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Mission Statement:

Established in the Spirit of Jesus Christ with an Afro-centric focus, Blessed Sacrament Chapel is committed to spreading the "Word" through fellowship and good works.

Sunday Mass: 10:00AM Reconciliation: 1st Sunday 9:30AM

St. Stephen Cathedral Parish Office: 270-683-6525 **Rector:** Fr. Jerry Riney, jerry.riney@pastoral.org Parochial Vicar: Fr. Jamie Dennis,

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Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 22, 2017

"Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar, and to God what belongs to God." Matthew 22:21

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The LORD said to Cyrus, his anointed, "I am the LORD, there is no other" (Isaiah 45:1, 4-6).

Psalm — Give the Lord glory and honor (Psalm 96).

Second Reading — Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy to the church of the Thessalonians: We thank God always for all of you (1 Thessalonians 1:1-5b).

Gospel — Give to Caesar what is Caesar's, and to God what is God's (Matthew 22:15-21).

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Blessed Sacrament Chapel

- November 1 6 PM Holyday Mass for Feast of All Saints
- ◆ BSC Thanksgiving Dinner 12-2

Upcoming Diocesan/Community Events

October 23-25 Tri-Parish Mission Rev. John
Judie. 23 rd at St.Stephen's, 24th at Blessed
Mother and 25th at St. Joseph and Paul

October 26 Job Fair 1-4 PM First Christian Church

Oct. 29 Trunk or Treat at St. Stephen's Parking Lot at 4PM

Nov. 5 Special collection for assistance for Puerto Rico (75% to diocese in Chiapas)

<u>Faith Fest</u> Nov 3-19 Many events at various churches. Flyer on bulletin board and a few available on table.

Thank you for your contributions..

Oct. 8— \$417

Oct. 15—\$1018

Weekly Budget \$865

Year to date —\$12,799.45

Year to date budget— \$13,840 (\$1,040.55)





3rd Annual Tri-Parish Mission: Living Fully For Jesus! Oct. 23-25, 2017 • 6:30-8 p.m.

DON'T MISS OUT ON A GOOD THING Mon., Oct. 23 - St. Stephen Cathedral

ALL IN THE FAMILY
Tues., Oct. 24 - Blessed Mother Church

TRAVELLIN' THIRD-CLASS

Wed., Oct. 25 - Sts. Joseph & Paul Church Child care available each evening Reception each night

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We have received a check for \$128.60 for this quarter. Thanks to all who have listed Blessed Sacrament as your community reward partner.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Rom 4:20-25; Lk 1:69-75; Lk

12:13-21

Tuesday: Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21;

Ps 40:7-10, 17; Lk 12:35-38

Wednesday: Rom 6:12-18; Ps 124:1b-8; Lk

12:39-48

Thursday: Rom 6:19-23; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk

12:49-53

Friday: Rom 7:18-25a; Ps 119:66, 68, 76-

77, 93-94; Lk 12:54-59

Saturday: Eph 2:19-22; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 6:12-

16

Sunday: Ex 22:20-26; Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51;

1 Thes 1:5c-10; Mt 22:34-40

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary

Time;

World Mission Day

Monday: St. John of Capistrano

Tuesday: St. Anthony Mary Claret

Saturday: Ss. Simon and Jude

PROOF OF LOVE

The proof of love is in the works. Where love exists, it works great things. But when it ceases to act, it ceases to exist.

—St. Gregory the Great

POWER STRUGGLE

Power struggles occur on every level of society, from the world stage to relationships at work, to our own homes. We struggle for position in the hierarchy of power: Who has power over whom? How do they wield it? What is the source of that power? What is the healthy response?

In this Sunday's Gospel reading the Pharisees engage Jesus in a power struggle over whether Jews should show tribute to Caesar by paying taxes. Jesus' response puts this and every struggle for power into perspective. In harmony with the words of Isaiah and Paul, Jesus teaches us that God is the ultimate source of all power—the power of earthly rulers, the Pharisees, Jesus, the Church, and the power within ourselves.

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GOOD EXAMPLE

A good example is the tallest kind of preaching.

From the desk of

Father Jamie -



Why is it, that we think we can trick God? We see this so many times through the Old Testament. The early Jewish people thought that they could hide things from God and that God would not know what they were up to. God always knows and he always finds out. As a matter of fact, he knows when it happens. We see especially in the Psalms, when the people were complaining to God about their difficulties, saying how they were innocent and then finally repent admitting that they did wrong,, although they thought God would not see.

In the Gospel today we have the Jewish leaders trying to trick Jesus. They are so desperate to catch him. It must have made Jesus feel horrible to see his own creations trying to trick him. I can't image how some of you parents must feel when you feel betrayed by your own children. That is probably a little bit of what if felt like for Jesus. Jesus outsmarts them though as He always does. He could have easily rained fire down upon them or just not said anything at all. However, it frustrates them even more by telling them what they don't want to hear.

Despite the trickery, dishonesty, and outright hatred thrown at Jesus by the Jewish officials, He still loved them enough to try to correct them. A good parent always tries to say what needs to be said. All they can do is hope to plant a good seed. Sometimes it takes a while for listening to happen, but hope is not lost. Jesus did not lose hope in His creation. He doesn't lose hope in us. May we hold on to the love of Jesus and may we love as He does.



Rosaries are available in a basket on the table in the back of Church.
Please feel free to take one.

Sorrowful Mysteries

- 1. Agony in the Garden
- 2. Scourging at the Pillar
- 3. Crowning with Thorns
- 4. The Carrying of the Cross
- 5. The Crucifixion

October Birthdays

13—Vicki Leonard

20—Dorothea Melton

28—Martha Kramer

November Birthdays

1—Austin Gough

7—Lennox Wiliams



FAITH

All I have seen teaches me to trust the Creator for all I have not seen.

-Ralph Waldo Emerson



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A frayed Bible shows a life that is not frayed.

Mass Intentions:

Oct. 15—Patricia Lett

Oct. 22—Kenneth Higgs

Oct. 29—Les Bumm

Nov. 1—Mr. &Mrs. Earl Epison, Jr.

Nov. 5—Sandra Brown

Nov. 12—Jerry Mezur

Let us remember to pray for those who have recently died or those who are in the process of dying. Always remember to pray for the poor souls in purgatory.

Discipleship

The coin may be stamped with Caesar's image, but each of us is stamped with God's image. Thus, Jesus is implying that the coin may be Caesar's but each of us belongs to God. In that regard we should be striving to be all those things to which Jesus called us.

That is in effect what a stewardship way of life is — recognizing that God is in each of us, we are to place ourselves in service to God and to one another. That is what is really meant by "Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God."

MINSTERS

Lectors

Oct. 29: Austin Gough

Kathi Skidd

Nov. 1: Marsha Allen

Audrey Mezur

Nov. 5: Layson Brooks

Mary Katherine Gough

Eucharistic Ministers

Oct. 29: Payton Sanford

Tina Gough

Karen Leachman

Nov. 1: Cindy Clark

Lori Carman

Sister Jeannette

Nov. 5: Vivian Higgs

Greg Gough

Marsha Allen

Ushers/Offertory

Oct. 29: Gloria & Frank Adams

Nov. 1: Robert Johnson

Steve Coble

Nov. 5: Cindy Clark

Connie Clary

Thank you for your ministry.

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 22, 2017: Priesthood Sunday

"I have called you by your name...."

Cyrus (1st Reading) is the chosen and anointed one, called to bring about the restoration of God's people. In our reading today, Yahweh grasps his hand and leads him as the legitimate king to preside over the restoration of Israel. Our God has called each of us by name and If he is calling you to a religious vocation, he will open the doors that need to be opened.

Celebrate and affirm the priests in our midst. Pray for all priests, especially for Father Jerry and Father Jamie.





And they exceeded our expectations: They gave themselves first of all to the Lord, and then by the will of God also to us.

Discipleship

As disciples we are called to be stewards of the many blessings that we receive. To be good stewards, we must be intentionally grateful each day. Then in gratitude we can give back to God a generous portion of those blessings through time in prayer, giving time and talent in service to our parish and community, and sharing our treasure.

<u>Prayer</u>: Time in prayer helps us to recognize our blessings, discern our priorities, and navigate the challenges of our daily life. Do I make time for God in daily prayer?

<u>Giving</u>: Giving of our treasure, a decision which should be made prayerfully and according to our means, is one of the most important expressions of what our faith means to us. Through offering back a portion of the blessings of treasure that God bestows on us, we can express joy in receiving as well as being able to give. Am I giving an amount that I believe is acceptable to God?

<u>Serving:</u> We are all blessed with talents which we are called to share for the benefit of our parish, each other, and our community. Through our service, we gratefully give back to God a portion of the many blessings we receive. What skills has God given me? How am I sharing them with my parish and community?

Our thoughts and prayers are with:

SICK: Diana Conrad, Charlene Meadows, Ruth Coble, Carol Hatchett, Loretta Wathen, Beverly Chilton, Sister Janice Fennewald, SSND, Brian Fennewald, Gloria Adams,, Larry Leachman, Blythe Nantz, . Philip Moorman, Sr., Camilla Greer, Jim Moorman, Sarah Bumm, Dorothy Fulton, Louise Johnson, Larry Allen, Betty Clark, Phillip Moorman, Jr., Linda McDonald If you know of anyone seriously ill who is in need of prayer or visitation, please notify the office.

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