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29th October 2022 - 06th November 2022

Saturday 29/10/2022 18h00 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time: CMI Priest
Readers: Wilson Shikoto & Atlee Gamundani
Communion Assistant: Salomon Hambabi

Sunday 30/10/2022 07h30 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time: Fr. Nambondi, OMI
Readers: Theresia Nepolo & Sannah Hochobeb
Com Assist: Brother Paul, CMM, Jacob & Benediktus
09h30 Sonnatang Im Jahreskreis: Fr. Walter, OMI
Lesung: Irmu Nolting & Lothar Roerkohl
Kommunionhelfer: Irmu Nolting
10h40 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time: CMI Priest
Readers: Chomore Jacques & Monica Bille
Com. Assistants: Emily M., Margaret Z. & Zacarias N.

Saturday 05/11/2022 18h00 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time: Fr. Bonaventure, OMI
Readers: Mckey Mbala & Christa Mahoro
Communion Assistant: Benediktus Hummel

Sunday 06/11/2022 07h30 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time: Fr. Shalongo, OMI
Readers: Sikwila Tatiana & Jose Andrade
Com. Ast: Sr. Saima OSB, Sylvia & Sr. Keresecia, HC
09h30 Sonnatang im Jahreskreis CMI Priest
Lesung: Christoph von Walter & Veronika Fuhs
Kommunionhelfer: Irmu Nolting
10h40 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time: Fr. Shalongo, OMI
Readers: Brother Paul CMM & Monica Bille
Com. Assistants: Emily M., Margaret Z. & Zacarias N.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: TUESDAY TO FRIDAY
08:30-12:30 & 14:30-16:30

LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTIONS: N\$ 7.906.40

Thank you very much for your generosity

- The 'Joy of the Gospel' for 2023 is available at the Parish Office at N\$ 100
- Parishioners are invited to the 2nd Pre-Marriage Seminar organized by the PPC Committee on Parish Family Life and Elders scheduled for 31st Oct - 4th Nov 2022. Sessions begin at 17h30. Please register at the Parish office. Venue is the Parish Hall.
- Brother Petrus Sirunda, OMI and Alter Servers will sell home-baked breads & cakes after the Holy Masses on 5th, 6th, 12th & 13th Nov 2022. Your generous support will be highly appreciated.
- The Confirmation Holy Mass on 5th Nov will be @ 09h00
- The Catholic Women's League (CWL) is kindly calling on Parishioners for donations for their Christmas Tree Project. Please include toiletries for men & sweet treats (sweets, chocolate, biscuits, etc.) and help us to put a smile on the faces of this group. Take a card from the Christmas Tree at the back of the church. Donations/Gifts can be dropped at the Parish office until 9th Dec. Thereafter until 23rd Dec, please contact Michaela at 0814256245, Annelie @ 0812831009 or Alexandra @ 0812272641
- Marriage Banns:
 - 3rd Bann: Christoph Seimelo & Delaquette Mokhatu; getting married on 5th Nov 2022 at Tjaka/Gunichas
 - 2nd Bann: Esau Damian Vernon & Kyle Maxine Kruger; getting married on 11th Nov 2022 at St. Mary's Cathedral Parish, Windhoek
- Parishioners are informed of the following important dates:
 - 1st Nov is 'All Saints' day. It is a day of obligation; Holy Mass will be at 18h00
 - 2nd Nov is 'All Souls' day. The Men's Group will lead the Requiem Mass at 18h00
 - On 5th Nov 2022, there will be a prayer visit to the Gammams Cemetery at 08-10am to conclude the 'All Souls' day. Parishioners are invited to come and lead Father to the graves of their loved ones for Father to bless them. Please bring a candle for placing on the grave of your loved one.
 - On 13th Nov there will be Elders' Mass at 10h40. All Elders (and Grandparents, irrespective of age) are invited to that Mass after which there will be refreshments. Prospective participants are requested to register for logistical reasons latest by 6th Nov. Register outside the church after Mass; or with Johannes Klemens @ 0812687557; or with Camillus Mahindi @ 0812955496.
 - The bazaar that was to take place on 5th November has been postponed to 3rd Dec due to theft that occurred at the Kindergarten. The bazaar stock has to be replenished.
- Parishioners who intend to get married are required to declare their intention at the Parish office at least 6 months prior to their proposed Marriage Date
- NB: There is Confession opportunity EVERY WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY AND SATURDAY at 17h00
- Although all restrictions relating to COVID-19 pandemic have been lifted, it is still up to each one of us to ensure that we remain healthy.

PLEASE, LET'S KEEP SAFE

SUNDAY MASS

ENTRANCE ANTHIMN

You will show me the path of life, the fullness of life in your presence, O Lord.

PROCESSIONAL PSALM: Psalm 145

RESPONSE:

I will bless your name forever, my King and my God.

1. I will extol you, my God and King, and bless your name forever and ever. I will bless you day after day, and praise your name forever and ever. R
2. The Lord is God and full of compassion, slow to anger, abounding in mercy. How good is the Lord to all, compassionate to all his creatures. R
3. All your works shall thank you, O Lord, and all your faithful ones bless you. They shall speak of the glory of your reign, and declare your mighty deeds. R
4. The Lord is faithful in all his words, and holy in all his deeds. The Lord supports all who fall, and raises up all who are bowed down. R

SECOND READING: 2 Thessalonians 1:11-22.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Klelúia, alelúia. God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should have eternal life. Alelúia.

GOSPEL: Luke 19:1-10.

COMMUNION ANTHIMN

You will show me the path of life, the fullness of life in your presence, O Lord.

In his latest book Fr. Larry Richards presents Pope Francis' teaching on "the law of gradualness" in personal growth, using this insight as a key to unlocking John's Gospel. He shows how Jesus patiently accompanies individual life: Nicodemus, the warrior at the well, or doubting Thomas in a gradual coming to faith, stretching them beyond their imagined limitations.



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THE WEEKLY LINK

Live the Word

Mon 31 Oct: Liturgy of the Word

Philippians 2:5-11; Psalm 137; Luke 14:12-14

Not only can we make mistakes, we will make them. However, the ego will try and convince us otherwise, making us pretend that we are perfect. Lord, caution us against arrogance and remind us to be humble.

Tue 1 Nov: Liturgy of the Word

Philippians 2:5-11; Psalm 22; Luke 14:15-24

Those who come to acceptance in death have about them a certain childlike quality, an uncanny peace. Being in their presence can open up in us a deep sense of how incredibly precious we are in the midst of our fragility.

Wed 2 Nov: All SOULS

Job 19:1-20-27; Psalm 23; Matthew 5:1-12

In prayer we stand in God's presence in the company of someone we love, even if that person has gone before us into death. Place of your loved ones into God's loving heart today.

Thu 3 Nov: St Martin (the Poorer, S)

Philippians 3:3-8; Psalm 105; Luke 15:1-10

True servanthood means applying ourselves to the task before us without any tangible reward. It is performing small tasks with great love and humility as often as the Lord puts them before us.

Fri 4 Nov: St Charles Borromeo, B

Philippians 3:17-4:1; Psalm 122; Luke 16:1-8

As Christians we aspire to the hope of a future home that is heaven. This eternal perspective ought to motivate our thinking, planning and daily actions. Does this change how we live our lives today?

Sat 5 Nov: Liturgy of the Word

Philippians 4:10-19; Psalm 112; Luke 16:9-15

We are much more than what we do for a living or how much money we have. Whoever we are, we are to act in a manner that is pleasing in the sight of God. It's not what we do, but how we do it - with love.

Sun 6 Nov: All SAINTS

Revelation 7:2-4,9-14; Psalm 24; Matthew 5:1-12

Call to mind today all the people who have inspired you to live a better life, and all those you know who have lived holy and inspiring lives of faith. Revere them, and remember them in prayer today.

(KEY: SOLEMNITY; FEAST; MEMORIAL; [Optional Memorial]; TRILITURGICAL; BISHOP)

Catholic Link

CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time • Year C
Divine Office: Week II • 30 October 2022

The Great Sacred Circle

To the fundamental principles of Catholic Social Teaching (dignity of the person, solidarity, common good, option for the poor), Pope Francis, in his encyclical *Fratelli Tutti*, has added another: universal fraternity, or as he sometimes phrases it, social friendship.

Last year, 2021, *Catholic Link* provided a comprehensive treatment of *Fratelli Tutti*. We noted how Pope Francis based his social teaching on the Parable of the Good Samaritan, in which, he suggests, all of us have within us something of the wounded man, something of the robber, something of the passer-by and something of the good Samaritan. "Each day we have to decide whether to be good Samaritans or indifferent bystanders."

Pope Francis practices what he preaches. At the time of writing this article, he is in Canada (July 24-29) on a visit aimed principally at asking for forgiveness for the role played by the Catholic Church in the administration of residential schools for Aboriginal Canadians. In effect, the pope was admitting the failure of Mother Church herself in caring for all her children with equal dignity and opportunity for their human development.

In a separate address to Canada's political leaders in Quebec, he issued a stinging criticism of "cancel culture". The pope lamented that cancel culture "concentrates on the present moment, on the needs and rights of individuals, while frequently neglecting their duties with regard to seeking the common good."

As we have tried to show during our current *Link* series on Catholic Social Teaching, a balance between rights and duties is essential for a peaceful and just society. "Cancel culture"

would destroy this balance. It is a new form of colonialism, a new expression of burning witches at the stake.

Universal human community for a Christian is rooted in an act of faith in God: that God is "Father of all" (Ephesians 4:6), that Jesus is the "firstborn of many brothers and sisters" (Romans 8:29), and the Holy Spirit is the peace that binds all in unity (Ephesians 4:3).

Cancel culture, says Pope Francis, also shuns multiculturalism, a denial of the diversity of the Kingdom of Heaven for which we pray. Multiculturalism "welcomes the different elements present in society", argues Pope Francis, "while at the same time respecting their diverse traditions". For him, cancel culture is merely a furthering of the prevailing individualism of our time. Indeed, nothing can be more deleterious to universal communion than individualism and its very convenient and hypocritical tendency to divide the world into "us and them", into "good and bad". With the spectre of the war in Ukraine ever on his mind, Pope Francis urges: "We have no need to divide the world into friends and enemies, to create distances and once again to arm ourselves to the teeth: an arms race and strategies of deterrence will not bring peace and security."

During one of the pope's Canadian stops, Raymond Gros-Louis, a Huron-Wendat First Nation chief, offered an Aboriginal prayer. He implored "the opening of the great sacred circle". The same image is used by St John Damascene in the 7th Century, the perichoresis, in which the Trinitarian love of God is an ever-widening spiralling circle embracing all of humanity in its common home, the earth, in one universal human communion.

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