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OCTOBER 25, 2020 THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

DUAL CITIZENSHIP

In the year 1793 when the French armies were laying siege to the Mediterranean fortress of Toulon, Napoleon built a battery in such an exposed position that the other officers said he would never get a soldier to operate. But Napoleon set up beside it a large sign with these words, "The Battery of Soldiers without Fear." And he was never at a loss for volunteers to operate it. That's courage! But it is more than ordinary courage. It is moral and spiritual courage!

Today there is a need for moral and spiritual courage. As brothers and sisters, we share a common destiny. The world that we live in is entrusted to us as stewards with the call to "be fruitful and multiply." With this, we are primarily citizens of heaven, where we will live forever, and secondly are citizens of our nation.

As we move towards Election Day, our society is beginning to look like a 'house divided.' We are at a crossroads. We seem to be moving further and further away from civility. Our moral compass seems to push us away from the right direction. The quest for power at times seems to sideline the common good. Personal opinion and media spin often push aside reason and faith.

Yet voting is more than just an affirming of our political party. It truly is a moral decision. Our first allegiance should not be to our political party, but the Truth of God's will for our world.

It is not always easy to sift through the different issues and make our choices. Yet we are called to form our consciences in light of the teachings of God revealed through the Church. However, all issues are not equal. Among those foundational issues at stake are religious liberty, the protection of life at all stages and conditions, especially from its very beginning, and the sanctity of marriage as the basic cell of society.

There is too much at stake to follow our feelings, our party affiliation or the many voices telling us how to vote. Yet there is one voice we should heed. It is the voice of God who is calling us to remember our primary citizenship, and how we are called to be coworkers with him as God renews and recreates our world.

For more information on Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship, please see www.usccb.org.

Fr. Kevin

LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

In Person and Livestream

Saturday, October 24

5:00 p.m. Theresa Fabian; Bill Kolb; Marine Errico; Florence Lambros

Sunday, October 25

9:00 a.m. Kate Bergman; Daniel Anderl

11:00 a.m. Stan Feeley, Rose Libretti; Frances Psomas

Monday, October 26

7:30 a.m. Walter Taverna; Stan Feeley

Tuesday, October 27

7:30 a.m. Maureen Alexander

Wednesday, October 28

7:30 a.m. Mary Nolan

Thursday, October 29

7:30 a.m. Special Intention

Friday, October 30

7:30 a.m. Sandy Grazioso; Helen Sinnott

Saturday, October 31

5:00 p.m. Stella Kuchar and Gene Daquila

Sunday, November 1

9:00 a.m. Deceased members of the Nolan, Bruno and

Maglio families; Katie Bergman

11:00 a.m. Deceased parishioners and families;

Manual Maspono

IN REMEMBRANCE

For the week of October 25th, Sanctuary Lights burn and Bread and Wine are offered for a Special Intention. Blessed Sacrament Chapel Flowers are in memory of Maureen Alexander.

DRIVE-UP COMMUNION AND DRIVE-UP CONFESSION

Holy Communion is available after every Sunday 11 am Masses. Please "drive up" to the Prayer Garden side of the church and receive the Eucharist from 11:45 am to 12:15 pm every Sunday. Drive up to the tent, receive in your car and feel free to then park for a moment in one of the parking spots for a prayer.

Confession will be offered outdoors on the Prayer Garden side of the church every Friday from 12 pm to 1 pm. No need to get out of your car, just drive-up to the tent and roll down your window.

OCTOBER 25, 2020 THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION ISIN PERSON AND LIVESTREAM

Today

9:00 a.m. Teen Handbells

10:00 a.m. Coffee and Community (Zoom)

Religious Ed Grades 1—8

Confirmation Year 1 & 2

7:00 p.m. 6th Grade Class Mass

Monday, October 26

1-3 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration

7:00 p.m. RCIA (Zoom)

Tuesday. October 27

4:15 p.m. Junior Handbells

5:30 p.m. Adult Handbells

Wednesday, October 28

1-3 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration

7:00 p.m. Spirituality for Adults (In-person & Zoom)

7:00 p.m. New Day Bereavement (Zoom)

Thursday, October 29

7:00 p.m. Bible Study on the Sunday Gospel(Zoom)

7:30 p.m. Adult Choir

Friday, October 30

12:00 p.m. Confessions

3:30 p.m. Teen Handbells

Saturday, October 31

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS

SET CLOCKS BACK 1 HOUR



You are welcome to come for private prayer on Mondays and Wednesdays, 1-3 p.m.

Enter by way of the First Main Entrance

Mass Schedule

October 24/25

In-Person and Livestream Masses in the Church:

Saturday, 5:00 pm Msgr. Mahoney Sunday, 9:00 am Fr. Andrew Sunday, 11:00 am Fr. Kevin

October 31/November 1

In-Person and Livestream Masses in the Church:

Saturday, 5:00 pm Fr. Kevin Sunday, 9:00 am Msgr. Mahoney Sunday, 11:00 am Fr. Andrew

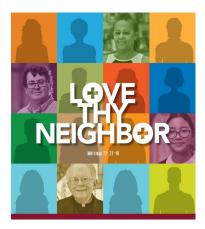
The 2020 'Diocesan Ministries Appeal'

(formerly called the 'Bishop's Annual Appeal')

The theme of this Appeal is "Love Thy Neighbor."

It is a vivid reminder, especially as we all face the COVID 19 pandemic together, that what we do for our neighbors in need, we do for Christ himself. Please support this important cause that helps so many of our brothers and sisters in our Diocese. View video of Bishop Sweeney for more information https://vimeo.com/459433672

To Give go to: www.2020appeal.org.







Non-Perishable Food Collection Weekdays / Weekends 10 am - 4 pm

Drop off food at the front entrance of the church. Please respect social distancing if there are others dropping off at the same time.

Here are the items most needed by Food Banks: Cold Cereal, Oatmeal and Hot Cereal, Pancake Mix/Syrup, Brown/White Rice, Pasta & Pasta Products, Macaroni & Cheese, Soup, Cookies and Crackers, Canned Meats, Fish and Fruit, Peanut Butter, and Parmalat. Please consider purchasing low-sodium and low-sugar items.

The food bank needs your help! Please consider a monetary donation.

We will record your donation. https://pushpay.com/g/corpuschristifoodpantry



Holy Water Weekend

Join your Corpus Christi Family on October 24/25 for a weekend of blessings and fun.

Bottles of water will be blessed for all to take home after each Mass.

Prayers will be available on our website to bless yourself, your house, your car...











Join us as our Corpus Christi Parish Family remembers all our loved ones at a

Mass of Remembrance

All Souls' Day, November 2nd at 7pm.

In-person with reservation or Livestream





Join with us to renew the promises you made to one another on that special day

Marriage Renewal Mass

Saturday, November 7, 2020 at 7pm



I will love you and honor you all the days of my life...



Please register at corpuschristi.org

WELCOME!

New parishioners are asked to register for the parish by going to our website at www.corpuschristi.org. Click on the **CONNECT** tab at the top of the home page. For more information, please call the Parish Office at 973-635-0070 x710

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Patty Westerzelt, Brian Deasy, Mon Cassius, Trish Dowling, David Natale, Megan O'Neil, Christopher Ciufo, James Greendonner, Jeffrey Dowling, Donna Conforti, Wayne Parisi, Debby Conti, James J. Price, Pat Pierson, Florence and John Hefele, Hank Campbell, Amy Fitzgerald, Mary McHale, Father John O'Brien, Frances Primack, Dorothy M. Torick, Howard Daly, Katherine Brown, Conor Jennings, Barbara Layman, Craig Wisdo, John Petite, Raymond O'Connell, Joseph Doria, John Fleming, Donna Kugelman, Jeffrey Hodgeson, Kiran Kenney, Helen Dwyer, Margaret Pittaluga, Tina Errico, Nick McGann, John (Jack) Kaplan, Marie Orgo, Lucy Ryan, Joann Uibelhoer, Beth Abella, Nicholas Ciufo, Peter Elder, Lori Abrams, Brandon Glynnyoung, David Carey, Marylou Perrini, Alan Fischer, Sarah Addison, Carol Murphy, Likeu Lee, Susan Kosinski, Camille Moran, Michael Turinchak, Dorothy Norton, Sr. Barbara Takacs, Diane Allen, Nora and Callum Lemanski, Lucas Reiling, Dominic Ursino, Andrew Jenkins, Debbie Dwyer, Bridget Noe, John Cunningham, Abigail Brady, Frances Smith, Claudia Fernandez, Tom Warren, Marty Erickson, Mary Beth Bonkowski, Carey Jenkins, Aurora Tremaroli, Aubrey Baumbach, Christopher Green Cunningham, Ethel Gasda, Patrick Ford, David Kelly, Patrick Murphy, Jr., Helen Huk, Cathy Caputo, Rui Boos, Joseph Todisco, Marie Skurka, Arianna Khelil, Dorothy Craig, Stephanie Quiroga, Sal Guidone, Judy Broyhill, Tony Rios, Lois McGuire, Gina Pagnotta, Helen Huddleston, Mary Ann Allen, Mary Ellen Wagner, Ed Lord, Thomas Singer, Gregory Malzberg, Kristine Ryan, Luis Gallardo, Susan McGeough, Joseph Cirella, Donna Gocking, Marti Sullivan, Lauren Gardner, Edward Cameron, Marie Viteri, Steven Hensle, William Cody, John Keelin, Richard Delaney, Mary Conforti, Charlie Roussel, Jay Conroy, Richard Pelillo, Christopher Crahan, Ryan Lowe, Dominick Canavaro, Larry Califano, Frank Intagliato, Don Stauber, Marie Meister, Marlenes Teixeira, John Crisp, Don Spagnuolo, Maddie Niebanch, Anthony Careccia, Henry Von See, Michelle Benaim, Kevin and Dorothy Franken, Adriana Martins, Eugene Iannocelli, Everett Farren, Connie McNamara, Ann Zerga, Cheryl Maiorini, Alfri Rundio, Barbara Marvin, Beth Cintron, Andrew White, Adeline Lombardi, Caitlin Murray, Giovanna Tagliaferri, Nancy Merola Miller, Ann Gilroy, Stephanie Windsor, Rosemarie Moeller, Patricia Marceterre, Connie Prince, Bud Jeannette, Georgina Weiland, Anna West, Maddi Kinney, Michele Carney, Patti Mahoney, Robert Bruce, Richard Terranova, Diana Nazelli, Elizabeth Yanis, Peter Paul Perla, Kevin Snow, Greg Romais, Timothy Finnegan, Mary Mulhall, Jim Tsakonos, Denis Schreiber, Carmela Mino, Nicholas Storms, Ron Leonardis, Jonathan Schwanwede, Tom Kerr, Steve Karasoulis, Angie Dincher, Virginia Lutz, Keith Thomas, Max Leyn, Mary Beth Driscoll, Pat Fitzpatrick, Victor Rispoli, JoAnne Feliciti, Christine Marinello, Amy Hefele, John Dory.

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE GONE HOME TO THE LORD...

John Kopil, brother of Diane Snyder



SPIRITUALITY-FAITH DEVELOPMENT



Contact:

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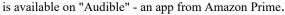
email: marga@corpuschristi.org

SPIRITUALITY FOR ADULTS

Sister Margaret and Bob Long will co-lead a discussion of "Spirituality for Adults" on Wednesdays beginning October 7th and ending on November 18th from 7-8 p.m.

The focus of the discussion will be the recording of a retreat given by Father Richard Rohr and Paula D'Arcy.

You may join the sessions live at Corpus Christi or via Zoom. The recording of the Rohr-D'Arcy retreat







PASTORAL CARE

If you or someone you know needs the sacrament of the sick, please call Terri at the parish office, 973-635-0070 x710.

BIBLE STUDY ON THE SUNDAY GOSPEL

An evening of scriptural reading, meditation and prayer to promote communion with God and to increase the knowledge of God's word.

Thursdays at 7:00 pm via Zoom Contact Sister Margaret for more information.

See Zoom information below to join. Meeting ID: 990 8740 4077

https://zoom.us/j/99087404077

ABIDE

Abide is a monthly program to help one breathe in the Word of God. Meetings are held on the second Tuesday each month at 7:00 pm. Next meeting is on November 10th in the Atrium. If you are interested in joining the group please email Sr. Margaret at marga@corpuschristi.org. Presenters are Diane Radwill and Sr. Margaret.

GOT LIFE QUESTIONS?

We have a "no strings attached" inquiry series on Mondays at 7:00 pm on Zoom called

R.C.I.A. (the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults). This is a safe place to learn about Catholicism and for Catholics who have not yet received Eucharist and/or Confirmation. Please contact Fr. Kevin at

frkevin@corpuschristi.org or 972-635-0070 ext. 712 or Sister Margaret Dincher at marga@corpuschristi.org or 973-635-0070 ext. 714.

Is God tapping you on the shoulder?

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Contact: Brigette Hanley email: bhanley@corpuschristi.org for PreK—Grade 5

Contact: Brian Duemling email: bduemling@corpuschristi.org for Middle School (Grades 6-8)

Contact: Haley Heiberger email: Haley@corpuschristi.org for Confirmation Prep (Gr. 9-10)



FAMILY EVENT



Family Rosary Making

This Sunday at 1:00 PM or Tuesday at 7:00 PM via Zoom

Please pick up your kit from church prior to participating.

MIDDLE SCHOOL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION (Grades 6—8)

Registration is on the Corpus Christi website at https://corpuschristi.org/reregistration. Classes are offered on Sundays at 8:00 am 7:00 pm.

MIDDLE SCHOOL CATECHISTS NEEDED!

I know this is a very disruptive time in the lives of every parish family; however we welcome any adult 18+ to serve as a Catechist for our young adults.

Interested? Please contact Brian Duemling **bduemling@corpuschristi.org.** If you are worried about having the right knowledge and skills, be at peace. The Holy Spirit does a great job covering areas of concern!

Morris Catholic High School Denville, NJ

Is accepting applications for the Class of 2025, and for transfer students for this academic year. Learn more about Morris Catholic through our Admissions events! We will have both virtual and in-person events:

Wednesday, October 28, 5 - 8 PM: Evening Campus Tours, In-Person, Reserve in Advance. Masks required.

Thursday, November 12, 7 PM: Virtual Ambassador Night on Zoom. You can sign up for these events at www.morriscatholic.org/openhouse/

"Tour" St. Patrick School at Virtual Walk-In Wednesdays

Curious about how your child can #BeTheFuture? Virtually visit St. Patrick School to see for yourself! Visit with the Admissions Office and take a virtual tour of the school during Virtual Walk-In Wednesdays from 9-11 a.m. weekly. To register, contact the Admissions Office at admissions@st-pats.org or at 973-635-4623, ext 3.

St. Patrick School Accepting Applications For The 2021-2022 School Year Now!



St. Patrick School is accepting applications now for the 2021-2022 school year. Join the National Blue Ribbon and AdvancED Stem Certified school where your child can #BeTheFuture! For more information, log on to www.st-pats-school.org, contact the Admissions Office at admissions@st-pats.org or call 973-635-4624, ext 3.

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Please contact Eileen Davis, Business Manager at 973-230-5368 for more details if you are interested.

Reflection...

by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

Voted among the "Ten worst songs of the 70's" by readers of "Rolling Stone" magazine was an item sung by Brazilian singer Morris Albert simply called "Feelings." But in 1975, the year of its release, it was named by the "People's Choice" as "the favorite new song." Interesting how times change. I realize that many of you hearing me or reading this have no idea of what I am talking about, so please Google the song to find out.

For my purpose here, I'd like to quote the Rolling Stone reviewer Andy Greene. The song has been mocked for a good 40 years as one of the ten worst largely for its lack of specificity. What kind of feelings is Morris singing about? It's clearly a love song, but it's hard to think of a vaguer term than "feelings" to describe, um, "feelings."

Many good Christians reading or hearing today's Gospel section from Matthew are frustrated in their pursuit of perfection when they learn that they must love not only God, but also their neighbor "Must" is the operative word. "How," they ask, "am I supposed to love the difficult person who is my residential neighbor?" (You can supply different adjectives to describe that neighbor.)

The problem intensifies for good faithful people, a lot like you, when they learn that "neighbor" is a worldwide description of people, most of whom they don't even know. The root of the difficulty is that word "feelings."

Feelings are morally neutral. They are fleeting sometimes, but always involve an affection for someone we deem as "special" and worthy of our attention. They are the stuff of Valentine's Day, wrapped in roses and chocolate for one of the opposite sex. And of deep perennial affection for a chosen friend of the same or opposite sex alike. They are, so to speak, "warm and fuzzy."

The love Our Lord Jesus mandates has nothing at all to do with feelings. It is, in the instance cited here, a willed fidelity to the Covenant between Yahweh and Israel. In a more general application, this love is a matter of willing and doing. We freely choose to love God. That, in turn, is described by Jesus in another place as 'keeping His commandments." Regarding our neighbor, it means we wish all the best for them. Even if they repulse us at times. Even if we wished they lived a thousand miles away. Even if they have betrayed us. For that last, consult Jesus' reaction to Judas' kiss.

Once on a railroad train an elderly man accidentally broke a minor regulation and was unmercifully bawled out by a young train employee. Later a fellow passenger nudged the old gentleman and suggested he give the employee a piece of his mind. But the old man just smiled. "Oh," he said, "if a man like that can stand himself for all of his life, I surely can stand him for five minutes."

Sunday, Oct 25, 2020

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Worship the God of glory

Leadership earns public honors, and the best leaders exercise humility in accepting them. Pope Francis began his papacy by donning simple attire and asking for our prayers before offering his first blessing. Genuine leadership recognizes that all authority comes from God. Today is Priesthood Sunday, honoring the multitudes of pastors who did their job this year with passion, grace, and ingenuity under extraordinary circumstances. Pray the Rosary's Glorious Mysteries for those who lead us to: rise up from despair, lift our gaze upward, encounter the Spirit's power, give ourselves body and soul, and accept honor with grace.

TODAY'S READINGS: Exodus 22:20-26; 1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10; Matthew 22:34-40 (148). "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind."

Monday, Oct 26, 2020

Slow down, you're moving too fast

Too many people work too much. Some have a psychological compulsion to work incessantly. Some work excessively to acquire money and success. Some have no identity outside of their jobs. Some are driven by guilt and fear of being lazy. Some think that an overly busy work life makes them look important. And far too many are forced to work too much in order to make ends meet. None of these reasons are healthy or holy. God wants us to rest and enjoy life too—thus, the sabbath day. Let's work together to create a just society where all can get some rest.

TODAY'S READINGS: Ephesians 4:32—5:8; Luke 13:10-17 (479). "Ought she not to have been set free on the sabbath day from this bondage?"

Tuesday, Oct 27, 2020

Console the consolers

Prayerful words from the National Association of Catholic Chaplains, written by NACC member Lisa Ecks: "May the wilderness of this time, and the uncertainty we may feel, strengthen our resolve to lean on your word, abide in your presence, and be guided by your enduring and powerful Spirit." The NACC helps priests, religious women, and laypeople bring a trained, professional experience to their ministry of caring for the sick. Pray for all hospital chaplains during this Pastoral Care Week. They're consoling not just COVID-19 patients but medical workers on the front lines.

TODAY'S READINGS: Ephesians 5:21-33; Luke 13:18-21 (480). "Jesus said, 'What is the kingdom of God like? To what can I compare it?'"

Wednesday, Oct 28, 2020

FEAST OF SIMON AND JUDE, APOSTLES

Obscure but still important

Much of what we know about apostles Jude and Simon is who they are *not*. Simon was called the Zealot—someone passionate, and perhaps revolutionary, about his Jewish faith. Calling him the Zealot also helped to distinguish him from the more famous Simon Peter. We find Jude (along with Judas, variant translations of the name Judah) mentioned in the list of the apostles in Luke and Acts, but he is called Thaddeus in Matthew and Mark, perhaps to distinguish him from the traitor Judas Iscariot.

Regardless of their relative obscurity, Jude and Simon were chosen by Jesus to share the Good News and there is every indication they did just that. Even if your life seems quiet and unremarkable to you in some ways, the call to discipleship is your call as well. Saint Jude and Saint Simon, pray for us.

TODAY'S READINGS: Ephesians 2:19-22; Luke 6:12-16 (666). "Jesus called the disciples to himself. . . . Simon who was called the Zealot and Judas the son of James."

Thursday, Oct 29, 2020

Do the right thing

Even in this day and age, Christians standing up for what is right have been killed for their efforts. Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. comes to mind. So does Sister Dorothy Stang, SNDdeN, of Dayton, Ohio, who was murdered in 2005 for defending the poor and protected lands in the Amazon rain forest in Brazil. Would you allow yourself to be inconvenienced (or more) to do the right thing? Look for a way to stand up for a good cause today, even if it feels inconvenient.

TODAY'S READINGS: Ephesians 6:10-20; Luke 13:31-35 (482). "Jerusalem, Jerusalem, . . . how many times I yearned to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings."

Friday, Oct 30, 2020

A time for healing

One of the comforting takeaways from our experience of church during the pandemic is that people are more important than rules. The obligation to physically participate in Sunday Mass has been dispensed during the pandemic by our bishops. We are given the opportunity to make a "spiritual communion" instead. We don't have to go to Confession to be absolved of our sins. A sincere Act of Contrition and a resolve to celebrate the sacrament when it once again becomes available is sufficient. Just as Jesus set aside the sabbath commandment in order to heal, so too our bishops set aside the precepts so that we may be healed. Let's pray today for our bishops, and for a time of healing.

TODAY'S READINGS: Philippians 1:1-11; Luke 14:1-6 (483). "The one who began a good work in you will continue to complete it."

Saturday, Oct 31, 2020

Meal ministry

One of the many things to be longed for during this extended time of physical distancing is the free and easy sharing of meals with family and friends, in groups large and small. Shared meals hold a special place in family life, and in Catholic life as well. It's no mystery why meals are central. Something magical happens at mealtime, the communion among people is palpable. And in Catholic life, Communion is sacred. Pray we may safely gather again without appointment or extra precautions in the not distant future and freely share the mysteries of our faith in the bread and wine, the Body and Blood. Until then, let us raise a glass in remembrance of Christ.

TODAY'S READINGS: Philippians 1:18b-26; Luke 14:1, 7-11 (484). "On a sabbath Jesus went to dine at the home of one of the leading Pharisees, and the people there were observing him carefully."





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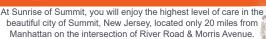
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