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2021

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time



You shall
love
your neighbor as yourself.

Mark 12:31

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Please bring a flower for each person that you would like to remember.

For more information please call Paula Clarke at 805-798-2966.

Misa del Día de Todas las Almas

El martes por la noche, 2 de noviembre de 2021 a las 6:30 pm, se celebrará nuestra misa parroquial del Día de Todas las Almas para recordar a todos nuestros seres queridos que han fallecido, especialmente a aquellos que han muerto en el último año.

Por favor, traiga una flor para cada persona que le gustaría recordar.

Para obtener más información, llame a Paula Clarke al 805-798-2966.

EDITING THE GREAT COMMANDMENT

Today's Gospel shows Jesus as fully part of Israel's covenant tradition: he responds to the scribe's question by proclaiming Deuteronomy's *Shema* which both of them would have revered and recited since childhood: "Hear, O Israel! The Lord is our God, the Lord alone! Therefore you shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength" (Deuteronomy 6:4–5). But note the "editorial changes" both Jesus and the scribe make to the *Shema*. To Deuteronomy's heart, the Biblical seat of the will and affections, and soul, the deepest part of the human person, and strength, encompassing both physical ability and material treasure, Jesus adds "with all your mind," a phrase the scribe changes to "with all your understanding" (Mark 12:30, 33). Perhaps Mark, the author of today's Gospel, wanted to consecrate to the kingdom's service the philosophical reflection and intellectual exploration so valued by the Greco-Roman world—and our world—in which the Gospel would be preached.

Jesus makes a further change to Israel's *Shema*: to the Deuteronomy text Jesus adds Leviticus 19:18: "you shall love your neighbor as yourself." For Jesus, these commandments cannot be separated. The scribe, delighted at Jesus' answer, goes on to indicate that he has grasped one of the central tenets of Jesus' kingdom: ritual worship and practical charity toward one's neighbor are twin expressions of love for God. This insight places the scribe "not far from the kingdom of God," says Jesus (Mark 12:34). But is "not far" close enough? For the scribe, as for the rich would-be disciple from a few Sundays ago, as for each of us, it is one thing to know what we ought to do and quite another actually to do it. So, then: what about us? How do we live out, in daily practice, the covenant whose words we know so well, but whose deeds we so often find a challenge?

Today's Readings: Dt 6:2–6; Ps 18:2–3, 3–4, 47, 51; Heb 7:23–28; Mk 12:28b–34

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DID YOU KNOW?

October 30-31

The importance of maintaining emotional boundaries.

As safe adults we have a responsibility to set healthy emotional boundaries with the children in our care, most importantly because we are helping to guide a child's development. In no way does this mean that adult-child relationships must be cold or uncaring. By maintaining healthy emotional boundaries, we as adults act as role models for other adults and for children themselves. For example, there is a big difference between being friendly and being friends with a child. For more information, request a copy of the VIRTUS® article "Emotional Boundaries" at lacatholics.org/did-you-know.



¿LO SABÍA

30-31 de octubre

La importancia de mantener los límites emocionales

Como adultos seguros, tenemos la responsabilidad de establecer límites emocionales saludables con los niños a nuestro cuidado, sobre todo porque estamos ayudando a guiar el desarrollo de un niño. De ninguna manera esto significa que las relaciones entre adultos y sus hijos deben ser frías o indiferentes. Al mantener límites emocionales saludables, nosotros, como adultos, actuamos como modelos a seguir para otros adultos y para los mismos niños. Por ejemplo, existe una gran diferencia entre ser amigable y ser amigo de un niño. Para obtener más información, solicite una copia del artículo de VIRTUS® "Emotional Boundaries" (Límites emocionales) en lacatholics.org/did-you-know.

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Long ago, people offered sacrifices to God for the forgiveness of sins.

But when Jesus died, he was the perfect sacrifice for all time.

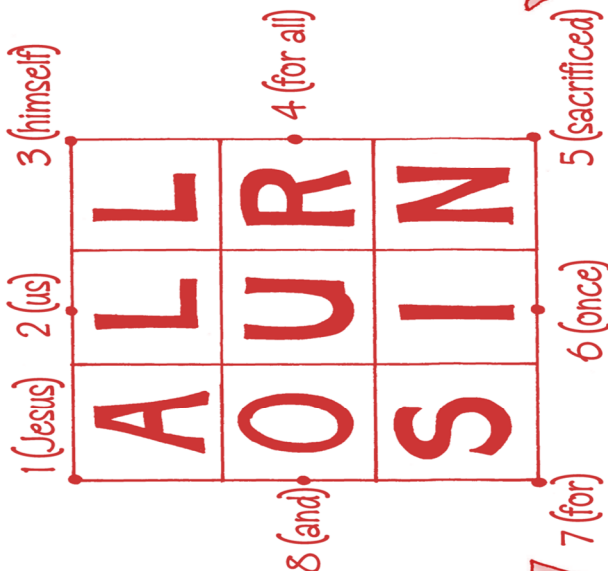
Now he intercedes for us forever! The puzzle below contains "all our sin."

There are eight points around the puzzle, each with a word or phrase next to it.

As you connect the points in the following order, say the words for that point.

Then go and tell someone this wonderful truth!

Connect points **1** to **5**, **3** to **7**, **2** to **6**, and **8** to **4**.



Catholic Scouts BSA**Scouts Católicos BSA****Attention Catholic Scouts BSA and Venture Crew Members!**

Earn your Religious Knot. The Pope Pius XII Religious Emblem Program will be offered in Ventura County beginning in October. The Pope Pius XII program is a vocation-based program designed for high school and college age Scouts BSA, Venturers and Explorers to more fully develop a Christian way of life within a faith community by becoming more familiar with their Calls from God. To earn the Pope Pius XII emblem, you must be Roman Catholic, a registered member of the Boy Scouts of America, have started high school and not be over 21 years old before beginning this program. This program is specifically designed for youth aged 16-18 years and is open to both male and female Venturers and Scouts BSA. Our orientation meeting will be Thursday, October 7 at 7 p.m. in the Scout Room at Our Lady of the Assumption Parish, 3175 Telegraph Road, Ventura. The Scout Room is in the garage behind the school at the very back of the property. A parent must also attend this meeting! We will be using an intensive version of this class, utilizing 4 all-day meetings, with homework in between. You must attend all 5 sessions (dates: 11/20/21, 12/18/21, 1/8/22). For more information, please call Kathy Ellison at 805-603-6325 or email at KMD3EL2@yahoo.com

¡Atención Scouts Católicos BSA y Venture Crew Members!

Gana tu nudo religioso. El Papa Pío XII Religioso El Programa Emblem se ofrecerá en el Condado de Ventura a partir de octubre. El programa papa Pío XII es un programa vocacional programa diseñado para Scouts en edad secundaria y universitaria BSA, Venturers y Explorers para desarrollar más plenamente una forma de vida cristiana dentro de una comunidad de fe al familiarizarse más con sus Llamados de Dios. Para obtener el emblema del Papa Pío XII, debe ser católico romano, miembro registrado de los Boy Scouts of America, haber comenzado la escuela secundaria y no tener más de 21 años antes de comenzar este programa. Este programa es diseñado específicamente para jóvenes de 16 a 18 años y está abierto a Venturers y Scouts BSA masculinos y femeninos. Nuestra La reunión de orientación será el jueves 7 de octubre a las 7 p.m. en la Sala Scout en la Parroquia Nuestra Señora de la Asunción, 3175 Telegraph Road, Ventura. La Sala Scout está en el garaje detrás de la escuela en la parte trasera de la propiedad. ¡Un padre también debe asistir a esta reunión! Usaremos una versión intensiva de esta clase, utilizando 4 reuniones de todo el día, con tareas intermedias. Debe asistir a las 5 sesiones (fechas: 11/20/21, 18/12/21, 1/8/22). Para obtener más información, llame a Kathy Ellison al 805-603-6325 o envíe un correo electrónico a KMD3EL2@yahoo.com

FEAST OF FAITH**Prayer after Communion**

The rites following the reception of Communion are very short. It is as if the Church is saying to us that the only way to respond to this great gift is to go forth and live it! But there are some significant rites yet before we are sent forth from the Mass. After Communion, we pray together in silence or sing a hymn; both are ways to thank God for the gift of the Son. Then the priest prays another collect, the Prayer after Communion. This prayer, usually very short, gathers our prayers into one. It reminds us of what we have already experienced: in receiving the Eucharist, we have received a foretaste of the heavenly banquet; we have eaten the bread of angels. This reality, this knowledge, should transform us, so that we may journey through this life with our hearts set on eternal life, and find in the Eucharist—which is food from heaven and daily bread—the strength and hope we need to work toward God's kingdom of justice here and now.

FIESTA DE LA FE**La nueva alianza**

La nueva alianza es Cristo mismo, el nuevo Israel es la Iglesia. Una vez más, Dios toma la iniciativa y se hace uno de nosotros, plenamente. La participación mutua de Dios no puede ser mayor, pues se hace uno de nosotros y habita entre nosotros. Las categorías se rompen totalmente, no hay deberes nuestros para con Cristo, hay respuesta a una invitación concreta: coman y beban, hagan esto en memoria mía. Jesús mismo instituye, en el contexto de una cena, una nueva alianza. Ya no se destrozará un animal y se pondrá su cuerpo en dos partes para pasar por en medio de ellos, siendo conscientes de que quien rompa esa alianza correrá la misma suerte. Cristo, al derramar su sangre, corta su propio cuerpo para sellar, mediante él, mediante su sangre, la nueva alianza. La noche antes de ser entregado, partió el pan y lo repartió diciendo que era su cuerpo; del mismo modo con el cáliz, sangre de la alianza nueva y eterna. Al beber su sangre nos hacemos uno con él, porque él ya se hizo uno con nosotros. La alianza no es en un animal sacrificado, sino en él mismo, que se hace cordero para el sacrificio. Lo imitamos en la medida en que nos damos a los demás.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The Lord, the God of your fathers, will give you a land flowing with milk and honey (Deuteronomy 6:2-6).

Psalms — I love you, Lord, my strength (Psalm 18).

Second Reading — Jesus is always able to save those who approach God through him (Hebrews 7:23-28).

Gospel — To love God with all your heart and to love your neighbor as yourself is worth more than all burnt offerings and sacrifices (Mark 12:28b-34).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24:1-6; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a
Tuesday:	Wis 3:1-9; Ps 23:1-6; Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40, or any readings from no. 668 or from the Masses for the Dead, nos. 1011-1016
Wednesday:	Rom 13:8-10; Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9; Lk 14:25-33
Thursday:	Rom 14:7-12; Ps 27:1bcde, 4, 13-14; Lk 15:1-10
Friday:	Rom 15:14-21; Ps 98:1-4; Lk 16:1-8
Saturday:	Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Ps 145:2-5, 10-11; Lk 16:9-15
Sunday:	1 Kgs 17:10-16; Ps 146:7-10; Heb 9:24-28; Mk 12:38-44 [41-44]

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time; Halloween
Monday:	All Saints
Tuesday:	Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day); Election Day
Wednesday:	St. Martin de Porres
Thursday:	St. Charles Borromeo
Friday:	First Friday
Saturday:	Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Guarden los mandamientos y normas del Señor. Ama al Señor, tu Dios, con todo tu ser (Deuteronomio 6:2-6).

Salmo — Yo te amo, Señor, tú eres mi fortaleza (Psalm 18 [17]).

Segunda lectura — Jesús permanece para la eternidad y no cesará de ser sacerdote. (Hebreos 7:23-28).

Evangelio — Ama al Señor y a tu prójimo como a ti mismo. No hay ningún mandamiento más importante que estos (Marcos 12:28b-34).

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes:	Ap 7:2-4, 9-14; Sal 24 (23):1-6; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a
Martes:	Sab 3:1-9; Sal 23:1-6; Rom 5:5-11 o 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40, o lecturas de entre las Misas para los difuntos
Miércoles:	Rom 13:8-10; Sal 112 (111):1b-2, 4-5, 9; Lc 14:25-33
Jueves:	Rom 14:7-12; Sal 27 (26):1bcde, 4, 13-14; Lc 15:1-10
Viernes:	Rom 15:14-21; Sal 98 (97):1-4; Lc 16:1-8
Sábado:	Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Sal 145 (144):2-5, 10-11; Lc 16:9-15
Domingo:	1 Re 17:10-16; Sal 146 (145):7-10; Heb 9:24-28; Mc 12:38-44 [41-44]

SANTOS Y OTRAS CELEBRACIONES

Domingo:	Trigésimo Primer Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario; Halloween
Lunes:	Todos los Santos
Martes:	Commemoración de Todos los Fieles Difuntos; Día de Elecciones
Miércoles:	San Martín de Porres
Jueves:	San Carlos Borromeo
Viernes:	Primer viernes
Sábado:	Santa María Virgen; Primer sábado



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Please pray for the following people who we've been asked to petition our Lord on their behalf.

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Nathaniel Ford Terbilcox, Grandson of Brian & Tina Ford

You may make a prayer request by contacting the parish office at 805-646-4338.

DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

Monday: Nov 01 9:00PM Les & Mary Baker ☼
By: Claire Hwang

Tuesday: Nov 02 9:00AM ALL SOULS

Wednesday: Nov 03 9:00AM Jon Teichert ☼
By: Jim & Maureen Finley

Thursday: Nov 04 9:00AM Matthew Fay ☼
By: Louanne Fay

Friday: Nov 05 9:00AM Will Pemberton †
By: The Wood family

Saturday: Nov 06 8:00AM
By:
5:00PM
By:

Sunday: Nov 07 9:00AM Ellie Nelson †
By: Claire Hwang

BECOMING SAINTS

Follow the saints because those who follow them will become saints.
—St. Clement I

You shall love the Lord, your God,
with all your heart,
and with all your soul,
and with all your strength.
— Deuteronomy 6:5

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