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Mass Intention



Our Parishioners

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 intenciones de misa al Padre.

Praying With Next Week's Readings

Reading I: Exodus 22:20-26
Responsorial Psalm:
Psalm 18:2-4, 47, 51
Reading II:
1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10
Gospel: Matthew 22:34-40

October Birthdays

- 1 **Father Jong**
- 3 **Elizer Carillo**
- 7 **Stevie Thomas**
Jeromil Enoc
- 14 **Jesus Ramirez**
Annabelle Anderton
- 19 **Alexis Amarillo**
- 25 **Dave Thomas**
- 27 **Aaron Anderton**
- 29 **John Jones**
Aaron Santes
Lucas Segundo

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, Mary Frances Kramer, Nina Gendron & family, Esther Zepeta

Please contact the office with updates.

Upcoming Events:

- Oct. 24-Knights Meeting**
- Oct. 25-NO MASS AT SVMC**

Our Lady of the Lake



Council 9309

Officers for 2023-2024

Chaplain: Fr. Jong R. Bayta
Grand Knight: Mark Fracassa
Deputy Grand Knight: John Husson
Chancellor: Dave Thomas
Recorder: Bob Hathaway
Treasurer: Jay Warfel, PGK*
Financial Secretary: Tom O'Neill, PGK*
Advocate: Bob Oravits
Warden: Paul Kurilla
Guards:
Inside: Kip Boisot, PGK*
Outside: Richard Rumprik

BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

Trustee One Year: Chuck Youse
Trustee Two Years: George McCall
Trustee Three Years: Bobby Berndt, *PGK
*PGK-Past Grand Knight

Catholic men 18 years or older are eligible to join the Knights of Columbus. Please contact Mark Fracassa (804) 305-6175 or Tom O'Neill (252) 308-0493.

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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

Weekday Mass:
Wednesday: 12:00 pm at SVMC
Weekend Masses:
Saturday—1:00 pm (Spanish)
Sunday—10:30 am
Rosary:
Wednesday—11:45 am at SVMC
Sunday—10:00 am
Reconciliation:
Sunday—10:00 am

Pastoral Council—Brenton Gorman: 801-682-0892
Finance Council—Janet McKenzie: 614-579-8185
Religious Formation—Timmy Grace Gorman: 757-561-6046
Music Coordinator— Francis Mendoza
Altar Ministry—Stevie Thomas: 434-634-6713
Family Service Advisor—Linda Adamos: 434-774-9376

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time—October 22, 2023

Study of the Readings

Background on the Gospel Reading Matthew 22:15-21

In today's Gospel Jesus and the religious leaders in Jerusalem continue their tense exchange of questions and challenges. The disciples of the Pharisees, together with the Herodians, try to entrap Jesus by their question about the payment of taxes. Matthew sets up an unusual partnership between the Pharisees and the Herodians. The Herodians were supporters of Herod Antipas, a Jewish political leader who collaborated with the Romans. Such collaboration would have required a compromised observance of the Mosaic Law. The Pharisees,

on the other hand, taught scrupulous observance of the Mosaic Law and opposed Roman occupation. Herodians favored the payment of taxes; the Pharisees opposed it. The Herodians and the Pharisees approach Jesus, asking that he take sides in their dispute. If Jesus answers with the Pharisees, he shows himself to be an enemy of Rome. If he answers with the Herodians, he offends popular Jewish religious sensibilities. Jesus' response to this attempt to trap him exposes the guile of his questioners. From his first words to them, Jesus shows that he is very much aware of what they are trying to do. He asks to see a Roman coin and that his questioners examine the coin. Agreeing that it is Caesar's image on the coin, Jesus tells them that it must belong to Caesar. Avoiding the question of lawfulness altogether, Jesus answers their question with simple logic. Then, going further still, Jesus tells them that their obligation is to pay to God that which belongs to God. Jesus' response to the Herodians and Pharisees suggests the ethic that Christians ought to adopt. It reminds us of the importance of keeping things in their proper perspective. Do we attach ourselves to worldly things at the expense of the love and honor that we owe to God?

Vigésimo noveno Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

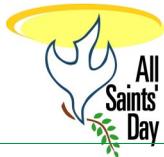
Estudio de las lecturas

Antecedentes de la lectura del Evangelio Mateo 22:15-21

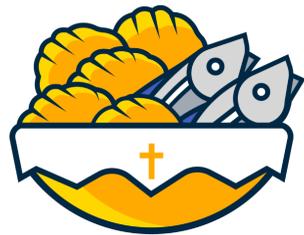
En el Evangelio de hoy, Jesús y los líderes religiosos de Jerusalén continúan su tenso intercambio de preguntas y desafíos. Los discípulos de los fariseos, junto con los herodianos, tratan de atrapar a Jesús con su pregunta sobre el pago de impuestos. Mateo establece una asociación inusual entre los fariseos y los herodianos. Los herodianos eran partidarios de Herodes Antipas, un líder político judío que colaboró con los romanos. Tal colaboración habría requerido una observancia comprometida de la Ley mosaica. Los fariseos, por otro lado,

enseñaban la observancia escrupulosa de la ley mosaica y se oponían a la ocupación romana. Los herodianos favorecían el pago de impuestos; los fariseos se opusieron. Los herodianos y los fariseos se acercan a Jesús y le piden que tome partido en su disputa. Si Jesús responde con los fariseos, se muestra enemigo de Roma. Si responde con los herodianos, ofende las sensibilidades religiosas judías populares. La respuesta de Jesús a este intento de atraparlo expone la astucia de sus interrogadores. Desde sus primeras palabras, Jesús muestra que es muy consciente de lo que están tratando de hacer. Pide ver una moneda romana y que sus interrogadores examinen la moneda. Estando de acuerdo en que es la imagen del César en la moneda, Jesús les dice que debe pertenecer al César. Evitando por completo la cuestión de la legalidad, Jesús responde a su pregunta con una lógica sencilla. Luego, yendo aún más lejos, Jesús les dice que su obligación es pagar a Dios lo que le pertenece. La respuesta de Jesús a los herodianos y fariseos sugiere la ética que los cristianos deben adoptar. Nos recuerda la importancia de mantener las cosas en su perspectiva adecuada. ¿Nos apegamos a las cosas mundanas a expensas del amor y el honor que le debemos a Dios?

PARISH NEWS



November 1st is a Holy Day of Obligation as it is the Solemnity of All Saints. Mass will be at 5:30 pm.



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We need volunteers as readers and Eucharistic ministers. Contact Stevie Thomas to participate in these important ministries once a month.

NOTICIAS PARROQUIALES

Se necesitan voluntarios

La Instrucción General del Misal Romano, que incluye las normas para la distribución y recepción de la Sagrada Comunión bajo ambas especies, establece en el párrafo número 50 de la parte II que "al comulgante, incluido el ministro extraordinario, nunca se le permite comunicarse por sí mismo, ni siquiera por medio de la intinción. La comunión, bajo cualquiera de las dos formas, pan o vino, debe ser siempre dada por un ministro ordinario o extraordinario de la Sagrada Comunión".

La intinción es la acción de mojar el pan en el vino.

A nadie se le permite sumergir a su propio anfitrión en el cáliz. Los ministros extraordinarios reciben instrucciones de cubrir el cáliz con el purificador y decirle al comunicador: "Debes consumir la hostia antes de beber de la copa".

Necesitamos voluntarios como lectores y ministros de la Eucaristía. Póngase en contacto con Stevie Thomas para participar en estos importantes ministerios una vez al mes.

Last Week's Offertory

	Needed	Actual
Offertory:	\$914.04	\$408.25 (\$505.79)

Online Giving

<https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/>
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GIVE to 434-603-6341

MASS ATTENDANCE:

October 15th
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Next Week's Ministry Schedule

READERS	E. MINISTER	USHERS	SERVERS
George Seif	Peggy Jones	Elizer Carillo	Montserrat Ramirez
Toni Ferris	John Jones	Dave Thomas	Jesus Ramirez
			Vanessa Ramirez

Next Week's Cleaning Group

Timmy Gorman	Belinda Baron
Ramis Celedona	Mary Joy Lerdon
Pee Jay Andres	