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Holy Mass

Mon- Fri, 9 am Sat, 5 pm Sun, 8:30 am & 11 am



Mass is livestreamed on Facebook weekdays, Sat 5 pm, & Sun 11 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation Sat 3- 4 pm or by appointment.

Mission Statement There are different ministries, but the same Lord. You then are the Body of Christ.

Everyone of you is a member of it. 1 Corinthians 12:5 & 27 Father Pat Travers, Pastor pjtravers@att.net

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This Week at Holy Cross

Mon Oct 25

9 am- Mass

Tue Oct 26

9 am- Mass

6:30-8 pm High School Youth Night

Wed Oct 27

9 am- Mass

6:30-8 pm Junior High Youth Night

Thu Oct 28

9 am- Mass

Fri Oct 29

Parish Office Closed

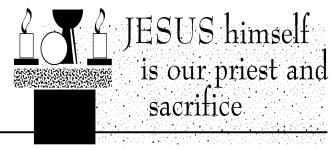
9 am- Mass

Sat Oct 30

1 pm-Legion of Mary- Conference Room 3-4 pm - Confessions 5 pm- Mass 6-6:15 pm-Dist. of Holy Communion

Sun Oct 31

8:30 am- Mass 9:45 Faith Formation 11 am- Mass 12-12:15 pm- Dist. of Holy Communion



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Readings for Oct 31, 2021 **Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Deuteronomy 6:2-6

Hear, O Israel! You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart.

Responsorial Psalm 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51

I love you, Lord, my strength.

Hebrews 7:23-28

Because he remains forever, he has a priesthood that does On the way home from Mass... not pass away.

Mark 12:28b-34 Love the Lord your God. Love your neighbor.

Reflection

How have you experienced Jesus's healing power in you life? If Jesus stood in front of you today and asked, "What do you want me to do for you?" How would you respond?

Forward March of the Kingdom

A large crowd on the move is an ambiguous phenomenon. Its collective energy can be mobilized for good or for evil. A 1965 march from Selma to Montgomery helped dramatize the struggle for African American civil rights. By contrast, Mussolini's 1922 March on Rome led to the triumph of Italian fascism.

One wonders about the mood of the crowd that followed Jesus out of Jericho. Were they expecting a triumphant "March on Jerusalem" that would restore the greatness of Israel? Bartimaeus calls Jesus "Son of David," suggesting that he, too, may be caught up in such messianic dreams.

Once a crowd gets moving, it develops an intoxicating momentum. Those who rebuke Bartimaeus and demand that he be silent have clearly drunk deeply. What weight do the needs of a solitary beggar have when placed in the balance with the glory awaiting in Jerusalem? Nothing must be allowed to stop the forward march of history.

But Jesus stops. He hears a single cry for help, and for that he stops the great machine that has formed itself around him. No doubt they were surprised. The kingdoms of this world always leave their version of Bartimaeus by the side of the road, just "acceptable losses" and "collateral damage." Not so in the kingdom that Jesus preaches. In his kingdom, even a blind panhandler has infinite worth. This, ultimately, is what Bartimaeus comes to see and what the crowd comes to see. And so must we, if we are to "follow Jesus on the way."

J. Peter Nixon

J. Peter Nixon is a deacon serving in the Diocese of Oakland, California. A regular contributor to Give Us This Day, he holds a master's degree in theology from the Jesuit School of Theology at Santa Clara University.

Which prayer of the faithful touched you today? How can you help make what we prayed for become a reality?





Currently we are in week 22 of the campaign. Thank you to all who have given!

Collection: Today is World Mission Sunday!

We celebrate this day by remembering our baptismal call – to bring the Gospel to all! The collection today for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith supports the work and witness of the Mission Church, as it provides for priests, religious and lay leaders who offer the Lord's mercy and concrete help to the most vulnerable communities in the Pope's missions. Thank you for your generosity.

Saint Theresa's Winter Retreat

Join us for 3 days of faith, friends and fun! The Glory Bound Winter retreat is a great opportunity for students to reconnect with their faith and camp community! Includes fun winter activities, Mass, confession, and adoration. Camp is for Boy and Girls in grade 6 to 12. Come see what St. Theresa's Catholic Camp is all about! More info at <u>stthereseak.com</u>

Grades 6-8: Dec 28-30. Grades 9-12: Dec 30-Jan 1.

Young Adult Ministry: Schedule Changes

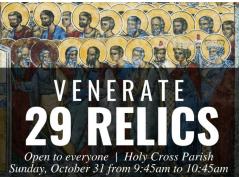
The next two Young Adult nights will be held Nov. 3 and 17 from 6:30-8pm (this is a change from the original schedule).



Seeking adventurers ages 18-35 to join the fight for truth, goodness, and beauty on a quest to battle the forces of evil (no prior experience necessary). Contact Anna for info.

Oct. 31: Faith Formation & Halloween Party

Next week's Faith Formation is open to the entire parish! (All ages will be in Family Session.) Party includes games, treats, pumpkin carving, and saint relics (we'll teach you how to venerate a relic).



Want a pumpkin? Text/email Anna by Monday.

Youth Ministry: Halloween Edition

Are ghosts real? What does the Church teach about them? Youth Night includes a candy hunt, face-painting contest (supplies provided) and fear factor foods competition. Grades 6-8: Oct. 26. Grades 9-12: Oct. 27. Both 6:30-8pm.

Saints in the Altar: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton's relic is the only American-born saint we have in our altar (and she was the first American to be canonized!). She married her husband William at age 19 and had 5 children.



When William fell sick, they traveled to Italy, hoping to improve his health, but he passed away. While in Italy, St. Elizabeth learned about the Catholic faith, and converted to Catholicism after returning to the US.

She founded a boarding house for boys, and then moved to Emmitsburg, Maryland, where she founded a school for girls. Other women joined her mission of service, and together they founded a religious order, Sisters of Charity of St. Joseph.

St. Elizabeth is the patron saint of Catholic schools, widows, and seafarers. St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, pray for us!

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Mass	Music	Sacristan	Servers	Readers	EM of Communion	Hospitality
Sat 5 pm	Anna Schulten (musicians & choir walk -ins welcome)	N/A	N/A	Deb Seidl	Pat Seidl	Jessie Maglaqui Joy Maglaqui Sebastian Maglaqui
Sun 8:30 am	Lead instrumentalist needed. To volunteer, call Sheila: 250-6234	N/A	N/A	Maureen Retzel	Doug Williams	Robin Wittrock Marie Wittrock
Sun 11 am	Sheila Soukup (musicians & choir walk -ins welcome)	N/A	N/A	Mary Anne Green	Mercy Acheson	Emily Zych Theresa Mitchell Teresa Cortes

PARISH MINISTRIES SERVICE TEAM

Altar Servers - Jess Manaois: 230-9418 Art & Environment - Marilyn Kerr: 346-1624 Baked Goods - Joan Karcz: 344-0168 Blessed Sacrament Monastery - Sandon Broek: 947-9168 Clare House - Leslie Holland: 770-0847 Faith Formation - Anna Schulten: 306-9363 Church Maintenance - Mike Likar: 529-9015 Eucharistic Ministers - John Hoppe: 350-7580 Finance - Greg Magee: 575-3197 Habitat for Humanity - John & Anita Roberts: 344-7144 Hospitality - Joy Maglaqui: 360-5133 Knights of Columbus - James Hogins: 229-3163 Lawn and Garden - Kirsten Hoppe: 248-1653 Legion of Mary - Mercy Acheson: 223-4822 Library- Debi Wickler: 952-1879 Music Ministry - Sheila Soukup: 250-6234 Prayer Chain - Joan Gillis: 346-3147 Readers - Jason Hlasny: 242-6655 RCIA - Sandon Broek: 947-9168 Sacristan - Matthew Williams: 562-0188 Snow Plowing - Vince Garroutte: 522-3647 Vocations - Sister Joan Oberle: 349-8388



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TITHING UPDATE

How did we do last week in meeting our we Weekly Offertory Goal		6.577	
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Weekly Collections:	ļ	2,478	
Holy Day/Holiday Collections:	· · ·	2,470	
Online Giving:		- 2,797	
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Total:	<u> </u>	5,275	
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