

The Greatest Commandment



What does Jesus say the greatest commandment is? At first you might think that the most important thing would be to not kill anyone, wouldn't you? But that's not what He says! The very most important thing is to love God with our whole heart and soul and mind! It means that we must do everything we do for love of God, and live our whole life completely for Him.



But how can we love God so much? Well, we can practice little by little, loving Him more each day. Paying attention at Mass every Sunday and saying a prayer every day would be a good start. Every morning tell God that you will do everything for Him today and every night before you go to bed, thank God for all that He has done for you and tell Him you're sorry for the bad things you did that day. Then try to think about God through the day.



PRAYER DURING THE HURRICANE SEASON

O Lord, our God and Father, who gives rain and sunshine to your children, we ask you in this rainy season to uphold us and provide for our needs. You try our patience and test our faith and reliance on you; forgive our sin of ingratitude. So often have we forgotten to thank you for your goodness and acts of mercy. Teach us to look up to you each day, appreciative of rain and sunshine, as you, in your wisdom, through any kind of weather do feed us all. In your mercy, protect us against hurricanes and tropical storms. Pour out your blessings upon our nation and our people, and make us grateful for the weather we receive from your bountiful hand. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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ASSEMBLY SONG

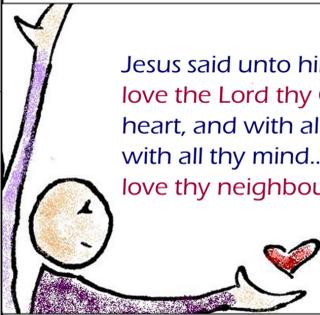
1. We are called to be a church united.
We are called to walk in truth and mercy

*Chorus: We are called, we are called,
Yes, we are called. (Repeat)*

2. We are called to mission by the Spirit
We are called to put the Word in action
3. We are called to live our stewardship daily
We are called to serve the poor and needy
4. We are called as Salt and Light and Leaven
We are called as Salt and Light and Leaven

We are called to Vision 2020
We are called to be a church united
We are called to love one another

*We are called, we are called,
Yes, we are called. Yes, we are called.
Yes, we are called. Yes, we are called.*



Jesus said unto him, "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind... And... Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself."
~ Matthew 22:37, 40

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Baptisms are usually celebrated on the fourth Sunday of every month. Please contact the Parish Office at least **6 weeks** before the date.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Couples should contact the Parish Office to make arrangements at least **6 months** before the desired date.



St. Joseph the Worker Parish
Gros Islet, Grande Riviere & Monchy

CONFESSIONS

Every Saturday
9.00 - 10.00 a.m.
6.00 - 6.45p.m.
&
by appointment

VISION 2020-DISCIPLES ON MISSION

30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 25TH OCT 2020 - YEAR A

Love is His Way.

Jesus came not to abolish the Old Testament law but to fulfill it. In today's Gospel He reveals that love, of God and of neighbor, is the fulfillment of the whole of the law. Devout Israelites were to keep all 613 commands found in the Bible's first five books. Jesus says that all these, and all the teachings of the prophets, can be summarized by two verses of this law. He seems to summarize the two stone tablets on which God was said to have engraved the Ten Commandments. The first tablet set out three laws concerning the love of God, such as the command not to take His name in vain; the second contained seven commands regarding love of neighbor, such as those against stealing and adultery. Love is the hinge that binds the two tablets of the law, for we can't love God, whom we can't see, if we don't love our neighbor, whom we can. But this love we are called to is far more than simple affection or warm sentiment. We must give ourselves totally to God, loving with our whole beings, with all our hearts, souls, and minds. Our love for our neighbor must express itself in concrete actions, such as those set out in the First Reading. We love because He first loved us. As we sing in the Psalm, He has been our deliverer and our strength when we could not possibly defend ourselves against the enemies of sin and death. We love in thanksgiving for our salvation, and in this become imitators of Jesus, as Paul tells us, laying down our lives daily in ways large and small, seen and unseen; our lives offered as a continual sacrifice of praise.

(excerpt: stpaulcenter.com)

First Reading

Ex.22:20-26

Second Reading

1Thes.1:5-10

Gospel

Mt.22:34-40

MASS TIMES

GROS ISLET

Morning Prayers:
5:45a.m.



MONDAY

6:00 a. m./12:30 p.m.



TUESDAY

6:00 a.m.



WEDNESDAY

6:00 a.m. & 12:30 p.m.
G/Riviere: 6:00 p.m.



THURSDAY

6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.
Monchy: 6:00 p.m.



FRIDAY

6:00 a. m./12:30 p.m.



SATURDAY

6:30 a.m./6:00 p. m.



SUNDAY

Gros Islet/G. Riviere
7:30 A.M.

Gros Islet/Monchy

10:00 a.m.



HOLIDAY

7:00 a.m.



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Saints Simon & Jude - Feast Day October 28th

According to the New Testament, Simon the Zealot, and Jude, also known as Judas Thaddaeus, were two of the Twelve Apostles of Jesus. The lives of these two saints remind us to learn all we can about Jesus and to share it with others, as they did.

Jude is so named by Luke and Acts. Matthew and Mark call him Thaddeus. He became known as Jude after early translators of the New Testament from Greek into English sought to distinguish him from Judas Iscariot and thus abbreviated his name.

According to the legend, Jude was a son of Cleophas, a brother of St. Joseph, and his mother was Mary, a cousin of the Virgin Mary. When the Apostles left Jerusalem to proclaim the Kingdom of God in other lands, Jude went into Syria, Armenia and ancient Persia. He joined up with Simon, and their missionary partnership won tens of thousands of Babylonians and people from other cities for Christ. Jude has left us a short but powerful Epistle, written after the death of his brother James, bishop of Jerusalem, and addressed to the new Christians being tempted by false brethren and heretics.

A tradition arose over the centuries - since Judas Iscariot was so despised, and the reluctance of the faithful to seek the intercession of one who shared a name with Christ's betrayer - of petitioning St. Jude only when all other saints had failed to answer prayers. Out of confusion or an abundance of caution, Jude thus became the saint of last resort.

Simon is mentioned in all four lists of the apostles. To distinguish him from Simon Peter, in two of them he is called "the Zealot." Eastern Orthodox Church tradition holds that it was at Simon's wedding in Cana that Christ turned water to wine, and that he was called zealot because on seeing this miracle, Simon left his home, his parents and his bride and followed Christ.

Simon and Jude traveled together to teach others about Jesus. Because of their eyewitness accounts of Jesus' miracles and His death and resurrection, many people became believers and were baptized. Simon and Jude died for their faith on the same day, in 65AD, in Persia.

In art, Simon has the identifying attribute of a saw because he was martyred by being sawn in half. St. Simon is the patron of curriers, sawmen, sawyers and tanners. St. Jude is the patron saint of desperate situations, forgotten causes, hospital workers, hospitals, impossible and lost causes. The axe that he is often shown holding in pictures symbolizes the way in which he was killed.

As in the case of all the apostles except for Peter, James and John, we are faced with men who are really unknown. Jesus chose some unlikely people: a former crooked tax collector, an impetuous fisherman, two "sons of thunder" and a man named Judas Iscariot. It is a reminder that we cannot receive too often. Holiness does not depend on human merit, culture, personality, effort or achievement. It is entirely God's creation and gift.

(excerpt: catholicculture.org)

PLEASE PRAY FOR

THE SICK

Iris Macauldy
Priscillia Henry
Priscillia St. Martin
Martha Mason
Rosna Joseph
Nellie Hall

DECEASED

Leone George
Constance Beaubrun
Marie Celine Ishmael
Clius Alfred
Nicholas Montoute
Calixta Verdant
Rev. Bertrand Clauzel

WEEKDAY READINGS



MONDAY

Eph.4:32-5:8
Lk.13:10-17



TUESDAY

Eph.5:21-33
Lk.13:18-21



WEDNESDAY

Eph.2:19-22
Lk.6:12-16



THURSDAY

Eph.6:10-20
Lk.13:31-35



FRIDAY

Phil.1:1-11
Lk.14:1-6



SATURDAY

Phil.1:18-26
Lk.14:1,7-11



MASS INTENTIONS

GROS ISLET

CLERGY/RELIGIOUS

INTENTIONS

30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

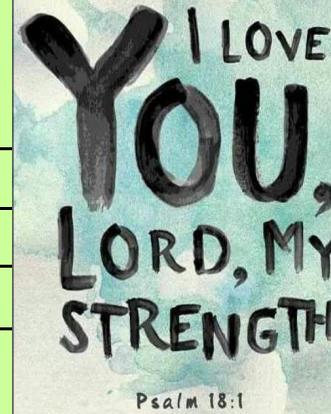
Sat Oct 24 - 6:00 p.m.

Sun Oct 25 - 7:30 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

Grande Riviere - 7:30 a.m.

Monchy - 10:00 a.m.



Int: Lorraine Williams
Thks: The Destang family
B'day: Stephen & Marvin Lubin
Wedd. Ann: Sirah & Rohan Phillip

Eucharistic Service

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MISSA PRO POPULO

B'day: Jada Emmanuel
Thks: Marcia Haywood & family

WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS

Mon Oct 26 - 6:00 a.m.

12:30 p.m.

Tue Oct 27 - 6:00 a.m.

Wed Oct 28 - 6:00 a.m.

12:30 p.m.

Grand Riviere - 6:00 p.m.

Thu Oct 29 - 6:00 a.m.

12:30 p.m.

Monchy - 6:00 p.m.

Fri Oct 30 - 6:00 a.m.

12:30 p.m.

Sat Oct 31 - 6:30 a.m.

BVM

Rev. Nathalbert Husbands
Sr. Stephania Banda

Fr. Kevin Ryan Murray
Rev. Gabriel Geoffrey

Fr. John Milton
Rev. Gerard Calderon

Rev. David Popo
Rev. Herald Wilson
Rev. Peter Fevrier

Rev. Winston Taylor
Sr. Margaret Maynard

Sr. Mary Mumba

B'day: Niara Williams
Denis & Hayzan Louis
IHO St. Michael: Michael Bennett

De'd: Mary Raymond

De'd: Members of the Odlum family
Most Abandoned Souls

IHO St. Jude: Perlin Verdant & family
Deliv: Ronda Pancham

IHO St. Jude: Celine Johannes

Parishioners

B'day: Monique Louis

B'day: Marie Augustin

Parishioners

Thks: Lucretia James
Bernadette Pamphile

Thks: Vernetta Brooks & family
Mary Wellington & family

De'd: Ermine Volney
Hilaire Alexander, Eliza Marcellin