



Resurrection Our Lord Church

3900 Meramec St. St. Louis, MO 63116

Tel: 314-832-7023; Fax: 832-7024

Email: GxChuaPhucSinh@gmail.com

Emergency Only: Fr. Francis 202-368-6828; Fr. Peter 847-420-5616

Fr. Francis X. Binh Thanh Nguyen SVD, Parochial Administrator

Fr. Peter De Ta Vo, SVD, In Residence

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time: November 05, 2023

Parish Council:

Mr. Lot Tran
314.441.1955

Finance Council:

Mrs. Thuong Hoai Nguyen
314.691.6508

Children Religious Education:

Sr. Mary Hanh Nguyen, LHC
314.736.9337

Liturgy Committee:

Mr. Hung Bui: 314.783.7266

Offering for October 29, 2023

Total Sum. Collection \$ 4,127.00

| | | |
|---------------------|----|-------|
| Capital Improvement | \$ | 50.00 |
| Voice candles | \$ | 43.00 |
| Sacramental fee | \$ | 20.00 |

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time:

Our faith should be lived in such a way that others are drawn to the Lord; however, we have to be aware of pride. We do all things for God

**luhal@dwci.edu or call
1-800-553-3321**



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 11/05: *Thanksgiving, Well-being & all souls by 1 person

* Joseph and Maria by Bang Hien

Mon 11/06: * Ancestors both sides by Nu Nguyen

Tue 11/07: * John the Baptist and Ann by Soan Nguyen

Wed 11/08: *Thanksgiving by Lap Sam family

Thus 11/09: * Ann by Soan Nguyen

Fri 11/10: * Ann by Lap Sam family

*John, Ann, Dominic, Maria, ancestor both sides by Soan

Sat 11/05: * Ann by Quynh Nguyen

Today's Gospel: Mt 23:1-12 Jesus spoke to the crowds and to his disciples, saying, "The scribes and the Pharisees have taken their seat on the chair of Moses. Therefore, do and observe all things whatsoever they tell you, but do not follow their example. For they preach but they do not practice. They tie up heavy burdens hard to carry and lay them on people's shoulders, but they will not lift a finger to move them. All their works are performed to be seen. They widen their phylacteries and lengthen their tassels. They love places of honor at banquets, seats of honor in synagogues, greetings in marketplaces, and the salutation 'Rabbi.' As for you, do not be called 'Rabbi.' You have but one teacher, and you are all brothers. Call no one on earth your father; you have but one Father in heaven. Do not be called 'Master'; you have but one master, the Christ. The greatest among you must be your servant. Whoever exalts himself will be humbled; but whoever humbles himself will be exalted."

In you, Lord, I have found my peace.

Holy Father's Intention for November:

For the Pope: We pray for the Holy Father; as he fulfills his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit.

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time:

What is my religion to me? Wings to lift me or a weight to drag me down? A matter of love or of law? Jesus offers rest and relief to those who labor and are burdened. Can I recognize myself in the Pharisee - the Pharisee in me?

Jesus' disciples are not to make a big display of religion nor are they to seek honorable titles like 'father' and 'teacher' and 'rabbi'. Our teacher is God, and the true disciples learn only from God. We find very often in Jesus a dismissal of ostentatious religion. He calls on his followers to be humble. Our church is to be a humble church, as we are to be in our dealings with each other. For this we need prayer which inserts us daily into the mystery of being loved and called by God in Jesus Christ.

An adult is often told to 'chill out' by a younger person. We can easily think of people who are puffed up with their own praise and a sort of pomposity about themselves. We don't like that in others; it may be a bit in each of us. To realize that we are totally dependent on God for life and love is a humbling realization. Prayer at its best keeps us humble, chilled out with the warmth of God's love!

Jesus cautions the disciples against an easy rejection of the Pharisees; you are not to reject them outright but are to be discerning and wise. I ask God to help me to resist any fundamentalist rejection of others and to help me to appreciate good wherever I find it.

There may seem to be a contradiction between obedience and independence. I pray that I may have the humility to imitate, to receive instruction and to follow even as I accept the dignity that God gives me by speaking in love directly to my heart.



Second Collection: Today (Nov. 05), we have a Second Collection for Retirements Fund for Religious Sunday. **Please be generous!**