

THE GOOD NEWS

PRESENTATION OUR LADY OF VICTORY PARISH
DETROIT, MICHIGAN

30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
OCTOBER 25, 2020

For some reason, it is easier to genuflect in reverence to the presence of Christ in the tabernacle of a church, than to genuflect in reverence to the same presence of Christ in another person's soul. We wrongly believe that God divides himself, placing himself in one place in preference to another. It doesn't work that way. Love of God and love of neighbor are intimately and inseparably connected because the essence and spark of God's very presence is in all creation. God's presence is just as real in the one who is good, as in the one who is bad, and the one who is just, and the one who is unjust.

Our brains get in the way of truly contemplating the awesomeness of this truth. We like to separate things into boxes, the sheep from the goats and the deserving from the undeserving. But, with God there are no distinctions such as this. Our human classifications, subdivisions, and definitions hold no power or have any weight in God's eyes. Sadly, we relate to God and to each other as if they do.

We cannot be deaf to the world's pain. It is not about having, hoarding, accumulating, acquiring, securing, storing, protecting, owning,



claiming, or any of the other human terms we use to distinguish mine from yours. We put so much power in these words and that power, even though we may not always realize it, can cause those words and the distinctions they carry to wound and hurt others. We have the whole order of things wrong, but we are so set on preserving this order that we are absolutely afraid to do it any other way. We go through hoops trying to convince ourselves why the perils of the person seeking a new place to call home are not our perils that we turn our back and justify closing our doors. It makes perfect sense to us. Yet, it makes no sense in terms

of our faith. It doesn't square with any of the words found in Sacred Scripture or in any time-tested teaching of the church.

We have it all reversed. We know that we do because when Jesus speaks about such things and the words of the Old Testament prophets ring out again, we start to feel uncomfortable and anxious. What we do, directly or by omission, to one of the least of these little ones we do to God. It is quite possible that some of what we are doing personally, economically, politically, globally, and even religiously is doing more harm than good. Let's ponder that a bit.



CONGRATULATIONS

Deacon Hubert Sanders



20th Anniversary of Diaconate Ordination

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Sunday, October 25
30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Ex 22:20-26
1 Thes 1:5c-10
Mt 22:34-40

Monday, October 26
Eph 4:32-5:8
Lk 13:10-17

Tuesday, October 27
Eph 5:21-33
Lk 13:18-21

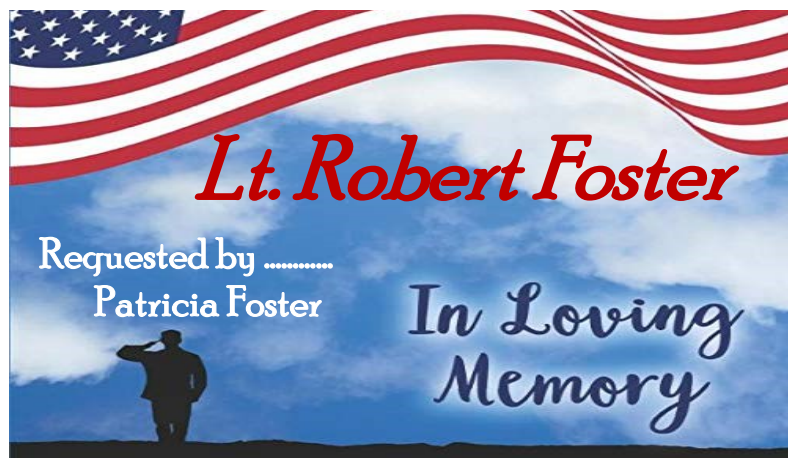
Wednesday, October 28
Eph 2:19-22
Lk 6:12-16

Thursday, October 29
Eph 6:10-20
Lk 13:31-35

Friday, October 30
Phil 1:1-11
Lk 14:1-6

Saturday, October 31
Phil 1:18b-26
Lk 14:1, 7-11

Sunday, November 1
30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Rv 7:2-4, 9-14
1 Jn 3:1-3
Mt 5:1-12a

NEXT WEEK'S MASS INTENTION
November 1, 2020

† PRAYER LIST †

*Naomi Anderson, Maeola Blackmon, Wayne Bradley,
Nancy Burr, Sarah Diggs, Ruth Donaldson,
Wesley Duggan, Marjorie Greene, Darlene Harris,
Caldonia Ingram, Emily McGhee, Marsha Price,
Priscilla Propson, Doris Robinson,
Mary Elizabeth Robinson, Deacon Sanders,
Alexander Stubbs Jr., Edward Sutton, Monika Uriel,
Dick Whitters, Janice Wilson*

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† MEMORIAL MASS †

Sunday, November 8th
12:00 noon

Please join us as we remember those who have gone before us this past year. This has been an especially hard year for everyone. We hope that many of you will be able to be with us on this day.

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The **BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE** will be out during the month of November for you to write the names of those you've lost and wish to remember. For those who have names and are unable to come, please email, call the office or mail the names to the office. We will be sure to write them in the Book of Remembrance for you.
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CSA 2020

"Rise, Be Not Afraid"

Parish Target Goal: \$9,223.00
Total Pledges: \$18,135.00
Amount Over Our Goal: \$8,912.00
Total Household Pledges: 36

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SUNDAY'S READINGS

FIRST READING:

"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."
(Ex 22:21-23a)

PSALM:

I love you, Lord, my strength. (Ps 18)

SECOND READING:

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. (1 Thes 1:6-7)

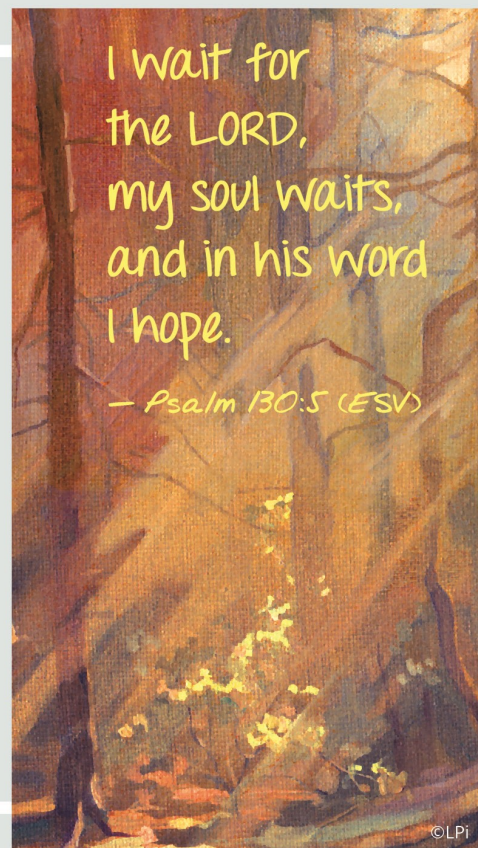
GOSPEL:

Jesus 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." (Mt 22:37-39)

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OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 25, 2020

Sunday: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Wednesday: Sts. Simon and Jude, Apostles
Saturday: All Hallow's Eve
Next Sunday: All Saints; Daylight Saving Time ends;
National Vocation Awareness Week



REFLECT

FIRST READING

Today's reading is an excerpt from the many laws Moses received at Mount Sinai. We learn that God expects empathy and compassion for the most vulnerable in society. How do you show care for those in need?

SECOND READING

Paul saw the believers in the city of Thessalonica as models for the faith in the surrounding regions of Macedonia and Achaia. Who would you hold up today as a model Christian?

GOSPEL READING

Jesus teaches the religious leaders in Jerusalem that love of God and love of neighbor and self are the greatest commandments. Which of these two commandments do you find more challenging?

CALCULATING LOVE

Have you ever Googled the word "love"? If you did you may have come across something called the Love Calculator. It is a website where you can supply two names, and the percentage chance of a successful relationship is calculated. Curious, I entered my name and my wife's. Twenty percent! I hope my wife doesn't read this!

I then decided to add my name and God. A whopping thirteen percent! Then for the last attempt, I put in my name and Jesus. A very disappointing zero percent! Am I that unlovable? Of course, then I read the small print at the bottom of the page: "Please note that this site has no serious intention whatsoever." Shocking!

The truth is, the modern world increasingly seems to have no real idea what love is or how to determine when love is real. That makes the seemingly simple words of Jesus about loving God and your neighbor very complex indeed. How can you love God with your all your heart, soul, and mind when you have no idea what the act of loving means? And then, what constitutes loving a neighbor? To make it more complicated, Jesus commands you to love them like you love yourself. I bet you can agree with me that there are a lot of people out there who do not even come close to loving themselves. Knowing what love is in modern times is just not that easy. How is a well-meaning person able to find out the true meaning of love?

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

WHAT HAPPENS IF SOMEONE DROPS A CONSECRATED HOST?

Despite our best efforts, and this is as true in our liturgical celebrations as in all of life, accidents happen. Occasionally at Mass, a host may be dropped or some of the Precious Blood could even be spilled from the chalice, despite the best efforts of the priests, deacons, and extraordinary ministers of holy Communion assisting at the liturgy.

So, when a host is dropped or the Precious Blood is spilled, we can take guidance from the U.S. Bishops' statement *Norms for the Distribution for Holy Communion Under Both Kinds*:

All ministers of Holy Communion should show the greatest reverence for the Most Holy Eucharist by their demeanor, their attire, and the manner in which they

handle the consecrated bread or wine. Should there be any mishap — as when, for example, the consecrated wine is spilled from the chalice — then the affected "area . . . should be washed with water, and this water should be then poured into the sacrarium."



According to no. 280 of the *General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, the general rule is that a dropped host is picked up by the minister distributing Communion and reverently consumed. The minister should be careful to make sure that no other particles from the host remain on the ground. As we see in the instruction from the bishops, the Precious Blood would be absorbed

(customarily with a purificator) and the area attentively and reverently washed with water which would then be disposed of properly.

READ THE GOSPEL AND COMPLETE A PUZZLE!

SHARING THE GOSPEL

When you have a choice to make, think about what God wants. Make sure your choices are good and that they help other people. When you follow God's example, you will be ready to love other people. With God's help you can be gentle, forgiving and kind.

PRAYER

God, help me to love you and other people more and more every day.

MISSION FOR THE WEEK

As a family, help an elderly person in your neighborhood. Help them clean up their home or their yard.

KIDS CORNER

Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

GREATEST
LAW
LOVE

LORD
HEART
SOUL

MIND
NEIGHBOR
YOURSELF

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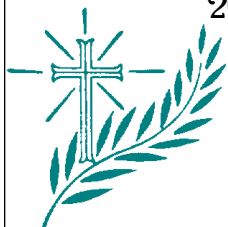
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**CATHOLIC RESOURCES**

† Ave Maria Radio ~ 990 am

† Catholic Connection—Teresa Tomeo
 Monday-Friday 8am-10am

† Christ is the Answer—Fr. John Riccardo
 Monday-Friday 11am

† Kresta in the Afternoon—Al Kresta
 Monday-Friday 4pm-6pm

† EWTN Global Catholic Radio Open Line
 Monday-Friday 3pm

† Catholic Answers
 Monday-Friday 6pm-8pm
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