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## Mass Intention



All Souls in Need of Prayers

Contact Elizabeth to schedule a Mass  
or if you have any questions. Please  
give Mass intentions to Father.

Póngase en contacto con Elizabeth  
para programar una misa o si tiene  
alguna pregunta. Por favor, den inten-

## Praying With Next Week's Readings

Reading I: 1 Kings 17:10-16

Responsorial Psalm: 146:7, 8-9,  
9-10

Reading II: Hebrews 9:24-28

Gospel: Mark 12:38-44

## October Birthdays

- 1 Father Jong
- 3 Elizer Carillo
- 5 Cynthia Quejado
- 7 Stevie Thomas
- 10 Marcelo Zapanta
- 14 Jesus Ramirez
- 16 Annabelle  
Anderton
- 19 Alexis Amarillo
- 25 Dave Thomas
- 27 Aaron Anderton
- 29 John Jones
- 30 Aaron Santes

## Happy Anniversary

Stevie & Dave Thomas

October 15, 1967



Please use this list to pray for  
those who are in need. May we  
all lift one another up in prayer.  
Steven Goellner; Rosemary  
Buskirk, Robert Taylor,  
Mary Frances Kramer

Please contact the office with  
updates.

## Our Lady of the Lake



## Council 9309

### Officers for 2021-2022

Chaplain: Fr. Jong R. Bayta

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### BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

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If you are a Catholic man 18  
years or older and wish to join  
our Council, please contact  
Bobby Berndt (434)636-2565  
or Tom O'Neill (252)308-0493.

# St. Richard Catholic Church

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We welcome all visitors and guests to our parish family and wish you safe travels and a happy visit to Emporia.

### Mission Statement:

We, the Church of Saint Richard, have been anointed by Jesus Christ to continue His Mission. For us to participate in the mission of Jesus, we are challenged by the Gospel to a daily conversion to God, leading to spiritual growth and holiness. We invite others to join us at the Eucharistic table. Mindful of our neighbors, we will work to bring about a just and peaceful society. At every opportunity, we will work with other faith communities to further God's Kingdom.

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## Liturgical Schedule

Weekend Masses:

**Saturday—1:00 pm (Spanish)**

**Sunday—10:30 am**

Rosary:

**Sunday—10:00 am**

Reconciliation:

**Sunday—10:00 am**

**Pastoral Council**—Jenny Holtkamp: 515-201-3761

**Finance Council**—Dr. Fitzgerald Marcellin: 804-984-0277

**Religious Formation**—John Holtkamp: 937-935-4516

**Music Coordinator**—Luz Zapanta: 434-430-6092

**Altar Ministry**—Stevie Thomas: 434-634-6713

# 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time—October 31, 2021

## Study of the Readings

### Focusing the Gospel

**Key words & phrases:** love God, love neighbor as yourself, no other commandment greater than these, worth more than all burnt offerings and sacrifices

**To the point:** When the scribe asks Jesus which is the “first of all the commandments,” Jesus answers by giving him not one, but two: love God and love neighbor. Further, Jesus connects these two commandments: loving God with all our being is one and the

same as loving our neighbor, that Jesus gives in the gospel. While loving neighbor is not as explicit as in the gospel, it is implied when Moses enjoins Israel to follow all God's “statutes and commandments.” These spell out how Israel is to live together in community, to care for one another.

### Connecting the Gospel

**... to the First Reading:** Clearly the reading from Deuteronomy reinforces that we are to love God with all our being, the first commandment

**... to experience:** Despite what much of our contemporary society projects, love is not self-absorbed but other-centered, not transient but the enduring hallmark of all Christian living.

# Domingo 31 del Tiempo Ordinario

## Estudio de las Lecturas

### Enfocando el Evangelio

#### Palabras y frases claves:

Dios, ama al prójimo como a ti mismo, ningún otro mandamiento más grande que estos, vale más que todas las ofrendas y sacrificios quemados.

**Al punto:** Cuando le pregunta a Jesús cuál es el “primero de todos los mandamientos”, Jesús responde dándole no uno, sino dos: amar a Dios y amar al prójimo. Además, Jesús conecta estos dos mandamientos: amar a Dios con todo nuestro ser es uno y lo mismo que amar a nuestro

prójimo, hecho posible sólo por la entrega de sí mismo. Tal amor omnicomprende a Dios, ama al prójimo como a ti mismo, ningún otro mandamiento más grande que estos, vale más que todas las ofrendas y sacrificios quemados. Tal amor omnicomprende a Dios, ama al prójimo como a ti mismo, ningún otro mandamiento más grande que estos, vale más que todas las ofrendas y sacrificios quemados. Estos explican cómo nosotros mismos somos la comunidad, cuidarse unos a otros.

### Conectando al Evangelio

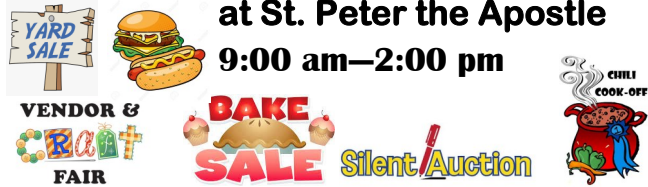
**... a la Primera Lectura:** Claramente, la lectura de Deuteronomio refuerza que debemos amar a Dios con todo nuestro ser, el primer mandamiento que Jesús da en el evangelio. Si bien amar

**... experimentar:** A pesar de lo que gran parte de nuestra sociedad contemporánea proyecta, el amor no es ensimismado sino centrado en el otro, no es transitorio, sino que es el sello distintivo perdurable de toda la vida cristiana.

## PARISH NEWS

### 11th Annual Fall Bazaar

Join us this Saturday, November 6th  
at St. Peter the Apostle  
9:00 am—2:00 pm



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### 11 Bazar Anual de Otoño

Únete a nosotros este sábado 6 de noviembre  
en San Pedro Apóstol 9:00 am—2:00 pm



### Last Week's Offertory

	Needed	Actual	
10/17/21			
Offertory:	\$807.70	\$497.25	(\$310.45)
10/24/21			
Offertory:	\$807.70	\$568.00	(\$239.70)
Catholic Home Missions:	\$156.00		

### Online Giving

<https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/strichardemporiava>  
OR  
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### MASS ATTENDANCE:

**October 17th**  
**65**

**October 24th**  
**68**

### Next Week's Ministry Schedule

READERS	BODY OF CHRIST	USHER
Monica Ramirez	Jenny Holtkamp	Elizer Carillo
John Holtkamp		Dave Thomas

### Upcoming Events:

November 14-Pastoral Council Meeting  
November 21-Finance Council Meeting