

INVEST JUST FIVE MINUTES A DAY, AND YOUR FAITH WILL DEEPEN AND GROW, A DAY AT A TIME.”

SUNDAY, OCT 24, 2021 THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ADOPT AN ATTITUDE OF GRATITUDE

Here's an intriguing take on a familiar commission: Thankful people become missionaries. "To be 'in a state of mission' is a reflection of gratitude," Pope Francis declares on this World Mission Sunday. Yet this "state of mission" belongs to the whole church, not just to those brave souls who pack up and go off to foreign lands. Jesus commissions his friends to take the Good News wherever we go. Grateful folks do this cheerfully. How can we keep from singing, when a song's been placed in our hearts? Pray the Rosary's Glorious Mysteries and live the mission of gratitude. **TODAY'S READINGS:** Jeremiah 31:7-9; Hebrews 5:1-6; Mark 10:46-52 (149). "Immediately [the blind man] received his sight, and followed Jesus on the way."

MONDAY, OCT 25, 2021 GOOD FOR WHAT AILS YOU

Research suggests that regular meditation may help reduce blood pressure, digestive problems, anxiety and depression, and insomnia, among other ailments. Prayerful meditation also heals your soul. Catholics have a lot of help at their disposal here—from the Rosary to Lectio Divina. "There are as many and varied methods of meditation as there are spiritual masters. Christians owe it to themselves to develop the desire to meditate regularly," says the catechism. "But a method is only a guide; the important thing is to advance, with the Holy Spirit, along the one way of prayer: Christ Jesus." Take the best medicine of all!

TODAY'S READINGS: Romans 8:12-17; Luke 13:10-17 (479). "Woman, you are set free of your infirmity."

TUESDAY, OCT 26, 2021 CARE FOR THE CAREGIVERS, TOO

In November 2017 European members of the World Medical Association convened at the Vatican for a conversation on ethical issues surrounding palliative care. Nearby, the International Confederation of Catholic Health Care Institutions was meeting to discuss inequalities in health care. Pope Francis addressed them all: "The categorical imperative is to never abandon the sick." No matter the graveness of the medical condition, "we are called to show love and closeness." Recognizing that

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"visit the sick" is one of the seven corporal works of mercy, how can you show or send care today—perhaps by supporting Catholic chaplains during this Pastoral Care Week?

TODAY'S READINGS: Romans 8:18-25; Luke 13:18-21 (480). "Sufferings of this present time are as nothing compared with the glory to be revealed for us."

WEDNESDAY, OCT 27, 2021 GENTLE REMINDER: PRAY TODAY

Benedictine monk Father Godfrey Diekmann, O.S.B., a pillar of the liturgical movement of the last century, tells the story of picking watercress one day on his monastery's grounds and landing in a swamp. Try as he might he couldn't extricate himself. He was eventually rescued by his fellow monks. He wrote of the incident: "What now bothers me is that during the entire ordeal of about 25 minutes I didn't have a single pious thought! What does that say of my more than 50 years of monastic life? Do I have to start all over again?" Forgetting to pray happens to the best of us. But it is never too late to start. A simple prayer of blessing, petition, intercession, thanksgiving, or praise will suffice. Better yet, start with Veni, Sancte Spiritus!, "Come, Holy Spirit!"

TODAY'S READINGS: Romans 8:26-30; Luke 13:22-30 (481). "The Spirit comes to the aid of our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought."

THURSDAY, OCT 28, 2021 FEAST OF SIMON AND JUDE, APOSTLES STRIVE FOR DECREASING RETURNS

Saints Simon and Jude have countless images and namesakes, yet we know almost nothing about these apostles whose feast day is today. They were among the 12 apostles, and tradition has it they spread the Good News in Persia. We honor their memory anyway, knowing that for the faithful, "He must increase, and I must decrease," as John the Baptist put it. To be remembered after death as a faithful apostle is not a bad legacy for any Christian! Do one small act today that makes you recognizable as a faithful apostle. **TODAY'S READINGS:** Ephesians 2:19-22; Luke 6:12-16 (666). "Jesus went up to the mountain to pray, and he spent the night in prayer to God." Friday, Oct 29, 2021 Tender mercies Depression, anxiety, profound sadness, or grief—these can sometimes make us feel like we're no good or God has abandoned us. But it is at these times especially when God tenderly draws close to us. Though it may

be difficult to lift our hearts in prayer when we are suffering, we can pray this prayer for ourselves and one another (attributed to Saint Augustine): "Watch, O Lord, with those who wake or watch or weep tonight, and give your angels and saints charge over those who sleep. Tend your sick ones, O Lord Christ. Rest your weary ones. Bless your dying ones. Soothe your suffering ones. Pity your afflicted ones. Shield your joyous ones. And all for love's sake." Amen!

TODAY'S READINGS: Romans 9:1-5; Luke 14:1-6 (483). "I have great sorrow and constant anguish in my heart."

Saturday, Oct 30, 2021 MEMORIAL OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY Room to grow

We've all heard that the "humble will be exalted." Sounds nice, but where can we look for examples, for a role model? Look no further than Mary, Mother of God. Saturday is the traditional day of the week to recall Mary's example of exalted humility. Mary was humble enough to "make room" for God—literally, in her womb. She was willing to trust God with everything—her reputation, her envisioned marriage, her very body. Do you trust enough to make room so that God can be born in you?

TODAY'S READINGS: Romans 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29; Luke 14:1, 7-11 (484). "For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted."

Next Sunday

SUNDAY, OCT 31, 2021 THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME NOW AND AT THE HOUR OF OUR DEATH

TODAY'S READINGS: Deuteronomy 6:2-6; Hebrews 7:23-28; Mark 12:28b-34 (152). "Hear, O Israel! The LORD is our God, the LORD alone!"

Catholic Social Teaching Corner

Oct. 23-24 - 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Bartimaeus, reaching out to the Lord, offers a helpful reminder that what God has for us is indeed for us. Even in the midst of people attempting to silence Bartimaeus, he persisted by continuing to call on the Lord, the only person who could help him. May all who suffer in body or spirit be encouraged to call on the Lord.

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OCTOBER 24, 2021 ~ HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH AUSTIN, TX.
THE THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMES

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY OCTOBER 24th, 8:00AM

Happy Birthday Blessings to my beloved brother, Jimmy Lee Brown, requested by Lena Brown-Owens

In loving memory of Mrs. Gladdie Mae Stelly, mother and mother-in-law of Joyce and John James, as she rests in the arms of the Lord.

For all our sick and shut in Parishioners and those who are in need of prayer.

SUNDAY OCTOBER 24th, 10:00AM

In loving memory of Mrs. Gladdie Mae Stelly, mother and mother-in-law of Joyce and John James, as she rest in the arms of the Lord.

Happy birthday Brittney Jones, requested by, Don, Brenda and Travis Jones

For the repose of the soul of Carlos Victor Garcia, requested by Anna Tidwell

For the repose of the soul of OC Chima, requested by his mother Mercy.

CALENDAR OF WEEKLY EVENTS

Sunday Mass
8:00am – 10:00AM
12 Noon day Mass, Tues -Friday
Rosary – 8:30PM ZOOM – Sunday's

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Ella Adams	Mary Anthony
Evelyn Battle	Mildred Carter
B.J. Dukes	Jude Ekpe
Monica Godsey	Lester Johnson
Marion Welch	Sam King, Jr.
Vonnye Rice-Gardner	Bernadette Phifer
Ella Pease	Betty Ridley
Mary Sobers	Mary Waters
Frances Brown	Moffett Waters
Gloria Harris	Cornelius Harris
Jim Castro	Tina Frank
Dr. Joe Quander	Sylvia Castro
Pearl Cox	Naomi White
DeKarlos Blackmon	



Flowers for the Altar were donated by the Jones Family

OCTOBER 17, 2021

OFFERTORY	\$1760.00
SVDP	110.00
FLOWERS	50.00
E-GIVING	2390.78
FLC/DR(E-GIVING)	426.00
MSP(E-GIVING)	76.00
NEEDS OF PARISH(E-GIV)	214.00
NEEDS OF THE PARISH	100.00
CCD	70.00
RAFFLE	650.00
AIR CONDITION	10,000.00
AIR COND(E-GIVING)	1000.00
GIFT STORE	75.00

Today is the The Thirtieth Sunday In Ordinary Time, found in our gray hardback, "Word of The Lord", Lectionary, Year B, page 427.

HOLY CROSS FAMILY ROSARY Please join us on ZOOM, <https://zoom.us/j/98265193279> Sundays at 8:30PM.

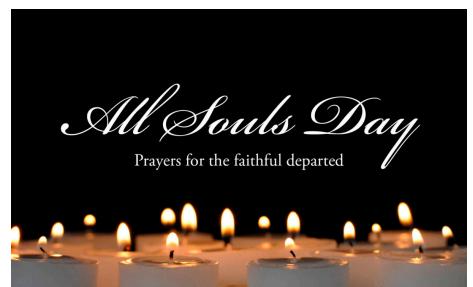
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Holy Cross Catholic Church Holiday Raffle
Sunday December 19, 2021 (Following 10AM Mass)
1610 E 11th St, Austin TX 78702 512-472-3741

Prizes:

- 1st Visa Gift Card (\$500)
- 2nd 50 in TV
- 3rd Chromebook
- 4th WalMart Gift Card (\$200)
- 5th HEB Gift Card (\$200)
- 6th Target Gift Card (\$200)
- 7th Spa Package (\$150)
- 8th Air Fryer (\$125)
- 9th Gas Card (\$100)
- 10th Pappadeaux Gift Card (\$100)
- 11th Longhorn Steakhouse GC (\$100)
- 12th Christmas Gift Basket (\$100)
- 13th Wine Gift Basket (\$75)
- 14th Food/Snack Basket (\$75)
- 15th Bath Gift Basket (\$50)
- 16th Holiday Candy Basket (\$50)

\$5.00 Per Ticket 0691



NOVEMBER 2

All Souls' Day, known as the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed, is a day of prayer and remembrance for the souls of those who have died. Please take an envelope in the back of the FLC, fill out and return to the office.

OUR MASS TIMES WILL BE:

ALL SAINTS – Monday,

November 1st, 6:30PM

ALL SOULS – Tuesday,

November 2nd 6:30PM

Family Life Center Now Available for Renting

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\$1,050.00

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