



ROME 2020 APPEAL FOR PEACE

On 20th October Pope Francis joins other leaders of world religions gathered at the International Prayer Meeting for Peace "No one is saved alone - Peace and Fraternity". The meeting organized by the Community of St Egidio.

Present at the Meeting in Rome's Capitoline Square, were also political leaders who symbolically received a text of the 2020 Appeal for Peace. The Appeal stated:

Today, in these uncertain times, as we feel the effects of the Covid-19 pandemic that threatens peace by aggravating inequalities and fear, we firmly state that no one can be saved alone: no people, no single individual!

We appeal to government leaders to reject the language of division, often based on fear and mistrust, and to avoid embarking on paths of no return. Together let us look at the victims. All too many conflicts are presently in course.

To leaders of nations we say: let us work together to create a new architecture of peace. Let us join forces to promote life, health, education and peace.

To all believers, and to men and women of good will, we say: let us become creative artisans of peace, let us build social friendship, let us make our own the culture of dialogue.

May God inspire in us a commitment to these ideals and to the journey that we are making together. May he touch every heart and make us heralds of peace. (vaticannews.va)



Sacred Heart Parish Koorungal 24th/25th October, 2020

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Sat. Vigil: 5:30pm Sunday: 10am

Daily Mass Times:

Monday - Friday: 5:45pm

Saturday: 9.30am

Changes to Mass times will be on Chapel door.

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WE PRAY FOR:

RECENTLY DECEASED: Brian Connolly, Mary Desira, Frank Corbett, John Hosie, Beryl Pearson, Gerard Davis, Gerard Gaynor, Sr. Ann McRae pbvm, Thea Bowen, Fr. Frank Bell, John Maloney, Laurent Stout, Michael W. Flett, Tony Madigan, Allan Davis, Barbara McDonnell, Fr. Wilfred Plunkett, Fr. Noel Connolly ssc, John Stout, Bill Matthews, Beverly Crouch., Vitas Mangahis, Bette Fitzpatrick, Bob Barclay, Beth Gillard, Eileen Gaynor, Theresa Gallucci, Rosalind Lim, Terry Phegan, Camilla McLaughlin (Dublin)

ANNIVERSARIES/ REMEMBRANCES:

SICK: Ilona Gortva, Laurence Roche, Dorothy Castle, William Trist, Miriam McCoy, Joanne Huckel, , Mary Condell, Dorothy Waterford, Shivaun Clifton, Barry Parnell, Hayden O'Callaghan, June Kimber, Denise Goonan, Adam Horsley, Finley Owens, Shirley Gabriel, Brianna Papworth, Harry Edmonds.

MASS TIME STARTING 1st NOVEMBER

SATURDAY VIGIL 5.30pm SUNDAY 8am & 10am

WEEKDAY: Monday, Wednesday, Friday 5.45pm

Tuesday, Thursday 7am

Anointing Mass: second Thursday of the month.

ALL SOULS MASS—MONDAY 2ND NOVEMBER 7:30PM

the Parish remembers those parishioners and parishioners' dear ones who have died in the past 12 months.

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YR A

To prepare for next Sunday's Mass go to St Louis Jesuits – The Centre for Liturgy website: <http://liturgy.slu.edu> and/or Jerusalem Bible Translation of Readings: <http://www.universalis.com/>

FIRST READING: A reading from the book of Exodus 22:20-26

The Lord said to Moses, 'Tell the sons of Israel this, "You must not molest the stranger or oppress him, for you lived as strangers in the land of Egypt. You must not be harsh with the widow, or with the orphan; if you are harsh with them, they will surely cry out to me, and be sure I shall hear their cry; my anger will flare and I shall kill you with the sword, your own wives will be widows, your own children orphans. If you lend money to any of my people, to any poor man among you, you must not play the usurer with him: you must not demand interest from him. If you take another's cloak as a pledge, you must give it back to him before sunset. It is all the covering he has; it is the cloak he wraps his body in; what else would he sleep in? If he cries to me, I will listen, for I am full of pity."

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 17

I love you, Lord, my strength.

I love you, Lord, my strength, my rock, my fortress, my saviour.
My God is the rock where I take refuge; my shield, my mighty help, my stronghold.
The Lord is worthy of all praise: when I call I am saved from my foes.
Long life to the Lord, my rock! Praised be the God who saves me.
He has given great victories to his king and shown his love for his anointed.

I love you, Lord, my strength.

SECOND READING: A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians 1:5-10

You observed the sort of life we lived when we were with you, which was for your instruction, and you were led to become imitators of us, and of the Lord; and it was with the joy of the Holy Spirit that you took to the gospel, in spite of the great opposition all round you. This has made you the great example to all believers in Macedonia and Achaia since it was from you that the word of the Lord started to spread - and not only throughout Macedonia and Achaia, for the news of your faith in God has spread everywhere. We do not need to tell other people about it: other people tell us how we started the work among you, how you broke with idolatry when you were converted to God and became servants of the real, living God; and how you are now waiting for Jesus, his Son, whom he raised from the dead, to come from heaven to save us from the retribution which is coming.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Jn 14: 23

Alleluia, alleluia! All who love me he will keep my words, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Matthew 22:34-40

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees they got together and, to

disconcert him, one of them put a question, 'Master, which is the greatest commandment of the Law?' Jesus said, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second resembles it: You must love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments hang the whole Law, and the Prophets also.'

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

GOSPEL CONNECTIONS

The Bottom Line

Moses drew the bottom line for the people of God when he presented the stone tablets to them at the base of Sinai: *Here are ten things you must, and must not, do.* Love God, honour your parents; don't lie, steal, kill. Most of us know the commandments well enough to know when we break them, without peeking back at Exodus.

To ask - which commandment of God is the greatest? - is a bit like asking for a hierarchy of evil for future reference. As Robert Orbin says, most of us would like to be delivered from evil - but would like to keep in touch. The great commandment of Jesus doesn't give us that option. Loving God with heart, soul, and mind is a pretty exclusive commitment. When it comes to life commitments, even a little infidelity is too much.

*How does your commitment to God measure up against the Ten Commandments?
How does it measure against the love command of Jesus?*

Express your love for God this week in prayer, praise and thanksgiving. Express your love for your neighbour, near and far, in concrete and significant ways. *"These two commandments are pegs; everything in God's Law and the Prophets hangs on them".*

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Last week 1st Collection \$523 2nd Collection \$329

Meeting:

- Women's Marian Movement for Priests' Cenacle 10.30am, 27/10 in the White House.

THE WHITE HOUSE IS OPEN FOR ANY GROUP MEETING

Please contact Fr. John