

giving to god



In today's first reading we hear about a widow who was asked to give away all the food she had. In the Gospel Jesus points out a woman who put all her money into the Temple treasury.

It pleases God when He sees us sharing what we have with the poor and the Church. But do you think He wants us to give everything away?

Everything we have comes from God and He wants us to use it well. That's called being a good steward. It means using what we need for ourselves, but making sure that we always give to the Church and those in need.



What would a bad steward do?



How can you be a good steward with your money?

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WHAT'S HAPPENING

♦ The Group Requiem Mass will be held at the Gros Islet Church on Wednesday, November 24th at 12:30 p.m. The names of your departed loved ones for inclusion in this Mass should reach the parish office by Friday, November 19th.

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PENNY	PLACE	TRUTH	DISCIPLES	TEMPLE
JESUS	TREASURY	MONEY	POVERTY	AMOUNT
MORE	WIDOW	COINS	RICH	OFFERING
LARGE	WEALTH	EVERYTHING	COPPER	POOR

A Coronavirus Prayer

Jesus Christ, you travelled through towns and villages, “curing every disease and illness”. At your command, the sick were made well. Come to our aid now, in the midst of the global spread of the Coronavirus, that we may experience your healing love. Heal those who are sick with the virus. May they regain their strength and health through quality medical care. Heal us from our fear, which prevents nations from working together, and neighbours from helping one another. Heal us from our pride, which can make us claim invulnerability to a disease that knows no borders. In place of our anxiety, give us your peace. In your wisdom protect our country, Saint Lucia, our region and the whole world from this pandemic. Be with the doctors, nurses and researchers, and all medical professionals who seek to heal and help those affected, and who put themselves at risk in the process. May they know your protection and peace. Mary, comforter of the afflicted, pray for us. Amen.



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

32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 7TH NOV 2021 - YEAR B

In God we trust.

We must live by the obedience of faith, a faith that shows itself in works of charity and self-giving. That's the lesson of the two widows in today's liturgy. The widow in the First Reading isn't even a Jew, yet she trusts in the word of Elijah and the promise of his Lord. Facing sure starvation, she gives all that she has, her last bit of food, feeding the man of God before herself and her family. The widow in the Gospel also gives all that she has, offering her last bit of money to support the work of God's priests in the Temple. In their self-sacrifice, these widows embody the love that Jesus last week revealed as the heart of the Law and the Gospel. They mirror the Father's love in giving His only Son, and Christ's love in sacrificing Himself on the Cross. In today's Epistle, we again hear Christ described as a new high priest and the suffering servant foretold by Isaiah. On the Cross, He made sacrifice once and for all to take away our sin and bring us to salvation, and again we are called to imitate His sacrifice of love in our own lives. We will be judged, not by how much we give, for the scribes and the wealthy contribute far more than the widow. Rather, we will be judged by whether our gifts reflect our livelihood, our whole beings, our hearts and souls, minds and strength. Are we giving all that we can to the Lord, not out of a sense of forced duty, but in a spirit of generosity and love. Do not be afraid, the man of God tells us. As we sing in the Psalm, the Lord will provide for us, as He sustains the widow. Today, let us follow the widows' example, doing what God asks, confident that our jars of flour will not grow empty, nor our jugs of oil run dry.

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SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading

1Kgs.17:10-16

Second Reading

Heb.9:24-28

Gospel

Mk.12:38-44

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.



DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA - 9th NOVEMBER

Why commemorate a church dedication that happened in fourth century Rome? First, because St. John Lateran is no ordinary church. It is the cathedral church of the Pope and still known as “the mother of all the world’s churches.” But more than that, because God has from all time intended the church building to be a symbol of His Church and our bodies. This is what the readings for this feast invite us to consider.

God’s prototype for the church is the Jerusalem Temple, described in the First Reading and Psalm of the day. It is God’s “holy dwelling,” site of His presence in our midst, source of the “living waters” of all life and blessing. But God intended the Temple to give way to the Body of Christ. That is what our Lord’s words and actions in the Gospel are intended to dramatize. Christ’s Body is now the dwelling of God’s glory among us. It is the new source of living waters, the living bread, the new sanctuary where people will worship in Spirit and in Truth.

By Baptism, we are joined to His Body in the Church. The Spirit of God comes to dwell in us and makes us “God’s building...the temple of God”. Jesus drove out the sellers of oxen, sheep and doves, signaling an end to the animal sacrifices that formed the worship of the old Temple. In the spiritual worship of the new Temple, we offer our bodies, our whole beings, as a living sacrifice.

Like living stones built on the cornerstone of Christ, together we are called to build up the new Temple of God, the Church. As the Jerusalem Temple was, so the Church will always be under construction until at last it is perfected in the new Jerusalem, our mother Church, come down from heaven.

(excerpt: salvationhistory.com)

Praying for the Dead

During the month of November Holy Church promotes prayers for the souls in Purgatory. The souls in Purgatory are members of the Church just like we are, but of the Church “Suffering”. We are members of the Church “Militant”, and we are like soldiers on the march through the world on the way with our Great Captain towards our heavenly home to join the members of the Church “Triumphant”.

We can help the souls in Purgatory by our prayers and through our good works as assigned by the Church, who has the authority from Christ to apply to them the merits of His Passion and death, and the merits of the saints.

(excerpt: smmomaha.org)

PLEASE PRAY FOR

THE SICK

Nellie Hall
Martha Mason
Iris Macauldy
Denis Augustin
Bentley Jn. Baptiste

DECEASED

Ilene Louis
James Prudent
Kareem Auguste
Thomas M. Jean
Michael Gustave
Pauline Francois

WEEKDAY READINGS

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MONDAY
Wis.1:1-7
Lk.17:1-6
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TUESDAY
Eze.47:1-2,8-9,12
Jn.2:13-22
✠
WEDNESDAY
Wis.6:1-11
Lk.17:11-19
✠
THURSDAY
Wis.7:22-8:1
Lk.17:20-25
✠
FRIDAY
Wis.13:1-9
Lk.17:26-37
✠
SATURDAY
Wis.18:14-16;19:6-9
Lk.18:1-8
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MASS INTENTIONS

GROS ISLET	CLERGY/RELIGIOUS	INTENTIONS
32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B		
Sat Nov 6 - 6:00 p.m.	<div>“It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind, who raises those who are bowed down” Ps. 145</div>	Guid: Augusta Toussaint Thks: Algitha Richelieu & family B’day: Mikaela Elliot Maria Hippolyte, Kateri Haywood Teresa Modeste, Sandra Haynes Danquah & Danielle Theophilus
Sun Nov 7- 8:00 a.m.		MISSA PRO POPULO
Grande Riviere - 8:00 a.m.		Eucharistic Service
Monchy - 10:00 a.m.		Eucharistic Service
WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS		
Mon Nov 8 - 6:00 a.m.	Fr. Albert Smith Mother Rosaria Joseph Sr. Christine Alphonse	Dc’d: Kenneth James
12:30 p.m.		Holy Spirit: Tronai Louis Guid & Protec: Kaelan, Kateri & Kate Haywood
Tue Nov 9 - 6:00 a.m. <i>Dedication of Lateran Basilica</i>	Fr. Amalraj Fr. Cezar Herrera	Holy Spirit: Tronai Louis Thks: Diane & Richard Palton & family
Wed Nov 10 - 6:00 a.m. <i>St. Leo the Great Pope & Doctor</i>	Rev. Andrew Edward Sr. Ramona George	Holy Spirit: Tronai Louis Thks: Winston Gaetan, Anthony Louis
12:30 p.m.		Int: Mya Norville & family
Grande Riviere - 6:00 p.m.		Parishioners
Thu Nov 11 - 6:00 a.m. <i>St. Martin of Tours, Bishop</i>	Sr. Benedicta Chanda Sr. Scholastica Felician	Dc’d: Mary Celine Popo
12:30 p.m.		Dc’d: Irene Jules Arnold & Williana Bruno
Monchy - 6:00 p.m.		Parishioners
Fri Nov 12 - 6:00 a.m. <i>St. Josaphat, Bishop & Martyr</i>	Rev. Wilfred Harris Rev. Arnold Clouden Rev. Marcellus Serieux	Thks: Aldric Carasco B’day: Theresa Louis Holy Spirit: Tronai Louis
12:30 p.m.		Dc’d: Marie Priscillia St. Martin
Sat Nov 13 - 6:30 a.m. <i>St. Frances Xavier Cabrini</i>	Rev. Vincent Norbert Rev. Madison Stanislaus	Dc’d: Kevin Haywood Elizabeth Clement, Florence Casimir