ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH | NOVEMBER 3, 2024



31st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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MASS SCHEDULE Saturday 4:00 pm Sunday 10:00 am

WEEKDAYS Monday & Tuesday: 8:30 am

HOLY DAY MASSES Consult the bulletin

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MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

The theme of the readings for this, and for the next two Sundays, reflects the teachings given to us in the beautiful Letter to the Hebrews – **about Jesus, as Priest (this Sunday), Prophet (next Sunday), and King (the last Sunday).** These are the three theological titles of Jesus Christ according to the writer of Hebrews, and this is the way we should look at these readings for each of these Sundays and forever in our own personal lives.

The First Reading is from the Book of Deuteronomy (6:2-6). In this passage, Moses is giving his people, the Israelites, his last instructions shortly before his death. These instructions contain a mild warning coupled with the Jewish version of the First Commandment. In ancient Jewish thinking, earthly prosperity depended upon obeying God out of fear. The concept of obedience out of love and gratitude was unknown to them, thus they were not a happy people, because love and obedience must come from a heart that is free of fear.

The Responsorial Psalm is (18:2-4, 47, 51). This Psalm, which was written hundreds of years after the time of Moses, picks up the idea of love and gratitude and gives glory to God for His many blessings. All the psalms are reflections on events in the lives of the Jewish People, but we can identify with the psalms because of their universal nature and beauty.

The Second Reading is from the Letter to the Hebrews (7:23-28). The writer of Hebrews is telling us that we now have, in Jesus Christ, an eternal high priest that is God Himself. Therefore, we need not approach Him in fear because He was "one of us" and knows well the weaknesses of humanity.

The Gospel Reading is taken from the Gospel of Mark (12:28-34). In this passage, we hear Jesus being questioned by one of the scribes (interpreters of "the law") who was apparently sincere about his inquiry. Jesus gives him the same answer and commandment as Moses did in the First Reading, but there is a difference. Here Jesus adds a second thought – almost a second commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." Together these two commandments fulfill all the laws of Moses (see Romans 13:9, 10) and of God in Jesus Christ. Love of God without corresponding love of neighbor is invalid and not acceptable. Apparently the young scribe recognized the appropriateness of Jesus' response to which Jesus assures him with, "You are not far from the kingdom of God."

In answer to the scribe's question, Jesus follows up Moses' command with a summary of the Jewish laws, which He narrows down to two – Love of God and love of Neighbor. In doing this, Jesus demonstrates how He rightfully fulfills the office of *"high priest"* as described in the Letter to the Hebrews. Therefore, we can approach Him without fear because divine love is there.

We must admit that even in our own Catholic faith, up to the time of Vatican II, we were taught that "*fear of the Lord was the first step to wisdom*" (*Proverbs 9:10*), and many people, even to this day, carry this idea of God with them. However, "*fear*" in this case means reverence for, rather than fear of offending, God. We should pray for a better understanding of God's love and ask that it overflow in us to our neighbor.

Something to think about during your prayer time this week.

Rev. Edward J. Smith

SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS

CONFESSION Saturday 3:00 pm or by appt.

BAPTISM

At least one parent must be a parishioner & actively attend Mass prior to calling the Office.

Baptisms will be held on the 4th Sunday of the month.

MARRIAGE

At least one member of the couple must be a parishioner & actively attend Mass prior to calling

Couples need to make arrangements at least 6 months in advance

No date may be reserved until discussion with the pastor of the parish.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK Call the Parish Office

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Altar Servers - Alan Brailer Art & Environment - Linda Mathewson

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> Lectors - Nadya Cole Sacristans - Mike Darby Ushers - Fran Stack

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SUNDAY READINGS

FIRST READING: *"Therefore, you shall love the LORD, your God, with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength." (Dt 6:5)*

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

SECOND READING: But Jesus, because he remains forever, has a priesthood that does not pass away. (*Heb* 7:24)

GOSPEL: "The second is this: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than [this]." (Mk 12:31)

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK NOVEMBER 3, 2024

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

Monday: Phil 2:1-4/Ps 131:1bcde, 2, 3/ Lk 14:12-14

Tuesday: Phil 2:5-11/Ps 22:26b-27, 28-30ab, 30c, 31-32//Lk 14:15-24

Wednesday: Phil 2:12-18/Ps 27:1, 4, 13 -14/Lk 14:25-33

Thursday: Phil 3:3-8a/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 15:1-10

Friday: Phil 3:17-4:1/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Lk 16:1-8

Saturday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22

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



Sunday - Nov 3rd - 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time 10:00 am - †Gary D. Cooper, Sr. Requested by: Gary & Marcie Cooper Monday - Nov 4th - St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop

8:30 am - [†]Bernadine Kushinski *Requested by: The Brailer Family*

Tuesday - Nov 5th - Election Day8:30 am -†Helen HallerRequested by: Carol Potter

Saturday - Nov 9th - The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

4:00 pm - [†]John & Mary Jane Hornick *Requested by: Son & Daughter*

Sunday - Nov 10th - 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 10:00 am - †Andrew Butti

Requested by: Denise Butti



he 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 Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass (2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, November 9th at 4:00 pm Lectors: Laura V. Eucharistic Ministers: Jerry D., Patty R., Michael S.

Sunday, November 10th at 10:00 am Lectors: Steve B., Karen B. Eucharistic Ministers: Lisa S., David L., Joann T.



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OFFERTORY REPORT

FISCIAL YEAR (7/1/24-6/30/25)

AMOUNT BUDGETED WEEKLY	\$5,779.00
SUNDAY COLLECTION (10/13/2024)	\$5,189.25
7/1/2024 TO DATE +/(-) BUDGET +	

MY GIFT TO GOD REFLECTS HIS GENEROSITY TO ME

If you are unable to contribute, please submit your envelopes all the same as it is our most clear indication of active participation for Mass.

YEAR-END GIVING

This season of giving is a perfect time to express your gratitude for the blessings in your life by making a year-end gift to our parish. As you plan your charitable contributions for 2024, please know that we gratefully accept gifts of cash and appreciated assets, such as stocks and bonds.



THE PRAYER INTENTION OF THE HOLY FATHER ENTRUSTED TO THE POPE'S WORLDWIDE PRAYER NETWORK

NOVEMBER 2024 FOR ANYONE WHO HAS LOST A CHILD

We pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and receive peace and consolation from the Holy Spirit.

PRAYER REQUESTS

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Gloria Badillo	Janet Baxter	Joanne Bilancini	Maryann Boylan	Tim "Swampy" Burton	Lynn Coscho
Ann DiFrancesco	Jerry Donovan	Denise Ellis	Deacon Jose Flores	Norma Jean Flores	Scott Friges
Virginia Glass	Barbara Glick	Joe Gluvna	Brian Grace	Dan George	Renee Golowenski
D'Arie Gonzalez	Delores Gonzalez	Jose Gonzalez	Jose Gonzalez Jr.	Juan Gonzalez	Clara Hodorowski
Kevin Holley	Phyllis Holomuzki	Bob Humphrey	Jennifer Humphrey	Boston Lee Jackson	Iris Pearl Jackson
Al Jacobs	Devin Jarvis	Sylvia Johnston	Johnna Kuhar	Amanda Jacobs-Leadbetter	Deacon Luis Maldonado
Dean Martin III	Alan McCartney	Rita McConley	Sandra Merkly	Jen Mitterholzer	Ellen Morgan
Frank Murphy	Mary Nazario	Luci Payne	Elizabeth Raddell	Emily Raddell	Joe Rizzo
Jack Tocchi	Audali Torres	Rosa Torres	Nanette Truffin	Peter Uies	Stacie Velasquez
	Nick Vivens	Sherri Wedgeworth	Paul Winkler	Doris Zgola-Whitka	

Call the Parish Office if you would like to add someone to this list. Please notify us when to remove the name.

Call the "Prayer Line" for immediate prayer requests,

Linda: 440-667-9050 from 9 am - 3 pm or Terri, 440-320-3272 from 3 - 9 pm



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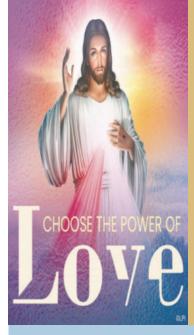
ADORATION CHAPEL

St. Teresa of Avila, Doctor of the Church — "Way of Perfection," 34:12

"After having received the Lord, since you have the Person Himself present, strive to close the eyes of the body and open those of the soul and look into your heart. For I tell you again and would like to tell you many times that you should acquire the habit of doing this every time you receive Communion and strive to have such a conscience that you will be allowed to enjoy this blessing frequently. Though He comes disguised, the disguise as I have said does not prevent Him from being recognized in many ways in conformity with the desire we have to see Him. And you can desire to see Him so much that He will reveal to you entirely."

<u>Jonathan Roumie, actor who plays on "The Chosen" movie —</u> <u>quoted in Knights of Columbus' Columbia Magazine</u>

"I've really come to deeply value the impact of spending time with Jesus in adoration before the Blessed Sacrament. There's a sense of peace that I get from just sitting with Him. I never quite understood that until actually doing it. If you just go and sit in front of the Blessed Sacrament in a chapel and focus on Christ, it's going to affect you in ways you can't anticipate."



DIVINE MERCY MEDITATION -LIFT US UP

I see your love, so pure and true that I give you first place among the virgins. You are the honor and glory of My Passion. I see every abasement of your soul, and nothing escapes my attention. I lift up the humble even to My very throne, because I want it so (Diary, 282).

(Dlary, 282). *The words of Jesus appear in boldface type

My Prayer Response:

Lord Jesus, through the intercession of St. Faustina, help us to humble ourselves in our sufferings and lift us up to Your throne. Let us see Your glory, Lord, even in the midst of our sufferings. Amen.

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JESUS, I TRUST IN YOU!

PRO-LIFE THOUGHT OF THE WEEK FROM PROLIFECORNER.COM

Let us throw ourselves on the mercy of God, our Creator, & unceasingly ask Him for an end to abortion & euthanasia. Then & only then can we have peace in our hearts, in our families, & in the streets of America.

Think about this:

"The pro-life movement must demand of all elected officials and those who will be campaigning for office in the future that they recognize the grave moral obligation to do everything within their power both to stop the slaughter of the innocent and to stop mouthing platitudes asserting that anyone can morally exercise the "choice" to kill an unborn baby. We must restore sanity to this land and rid ourselves of this frightening contempt for the human person that masquerades as 'choice' or 'privacy' or any other political slogan." ~Archbishop John J. O'Connor

Lord, let us not be cowards; give us the courage & wisdom necessary to stand up & fight the evil of abortion & euthanasia today. Amen!

LIVING THE GOSPEL ... ONE LIFE AT A TIME

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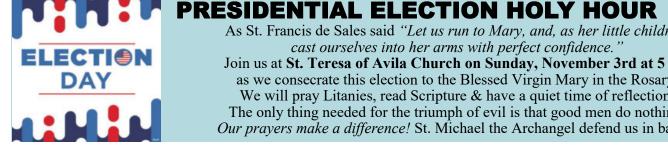
MANY PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY

To Diana Lesiecki, Richard & Lori Garcia and many friends & family upon the death of their beloved mother, Pauline Garcia on October 24, 2024.

May Pauline's soul and the souls of all the faithfully departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen



LIFE IS CHANGED, NOT ENDED.



- 11/3 As St. Francis de Sales said "Let us run to Mary, and, as her little children, cast ourselves into her arms with perfect confidence.' Join us at St. Teresa of Avila Church on Sunday, November 3rd at 5 pm as we consecrate this election to the Blessed Virgin Mary in the Rosary. We will pray Litanies, read Scripture & have a quiet time of reflection. The only thing needed for the triumph of evil is that good men do nothing. Our prayers make a difference! St. Michael the Archangel defend us in battle!

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