Society of African Missions

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Local and Provincial superior:
Fr. Michael Moran, SMA.
If you invite one of our priests out to perform a sacramental function please make sure he is informed. 201-567-0450 x 218

Mass Schedule
Sundays
8:00 am; 10:00 am; 12 noon
Weekdays & Holy Days
8:00 am; 9:30 am; 11:45 am
Christmas & New Year's Day
8:00 am; 10:00 am; 12 noon

Confessions
Saturdays 4:30 pm to 5:00 pm

Bereavement & Visit to the Sick
Contact Fr. Anbu Kumar
201-567-0450 Ext 204

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Rosary
Every Wednesday at 11:00 am

Followed by Mass, Adoration and Benediction at 5:30 pm

The Little Way of St. Therese of Lisieux
2nd Sundays after 12 pm Mass

Bible Reflection Group
Thursdays: 7:30 pm in the hall

Perpetual Mass Association
Office open Monday-Friday from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm

S.M.A. Vocation Office
Theresa Hicks, Lay Associates
201-496-8394

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201- 894-8611

SUNDAY COLLECTION: $1,369.

Thank you for your support.

Vocations are born in the family and the faith of the family So let's do it.

PRAY!!!!

30th week in Ordinary time

Masses for the week of Oct. 29-Nov. 4

Date	Time	Intention	Requested by:
Sun.-Sat.	8:00	Liv & Dec Benefactors of SMA	
Sun. Oct 29	10:00	Special Intentions Peter Broy	Broy Family
	12:00	Mariana Cho (Liv) Birthday	Sung Choi Family
Mon. Oct. 30	9:30	Maziarz & Kowal Families+	Barbara & Joe Mulheren
	11:45	Rodrigo Bontuyan+	Family
Tue. Oct 31	9:30	M. J. Mulheren+	Barbara & Joe Mulheren
	11:45	Salvatore DiPaolo+	Martha DiPaolo
Wed. Nov. 1	9:30	Joseph A. Mulheren, Sr. +	Barbara & Joe Mulheren
	11:45	Members of the Salituro Fam.	Enrico & Filomena Salituro
Thurs. Nov. 2	9:30	Maziarz Families+	Barbara & Joe Mulheren
	11:45	Rosario Ambulo & Benita Maduranente+	Rosanne
Fri. Nov. 3	9:30	Special Intentions Neill, Forgrave Fam.	
	11:45	Special Intentions Stoever, Lukchis Fam.	
Sat. Nov. 4	9:30	Special Intentions Neill, Forgrave Fam.	
	11:45	Michael Giotta+	his mother

Today's Readings

First Reading Exodus 22:20-26 The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

Second Reading 1 Thessalonians 1:5-10 The Thessalonians are the great example to all believers.

Gospel Matthew 22:34-40 The greatest commandment of the Law. LOVE

Last year, I replaced all the windows in my house with those expensive double pane energy efficient kind. But this week, I got a call from the contractor complaining that his work had been completed a whole year and I had yet to pay for them.

Boy, oh boy, did we go around! Just because I'm old doesn't mean that I am automatically confused. . So, I proceeded to tell him just what his fast-talking sales guy had told me last year. He said that in one year, the windows would pay for themselves. There was silence on the other end of the line, so I just hung up, and he hasn't called back. Guess he was embarrassed.

Gospel Teaching

Moses recognised the tendency of some people to forget their own origins and to protect their newly gained prosperity. He reminds the people that they were a refugee people themselves and slaves in Egypt. This memory should help them deal kindly and honestly with people in need, widows, orphans, poor people. As God had responded to their cries of distress, so God will continue to hear the cry of those who are poor and punish those who oppress them. Throughout the history of God's dealings with Israel, this is a constant theme. The prophets remind the people again and again of the demands of the Law: that the love of God and neighbour are at the heart of all their religious observances, and that God has chosen Israel to be a light to the nations, so that the witness of their lives would help the whole of humanity to come to the knowledge of God's saving love.

Today St Paul commends the Thessalonian community for the way in which they have faithfully followed the Gospel life he had taught them. They have done this so well that they have become an example for everyone, not only the neighbouring communities. This, surely, is the way that evangelisation is meant to work, by the witness of transformed lives. The Christian community at Thessalonica did what God's chosen people had failed to achieve in all the centuries before. The secret lies in the greatest commandment of the Law as spelt out by Jesus: "You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind"; and "You must love your neighbour as yourself." The Law and the Prophets hang on these two rules.

If we are to love God with all our heart and soul and mind, then we are bound to be touched by the horrors that are perpetrated all around us. We will be moved with compassion as God is moved with compassion and we will see that to respond to our neighbour's need is, in fact, to love ourselves, as human beings united with the whole of humanity in God. When the Christian community responds with prayer and practical help to the crises of our times, then it will truly be a light for all the nations to see. We will be teaching the Gospel by the example of our lives and building the new creation. (the Word)

BLACK CATHOLIC SYMPOSIUM

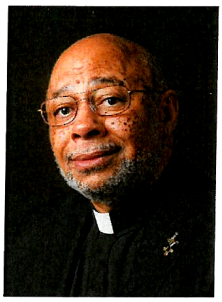
The Catholic Church

"Charlottesville & Beyond-Words Matter"

Presenters:

Sr. EVA MARIE LUMAS, S.S.S. of LA

Professor of Catechesis and Pastoral Studies at the Institute for Black Catholic Studies at Xavier University of Louisiana.



Rev. JOSEPH A. BROWN, S.J., PhD

Professor in Africana Studies Department at Southern Illinois University Carbondale.

This year we are once again having Sr. Lumas and Fr. Brown coming here to speak to the community.

Bring a friend. It will take place on:

NOV. 4TH (Next Saturday) here in our hall. The symposium will begin at 9 AM and go to 3 PM. We ask for a donation of $40 to help defray the costs.

We encourage everyone who is free to come. These two speakers are very effective and thought provoking.

Announcements:

Raffle tickets for the drawing on Dec. 2nd are now available. The ticket costs $5 and 1st prize is $2,200 gift certificate from Liberty Travel and second prize is an iPhone 7plus. So if you are looking to travel take a chance. Contact Ms. Paladino if you want more information. Tickets to the "Winter Wonderland" gala are $75 per person.

We want to thank all those who supported the Communion Lunch last Sunday. And we thank the SMA Guild for putting it together.

I was in Ruma IL. Attending the 25th annual memorial service of the Sisters who were killed in Liberia in 1992. Sr. Raphael Ann Drone was there. She extends her greetings to all.

Today the 12:00 PM mass are the anniversary of ordination for Frs. Brendan Darcy (50) and Austin Ochu (25). There will be fellowship in the hall afterwards. All are invited.