



ST THOMAS MORE PARISH, HADFIELD



Love one another
as I have loved you
John 13:34

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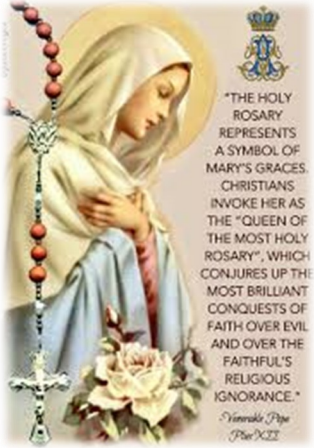
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30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr A - 24th & 25th October 2020

OCTOBER MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY



"THE HOLY ROSARY REPRESENTS A SYMBOL OF MARY'S GRACES. CHRISTIANS INVOKE HER AS THE 'QUEEN OF THE MOST HOLY ROSARY', WHICH CONJURES UP THE MOST BRILLIANT CONQUESTS OF FAITH OVER EVIL AND OVER THE FAITHFUL'S RELIGIOUS IGNORANCE."
Venerable Pope Pius X

"You always leave the Rosary for later, and you end up not saying it at all because you are sleepy. If there is no other time, say it in the street without letting anybody notice it. It will, moreover, help you to have presence of God." St Josemaria Escriva

Finding the moments to recite the Rosary during your busy day can be a challenge. St Josemaria tells us that saying the Rosary while you go about your tasks for the day is better than not saying it at all and it will bring God to your attention during the day.



The central theme of today's readings is that through the strength that Christ gives us and the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, we celebrate with joy the great commandment of Love. Our love for God is tested and put into practice by the way we love our neighbour.

LOVE THEM ANYWAY.... In Calcutta, India, there is a children's home named Shishu Bhavan (Children's Home), founded by Mother Teresa. The home continues to be operated by her community, the Missionaries of Charity. On the wall of the home hangs a sign which reads:

People are unreasonable, illogical, and self-centred.

LOVE THEM ANYWAY.

If you do good, people will accuse you of selfish ulterior motives.

DO GOOD ANYWAY.

If you are successful, you win false friends and true enemies.

SUCCEED ANYWAY.

The good you do will be forgotten tomorrow'

DO GOOD ANYWAY.

Honesty and frankness make you vulnerable.

BE HONEST AND FRANK ANYWAY.

What you spent years building may be destroyed overnight.

BUILD ANYWAY.

People really need help but may attack you if you help them.

HELP PEOPLE ANYWAY.

Give the world the best you have and you'll get kicked in the teeth.

GIVE THE WORLD THE BEST YOU'VE GOT ANYWAY.

Mother Teresa counsels her young charges that **the challenges offered by this sign can be met only if human beings are motivated by a love and a respect for one another which looks beyond faults, differences, ulterior motives, success and failure.** Mother Teresa once said of herself, "By blood and origin, I am all Albanian. My citizenship is Indian. I am a Catholic nun. As to my calling, I belong to the whole world. As to my heart, I belong entirely to the heart of Jesus." It is this relationship of belonging and the loving service which grows out of that belonging which the Scriptural authors called Covenant.

(From A Simple Path, Ballantine Books, New York: 1995 and Fr Tony- cbc homilies)

OUR CHURCH REMAINS CLOSED FOR WORSHIP MASS

See updated advice on: www.cam.org.au for full details or visit our website at pol.org.au/hadfield
We await the Vic Govt update this Sunday 24 Oct on the possible easing of other restrictions which may affect the opening of churches and numbers allowed for faith communities. We will keep you informed.

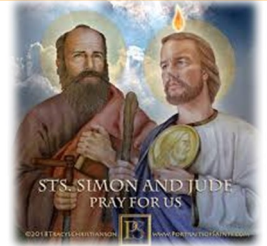


My heartfelt thanks to everyone who conveyed their good wishes, prayers, greetings and gifts for my birthday. I was very touched by your kindness and thoughtfulness. May God bless you all...Thank You!

Fr Raj

Saints Simon and Jude Feast Day 28 October

Today the Church celebrates the **Feast of Sts. Simon and Jude** whose names together in the Canon of the Mass and are also celebrated on the same day. Possibly this is because they both preached the Gospel in Mesopotamia and Persia where it is said they had both been sent, but in actual fact we know nothing for certain about them beyond being called as Apostles in the New Testament.



Simon was a simple Galilean, called by Our Lord to be one of the pillars of His Church. Zealotes, "the zealot," was the surname which he bore among the disciples. Armed with this zeal he went forth to the combat against unbelief and sin, and made conquest of many souls for His divine Lord. Simon, called "the Canaanite" and the "zealous" in the gospels, is traditionally thought to have been a fisherman.

St. Simon is Patron of Carriers; sawmen; sawyers; tanners.

St. Jude, also called **Judas, Thaddaeus, or Lebbaeus** was one of the twelve main disciples of Jesus Christ. Even though the Book of Acts and the epistles never describe Jude's ministry, as one of the Twelve, he would've been one of the most important leaders of the early church. A man named Judas—presumably Jude the apostle—appears in John 14:22, and John makes a point of telling us this is **not** Judas Iscariot, the infamous disciple who betrayed Jesus for 30 pieces of silver. **St. Jude is Patron of** Desperate situations; forgotten causes; hospital workers; hospitals; impossible causes; lost causes.

This prayer, courtesy of the Dominican Shrine of Saint Jude Dominican Friars, reminds us that nothing is impossible with God.

*Most holy Apostle, Saint Jude Thaddeus, friend of Jesus,
I place myself in your care at this difficult time.
Help me know that I need not face my troubles alone.
Please join me in my need, asking God to send me:
consolation in my sorrow, courage in my fear,
and healing in the midst of my suffering.
Ask our loving Lord to fill me with the grace to accept
whatever may lie ahead for me and my loved ones,
and to strengthen my faith in God's healing powers.
Thank you, Saint Jude Thaddeus, for the promise of hope
you hold out to all who believe, and inspire me to give
this gift of hope to others as it has been given to me.
Saint Jude, Apostle of Hope...Pray for us !*

JOKE OF THE WEEK...

"I'm too tired of you too"

An old couple was sitting by the fireside. He looked over at her, had a romantic thought, and said, "After fifty years, I've found you tried and true."

The wife's hearing wasn't very good, so she said, "What?"

He repeated, "After fifty years, I've found you tried and true."

"After fifty years, I'm tired of you too," she replied !



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FEASTS DURING THE WEEK

Wed 28 Oct Sts Simon & Jude, Apostles of Christ