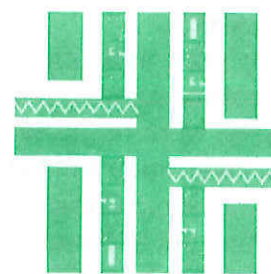


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Liturgy
Wednesday - Thursday : 8:00 AM (Mass)
Monday: 8:00 AM (Prayer Service)
Friday: 8:00 AM (Communion Service)
Rosary: Monday - Friday: 7:30 AM
Saturday Mass - 4:00 PM
Sunday Masses - 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM

Office Hours
Monday - Thursday
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
(closed 12:00 PM - 1 :00 PM)

Sacraments

Baptism - Contact Margaret Roncalli

Marriage - Contact pastor 6 months in advance

Reconciliation

3:30 PM - 4:00 Saturday

PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE

For communion/visits to the sick & homebound; mass intentions, prayer request & funerals



Unity,
human relations

Mission & Vision

Through African American traditions, we are moved
by the Spirit to serve.

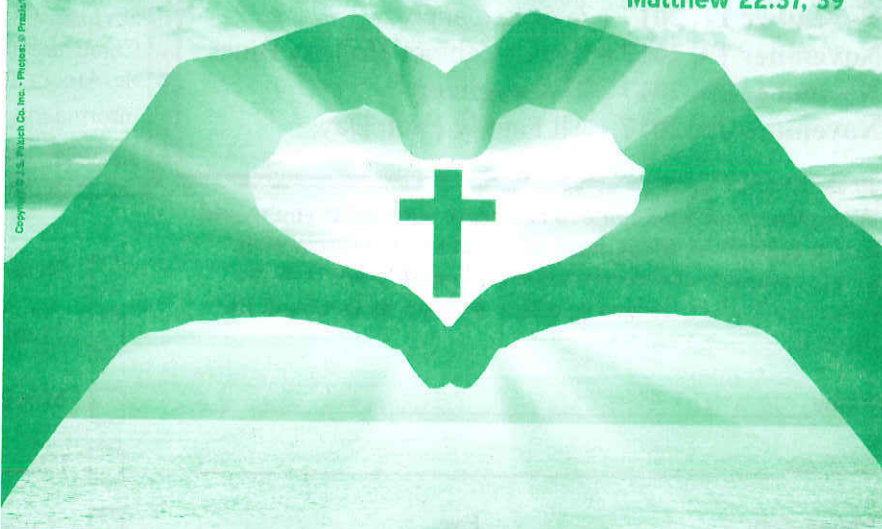
*“Misericordia: Making
Mercy Visible”*

Jesus said,

*“You shall love the Lord,
your God,
with all your heart . . .*

*You shall love your neighbor as yourself.
The whole law and the prophets depend
on these two commandments.”*

Matthew 22:37, 39



October 29, 2017 • Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Please **turn off** Cell Phones
before entering Church.
Thank you!

BALANCE

Today's scriptures emphasize the fundamental link between love of God and love of our neighbors, especially those who are most in need. Love of God should compel us to love the people whom God cherishes. Conversely, work for justice and charity for those in need should be rooted in our love of God.

That connection and balance, however, isn't always easy to maintain in our lives. Even in religious orders we find that some Christians are more oriented toward contemplation and prayer, while others are more active in reaching out to those who are oppressed. Today Jesus reminds us of the necessity for both in the life of faith.

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Today's Good News ~Living with Christ

Unlike the blind beggar in today's gospel, sometimes we don't really know what we want. For example, when my coworkers and I approached our manager about a raise, we weren't surprised that she listened patiently to us, but we were caught completely off guard when she wanted to know exactly what amount of compensation we thought would be fair. We had been so focused on our dissatisfaction that we hadn't given much thought to what we really wanted.

Jesus did not presume to know what the blind beggar wanted when the man cried out for help. Like my employer, he encouraged the blind man to explicitly state his need and by so doing helped him become aware of his deepest desire. The question of what we want God to do for us helps us sort through our surface wants and listen to what is stirring in the depth of our hearts. We might be surprised by the answer. **TERRI MIFEK**

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time;
Priesthood Sunday; World Youth Day
Tuesday: Halloween
Wednesday: All Saints
Thursday: The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)
Friday: St. Martin de Porres; First Friday
Saturday: St. Charles Borromeo; First Saturday



November 1, 2017 - All Saints' Day
November 2, 2017 - Feast of All Souls' Day
November 5, 2017 - SVDP Jambalaya Dinner
November 11, 2017 - Zydeco Dance
November 19, 2017 - Health Cabinet-Holiday Blues
November 23, 2017 - *Thanksgiving*
November 26, 2017 - All Family Faith Day

Join Friends for an Evening of Fellowship and Fundraising, hosted by St. Vincent de Paul of Alameda County.

**Holy Spirit Catholic Church, 37648 Fremont Blvd.
Friday Nov. 3, 2017 from 5:30 - 7pm
RSVP to (510) 719-0774**

~~~~~ Scripture Study

Come and join Scripture Study every Thursday evening with Sr. Amora at 7:00 pm in Mother Lydia's Chapel. For more information call Gillian Small at (510) 501-9726 or ggms@att.net

We welcome all who come to celebrate with us. If you would like to register or if you need to update your information, please complete this registration form and place it in the collection basket, return to office or send us an email. Be Blessed!

Name _____

Address _____

Phone Day _____ Eve _____

City _____ Zip _____

E-mail Address _____

- New Parishioner
- Change of Information
- Moving: Remove from list
- Please Call me - best time _____
- I would like to serve as _____