

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 25, 2025

The prayer of the lowly pierces the clouds;
it does not rest until it reaches its goal;
nor will it withdraw til the Most High responds.

-- Sirach 35:17-18a



Daily Mass

Week of October 27th – 31st

Monday: 8:00 Jack Robert Nelson+
Tuesday: 8:00 Tim Moudry, Sr.+
Wednesday: 8:00 Paul Simonson+
Thursday: 8:00 Marcellina Munoz+
Friday: 8:00 Stacey Digre+



Please remember the sick in our Parish, especially, Georgia Pontoniere, Maria Corrales, Dan McDonald, Lorraine Heinemann, Lisa Wemple, Sarah Wren, Marian Flandick, James Breen, Janet Laurent, Anil Siu, Peggy Delson-Rini, Frank Rini and Cecilia Uyeda.

Weekly Collections

October 19, 2025

\$7,589.00



The Parish Family of Corpus Christi has been increased and enriched through the recent baptism of:

Baptisms

Arya Alysa Santos, daughter of Adriana Sandoval and Mark Santos.

Congratulations to the proud parents from all of us!



All who
humble
themselves
will be
exalted

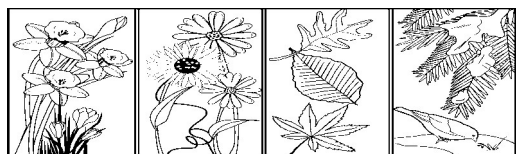
Today's Readings

First Reading -- The Lord is not deaf to the wail of the orphan, nor to the widow when she pours out her complaint (Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18).

Psalm -- The Lord hears the cry of the poor (Psalm 34).

Second Reading -- The Lord will rescue me from every threat (2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18).

Gospel -- All who exalt themselves will be humbled; all who humble themselves will be exalted (Luke 18:9-14).



My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

In five weeks, we will enter into the Season of Advent, the time that we Catholic Christians set aside to prepare for the coming of our Lord at Christmas.

For many of us, the days leading to Christmas are so hectic that the religious dimensions of the Season are buried under an avalanche of things to do and promises to keep. In our country, the sights and sounds of the Christmas Season are overwhelmingly secular; Santa is everywhere, but the baby Jesus cannot be found. We have to make a concerted effort to be mindful of the fact that December is a holy month, calling us to spiritual preparation in anticipation of the arrival of Emmanuel.

In order to help us stay focused on the true meaning of the Season, there are certain things that we can do:

We should all have an Advent Wreath in our homes and throughout the Season of Advent set aside a few minutes each day to light the candles of the wreath and offer a prayer to God. (Advent prayers will be available for all parishioners.)

The joys of Christmas await us; but in order for us to appreciate its deeper meaning, we must prepare for it properly. The Season of Advent affords us that opportunity.

Love, Fr. Leo



October Mass Count

Sunday Mass attendance is tabulated every year during the month of October. Our ushers will take up this count each weekend throughout October. The count of adults and children under the age of 13 is to be taken separately. Thank you for your help!

Hurdling!

God's grace within me and God's strength behind me can overcome any hurdle ahead of me.

-- Anonymous

Mass of Remembrance!

Please join us for a Mass of Remembrance on Saturday, November 1st, at 5:00 p.m. to honor and celebrate the lives of our family members, friends and fellow parishioners on All Soul's Day.

During Mass, we will be reading the names of our loved ones and lighting a candle in remembrance. To include a name, please contact the Parish Office at 530-4343 by Friday, October 31st.

Open House!

You are invited to Moreau Catholic High School's Open House on Saturday, November 1st, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Join them to explore their campus, meet their students and staff, and learn about the engaging academic programs and extracurricular opportunities that make Moreau Catholic special. Moreau Catholic High School looks forward to welcoming you and sharing what it means to be a Mariner!

No Us and Them, Just Us!

Join the Oakland Catholic Worker on Saturday, December 6th, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. at Bishop O'Dowd High School for a powerful and inspiring event, featuring distinguished guest speaker, Fr. Gregory Boyle. Fr. Boyle is a best-selling author and founder of Homeboy Industries, the world's largest gang rehabilitation and re-entry program based in Los Angeles. Attending this event supports the Oakland Catholic Worker and immigrant families in East Oakland during these challenging times. See the flyer on the credenzas in the Church or go to: OaklandCatholicWorker.org for more details and/or to purchase tickets. Hope to see you there!

RCIA: Discover the Catholic Faith!

Curious about the Catholic faith? Searching for deeper meaning and spiritual community? The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is your invitation to explore, question and discover. It started on Wednesday, October 15th.

RCIA is a welcoming community designed for adults interested in receiving the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and/or First Communion, and for existing Catholics interested in deepening and rediscovering their faith. This program is for you if you have never been baptized; baptized Christians from other denominations interested in becoming Catholic; baptized Catholics who desire First Communion and/or Confirmation; and all Catholics interested in deepening your faith and prayer life. If you have any questions, contact Anne Zehren at: annezehren@mac.com or call (917) 734-7928.

Fragrant Forgiveness!

Forgiveness is the fragrance a violet sheds on the heel that has crushed it.

-- Mark Twain

**Readings For The Week
October 27th -- November 1st**

Monday: First Reading Romans 8:12-17;
Psalm 68;
Gospel Luke 13:10-17

Tuesday: First Reading Ephesians 2:19-22;
Psalm 19;
Gospel Luke 6:12-16

Wednesday: First Reading Romans 8:26-30;
Psalm 13;
Gospel Luke 13:22-30

Thursday: First Reading Romans 8:31b-39;
Psalm 109;
Gospel Luke 13:31-35

Friday: First Reading Romans 9:1-5;
Psalm 147;
Gospel Luke 14:1-6

Saturday: First Reading Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14;
Psalm 24;
Second Reading 1 John 3:1-3
Gospel Matthew 5:1-12a

God's Logic Is Not Ours!

Nobody will ever mistake the Bible for a logic textbook. We need to remember this when we approach today's readings. How can a God who knows no favorites have a chosen people, or give us the disciplines of fasting and almsgiving and then instruct us not to talk about them? God, in love and tenderness, knows how quickly we can get "into a rut." The Spirit inspires passages like the instruction from Sirach and the parable in Luke to help drag us out of the rut of thinking that God's ways are our ways. Sirach poetically uses contrast to answer the question, "Whose prayer will reach the lofty clouds of heaven?" The answer? Those who are lowly on earth. Jesus amplifies this in his parable of the Pharisee and the publican. It is Spirit-inspired illogic that communicates today's message: God hears the voices of those who are ignored by the rest of the world.

Please Note!

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