

# PARISH BULLETIN

## Our Lady of the Rosary Church

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*OCTOBER 26, 2008 – 30<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME*

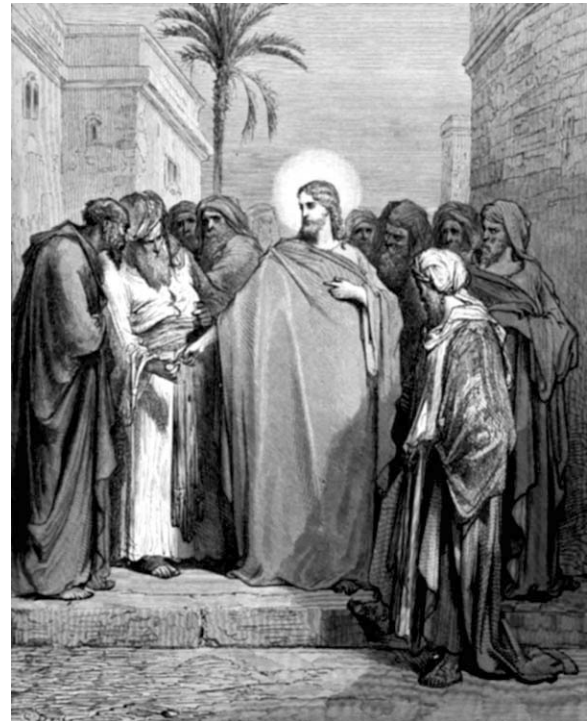
## *The Greatest of These is Love*

*Matthew 22:34-40*

The Pharisee with the thick black beard was probably the most skillful lawyer in all Jerusalem. As a devout follower of the Mosaic Law, he had studied all 613 Jewish commandments, plus all 365 prohibitions and each of the 248 ordinances. In debate he never lost. The only dark shadows on his brilliance were his recent encounters with Jesus. His well crafted, seemingly "no-win" questions had only served to give Jesus a fresh opportunity to enthrall new followers.

Today it was going to be different! The entire assembly of Pharisees was present outside the synagogue to watch Jesus fall into their trap. The black beard lawyer, standing in the midst of his brethren, seemed jubilant.

Across the courtyard the sunlight exploded against Jesus' white robe. His back was turned to the Pharisees while he taught those seated at his feet.



Their questions came at random. Jesus answered, sometimes with a parable story, sometimes with a thought-provoking return question. Sometimes Jesus would give a direct answer.

The Pharisees were talking among themselves when the one with the black beard suddenly shouted his question over to Jesus.

His loud voice split the air, silencing everyone. "Teacher, which commandment of the law is the greatest?"

The question floated out like bait on a hook. The black bearded Pharisee waited hopefully for Jesus to strike.

Jesus first response ignored the bait. It was a quote directly from the Book of Deuteronomy, the Shema, the Jewish profession of faith: "You shall love your God with your whole heart, with your whole soul, and with all your mind."

The Pharisee swallowed.

Jesus continued, "This is the greatest and first commandment." Then, recalling a passage from the Book of Leviticus, Jesus continued. "The second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments the whole law is based, and the prophets as well."

The two opposing clusters of men were silent. Their own laws called them not to quarrel, but to actually love one another. Jesus' answer left them speechless.

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*Time and again Jesus calls us to love one another. It is the Commandment that heals every heart. If we follow it, our days are filled with joy. As Paul reminds us, "There are in the end three things that last: faith, hope, and love, and the greatest of these is love."*

■ Deacon Dick Folger

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#### **SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

##### **Weekend Masses:**

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. English; 6:15 p.m. Cantonese

Sunday: 6:45 a.m. Spanish; 8:15 a.m. English; 9:45 a.m. Spanish; 11:30 a.m. English

##### **Daily Mass (Bilingual):**

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, 8:15 a.m.;

Saturday 9:00 a.m. (Communion Service on Mondays)

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Every Saturday, 3:30 p.m.

Sacraments of Baptism and Marriage

Call the Parish Office six months in advance, (510) 471-2609.

#### **PARISH OFFICE**

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**INFORMATION FOR THE COMING WEEK**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**For October 27 to November 2, 2008**

Mon.	8:15 a.m. --	Communion Service
Tue.	8:15 a.m. --	Jim Heffernan (Dec.)
Wed.	8:15 a.m. --	Joe Morales (Health)
Thur.	8:15 a.m. --	Martha Estrella (Health)
Fri.	8:15 a.m. --	Mary Makuck (Dec.)
Sat.	9:00 a.m. --	Lorena (Birthday) & Tonia Lopez (Birthday)
	5:00 p.m. --	For us, the Parishioners
Sun.	6:45 a.m. --	Olivia Guzman (Dec.); Gloria Martinez (Dec.)
	8:15 a.m. --	Joe Moreno Lopez (Dec.)
	9:45 a.m. --	Maria Carrillo (Dec); Felipe (Dec.) & Jose Puerto (Dec.)
	11:30 a.m.--	Tony & Evelia Morales (29 <sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary)

**WEEKDAY READINGS**

**For October 27 to November 1, 2008**

Mon	Ephesians 4:32-5:8 / Luke 13:10-17
Tues.	Ephesians 2:19-22 / Luke 6:12-16
Wed.	Ephesians 6:1-9 / Luke 13:22-30
Thu.	Ephesians 6:10-20 / Luke 13:31-35
Fri.	Philippians 1:1-11 / Luke 14:1-6
Sat.	Revelations 7:2-4,9-14 / 1 John 3:1-3 / Matthew 5:1-12a

**SUNDAY READINGS**

**November 2, 2008 - Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Wisdom 3:1-9 / 2nd Reading: Romans 5:5-11 / Gospel: John 6:37-40

**COLLECTIONS**

**For October 19, 2008**

First Collection .....	\$7,392.00
Our budgeted goal for the First Collection .....	9,566.00
Second Collection: Mission Sunday Collection.....	2,014.00
Children's Envelopes .....	18.00

***Thank you very much! We appreciate your support.***

**TIME CHANGE NEXT WEEKEND.** Daylight Savings Time ends next weekend. So when you go to bed on Saturday, November 1, be sure to set your clocks **ONE HOUR BACK.** For example, if you go to bed at 11:00 at night next Saturday night, set your clock back to 10:00 p.m.

**THE ROSARY NIGHTS** will go back to their winter schedule. Starting next week they will begin at 5:00 p.m. rather than at 6:00 p.m.

**TODAY**  
**FLEA MARKET**  
**ON THE SIDE OF –**  
**AND INSIDE OF –**  
**THE PARISH HALL**

***Coffee and Donuts will be served!***

**NEW ARTICLES**

**TWO SPECIAL DAYS THIS WEEK:**

**ALL SAINTS DAY IS THIS SATURDAY,** November 1. Since it falls on a Saturday this year, it is not a holy day of obligation. Mass will be celebrated only at 9:00 a.m.

**ALL SOULS DAY** is this Sunday, November 2. Since it falls on Sunday, All Souls Day will be observed during our regular weekend Masses.

**ALL SOULS ENVELOPES NOW AVAILABLE.** All Souls envelopes were put in the mail this last Friday, so if you are a registered parishioner, you should be receiving them any time now. They are also available at the Parish Office and in the area near the Baptismal Font and Our Lady of Guadalupe. You may write the names of your deceased friends and relatives on the envelope. The names that are submitted are placed in a wooden box on our Altar and will remain there during the entire month of November, so that these people will be remembered in a "special way" during the sacrifice of the Mass throughout the month. Be sure to

turn in your envelope as soon as possible by placing it in the collection, bringing it to the Parish Office, or by placing it in the basket in front of the Church.

***An Invitation***  
***To our Parish Families***

We extend a special invitation to the family and friends of our parishioners who have died within the past year to join us at one of our Masses on All Soul's Day, on Sunday, November 2. The names of our faithful departed will be posted in front of our Church and will be recited during the Mass, so that they will be with us in a special way.

**PARISH OFFICE TO BE CLOSED THIS FRIDAY NIGHT.** This Friday is Halloween night. As a result, we are closing the Parish Office in the evening so that our employees and volunteers can be home to serve their neighborhood trick-or-treaters. We often find that since everyone else in town is probably doing the same thing that very few, if any, people, stop by the office on Halloween night.

**PLACE A PHOTO OF YOUR LOVED ONE ON OUR ALTAR OF REMEMBRANCE.** Throughout the month of November, we will have an Altar of Remembrance, which will provide us an opportunity to have our deceased relatives and friends with us at Mass as we remember them and pray for them.

**If you wish to display a picture of a deceased relative or friend, simply bring it to church next weekend** and place it on the table in front of the Church. Please place a label with your name and phone number (or membership number) on the back of the picture frame. You may pick up your pictures in the Sacristy of the Church starting Saturday, November 22.

**Ways you can help us reduce "SCRIP RISK"**

**CLOSING, CLOSING, CLOSING.** As you have undoubtedly have heard by now, **Mervyn's** will close after Christmas. As is the case with Linens-N-Things, we have \$300.00 of Mervyn's gift cards in stock. So if you will be visiting Mervyn's while it is still open, open, open, consider buying these cards from us so we will minimize our losses. And remember, if you happen to know of anyone who lives near a **Linens-N-Things** store that is still open, consider asking them if they would mind purchasing some gift cards from us if they plan to go to the "going out of business sale."

Until this year, our losses due to company bankruptcies on gift cards and certificates have been very low, as we try to keep abreast of the financial health of the stores that we stock. However, this year seems to be like no other – bankruptcies are happening more suddenly. As a result, for quite a while now we have not bought gift cards of "**a certain electronics store**" that is showing signs

of instability. However, we still have one \$25.00 and one \$100.00 gift card in stock for this store. So if you plan to do some Christmas shopping at this store, please consider purchasing the cards from us so we can liquidate our inventory and reduce our risk.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL STARTS NEW COLLECTION OF NON-PERISHABLE FOOD.** Quietly and regularly our St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry has been collecting food for those in need at the doors to the Church every other month. As summer becomes a distant memory and our thoughts turning towards more “wintery” occasions (Christmas, for example) St. Vincent de Paul is starting to plan for the preparation of the “Christmas food baskets” that are distributed to the needy in our community. In preparing these baskets, a food collection campaign was started at Thanksgiving Mass and continued until Christmas. This year, since the need will be much greater due to the economy, St. Vincent de Paul wants to start this collection **immediately**. It is also starting food collection campaigns with parish groups as well – campaigns are now starting in the Parish School and Our Lady’s Guild.

***So, when you come to Mass next weekend and every weekend from now on, consider bringing a can of non-perishable food. There will be baskets in front of the altar where you can place your food during the offertory, once the usher has taken up the collection from your pew.***

Thank you very much for helping us help those in need.

**CATHOLIC CEMETERIES MEMORIAL MASS ON ALL SAINTS DAY.** Please join us for a memorial Mass on Saturday, November 1, at 11:00 a.m. at each of our Diocesan Cemeteries, including Holy Sepulchre in Hayward. Following the Mass we will celebrate “El Día de los Muertos” with Mariachi music and refreshments. We look forward to a wonderful day of fellowship as we remember our loved ones.

## **ARTICLE FROM PREVIOUS WEEKS**

**OUR LADY’S GUILD WILL HOLD ITS HALLOWEEN SALAD BAR LUNCHEON AND BINGO THIS TUESDAY,** October 28 in the Parish Hall. The Lunch will begin at Noon. Space is limited, and tickets will not be sold at the door. Tickets are \$10.00 each. For tickets and information call Barbara Hatton at (510) 792-3647. All are welcome.

## **PRAYERS**

***REMEMBER THAT WE NEED YOUR HELP*** in maintaining this list. *If you know of someone who is ill and should be listed below, let us know. Likewise, let us know if someone should be removed from this list. If anyone would like to be visited by our Ministers to the Sick, let us know as well. Thanks very much for your help.*

**KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS** those in our parish and families who are ill or homebound: Susana Alcaraz, Tony Baligaya, Gladis Borges, Lindy C., Paul Cabrera, Alan Cady, Lindy Cady, Rebecca Cady, Maria Camarillo, Grace Caminada, Dionesio Campos, Daniel Canales, Rose Canales, Grace Carr, Grace Continelli, Cindy Davis, Chealsy Davis, Courtney Davis, Jennie DeCosta, Marc DelBianco, Irene Drouin, Joseph Dunbar, Martha Estrella, Juanita Estrellas, Ed Fiala, Rita Fregoso, Frank Gallegos, Sobeida Gallegos, Gene Garcia, Deanna Graves, Emilio Gudino, Keith Gunter, Ethel Guerrero, Jesús Gutierrez, Anne Guzman, Herm Henderson, Carme Hernandez, Eduardo Hernandez, Henry Hernandez, Margaret K., Erika Lepe, Ermelinda Lopez, Francisco Lozano, Miguel Luviano, Sara Maas, Antonio Maciel, Catalina Manasala, Craig Manning, Ismael Martinez, Richard M. Martinez, Philip Molina, Joe Morales, Josephine Nava, Richard Nelson, Ysidro Nieves, Mirta Orellana, Mario Perales, Luz Perez, Ehren Perkins, Marcella Roderigues, Lydia Rodríguez, Joe Romero, Conor Rosado, Macca Savage, Letty Serrano, Clarence Souza, Nelly Stewart, Myron Tejada, Vivianlee Tonry, Casandra Valadez, Isabel Villarina.



***This Week  
At O.L.R.***

**Tuesday, October 28**

**Bible Study**, English, Eddie Dobrec Room, 10:00 a.m.

**Our Lady's Guild Salad Bar Luncheon and Bingo**, Parish Hall, 12 Noon

**Rosary Night**, Spanish, 6:00 p.m.

**Bible Study**, English, Orozco Group, Office Room 206, 7:00 p.m.

**Wednesday, October 29**

**Rosary Night**, Spanish, 6:00 p.m.

**Thursday, October 30**

**Rosary Night**, Spanish, 6:00 p.m.

**Friday, October 31**

**Rosary Night**, Spanish, 6:00 p.m.

**Dinner for those in need**, Eddie Dobrec Room, 6:00 p.m.

**Spanish Choir Practice**, Church, 7:00 p.m.

**Saturday, November 1**

**ALL SAINTS DAY**

**Rosary Night**, Spanish, 6:00 p.m.

**TIME CHANGE – Set clocks one hour back**

**Sunday, November 2**

**ALL SOULS DAY**

**Second Collection for Church Renovation**