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WELCOME!

Thank you for celebrating with us today. We invite you to come and worship with us again. If you would like to be a member of our faith community, please take a moment to register. We would love to have you as our spiritual companion.

MASS SCHEDULE - ALL SAINTS' DAY, WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1ST
10:30 AM BILINGUAL MASS (ENGLISH & VIETNAMESE)

SATURDAY

5:00 pm Vigil Mass (Vietnamese)

TUESDAY - FRIDAY

6:00 pm (Vietnamese)

SUNDAY

8:30 am Mass (English)

10:30 am Mass (Vietnamese)

Livestream (Facebook and Youtube)

12:30 pm (Vietnamese for Youth)

ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASS

1st Friday of the Month - 5:30 pm Adoration
6:00 pm Mass

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 4:30 pm - 4:50 pm
Sunday 8:00 am - 8:20 am
Tuesday - Friday 5:30 pm - 5:50 pm

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Sacrament of Anointing the Sick: Ext. 1
Parish Staff: Ext. 2
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Please leave a message if no one answers and your call will be returned.

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP (OCT. 21ST & OCT. 22ND)

Donation	\$4,908.00
Donation Online	\$1,445.00
Maintenance Fund	\$28.00
Debt Reduction	\$0
Total Donation	\$6,381.00



WORLD MISSION SUNDAY (10/21-10/22)

Your Generosity Ignited Change on World Mission Sunday - THANK YOU! Your active participation on world Mission Sunday has been heartwarming! By extending your generosity to the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, you've ignited change, supported missionaries worldwide, nourished the hungry, and aided the building of the Church in the Pope's mission territories. Your gifts, combined with countless others, were the spark that set "hearts on fire"! God's blessings be upon you for embodying the true missionary spirit!

www.onefamilyinmission.org

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

"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." (Ex 22:21-23)

Psalm:

I love you, Lord, my strength. (Ps 18)

Second Reading:

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. (1 Thes 1:9-10)

Gospel:

"You shall love the Lord, your God,
with all your heart,
with all your soul,
and with all your mind." (Mt 22:37)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

God became human to show us that only love
can change the world. Let's not just believe in
that love — let's be that love, each and every day.



St. Thomas Parish
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All Saints' Day
Mass Times:
9:00 AM English
7:00 PM Multilingual



"KEEP THE JOY
of loving God
IN YOUR HEART
and share this joy
with all you meet
especially your family.

Be holy – let us pray."

30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

HOMILY BY FATHER JOSEPH VU

Love for God and Neighbor Cannot Be Separated

The "law and the prophets" that Jesus refers to in today's Gospel (the Old Testament) were considered by the Jews to contain the absolutely unique self-revelation of the one, true God to his only Chosen People.

- Possessing this revelation made ancient Israel more privileged than all other nations and peoples.

• Therefore, when the Pharisee (who, like all Pharisees, was an expert in "the law and the prophets") asks Jesus to identify the greatest among the 613 commandments of the Old Testament, he is really challenging Christ to give an interpretation of the entire history and reality of the Israelite nation.

• We can imagine Christ fixing his eyes on those of the questioner, wondering how sincere the question really was.

St Matthew doesn't tell us how the Pharisee reacted, but we can imagine that he was surprised, if not downright shocked.

• Jesus had been asked to name one commandment, but then he listed two.

• The shrewd Pharisees would have noticed this.

• In listing two commandments, Jesus was pointing out that you cannot separate loving God from loving one's neighbor.

• And that's exactly what many of the Pharisees did every single day.

God is our Creator and Savior; his love is both universal and personal.

• He loves every single human being so much that he gave his life on the cross to pay the price for each person's sin, to open the gates of heaven to every single person who is willing to follow him.

• And so, if someone truly loves God with all their heart, it would be a contradiction not to treat one's neighbors - those very people whom God loves and suffered to save - with sincere and self-sacrificing respect.

• The old saying applies above all to God: A friend of yours is a friend of mine.

A Secret Weapon for Christ-like Love

In today's world, people are very busy.

Sometimes we even feel much too busy to take time to reach out to neighbors in need.

• It is very possible, however, that at the end of our life we will see things quite differently.

• But even in the midst of our busy-ness, we can make an effort to love God by loving our neighbor, precisely in the way we interact with the people around us.

• A true Christian should always remember that people matter more than things.

• We should never be too busy for a kind word or a sincere smile.

But those of us who really are super-busy can also make use of a secret weapon that allows us to do more in less time, to fulfill both of Christ's two great commandments in one action.

And it doesn't add anything at all to our to-do list or calendar.

It's so simple that you might be tempted to shrug it off when I tell you - but that would be a major mistake.

What is this secret weapon? Praying for other people.

When we pray for people we are exercising both loves at the same time:

• we show our love for God by talking to him and expressing confidence in his goodness and power,

• and we show our love for our neighbor by caring about them.

• Each one of us should have a list of people we pray for regularly - family members, coworkers, orphans, politicians, Christians suffering persecution...

• We should keep the list somewhere that we will have a chance to use it - near the windshield of the car or the counter where we fold the laundry... (The pope keeps his on his kneeler, where he does his morning and evening prayers.)

To pray regularly and sincerely for others - it's the secret weapon for loving God and loving our neighbor.

During this Mass, let's promise to use that weapon well.

Liturgical Life

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

27 Words That Matter

One of the quickest things you learn as a parent is how dangerous it is to explain too much, especially when your kid is teetering on the brink of a rebellion. The fewer words you use, the more power they have. A kid who is about to be carried away by their feelings needs to be brought back to earth with a tether made of short, succinct directions.

There are a lot of similarities between the Pharisees of Scripture and a toddler on the edge of a meltdown. Stay with me — this will make sense, I promise. Think about it: both toddlers and Pharisees have lots of feelings and lots of opinions. Both toddlers and Pharisees think you're out to get them. Both toddlers and Pharisees keep trying to trick you to get what they *think* they want.

A thorough Google search informs me that there are about 80,000 words in the Torah. Eighty-thousand words, and Jesus can boil it all down to 27: "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind" and "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

It doesn't make the excess words untrue; it doesn't even make them unnecessary. Sometimes I need the long explanation, the full and complete picture.

Because sometimes, as much as I hate to admit it, I act like both a toddler and a Pharisee. I am carried away by my feelings. I don't trust God. I am about to bolt.

When that happens, I need to be told in short and simple terms what my salvation means. I need a tether made of short, succinct directions.

"The whole law and the prophets depend on these two commandments." — Matthew 22:40

Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

Question:

What is a sacramental seal and where did it come from?

Answer:

Leaving more than just a memory, there are some events in our life that are truly transforming, making us different people. The same thing can be said of spiritual things, especially sacraments. A sacramental seal or character is a theological concept to describe the life-changing and permanent effect of three sacraments on the person: baptism, confirmation, and holy orders. The Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches that these sacraments confer a seal "by which the Christian shares in Christ's priesthood and is made a member of the Church according to different states and functions. This configuration to Christ and the Church, brought about by the Spirit, is indelible" (#1121).

Once we receive these sacraments, we are forever changed. It's a spiritual "point of no return" whereby we take a step forward in our faith journey. We are marked as people of faith, as those who have received the Spirit and as those called to serve in ordained ministry. That is why these sacraments are received only once. The direction is set, the choice is made, and we are called by God to be his people. Nothing can change that, not even our own sinfulness.