October 25, 2020 Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reflection from Fr. Bernard Doré

We should live our lives based on our love of God and our neighbors. The definition of love has carried many different meanings throughout history. We do not need a degree in psychology to be able to know authentic love. We can look to those we know to find the meaning of true love. The greatest example of love is Jesus because He is Love Himself. Sure models of true love are Our Blessed Mother Mary and the Saints.

In the First Reading, Moses lays before the Israelites the laws that pertain to their relationship with those who are less fortunate.

In the Second Reading, St. Paul acknowledges the work of the Missionaries and the Christian Community in spreading God's Word.

The Gospel Reading today describes how certain religious authorities, called Pharisees, tried to test, or perhaps trap Jesus, and discredit him. They asked Jesus, "which commandment in the law is the greatest?" If Jesus mentioned one or the other, he could be accused of not valuing the whole of the law, and not showing proper respect for the entire teaching of Moses and the Prophets. Jesus answers by quoting two Old Testament verses, Deuteronomy 6:5, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind," and Leviticus, 19:18, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." Jesus used the very words of the scriptures to point the Pharisees to the heart of the matter, not just which commandment is better.

Jesus was helping the Pharisees see that the most important thing in our relationship to God is our inner motivation, our love for God and our love for the others God has created. This is the lesson we still need to learn today. To love God with all our heart, soul, strength and mind, and to love our neighbors as ourselves, is the heart of the Christian gospel, and it is the heart of what we are called to build here in this world.

May God give us the heart, mind, strength and soul to live out this commandment of love.



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| OFFICE HOURS | 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM (MON, WED, THU, FRI) | |
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| WEEKDAY MASSES | 9:00 AM (MON, WED, FRI) | |
| SATURDAY VIGIL MASS | 5:00 PM | |
| SUNDAY MASSES | 8:00 AM 10:00 AM | |

ST. PAUL'S UPCOMING SCHEDULE

| Saturday | October 24 |
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| 5:00 PM | Mass: |
| Sunday | October 25 |
| 8:00 AM | Mass: |
| 9:15 AM | Rosary |
| 10:00 AM | Mass: Mosca Family (RIP) |
| Monday | October 26 |
| 8:35 AM | Rosary |
| 9:00 AM | Mass: Special Intention |
| Wednesday | October 28 |
| 8:35 AM | Rosary |
| 9:00 AM | Mass: : |
| Friday | October 30 |
| 8:35 AM | Rosary |
| 9:00 AM | Mass: Souls in Purgatory |
| Ne | xt weekend's Mass Intentions |
| 5:00 PM | Open for your Intentions |
| 8:00 AM | Mass: William O'Connell (RIP) |
| 10:00 AM | Mass: Piera Family (RIP) |

Please consider commemorating a loved one at the Eucharist



October- Month of Holy Rosary

My Dear Parishioners,

Greetings and prayers. The Month of October is devoted to The Holy Rosary very specially. At Fatima, Our Blessed Mother revealed herself as Our Lady of The Holy Rosary and asked all her children to pray The Holy Rosary daily for peace in the world. After the Holy Mass, The Holy Rosary is the most powerful and greatest prayer. Just see the world, increase in the Persecutions of Christians in different parts of the world, increase in the Natural Disasters like Hurricanes, Floods and Earth Quakes.

In this Month of October, let us renew our love and devotion to Our Blessed Mother Mary and go on our knees, by praying daily the Holy Rosary individually, as a Family and as a Parish, to stop all kinds and forms of violence and Natural Disasters and for peace in our hearts, Families, Parish, Community, Nation and the world and for The Triumph of Her Immaculate Heart soon.

With all my love, prayers and blessings always,

Yours lovingly in Jesus and Mary,

Fr. M.J. Bernard Dore

Rosary for Families

St. Paul's Council, Knights of Columbus invites everyone to a family rosary today **Sunday, October 25th at 9:15AM** here at St. Paul's Church. We are asking Mary's intercession for an end to abortion in our country and the world, for peace in our country and families, and for an end to the pandemic.

Let's Stay Connected

We've been emailing a weekly parish update to help us stay informed and to share resources. Please add your name and email to the list via our website:

www.stpaulsfoster.org

Your information is never shared with anyone else and is only used to communicate with you about the parish.

Beautiful Ways of Giving

Will you consider designating memorial gifts or leaving a gift in your will to our St. Paul's parish?

"Being a Christian without the Church doesn't make any sense...To say 'I am a Christian' means to say 'I belong to the Church'...As Christians, we cannot disregard the Church; we cannot save ourselves." ~Pope Francis

Your parish has been a place where you have come together with family, friends and the Catholic community for the most important moments in your life. Through the Catholic Church you have met the person of Jesus Christ in times of joy and sorrow, especially in the Sacraments. Consider giving back to your St. Paul's parish in your estate planning or a memorial gift..

Thanks for your kind consideration and God Bless and reward you.

Fr. M.J. Bernard Doré

Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire to receive you into my life. Since I cannot receive you sacramentally, come then spiritually into my heart. So that I may embrace you and unite myself completely to you. And never let me be separated from you.

The Christmas Bazaar Raffle

Thank you so much to those who have already returned their Raffle Ticket Stubs and money. We truly appreciate it. If anyone did not receive tickets and would like some please call or email the parish office. If you need more let us know and we can mail them or leave them in the office to be picked up.

- •\$1000 Gift Card Tree
- •Stihl Farm Boss Chain Saw with Case, Gear Bag, and Gallon MotoMix
- Stihl Back Pack Blower
- •Emeril LaGasse Pressure AirFryer

Return date is November 29th.

GIFTS RECEIVED

| Offertory Collection - October 17/18 \$2,725.00 |
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| World Mission Sunday - October 17/18 \$ 339.00 |
| Thank you for your support! |

Pro-Life Rose Sale

Long-stem roses will be available after all Masses this weekend. All proceeds from the sale will benefit Catholic, pro-life Mother of Life Pregnancy Center (motheroflife.org) Providence.

K of C Winter Coat Drive

The Knights of Columbus are organizing this year's annual coat collection. Please donate clean coats in good condition. There is a donation box available in the hallway.

Help Fill Thanksgiving Baskets

We are collecting food items in order to prepare Thanksgiving Food Baskets which have been so important and appreciated by some of our neighbors. As part of learning about faithfulness to Christ we are especially asking the children as well as all parish families to help fill these baskets. **Please drop off all items at church by Sunday, November 8.**

Canned Fruit/Applesauce Gravy (Cans, Jars, Packages) Cranberry Sauce Instant Potatoes Biscuit/Roll Mix Canned Vegetables Stuffing Mix Muffin Mix Pie Crust/Fillings

Kids Corner



Sharing the Gospel

When you have a choice to make, think about what God wants. Make sure your choices are good and that they help other people. When you follow God's example, you will be ready to love other people. With God's help you can be gentle, forgiving and kind.

Prayer

God, help me to love you and other people more and more every day.

Mission for the Week

As a family, help an elderly person in your neighborhood. Help them clean up their home or their yard.