30th Sunday Ordinary Time October 29, 2023

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Exodus 22: 20-26

Thus says the LORD:

"You shall not molest or oppress an alien, for you were once aliens yourselves in the land of Egypt. You shall not wrong any widow or orphan. If ever you wrong them and they cry out to me, I will surely hear their cry. My wrath will flare up, and I will kill you with the sword; then your own wives will be widows, and your children orphans.

"If you lend money to one of your poor neighbors among my people. you shall not act like an extortioner toward him by demanding interest from him. If you take your neighbor's cloak as a pledge, you shall return it to him before sunset; for this cloak of his is the only covering he has for his body. What else has he to sleep in? If he cries out to me, I will hear him; for I am compassionate." The Word of the Lord. . . Thanks be to God!

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 18 Response: I love you, Lord, my strength.

I love you, O LORD, my strength, O LORD, my rock, my fortress, my deliverer, R.

My God, my rock of refuge, my shield, the horn of my salvation, my stronghold! Praised be the LORD, I exclaim, and I am safe from my enemies. R.

The LORD lives and blessed be my rock! Extolled be God my savior. You who gave great victories to your king and showed kindness to your anointed. R.

Second Reading: 1 Thes. 1: 5-10

Brothers and sisters:

You know what sort of people we were among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, receiving the word in great affliction, with joy from the Holy Spirit, so that you became a model for all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For from you the word of the Lord has sounded forth not only in

Macedonia and in Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has gone forth, so that we have no need to say anything. For they themselves openly declare about us what sort of reception we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God and to await his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, Jesus, who delivers us from the coming

The Word of the Lord... Thanks be to God!

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Whoever loves me will keep my word, says the Lord. and my Father will love him and we will come to him. R. Alleluia, alleluia,

Gospel

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a scholar of the law tested him by asking, "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul.

Matthew 22: 32-40

and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment.

The second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. The whole law and the prophets depend on these two com-



mandments." The Gospel of the Lord. . . Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ!

Gift Table

Please take a moment and stop by the gift table. Various items are available for a small donation. The St. Ambrose honey, cough drops, rosaries and more are available. We also have a few items on Venerable Henriette DeLille, foundress of the Holy Family Sisters in New Orleans. Stop by and take a look.

Peace Walk

After two long years, the Archdiocese is gathering us for

a Peace Walk and the first one is here at St. Ambrose. We will gather here on Tuesday, November 7th, Our Lady of Pompeii, at 5:30pm with a light meal then go out into the neighborhood to pause and pray were violence has touched our neighborhood. If not able to physically join us, please come and remain in the church for prayer.



Funeral Policy Update & Information Meeting Sunday, Oct. 29th, 2023

Derrick Jones, Derrick Jones Funeral Home After mass in the St. Augustine Room

After much debate and informed discussion, Fr. Paul, the parish Corporators and leadership team have updat-



ed the procedures surrounding the way in which funerals will be celebrated here at Saint Ambrose. If you were not here last week or did not

have a chance to

read the letter from Fr. Paul concerning the changes, please stop by the info table in the back of church to find a copy.

Also, today after mass, Fr. Paul, our Deacons, along with Mr. Derrick Jones, will be hosting an information session in the St. Augustine Room to discuss the policy and assist you with information on burial and cremation. Please be mindful it is totally acceptable to plan your own celebration. All the needed forms, procedures and information will be on hand so please come down to join

Mass Intentions

Oct. 29th: All the intentions from the Novena of Candles and Masses.

Nov. 1st, Wed., 9am mass offered for all our parishioners living and deceased.

Nov. 5, Mrs. Shirley Jones, on the 15th anniversary of her passing, requested by her loving husband, Mr. Jospeh Jones. Nov. 12th, Mrs. Kathy Burundi, on the 1st anniversary of her passing, requested by her loving husband, Mr. Ahmad Burundi. Friary Chapel: If you would like the friars to remember one of your intention at daily mass please use the envelopes on the info table and drop in the collection basket.

Holy Hour for Peace

The next Holy Hour is schedule for Sunday, Nov. 19th at 8:45am with rosary at 9:30 followed by Benediction. Come and spend an hour in prayer.



Children's Liturgy Word

The next celebration of the Children's Liturgy of the Word is today Sunday, the next is Nov. 12 & 26th, 2023. All children 5yrs of age and older are invited to participate. The Children's Liturgy of the Word will be celebrated every 2nd & 4th Sunday of the month. Please encourage the children to come forward when called

All Saints Day

Wednesday, Nov. 1st is All Saints Day, a day of obligation for Catholics. Mass will be celebrated at 9am in church. Join us when the saints go marching in. . . .

Men's Group Food Collection

The Men's Group is planning a food drive for their Men's day and are in need of these preferred items: Canned Tomatoes, Beans, Soup, Vegetables, Fruit, Spam, Tuna, Chicken, Chili, Rolled Oats Rice and pasta.

Adult Education with Sr. Seton

Monday, Oct. 23rd, Topic is Nutrition at noon in the rectory.

Next session is Monday, November 20th. Topic: Chair Yoga.

Tithe Update

10/15/23; Reg. \$2,897.00 Contin. Mission: \$105



Stop & Go Mass!

Change of Date! Saturday, Nov. 11th at 9:30am

Fr. Paul will host a Stop & Go Mass in the Church for

all those wanting to learn more about the How's and Why's of the Mass.

Come out an join us and learn something more about the beauty of our mass.



We remember those who passed during the last year:

> Kathy Burundi Gylvia Skinner Phyllis A. Ford Ella Preston Geraldine Smith Anita Cole Patricia A. Chainey Catherine Carter Paula Bennett

May they rest in peace!

WE WELCOME BACK ALL THOSE WHO HAVE LOST A LOVED ONE DURING THE PASTYEAR!



Thanksgiving Day

Thursday, November 23th, 2023 Thanksgiving Day

Mass will be offered here in church at 9:30am

Please bring a loaf of bread and/or a bottle of wine to be blessed at mass for you to take back home to share at your table.

All monetary donations will support the works of the St. Vincent de Paul Society



Healing Prayer: Mary Adderly, Helen Augins, Jean Bennett, Parrish Boyd, Karen Brown-Berkley, Annie Bruce, Renee Bruce, Al Butler, Debbie Chase, Eric Cullings, Dale Dyson, William Ford III. Eric Frazier, Sarah Gamble, JoAnn

Glenn, Angela Johnson, Cornell (Nelson) Johnson, Josie Johnson, Joseph Jones, Sheila Leary-Smith, Charles Manns, III, Kimberly Merrill, Allan Noble, Rhonda Rumbra, Carl & Bernice Shrieves, Daniel Smith Sr., Veronica Spears, Augustine & Archie Stith, Rosalita Stone, Gloria Tate, Ernest Thames, Jean Thomas, William Young, Sr. and Alice Zaborowski.



"Stop & Go Mass"

Join Fr. Paul as he leads us through a slow, prayerful explanation of the Mass and what we are doing when we gather around the Altar and the Word.

Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me" (1 Corinthians 11:23-25).

Saturday, Nov. 11, 2023 9:30am in the church Sign up at the info table. All are welcome!

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