

ST. THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC CHURCH



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CONFESSION 1st Wednesday 5P - 6P

Important Dates

30OCT: **Respect For Life** Month ends Monday-plz pray
01NOV: All Saints Day -Tuesday- STM Mass 12P
 02NOV: All Souls Day ODS, Chico @ 8:30A
 02NOV: Sacrament of Reconciliation STM 5P
 04NOV: Chaplet of Divine Mercy STM 3P
 05NOV: Adoration Saturday STM 10A
 06NOV: Crown Rosary w/ Secular Franciscans STM 10A

Sunday Readings

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
XXXI Domingo Ordinario
1st Reading Wisdom 11:22-12:2
Psalm 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13, 14
 I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.
 Bendeciré al Señor eternamente.
2nd Reading 2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2
Gospel Luke 19:1-10

MEDITATION OF THE DAY

How He Stays "In Our House"

As the thirsty doe longs for the springs of fresh water, so my soul longs for you, O God! My soul thirsts for the living God. When will I appear

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OCTOBER INTENTIONS of the HOLY FATHER

A Church Open to Everyone

We pray for the Church; ever faithful to, and courageous in preaching the Gospel, may the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality.

Una Iglesia Abierta a Todas

Oramos por la Iglesia; Que la Iglesia sea siempre fiel y valiente en la predicación del Evangelio, una comunidad de solidaridad, fraternidad y acogida, viviendo siempre en un clima de sinodalidad.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR SUNDAY OCTOBER 30TH

Albert Penna †

Rebeca Zendejas †

For the Intentions of the family of Francisco & Julieta Riveria

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK; LET US PRAY FOR

Angela Coker
 Sleeman Family
 Eduardo Dominguez

Espinoza
 Vivian Carrillo
 Jim McManus
 Kathy & Greg DeCristofaro
 Barbara Maldonado



Sam Kempner
 Ken Keesling
 Jim Barnes
 Agapito Rivera

Miss Bella Cortez
 Agapito Rivera
 Maximina Leon Mendez
 Kimberly Helgeson Avoy
 Renee Kelly
 Samia Zumout
 Sharon Wilson
 Tom Kelly

This Week's Readings

THIRTY-FIRST WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Monday; October 31st

1st Reading: Philippians 2:1-4
 Psalm 131:1bcde, 2, 3
In you, O Lord, I have found my peace.
 Gospel: Luke 14:12-14

Tuesday; November 1st **SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS**

1st Reading: Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14
 Psalm 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6
Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face.
 2nd Reading: 1 John 3:1-3
 Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12a

Wed.; November 2nd **THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL**

1st Reading: Wisdom 3:1-9
 Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6
Though I walk in the valley of darkness, I fear no evil, for you are with me.
 2nd Reading: Romans 6:3-9
 Gospel: John 6:37-40

Thursday; November 3rd

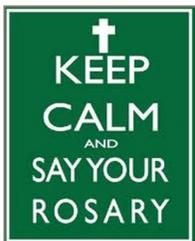
1st Reading: Philippians 3:3-8A
 Psalm 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7
Let hearts rejoice who search for the Lord.
 Gospel: Luke 15:1-10

Friday; Nov. 4th **MEMORIAL OF SAINT CHARLES BORROMEIO, BISHOP**

1st Reading: Philippians 3:17-4:1
 Psalm 122:1-2, 3-4AB, 4CD-5
Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.
 Gospel: Luke 16:1-8

Saturday; November 5th

1st Reading: Philippians 4:10-19
 Psalm 112:1B-2, 5-6, 8A & 9
Blessed the man who fears the Lord.
 Gospel: Luke 16:9-15



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MEDITATION OF THE DAY How He Stays “In Our House”

before his face? (Ps 42:2-3). And yet as the sparrow has found a home and the turtledove a nest in which she may lay her young (Ps 84:4), so Elizabeth has found—while waiting to be brought to the holy Jerusalem, the blessed vision of peace—her retreat, her beatitude, her anticipated heaven in which she begins her life of eternity. In God my soul is silent; my deliverance comes from him. Yes, he is the rock in which I find salvation, my stronghold, I shall not be disturbed! (Ps 62:2-3).

This is the mystery my lyre sings of today. My Master has said to me as to Zacchaeus: Hurry and come down, for I must stay in your house today. Hurry and come down, but where? Into the innermost depths of my being: after having forsaken self, withdrawn from self, been stripped of self. I must stay in your house. It is my Master who expresses this desire.

My Master who wants to dwell in me with the Father and his Spirit of love so that, in the words of the beloved disciple, I may have communion with Them (1 Jn 1:3). You are no longer guests or strangers, but you already belong to the house of God, says Saint Paul (Eph 2:19). This is how I understand belong to the house of God: it is living in the bosom of the tranquil Trinity, in my interior abyss, in this invincible fortress of holy recollection of which Saint John of the Cross speaks.

David sang: My soul falls down in a faint for the courts of the Lord (Ps 84:3). I think that this should be the attitude of every soul that enters into its interior courts to contemplate God and to come into closest contact with him: it falls down in a faint before this all-powerful Love, this infinite majesty who dwells within. The soul will live, like the immutable Trinity, in an eternal present, adoring him always because of himself, and becoming by an always more simple, more unitive gaze the splendor of his glory—that is, the unceasing praise of glory of his adorable perfections. — SAINT ELIZABETH OF THE TRINITY

Saint Elizabeth of the Trinity († 1906) was a French Carmelite nun whose writings focused on the indwelling of the Trinity. She died from Addison’s disease at the age of twenty-six. / From I Have Found God: Complete Works, Volume I, Sister Aletheia Kane, O.C.D., Tr. © 1984, Washington Province of Discalced Carmelites, Inc., ICS Publications.

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“May nothing distract me from You, neither noise nor diversions. O my Master, I would so love to live with You in silence. But what I love above all is to do Your will, and since You want me still to remain in the world, I submit with all my heart for love of You. I offer you the cell of my heart; may it be Your little Bethany. Come rest there; I love you so...I would like to console You, and offer myself to You as a victim. O my Master, for You, with You.” —St. Elizabeth of the Trinity

Octubre ha sido el mes del Rosario y se espera que haya tenido un cambio para rezar el rosario este mes. A fines del siglo XIX, el Papa León XIII dedicó oficialmente octubre a la devoción del Santo Rosario como resultado de dos eventos, 1) el aniversario de la victoria en la Batalla de Lepanto y 2) la fiesta de Nuestra Señora del Rosario, instituida en el siglo 17.



October has been the month of the Rosary and it is hoped that you've had a chance to pray a rosary this month. In the late 1800s, Pope Leo XIII officially dedicated October to devotion to the Holy Rosary as a result of two events, 1) the anniversary of victory at the Battle at Lepanto & 2) the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, instituted in the 17th century.

Recordatorios del rosario y una oración para terminar el mes

Recuerda que **solo el bien puede venir de rezar el rosario.** Es el Papa León XIII, un gran devoto de Nuestra Señora, quien dijo que el rosario tiene el "poder de infundir confianza en los corazones de quienes lo rezan" regularmente. Durante muchos, muchos siglos, la Iglesia nos ha enseñado que el rosario es una de las mejores maneras de orar.

¡Necesitamos rezar el rosario con frecuencia ahora, más que nunca antes en nuestras vidas! La noticia da miedo y es agotadora, pero el rosario proporciona un gran consuelo. Es un "compendio de todo el Evangelio" y un medio poderoso para orar a Dios. María misma nos insta a rezar el rosario como lo hizo el 13 de octubre de 1917, hace 105 años, en Fátima, cuando la Virgen instó a los tres pastorcitos a rezar el rosario todos los días. Se llamó a sí misma la Señora del Rosario e instó a los niños a "continuar rezando las cinco decenas del rosario todos los días... para obtener la paz en el mundo".

Sí, todos estamos tan ocupados pero, sin embargo, "ajetreados" ...

- * lleva demasiado tiempo,
 - * hay demasiadas distracciones,
 - * hay mucho que hacer y no hay tiempo,
- ... ¡no es una excusa para no rezar el rosario! No hacerlo nos priva de las gracias recibidas por el rezo del rosario; que son demasiado numerosos para no dedicar 15 minutos - sólo 15 - cada día a recitar esas oraciones.

¿Sigues pensando que no tienes tiempo? Bien, ¿qué tal si agregas la siguiente oración a tu rutina diaria? Quizás, desde aquí, Nuestra Madre, te ayude a descubrir un tiempo que no sabías que tenías.

Una Oración para Terminar Octubre: Queridísima Madre María

Queridísima Madre María, ayúdame a ser más como tú, la esclava del Señor; tener un corazón de siervo, para llevar a otros a tu Hijo, Jesús, con mis palabras y acciones. Ayúdame a ser receptivo; un vaso abierto al Espíritu Santo en mi vida diaria. Ayúdame a mejorar mi relación contigo, mi Madre, y mis relaciones con los demás. Ayúdame a seguir tu ejemplo de lo que significa vivir una vida llena de gracia. En el nombre de Jesús, tu Hijo,
Rezo.
Amén.

Fuente y Oración: <http://kdcw.org/prayerstomary.pdf> / <https://www.marypages.com/prayers-to-the-blessed-virgin-mary.html> / <https://aletea.org> / <https://bible.usccb.org/es/bible/lecturas/103022.cfm>

Rosary reminders & a prayer to end the month

Remember that **only good can come from praying the rosary.** It is Pope Leo XIII, a great devotee of Our Lady, who said the rosary has the "power to instill confidence into the hearts of those who pray" it regularly. For many, many centuries, the Church has taught us that the rosary is one of the greatest ways to pray.

We need frequent praying of the rosary now, more than ever before in our lifetimes! The news is scary and exhausting but the rosary provides great comfort & solace. It's a "compendium of the entire Gospel" and a powerful means of praying to God. Mary herself urges us to pray the rosary as she did on **Oct. 13, 1917, 105 years ago,** at Fatima, when our Lady urged the three shepherd children to pray the rosary every day. She called herself the Lady of the Rosary & urged the children to "continue to say the five decades of the rosary every day... to obtain peace in the world."

Yes, we all are so busy but nevertheless "busyness" ...

- * it takes too long,
 - * there are too many distractions,
 - * there's too much to do and no time,
- ...is not an excuse to not pray the rosary! Not doing so cheats us of the graces received from reciting the rosary; which are too numerous not to set aside 15 minutes - **just 15** - each day to recite those prayers.

Still think you don't have time? Okay, how about adding the prayer below to your daily routine? Maybe, from here, Our Mother, will help you discover time you didn't realize you had.

A Prayer to End October: Dearest Mother Mary

Dearest Mother Mary, help me to be more like you, the handmaid of the Lord; to have a servant's heart, to lead others to your Son, Jesus, by my words and actions. Help me to be receptive; an open vessel to the Holy Spirit in my daily life. Help me to improve my relationship with you, my Mother, and my relationships with others. Help me to follow your example of what it means to live a grace-filled life. In the name of Jesus, your Son,
I pray.
Amen.

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PARISH UPDATES



Congratulations Father Martin!

The people of St. Thomas More
Join the people of Our Divine Savior
to
Celebrate With You On the Occasion
Of Your 15 Year Anniversary!

THANKS BE TO GOD!



The graveside service for Beatrice Mason will take place on Friday, November 4, 10:30 a.m., at Paradise Cemetery. Deacon Mike Mangan will preside.

GATHER AT STM TO PRAY THE ROSARY EVERY 2ND WED AT 5:15P

Please join us at St. Thomas More to pray the Blessed Mother's prayer for peace as she requested at Fatima. We will pray the rosary every 2nd Wednesday at 5:15p. **Join us next month on Wednesday, Nov. 9 at 5:15p.**

KEY DATES THIS WEEK WITH OUR LORD & SAVIOR



DATE	TIME	EVENT
Monday; Oct. 31	9A to 2P	EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
Tuesday; Nov. 1	9A to 2P	EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
	Noon	ALL SAINTS DAY ST. THOMAS MORE
Wed.; Nov. 2	9A to 2P	EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
	8:30A	ALL SOULS DAY OUR DIVINE SAVIOR
	5P	SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION ST. THOMAS MORE
Thursday; Nov. 3	9A to 2P	EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
Friday; Nov. 4	9A to 2P 3P	EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY
Saturday; Nov. 5	10A	ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT ST. THOMAS MORE



During the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, you can visit the Lord in the presence of His most Blessed Sacrament for as short as ten minutes or even less. **What is important** is that in our Eucharistic adoration or short visits to the Blessed Sacrament, we acknowledge Him deeply in our life as our God and Savior, give Him quality time, and what is due Him by virtue of religion.

—The Church is open during office hours.—