# *Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Bulletin for 29<sup>th</sup> October, 2023*



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• Exodus 22:20-26 • Psalm 18 • 1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10 • Matthew 22:34-40 •

#### You shall love the Lord. ..... You shall love your neighbor. Matthew 22:37, 39

Why are these two commandments the greatest? Because they encapsulate everything that God had spoken to Moses and the Israelites. As Jesus told the Pharisees, "The whole law and the prophets depend" on them *Matthew 22:40*.

As important as these two commandments are, however, we might be tempted to think they're impossible to follow. That's because too often, we associate love only with warm and fuzzy feelings. But love goes beyond emotion and is sometimes even independent of it. In other words, it's not so much what we feel as how we act.

Today's first reading shows us that to love our neighbor, especially the most vulnerable among us, we must act justly toward them *Exodus 22:20-26*. These laws, given to Moses by God himself, may have been what Jesus had in mind when he was talking to the Pharisees that day. Jesus knew that in order to love someone, we don't have to necessarily feel an emotional connection. We don't even have to know them personally. But we do need to care for them and make sure they are being treated justly.

The same is true in our relationship with the Lord. We might be going through a dry spell in our prayer time. Maybe we don't even have the desire to pray. But when we make time to be with Jesus, whatever our feelings at that moment, we are loving him.

Each day, whether you wake up feeling energetic and cheerful or tired and cross, you will be presented with opportunities to love God and your neighbor in concrete ways. Don't pass them up! By itself, each specific action you take might not seem particularly noteworthy. Maybe you don't feel any love as you do them. But in fact, when you extend yourself for another, time and again, you are doing exactly what God has called you to do. *the Word among us, Oct 2023* 

"Jesus, help me to see how I can love you and my neighbor today."

## Authentic Masculinity and Femininity Retreat – 4<sup>th</sup> November

Join Fr. Andrew in this retreat at Our Lady of the Mountains, including Theology of the body overview, discussion of disordered desires of masculinity and femininity and authentic masculinity & femininity. See attached flyer. This retreat is appropriate for young adults, Married or Single. - lunch & workbook

Authentic Masculinity & Femininity Retreat Healing the Sexes to Embrace Authentic Love Registration \$25 per person: <u>https://healingthesexes.my.canva.site/</u>

Day Retreat with Father Andrew

"We must say many prayers for the souls of the Faithful Departed, for one must be so pure to enter Heaven! St. John Vianney

# Mass Times

5:00 pm

#### Sunday Mass

Our Lady of the Mountains Our Lady of the Mountains St. Francis of Assisi, Pemberton

#### **Daily Mass**

Our Lady of the Mountains St. Francis of Assisi, Pemberton

#### **Our Lady of the Mountains**

Rosary before Mass on Saturdays and Sundays: for those who have left the Church Bible Study on Tuesdays at 5:00pm

Saturday

Sunday

Sunday

Sacrament of Reconciliation Contact Fr. Andrew L'Heureux Cell: 1-778-257-4203

### Solemnity of All Saints – 1<sup>st</sup> November

On November 1st we celebrate the Solemnity of All Saints, remembering all the saints known and unknown to us who enjoy the glory of heaven.

### The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed All Soul's Day $-2^{nd}$ November

All Soul's Day is unique on the liturgical calendar. Prayer for the dead reaches deep into our human history, and it has been our custom from the earliest days of the Church. The belief that our prayers can be of assistance to the dead is a treasured tenet of our Catholic faith. We profess it every time we recite the Nicene Creed: "I look forward to the resurrection of the dead / and the life of the world to come".

Write the names of the deceased members of your family in the parish Book of the Dead. Throughout November we include an intercession for those listed in our parish Book of the Names of the Dead. •

## Community Nights start Sunday 5th November

Join us on the first Sunday of every month for our community nights, where you can get to know your fellow parishioners over dinner, then watch and discuss interesting, faith-based short videos.

Please register on the noticeboard to allow us to prepare enough food. Dinner will be by cash donation. We will be starting Sunday 5th Nov at 5:30PM at Our Lady of the Mountains.

# Annual Mass for the Deceased Clergy – 7<sup>th</sup> November

Annual Mass for deceased Bishops, clergy, and consecrated men and women will be held at Sacred Heart Cathedral on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November at 11am. All parishioners are most welcome to attend this special liturgy concelebrated by the Priests of the Diocese. Remember kindly in your prayers, during the month of November, those who have laboured for the Church in Kamloops and pray that the Lord will send more dedicated men and women to continue their work in his vineyard of the Kamloops Diocese.

### The Rosary

"We must remember that Our Lady understands and appreciates any actions one may take, no matter how small or seemingly insignificant they may seem to us." Jerald F. Archer

www.how-to-pray-the-rosary-everyday.com

## "Blessed are those who died in the Lord" Fedelina Todilla (née Galarde)

who passed away 13<sup>th</sup> October, age 80, in the Parish Community of Our Lady of the Mountains, Whistler. "May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

## Development and Peace, Caritas Canada

You are invited to make a donation to help the people of Palestine. Our local partners are there to provide emergency aid, essential goods, food, shelter, healthcare and psychosocial support to the besieged people. Donate now: https://devp.org/en/

9:00 am Rosary at 8:30 am 11:30 am Monday to Friday at 6:00 pm, Saturday 9:00am Wednesday and Friday at 11:00am

Rosary at 4:30 pm



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