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30th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PARISH UPDATES- 25 OCTOBER, 2026

PARISH MINISTRY

Mass Intentions/Activities

24Oct.	Sat	**6:30pm**		**28Oct.**	Wed	**6:00pm**	No Holy Mass
		7:30pm	Syro-Malabar Mass	**29Oct.**	Thu	**6.00pm**	
25Oct.	Sun	**10.00am**	All parishioners	**30Oct.**	Fri	**6.00pm**	Rosary, Holy Mass & Adoration
26Oct.	Mon	**5:00pm**	Holy Communion Class	**31Oct.**	Sat	**6.30pm**	
		6:00pm					
27Oct.	Tue	**6.00pm**				**7.30PM**	

Syro-Malabar Holy Mass on the 1st and 3rd Saturday at 7:30 PM. Adoration every Friday after Holy Mass.

THANKSGIVING FOR THE MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

As October comes to a close, we give thanks to God for the many graces received during the Month of the Holy Rosary. The Rosary is a beautiful prayer that brings peace to our hearts, strengthens our families, renews our hope, and draws us closer to Jesus through the intercession of our Blessed Mother. To conclude this grace-filled month, we will have a special celebration on **Friday, October 30**. The **Holy Rosary will begin at 5:30 p.m., followed by Holy Mass at 6:00 p.m. and Adoration.** I warmly invite all parishioners to join us for this special time of prayer and thanksgiving as we entrust our families, our parish, and our world to the loving care of our Blessed Mother.

CELEBRATING ALL SAINTS' DAY: A CLOUD OF WITNESSES

On November 1st, the Church joyfully celebrates the Solemnity of All Saints. On this holy day, we honor not only the well-known canonized saints, but also the countless quiet, holy men and women—perhaps including our own grandparents, friends, and neighbors—who now enjoy the vision of God in

heaven. The saints remind us that holiness is not reserved for a select few; it is a calling for every one of us. They walked the same earth, faced similar trials, and yet lived lives marked by faith, love, and courage. As we celebrate their victory in Christ, let us seek their prayers, draw strength from their example, and be renewed in our own journey toward heaven.

ALL SOULS' DAY – NOVEMBER 2

On Monday, November 2, we will celebrate the **Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)** with Holy Mass at **6:00 p.m.** Throughout the month of November, the Church remembers and prays for our departed brothers and sisters, especially the souls in purgatory. This is a special time to remember our beloved deceased and entrust them to the infinite mercy and love of God. Let us come together in prayer, entrusting our loved ones to God's mercy and remembering them with faith, love, and hope in the promise of eternal life. "The saints are not supermen, nor were they born perfect. They are like us, who lived a life of courage, joy, and faith." — Pope Francis

PREGNANCY CARE CENTER UPDATE

We have secured a location at **101B 4078 4th Ave**! To help us get ready to open, we are looking for volunteers for **administration setup, cleaning, construction, and office furniture donations**. Join us on-site **every Tuesday night, 7:00–8:00 PM** (Oct 13 – Dec 15; *no meeting Nov 24*). To get involved or learn more, contact **yukonpregnancycare@gmail.com**.

OUR PARISH BOOK OF LIFE AND NOVEMBER ALL SOULS' INTENTIONS

During the month of November, the Church invites us to remember and pray for our beloved departed, who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith. At *Our Lady of Victory Parish*, we will place our **Book of Life** in the church beginning November 1. All parishioners are warmly invited to write the names of their deceased loved ones in this special book or update any previous entries. Let us unite in faith and hope as we remember and pray for those who have gone before us into eternal life. May our Book of Life be a sign of our faith that **life is changed, not ended, and that love never dies**. Our prayers for the departed are expressions of love that unite us in the Communion of Saints.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE DEPARTED:

During this month of remembrance, you are encouraged to offer Holy Mass intentions for your deceased loved ones. All Souls' Day envelopes are available at the entrance of the church. Please write the names of those you wish to remember and return the envelopes by placing them in the collection basket. Through our prayers and offerings, may we renew our hope in the Resurrection and entrust our beloved departed to the infinite mercy of God.

PRAYERS FOR POPE LEO XIV

We invite all parishioners to keep our Holy Father in your daily prayers as he continues his recovery. Let us join together in asking the Lord to grant him physical strength, peace, and a full restoration to health so he may continue his shepherd's care for the global Church.

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

Oct. **28 –** *Ferial:* **St. Simon the Zealot** was one of the twelve apostles of Jesus Christ, remembered for his fervent devotion and missionary zeal. He dedicated his life to spreading the Gospel and remained faithful to Christ. His legacy is one of evangelization, courage, and martyrdom. His key virtues are **zeal, faith, and faithfulness**.

St. Jude Thaddeus, one of the twelve apostles of Jesus, is revered as the Patron Saint of Hope and Impossible Causes. Known for his courage, humility, and unwavering faith, he inspires us to trust in God even in the most difficult situations. His life reminds us that with God's grace, hope remains alive even in our darkest moments.

POPE LEO XIV

GENERAL AUDIENCE

Wednesday, 21 October 2026

Catechesis. The Documents of the Second Vatican Council. IV. Constitution Gaudium et Spes. 6. Commitment to the family in today's society (GS, 47–52)

Dear brothers and sisters, good morning and welcome!

The first think I would like to say is thank you!. Thank you for the support of your prayers. Thanks be to God for His generosity. Let us all renew our trust in God's goodness and mercy.

The pastoral Constitution *Gaudium et Spes* (*GS*) of the Second Vatican Council, having illustrated in the first part the dignity of the person and his or her vocation in the world, goes on to consider, in the second part, "in the light of the Gospel and of human experience", some of the most pressing contemporary issues (cf. *GS*, 46). It focuses primarily on marriage and the family, in the conviction that "the well-being of the individual and of human and Christian society is intimately linked with the healthy condition of that community produced by marriage and family" (*GS*, 47).

To this end, it does not merely reaffirm their values and aims, but proposes a renewed conception of marriage as an "intimate partnership of married life and love" (*GS*, 48). By incorporating the legal dimension of marriage as a contract, the foundation of this union is recognized in the "conjugal covenant", understood as the "human act whereby spouses mutually bestow and accept each another" (*ibid.*). The mutual self-giving of man and woman, such that 'they are no longer two but one flesh' (*Mt* 19:6), underlies the requirement for "total fidelity" and the "unbreakable oneness" of the spouses, finding vivid expression in the procreation and upbringing of children (cf. *GS*, 48). As a reflection of the Divine Trinity, conjugal and parental love, through the Sacrament of Marriage, is "governed and enriched by Christ's redeeming power", so that spouses may love one another "just as He loved the Church and handed Himself over on her behalf" (*ibid.*).

Having shed light on the reality of marriage in the light of Christ's love, which is the truth of both human and divine love, *Gaudium et Spes* turns its attention to conjugal love and marital fruitfulness. Not limited to erotic attraction, which it nonetheless encompasses, conjugal love involves the entire will of the spouses, enlivening the affections of their hearts and expressing itself through sentiments and gestures of tenderness (cf. *GS*, 49). Embracing the good of the whole person of both man and woman, who are equal in dignity, this love pervades the entire life of the spouses, finding expression in acts proper exclusively to marriage (cf. *ibid.*). Whilst signifying integral love from person to person, the unique intimacy between the spouses fosters their mutual self-giving and enriches their shared joy (cf. *ibid.*).

Furthermore, the fruitfulness of conjugal love is expressed in the procreation of children, "the supreme gift of marriage" (*GS*, 50). By transmitting and educating human life, which must never be rejected, spouses become "cooperators with the love of God the Creator, and are, so to speak, the interpreters

of that love" (*ibid.*). Called to this human and Christian responsibility, they are bound to allow themselves to be guided by a sound judgement regarding their own good and that of their children, whether already born or yet to be born. Such a judgement, which, in the final analysis, the spouses themselves must form before God, requires that their conscience conform to divine law, as interpreted by the Magisterium of the Church in the light of the Gospel (cf. *ibid.*).

The emphasis on loving communion and procreative fruitfulness within marriage leads the Council to rule out the possibility of there being "a true contradiction … between the divine laws pertaining to the transmission of life, and those pertaining to authentic conjugal love" (*GS*, 51) and to affirm, instead, that "when there is question of harmonizing conjugal love with the responsible transmission of life", one must "preserve the full sense of mutual self-giving and human procreation in the context of true love" (*ibid.*). From this it follows both that "from the moment of its conception life must be guarded with the greatest care", renouncing "abortion and infanticide"; and that "the acts themselves which are proper to conjugal love and which are exercised in accord with genuine human dignity must be honoured with great reverence" (*ibid*.).

The teaching of *Gaudium et Spes* on the conjugal and family community thus goes on to highlight the social function of the family, defined as "a school of deeper humanity" and "the foundation of society" (*GS*, 52), calling upon all those with social responsibilities, especially in the political and cultural spheres, to fulfil their duty to "work efficiently for the welfare of marriage and the family" (*ibid.*).

Dear friends, this task is more urgent than ever before. The Church is well aware of this, as shown by the pastoral concern of the Popes who have succeeded one another since the last Council, right up to the two Synodal Assemblies convened by Pope Francis, which were addressed again in recent days by the Heads of the Eastern Catholic Churches and the Presidents of the Episcopal Conferences. May the Holy Family of Nazareth enlighten us on our journey and protect families throughout the world.

Summary of the Holy Father's words:

Dear brothers and sisters, in our ongoing catechesis on *Gaudium et Spes*, today we consider the dignity of marriage and the family in the context of contemporary challenges. The Council Fathers recognized that the well-being of all in society is closely linked to the health of marriage and the family, and sought to present a renewed vision of conjugal love as an intimate partnership which reflects the life of the Trinity and is rooted in and enriched by the redemptive power of Christ. Let us, therefore, pray for God's blessing and protection upon all families.

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