



Resurrection Our Lord Church

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Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time: Oct 22, 2023

Baptism : Arrangements must be made one week in advance.
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sunday from 7:15 am to 7:35 am or by appointment.

Mass Schedule & Mass Intentions

Sun 10/22: * All souls by Quynh Anh
*Peter, Ann, Dominic, Joseph, John, all souls & intention by 1 person
Mon 10/23: * Well-being for family by Lap Sam
Tue 10/24: * Well-being for family by Thao Nguyen
Wed 10/25: *Well-being for son and family by Tu Nguyen
Thurs 10/26: * Joseph and Maria by Hong Au
Fri 10/27: * Maria Sen by Cao Hue
* Isave, Paul, all souls and safe travel by Trang Dung
Sat 10/28: All souls by Hong Au

Today's Gospel: Mt 22:15-21 The Pharisees went off and plotted how they might entrap Jesus in speech. They sent their disciples to him, with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are a truthful man and that you teach the way of God in accordance with the truth. And you are not concerned with anyone's opinion, for you do not regard a person's status. Tell us, then, what is your opinion: Is it lawful to pay the census tax to Caesar or not?" Knowing their malice, Jesus said, "Why are you testing me, you hypocrites? Show me the coin that pays the census tax." Then they handed him the Roman coin. He said to them, "Whose image is this and whose inscription?" They replied, "Caesar's." At that he said to them, "Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God."

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Offering for October 15, 2023

Total Sum. Collection \$ 3,971.00

Capital Improvement \$ 20.00
Votive candles \$ 81.00
Flower \$ 220.00

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“Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God.” Our lives ultimately belong to God; let His love shine through all that you do.

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Give the Lord glory and honor.

Holy Father's Intention for October: For the Synod: We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level, and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time: The Pharisees often tried to trip Jesus up in the Gospels. We see them here making one of their most serious efforts toward entrapping him. The Pharisees were religious leaders and, in this case, they even bringing in their political enemies, the Herodians, to help in their plot. The Herodians were the political powers in Israel at this time. They were, in essence, puppets of the Romans, who had control of Israel and were enemies of the Jews. The question about the tax to Caesar was intended to put Jesus between a rock and a hard place. If he condemned the tax, he would be in trouble with the Herodians who could charge him with treason for opposing paying taxes to the government. If he condoned the tax, then he would be in trouble with the Pharisees for being unfaithful to Judaism and its opposition to the Roman oppressors for the sake of religious purity and national independence. But Jesus saw right through their plot and responded in a way that avoided the entrapment. Jesus asked to see the coin used to pay the tax, which was a? denarius? that had the image of Tiberius Caesar, the Roman emperor at the time, stamped into it. Jesus used the term ?image? as a word play here. Because the coin had Caesar?s image on it, he pointed out it already belonged to Caesar. Therefore, there was no religious compromise in giving back to Caesar what already belonged to him. In this, Jesus also affirmed that it is right to fulfill our civil duties as Christians. At the same time, he affirmed that our highest and primary duty is to serve God and give Him what is due. By using the term ?image? and saying we are to? repay? to God what belongs to God,? Jesus revealed that we owe God everything. We are made in the? image? of God and, thus, belong completely to God. Therefore, we are called to offer our entire selves to God.

World Mission Sunday: Embrace the missionary work of the Church with “Hearts on Fire, Feet on the Move” this World Mission Sunday, October 22nd!

On World Mission Sunday, we are reminded of the universal call of our Baptism to be Christ’s witnesses to the world. As we gather at Mass, our prayers, sacrifices, and offerings to the Society for the Propagation of the Faith support the Church’s missions, enabling:

- Over 844,000 catechists to share the faith
- 258,540 Religious Sisters to tend to families and children
- 38,140 seminarians to journey towards the priesthood
- Education for 26 million children
- Medical assistance in 12,000 clinics
- Comfort in 8,750 homes for the orphaned and elderly

As we pray and respond on World Mission Sunday here at home, we share in those celebrations taking place in every parish throughout the world. To gether, through our prayers, sacrifices and financial support, we support the life-giving presence of the Church in more than 1,100 mission dioceses. Learn more at www.archstl.org/WMS.

Second Collection: This Sunday (Oct. 22) we have a Second Collection for World Mission—Pray for the Evangelization for the whole world. **Please be generous!**