Our Parish

November 3, 2024

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

Deuteronomy 6:2-6 / Hebrews 7:23-28 / Mark 12:28b-34





Liking Versus Loving

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

never met a man I didn't like." Will Rogers said that. I can believe he said it, but I have a more difficult time believing he meant it. I don't think he lied. I just find it hard to believe there could be a person who never disliked anyone.

Loving is something different, although there are many people who talk as if liking and loving are interchangeable. They love ice cream or country music, and they like their friends. One can love, that is, behave in a loving manner, without positive feelings. You couldn't say that about liking, but about loving you can. Some folks say one of the reasons you should love others and do good for people is because of the good feeling you get when you help someone. The problem

with this is that when you no longer get a good feeling, you stop doing the good things. But as disciples of Jesus, love we must. It's different than liking.

It seems to me the most difficult people to love today are the anonymous souls, the people we don't know—the immigrant coming to our land, the person of another religion who prays differently, or those living a lifestyle foreign to us. Jesus didn't have a problem with loving people like them.

Reflect

Who has loved you and who do you find most difficult to love?



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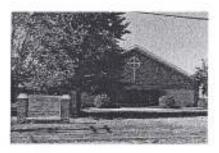
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CCD Classes



Sunday, November 3rd - K thru 7th grades (9:45a-10:45am) Sunday, November 10th - 6th & 7th graders (9:45am-11:15am)

Parents thank you for bringing your children to this CCD kick off Mass. Also please be reminded that having your children attending Sunday Mass is not an option. As you entrust your children to the Church for religious education please show your support to the Church effort to get your children well religiously educated by bringing them to Sunday Mass.

Daily Mass Intentions for the Week of November 4, 2024

Monday	11/4			+	No Mass
Tuesday	11/5	9:00 am	STM	+	Sylvia Miller
Wednesday	11/6	5:30 pm	HT	+	Michael Campbell
Thursday	11/7	9:00 am	HT	t	Nellie Cattani
Friday	11/8	9:00 am	STM (All Saints)	t	No Mass-Fr. @ Nursing Home

Mass Intentions for the weekend of November 9 - 10, 2024

Saturday 11/9 4:00 pm St Thomas More † Alan Goodrick
Sunday 11/10 8:30 am Holy Trinity † For the Parishioners
10:30 am St Patrick † Brian Hewitt

Reflection On The Dedication Of The Lateran Basilica, Rome

Feast Day: November 9th

This feast commemorates the Dedication of St. John Lateran Basilica, the most important church on earth.

In the city of Rome, there are four major basilicas. The first three are Saint Peter's Basilica in Vatican City, the Basilica of Saint Paul Outside the Walls, and the Basilica of Saint Mary Major. The fourth is the Archbasilica Cathedral of the Most Holy Savior and of Saints John the Baptist and John the Evangelist in the Lateran, also called Saint John Lateran, or the Lateran Basilica for short. Of the four major basilicas, the oldest and most important is Saint John Lateran, the dedication of which is remembered today. Though the pope now lives next to Saint Peter's Basilica, Saint John Lateran is the official cathedral of Rome. That means Saint John Lateran is not only the mother church of the Archdiocese of Rome but also the mother church of the entire world.

Though the Lateran Basilica has remained the pope's cathedral from the time of its dedication, the Lateran Palace, next to the Basilica, was the papal residence from 324–1305. In 1305, Pope Clement V was elected to the papacy and refused to move to Rome. In 1309, he moved the entire papal court to Avignon, France, where it remained until Pope Gregory XI returned to Rome from Avignon in 1377. Upon the pope's return to Rome, the Lateran Palace was in disrepair due to two fires, so the pope eventually built a new palace next to Saint Peter's on Vatican Hill, where every subsequent pope has resided until today.

As we honor the mother church of the whole world, ponder the importance of a church building. A church is sacred because it is exclusively dedicated to the worship of God. Saint John Lateran is an exclusive-purpose church. It is the pope's cathedral from which the entire Church is governed and the central place of worship for the world. As we honor the dedication of that church in 324, pray for the Church today. Pray for your local parish, religious institutions, religious orders, dioceses, national conferences, and the Universal Church headed in Rome. Our churches and sacred places exist to be places where we come to encounter God. Pray for the pope in a particular way today, that Saint John Lateran will always be a place where he, and every pope after him, will encounter God in a profound way. (Excerpted from "My Catholic Life" – mycatholic Life)



Growing Disciples Update (Continued)

A big hand to all to those parishioners who have submitted new names for the merged parish; the names are as follows: St. Barbara; St. Therese; St. Anthony; St. Francis of Assisi; Shepherd of the Hills; Shepherd of Souls; Blessed Trinity of the Lord; The Intercession of the Blessed Mother. Please note again that the deadline for turning in more name suggestions is Nov. 6th. Also, the next PTT meeting is Wednesday, November 6th. Please pray that we all will do a good job.

November - All Souls Month

As All Souls Day is over, please be reminded that the whole month of November is dedicated to praying for all the Souls in Purgatory, among them are your beloved. Please do all you can to accelerate the Poor Souls union with the heavenly Father.

LATEST OFFERING'S

OCT 27TH WEEKEND

HT- \$ 697.00

SP- \$ 394.00

STM- \$1,475.00



CONFESSIONS

CONFESSIONS WILL BE ON SAT. NOV 9TH AT ST. THOMAS MORE IN THE HALL

Dear Padre,

Do saints ever smile? That question comes to me every year on the feast of All Saints (November 1) as I look at the pictures and statues in church. The faces are so somber and serious. What are the saints really like?

Artists through the centuries may have portrayed sanctity in very subdued tones. The saints, however, and their biographers tell a different story. The holy men and women who make up the communion of saints are an incredibly fascinating array of diverse personalities. The feast of All Saints celebrates our universal call to holiness. Our



Sculpture of a smiling Pope St. John Paul II outside the Saint John the Baptist Cathedral in Trnava, Slovakia.

challenge is to imitate the characteristics these unique individuals have in common.

Saint Irenaeus (125-202) said that the glory of God is the human fully alive which reflects Jesus' own words, "I came so that they may have life; and have it more abundantly" (John 10:10). Saints enjoy life! The nearsighted St. Alphonsus Liquori (1696-1787), founder of the Redemptorists, sat in the back row of the Naples theater with his glasses off so he could enjoy the music he loved without the distraction of the half-naked chorus line. Saint Teresa of Ávila (1515-1582), caught devouring partridge in the convent kitchen, said, "When I pray, I pray; when I eat partridge, I eat partridge!" Saint Joan of Arc (1412-1431) loved horses, and St. Charles Borromeo (1538–1584) loved chess. Indeed, saints do smile. They even laugh. .

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A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

It is necessary that...the "great commandment," [love God and our neighbor] resound in us, that it be assimilated, that it become the voice of our conscience. This way, it does not remain a dead letter, in the drawer of the heart, because the Holy Spirit makes the seed of that Word germinate in us.

ANGELUS, ROME, OCTOBER 31, 2021

Monday

November 4

St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop

Phil 2:1-4

Lk 14:12-14

Tuesday

November 5

Weekday

Phil 2:5-11

Lk 14:15-24

Wednesday

November 6

Weekday

Phil 2:12-18

Lk 14:25-33

Thursday

November 7

Weekday

Phil 3:3-8a

Lk 15:1-10

Friday

November 8

Weekday

Phil 3:17-4:1

Lk 16:1-8

Saturday

November 9

Dedication of the Lateran

Basilica

Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12

1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17

Jn 2:13-22

Sunday

November 10

Thirty-second Sunday

in Ordinary Time

1 Kgs 17:10-16

Heb 9:24-28

Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44

