Kids Column

Mark 12:38-44

## 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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### **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:**

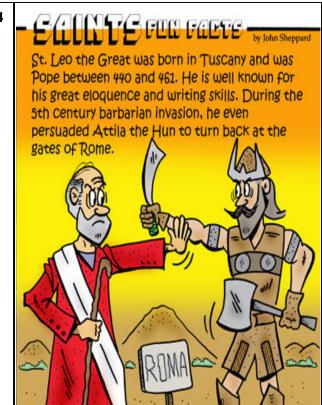
Baptisms are usually celebrated on the fourth Sunday of every month. Please contact the Parish Office at least **6 weeks** before the date.

### **SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:**

Couples must contact the Parish Office to arrange at least **6 months** before the desired date.

### **MASS INTENTIONS:**

Intentions must be booked at least by the Wednesday, one week before the desired date.



### 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.

## Synod 2021-2023: Communion/Particpation/Mission

# 32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 10TH NOV 2024 - YEAR B Trusting God's Word.

We must live by the obedience of faith, a faith that shows itself in works of charity and self-giving. That is 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 O 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 selfsacrifice, 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, all 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. 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.

(excerpt:stpaulcenter.com)

### CONFESSIONS

Every Saturday 9.00 - 10.00 a.m

by appointment

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**First Reading** 1Kgs.17:10-16

**Second Reading** 

Heb.9:24-28

Gospel

Mk.12:38-44

### **MASS TIMES**

**Gros Islet** 

Morning Prayers: Mon -Fri 5:45 a.m.

MONDAY

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

1 th 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.

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 Variable

### Leo the Great, Pope - Feast Day Nov 10th.

Leo the Great was Pope from 29 September 440 to his death in 461. He was the first pope to have been called "the Great".

He is perhaps best known for having met Attila the Hun in 452 and persuading him to turn back from his invasion of Italy. However, the significance of Leo's pontificate lies in his doctrinal insistence on the mysteries of Christ and the Church, the supernatural charisms of the spiritual life given to humanity in Christ and in his Body, the Church, and his assertion of the universal jurisdiction of the Roman bishop, commonly referred to as the doctrine of Petrine supremacy, holding that papal power was granted by Christ to St. Peter alone, and that that power was passed on by Peter to his successors.

Leo is also a Doctor of the Church, most remembered theologically for issuing the Tome of Leo, which clarified the doctrines related to the union of Christ's distinct human nature and distinct divine nature. Through numerous letters addressed to bishops and members of the imperial family, Leo tirelessly worked for the propagation and universal reception of the faith in Christ as defined by the Council of Chalcedon. Leo defended the true divinity and the true humanity of the one Christ against heretical one-sidedness.

A central idea around which Leo deepens and explains his theology is Christ's presence in the Church, more specifically in the teaching and preaching of the faith (Scripture, Tradition and their interpretation), in the liturgy (sacraments and celebrations), in the life of the individual believer and of the organized Church, especially in a council. With strong conviction of the importance of the Bishop of Rome in the Church, and of the Church as the ongoing sign of Christ's presence in the world, Leo the Great displayed endless dedication as pope.

Today there is widespread criticism of Church structures and criticism that bishops and priests are too preoccupied with administration of temporal matters. Pope Leo is an example of a great administrator who used his talents in areas where spirit and structure are inseparably combined: doctrine, peace and pastoral care.

### **PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday: 9:00am to 2:00pm. Closed Tuesdays

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Patsy Crafton Iris Macauldy Martha Mason Teresa Huntley Marie Joseph

### **DECEASED**

Mary Cools Jane Marquis Andrew Gaetan Leona Bruneau Therese Marius Nicholson Alexis

### WEEKDAY READINGS

**MONDAY** Tit.1:1-9 Lk.17:1-6 TUESDAY Tit.2:1-8.11-14 Lk.17:7-10 WEDNESDAY Tit.3:1-7 Lk.17:11-19 **THURSDAY** Phlm.7:20 Lk.17:20-25 4 FRIDAY 2Jn.4-9 Lk.17:26-37 4 **SATURDAY** 3Jn.5-8 Lk.18:1-8 0

Sat Nov 16- 6:30 a.m.

**BVM** 

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### MASS INTENTIONS **GROS ISLET CLERGY/RELIGIOUS** INTENTIONS 32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B I will praise the Lord all my life Sp Int: Glace family Sat Nov 9- 6:00 p.m. Thks: Algitha Richelieu & family Sun Nov 10 - 7:30 a.m. MISSA PRO POPULO Int: 10:00 a.m. Staff & Students: of St. Joseph's Convent Grande Riviere - 7:30 a.m. **Eucharistic Service** Monchy - 10:00 a.m. **Eucharistic Service** WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS Int: Bernadette Pamphile Mon Nov 11 - 6:00 a.m. Sr. Scholastica Felician Dc'd: Members of the Verdant family 12:30 p.m. Rosa & Antoine Glace Fr. Festus Iwuagwu **Thks:** Cyrillia & Althea Palton Rev. Wilfred Harris Tue Nov 12 - 6:00 a.m. Holy Spirit: Mikaela Elliott Rev. Marcellus Serieux Wed Nov 13 - 6:00 a.m. B'day: Didacus Jules St. Frances Xavier Cabrini Virgin Rev. Madison Stanislaus Rev. Vincent Norbert Dc'd: Members of the Albertie family 12:30 p.m. Rev. Anthony Pierre Kevin Haywood, Egbert Jean Grande Riviere - 6:00 p.m. Parishioners Thu Nov 14 - 6:00 a.m B'day: Sherman Louis Sr. Mary Dungdung Sr. Mercy Masaka Dc'd: Members of the Moise family 12:30 p.m. Catherine Bodley, Claude Bodley Dc'd: Rose Ann Raymond, Patsy Dixon Fri Nov 15 - 6:00 a.m. Mathilda Philip, James & Helen Prudent Rev. Jeremy Joseph Sr. Marie Joseph 12:30 p.m. B'day: Kershel St. Helene

Rev. Errol Frederick

Sr. Rosemarie Minj

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