# ST. ANTHONY MISSION CHAPEL

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2021

31<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The scribe said to him, "Well said, teacher. You are right in

saying, 'He is One and there is no other than he.'" And when Jesus saw that he answered with understanding, he said to him,

"You are not far from the kingdom of God." - Mk 12:32, 34ab

#### Office Hours

Monday & Friday 9:00 a.m.-12 noon Wednesday & Thursday 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Tuesday **CLOSED** 

(Parishioners: For any emergency or sacramental needs please contact Fr. Richard, SVD at (337) 714-9327

#### Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: St Anthony
St. Joseph
Monday - Thursday - Friday
Wednesday

5:00 p.m.
8:00 a.m.
10:00 a.m.
7:00 a.m.
6:00 p.m.

#### Confession

Saturday4:00–5:00 p.m. Weekdays following weekday masses or by appointment

#### Parish Staff

**Pastor:** Fr. Ryszard Zawadzki, S.V.D. (337) 714-9327

Secretary/Bookkeeper: Ms. Peggie M. Bellow

Sacristan: Mr. Dan Foster

Maintenance: Mr. Terry Flugence

Musicians: Mr. Harris Flugence

Ms. Carla Bernard

Trustees: Mr. Ervin Flugence

Mrs. Dianna Darby

Victims Assistance Coordinator:

Mr. Joe Pisanco, Jr. (337) 298-2987

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Contact the Church office to schedule Baptisms

#### Sacrament of Marriage

Sacrament of Baptism

Couples should contact the Priest 6 months prior to the wedding date. NO wedding date should be planned, till after the Marriage Preparation has been completed.

#### **Funerals**

Please call the office to inform of the death of a church member and to schedule an appointment to plan the Funeral. Only after meeting with the Secretary, should one contact the funeral home with the final arrangement. Meetings

Ushers Association: Third Monday of every month at 6:30 p.m.—Bishop Perry Learning Center Adult Choir Practice: Every Thursday at 6:00 p.m. Come Lord Jesus Group: Every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. Knights & Ladies Auxiliary of Peter Claver: 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun of the month

#### Mission Statement

"As a community inspired by the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ and our ancestral heritage, we the parishioners of St. Joseph and St. Anthony profess to proclaim God's goodness. And through our faith and commitment to the Holy Word we join together in spirit, truth, love and service working together for the good of our church parish."

### **GOSPEL MEDITATION**



"Centuries of God's devoted people have found this prayer on their lips: "Hear, O Israel! The Lord is our God, the Lord alone!" The fundamental prayer has been laid as the

cornerstone of many spiritual lives. Where did you learn how to pray or did you? Maybe there is a wisdom figure in your life who inspired and guided you by the genuine, holy simplicity of their lives. His or her example may have led you to God and taught you how to pray. Or perhaps you discovered this art on your own after stumbling over yourself enough times and finally realizing it was time to reach out to Someone greater than yourself. There is a timeless truth that we not only tend to forget, but may have never learned. There is only one God, the Lord alone! As a result, we often worship other gods rather than the One true God. Everything in our life gets distorted and we find ourselves lost and off center. If we haven't learned it yet, there is a life lesson at the top of all of the possible lessons to be learned. There is One True and Eternal God who alone has a solitary claim on us and must be loved with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength. Until we learn this primary lesson, we run the risk of getting distracted and sidetracked. We will also never really figure out what is at the heart of the relationships we share with the other human beings on this planet with whom we share life. That one primary lesson will teach us the second most valuable lesson: that we must love our neighbor as ourselves. You cannot have one without the other. The presence of God in the core soul of each one of us requires that all of our relationships work together. This truth is at the heart of the Gospel. If every human being, each in their own way, could stumble upon and genuinely embrace this truth, look how different life would be! Our priorities will immediately shift from "I and me" to "us and we" and we will develop a more inclusive vision for our brothers and sisters. Concerned not only about my own wellbeing and happiness but also that of our brothers and sisters, humanity stands a chance at succeeding in the struggle with injustice, abuse, inequity, violence, war, entitlement, and privilege. seems that getting to this point has been at the heart of the Gospel and the kingdom of God from the moment Jesus first started to preach. It's a wonder why, then, why so many centuries later, we have still failed to achieve his vision. Maybe we just haven't learned our primary lessons yet.

# 59Mass Intentions

Sat. 5:00 p.m: Hilda Johnson, Alexson Mathieu, Audrey Mathieu, deceased members of the Mathieu & Mouton families, Christopher J Anderson, Wilbert & Thelma Jeanlouis, Harold Anderson Sr & Ethel Mae Decuir, Mazel Norbert, Ronald Norbert, Joseph Jacquet, Melba Green, Roy Jacquet Sr, Mary Jane Jacquet, Roy Jacquet Jr, deceased members of the Gotch family, the James family, the Melancon family, the Moulden family, the Orphy family, the Pellerin family, Jaylon Harrison (*1st Anniversary*), deceased members of the Harrison & Lee families, Grace Joachim and for all who celebrated a birthday in October. Special Intentions for all of our church Benefactors and donor and for the wellbeing and intentions of our church members.

**Sun.** 8:00 a.m: Elvena Berard, Landry Lee, Whitney Lee, Clinton Trahan, Anna Lee Trahan, Lisa Trahan and for all who celebrated a birthday in October. Special Intentions for all of our church Benefactors and Donors and for the wellbeing and intentions of our church members.

Sun. 10:00 a.m: Joseph Leo Sias III, Christopher Anderson and the deceased members of the Decuir & Anderson families, Lionel Ryes, M/M Curley & Mary Ann Flugence, deceased members of the Flugence & St. Julien families, M/M Agnes & Howard Broussard Sr, Howard Broussard Jr, deceased members of the Broussard & Adams families, deceased members of the Johnson & Walker families, John C Francis, M/M Daniel Montgomery, M/M Aaron Kimble, Jordan Porter, Ella Renai Porter, Wilfred Thompson (2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary), M/M Harold & Velma Flugence, deceased members of the Thompson & Flugence families, Shirley Paul Thomas, Helene Thomas, Eddie Paul Thomas, Michael Thomas, and for all who celebrated a birthday in October. Special Intentions for all of our church Benefactors and Donors and for the wellbeing and intentions of our church members.

## **Prayers for the Sick:**

Merciful Jesus, onto Your Compassionate
Heart we recommend:

Charles Lee, Gustavia Thibeaux, John Albert Ledet, Mark Tauriac, Shavawna Flugence, Mayola Williams, Lester Mouton, Louvenia L Gibson, Audrey Armelin, Rodney Dupuis, Bessie Johnson, Edna Nickerson, Emery Joe and Sylvania Cormier.

# WEEKLY PRAYER

#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 31, 2021

Sunday: Dt 6:2-6/Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 [2]/Heb 7:23-28/Mk 12:28b-34

Monday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. 6]/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a

Tuesday: Wis 3:1-9/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1 or 4ab]/Rom 5:5-11 or Rom

6:3-9/Jn 6:37-40a

Wednesday: Rom 13:8-10/Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9 [5a]/Lk 14:25-33

Thursday: Rom 14:7-12/Ps 27:1bcde, 4, 13-14 [13]/Lk 15:1-10

Friday: Rom 15:14-21/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [cf. 2b]/Lk 16:1-8

Saturday: Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 10-11 [1b]/Lk 16:9-15

Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 17:10-16/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/Heb 9:24-28/Mk

12:38-44 or 12:41-44

#### OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 31, 2021

Sunday: 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time; Priesthood Sunday; All Hallow's Eve

Monday: All Saints

Tuesday: Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed;

All Souls' Day; Election Day

Wednesday: St. Martin de Porres, Religious

Thursday: St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop

Saturday: BVM

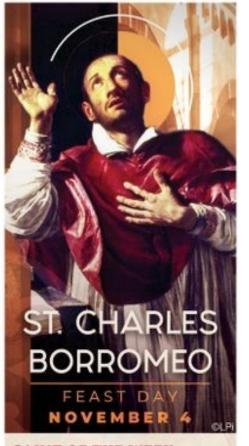
Next Sunday: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time;

National Vocation Awareness Week; Daylight Saving Time Ends

#### LIVE THE LITURGY

#### Inspiration for the week

"Hear, O Israel! The Lord is our God, the Lord alone!" This ancient prayer has been found on the lips of many of God's devoted servants throughout history. In its simplicity it reminds us of a timeless truth we often forget. We often worship other gods rather than the One true God and find all of our relationships distorted as a result. This One True and Eternal God who alone has a solitary claim on us and must be loved with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength. It is important that we remind ourselves often of God's primary place in our lives, lest we get distracted and sidetracked. But there is one more important piece that Jesus insists belongs with this. We must love our neighbor as ourselves. You cannot have one without the other. God's presence within each one of us requires that all of our relationships work together. This is at the heart of God's kingdom.



#### SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. Charles Borromeo (1538 - 1584) is most known for living during the time of the Protestant Reformation and helped influence reform of the whole Church during the final years of the Council of Trent.

Although St. Charles Borromeo belonged to nobility, he greatly desired to serve the Church. In 1559, his uncle was elected Pope Pius IV. He made Charles cardinal-deacon and administrator of the Archdiocese of Milan. At the time, Charles was a simple student, but because of his intellectual qualities, he was assigned several important offices connected with the Vatican. After the death of his brother, he decided to become a priest and was ordained at age 25. Soon after he became bishop of Milan.

Quietly working behind the scenes, St. Charles Borromeo is credited with keeping the Council of Trent in session and encouraging the pope to renew the Council in 1562, after its 10-year suspension. Afterwards, he devoted his time to serving in the Archdiocese of Milan.

Among his most important actions during his life, St. Charles Borromeo established seminaries, colleges, and communities for the education of candidates for holy orders. His emphasis on Catholic learning greatly increased the preparation of men for the priesthood and benefited their congregations. He died at the age of 46.

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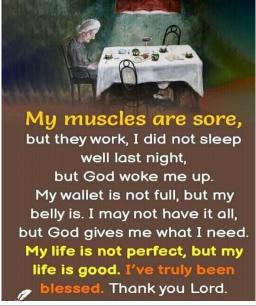
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Mark 12:28-34

Pastor The relationship between God and man is a special bond of love. St. John tells us that God is love and because he is the love he created the universe and made man master and masterpiece of this creation. God is present in every bit of creation and presents himself to the human person as an extension of himself. God loves each person individually and calls us to let ourselves be built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood to offer spiritual sacrifices, persons set apart for him. He wants us to reflect on our response to him through our holiness and offering of self to him. He is a personal God and we experience his touch in the presence of Jesus. Christian love requires of us to root out of our hearts and minds these distorted perceptions and to convert our hearts and minds to a true and compassionate love of God and of others. In the first reading we have the presentation of the love of God in the form of the Ten Commandments. The chosen people were invited to love God with their whole hearts. They in turn will receive plentiful blessings from God. In the second reading, we are told how Christ saved us all by offering himself. As a High Priest, he offered himself once and for all to God for our sake. The efficacy of his priesthood really began when he rose from the dead. In the Gospel we have the summary of the Law given by Jesus to love God with the whole heart, mind and strength and to love one's neighbor as the person would love himself or herself. Jesus says that there is no commandment greater than these. Jesus is a model for us in the practice of the virtue of love. His love is ideal, divine and allembracing. During his lifetime he showed how to love others and showed his love towards his disciples, his followers and even his enemies. From the cross, his prayer of forgiveness to the enemies was the deepest expression of his love. In today's world, the word love is often misunderstood and misused. Love is many beautiful things and in today's culture, it can lose its full meaning. It is not only what makes the world go round it is what makes the ride worthwhile. But love is also demanding. To love means to go beyond ourselves, truly to face another person to rise above our own need, to stretch out to someone, to see the faces of those who desperately need our love, to risk discomfort, to give our time and energy and indeed to give ourselves to others. Love involves total giving and sacrificing oneself. There is no question of sharing only a part or to love when the person feels good. It is true that love has to do with feelings, but it has far more to do with commitment, challenge and letting go.

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**Inspirations for Your Week** 



## **Our Giving**

Oct 23rd & 24th, 2021

**St. Joseph:** (64 Envelopes) **\$1,351.75** 

**St. Anthony:** (33 Envelopes) <u>496.00</u>

\$1,847.75

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Collections:

World Mission Sunday: 341.00

TOTAL: \$2,188.75

September Assessment Paid: \$932.68

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### Stewardship Quotes:

"And 'to love him with all your heart, with all your understanding, with all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself' is worth more than all the burnt offerings and sacrifices." (Mark 12:33)

Of all the gifts that God gives us, the one He wants the most is our heart. He wants us to share out of our love for Him, not out of obligation. Using our talent in parish ministry and contributing money to support our parish mission is important, but it's more important to spend time in prayer with God daily and discern how He is calling us to be generous with <u>all</u> of our gifts. Not just the visible ones, but the invisible ones like love, mercy and forgiveness.

# THE 31<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

# **OCTOBER 31**<sup>ST</sup>, 2021

Mass	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Altar Servers	Ushers
SATURDAY Nov 6, 2021 5:00pm	Michael Keefe	Linda Johnson		
SUNDAY Nov 7, 2021 8:00am	Dianna Darby			
SUNDAY Nov 7, 2021 10:00am	Brenda Washington	Terry Flugence		

<u>Please Note:</u> Lectors, Ushers, Altar Servers and Extraordinary Ministers of Communion; by calling for a replacement when you are scheduled but cannot serve, you honor your commitment and help to ensure that there is no interruption for mass. Thanks!!

### **God's Housekeepers:**

**St. Joseph:** Thanks to all of the ladies in **Group A** that cleaned the church on October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021. The next group is **Group B:** Barbara Thomas, Carolyn Domingue and Laura Williams – November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

**St. Anthony — November, 2021:** (Group B) Theresa Cormier, Beverly Rixner, Dianna Darby, Jaleesa Richard and Laura Chretien.

Your hard work and time dedicated is appreciated!



To everyone who celebrated a birthday in October



### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- A Special Rosary in honor of Our Lady of Fatima will be held Sunday, October 31<sup>st</sup> at 4pm at St Joseph outside of the church under the trees (weather permitting). Please join us!
- Next weekends 2nd Collection will be for the Building Maintenance Fund.
- November is the month in which we remember the dead. During this time, we continue to pray for those who have gone before us in faith that they might be embraced by God. At St. Joseph and St. Anthony, you will have the opportunity to remember your loved ones by signing their names in our *Book of the Names of the Dead* which will be placed in the back of the church all through November.

On Monday, November 1<sup>st</sup>, we will celebrate 7:00am Mass at St Joseph in honor of All Saints Day and on Tuesday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, we will celebrate 7:00am Mass at St Joseph in honor of All Souls Day. After Tuesday's Mass, we will pray the Rosary at St. Joseph Cemetery followed by the blessing of all tombs. Please come and join us.