

TWENTY- NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 18, 2026

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Pray for Vocations~~~ Pray the Rosary~~~ Pray for Peace

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Cycle A - Year II

Catholic Church etiquette emphasizes reverence, modesty, punctuality, and respectful participation in the sacred liturgy.

Preparation Before Mass

- **Fasting:** Catholics are required to fast for at least **one hour before receiving Holy Communion**, allowing only water or medicine, unless ill or elderly (CCC 919).
- **Arrive Early:** Arriving **10–15 minutes before Mass** allows time for prayer, reflection, and silent meditation, helping to enter the liturgy with focus.
- **Genuflection and Bowing:** Before entering the church, **genuflect on the right knee** toward the Tabernacle or make a deep bow if physically unable. During Mass, bow reverently when passing the altar or Tabernacle.
- **Holy Water:** Make the **Sign of the Cross** with holy water upon entering and leaving the church as a reminder of Baptism and protection against evil.

Dress and Appearance

- **Modesty:** Dress should be **clean, modest, and respectful**, avoiding gym clothes, short shorts, low-cut or tight-fitting outfits. Men typically wear collared shirts and long pants; women wear dresses or pants covering shoulders and knees.
- **Hats and Sunglasses:** Men should remove hats, and sunglasses should not be worn inside the church.
- **Children:** Should also be dressed respectfully, reflecting the sacredness of the space.

Behavior During Mass

- **Silence and Focus:** Avoid eating, drinking, or chewing gum in the church. Keep phones off or use them discreetly for readings or prayers if necessary.
- **Participation:** Engage actively in prayers, hymns, and responses, showing reverence for the Eucharist and the liturgy.
- **Respect for Others:** Avoid disturbing others who are praying; fellowship and conversation should occur outside the main sanctuary.

General Conduct

- **Stay Until the End:** Remain for the entire Mass, including the final blessing, to receive the full spiritual benefits.
- **Proximity to the Altar:** Sit as close as possible to the altar to foster prayerful meditation before Mass begins.
- **Charity and Courtesy:** Show respect and kindness to fellow parishioners, maintaining a prayerful and humble demeanor.

By following these practices, Catholics demonstrate **love, reverence, and unity with the Body of Christ**, ensuring that their conduct honors the sacredness of the church and the presence of Christ in the Eucharist.

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Here at Saint Michael...

The Committee of Our Lady of Guadalupe is selling Mexican food Sunday October 18th, please come and support them. All the proceeds will be used for the celebration of the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe on December 12th.

Remembrance Table: We will be praying for the souls of the faithful departed. The envelopes are in the back of the church, so you can write the name of your departed loved ones for whom Father will dedicate Holy Masses during the month of November. Please bring a photo of your loved ones to put on our Remembrance Table. Thank you!

TRAINING FOR EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS AND LECTORS

Father Elberto is requesting current ministers and lectors to attend this training. If you are not yet helping us in these ministries, you are encouraged to attend. Training will be offered on Thursday October 29nd at 6pm, in Spanish at the church. Please let the parish office know if you are going to attend before October 25th.

Pray for the Sick Please Pray For:

Ron Miller, Dulce Llaguno, Gustavo Garcia, Roger Barela, Terry Tully, Daneen Isenberg, Consuelo Lopez, Perl Dryer, Paul Cabral, Mikaela Méndez Aguirre, Susan Bailey, Gus Ryan, Mike North, Ana Flores, Maria Berg, Jeff Koeber, Dave Keys, Dennis Schuster, Mike Young, Vincent Lasorsa, Susana Franco, Carmen Garcia Ávila, Shibu P., Barbara Green, Eduardo Aviles, Matthew Atencio, Fr. Jim Shae, Steve Cencak, Joan Zeigler, Lidia Hernández, Esther Moore, Mónica Bauman, Barbara, Kathy Tejcek, Chris Ruffo Bak, Darrell Brown, Celina Ramirez, Guadalupe Gomez, Carolyn Krug, Sosamma Babu, Williams Family, Sheri Garafola, Rocio Camargo Aguirre, Mirna & José Pérez.

Around the Diocese...

ALL SOULS DAY MASS 2026: You are invited to join His Excellency, The Most Reverend Daniel H. Muggenborg for the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed. DATE: Monday, November 2, 2026 TIME: 12:00 p.m. LOCATION: Our Mother of Sorrows Cemetery 2700 N Virginia St, Reno, NV 89506.

Marriage Encounter: "Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God." Your marriage belongs to God. Bring God into your marriage on the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience **Nov. 13-15, 2026 in Danville or Nov. 20-22, 2026 in Benecia** or go to <https://wwme.org/apply/> to find the date that works for you!

TODAY’S READINGS

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READING:

Isaiah 45:1, 4-6 The Lord said to Cyrus, “It is I who arm you, though you know me not. I am the Lord, there is no other”.

Psalms 96 Give the Lord glory and honor.

1 Thessalonians 1:1-5 We thank God as we remember your faith, love, and hope. Our preaching was not a matter of mere words, but of power.

Matthew 22:15-21 Repay to Caesar what belong to Caesar and to God what belongs to God.

CATECHISM:

75. 860 Apostolic call to preach the Gospel to communicate the gifts of God to all, source of life for all ages.

303-308 God, the sovereign master of history, works through creatures to manifest providence.

1897-1904, 2235-2237, 2242 Duties of civil authorities and of citizens toward them.

450, 2113 Only Christ is Lord, to whom we make ultimate submission. “idolatry” of state when treated as ultimate.

247-2474 Jesus: witness to the truth.

MASS INTENTION SCHEDULE

	Intention	Requested by
10/17/2026		
4:30pm	† Jesus Cortez	Beatriz Sanchez
10/18/2026		
8:00am	Health of Pope Leo XIV	St. Michael Parishioners
9:30am	† Blessings for Chris Smith	Linda Harrison
11:00am	† Carmen Hernández	Gloria Martínez
12:00pm	Bendiciones para Laura Gutiérrez	Feligreses de San Miguel
2:00pm	† Estela Serrano	Mayra Serrano

This Week Readings

Monday, October 19

Saints John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs
Memorial

Eph 2:1-10

Lk 12:13-21

Tuesday, October 20

Weekday

Saint Paul of the Cross,
Priest

Eph 2:12-22

Lk 12:35-38

Wednesday, October 21

Weekday

Saint Callistus I, Pope
and Martyr

Eph 3:2-12

Lk 12:39-48

Thursday, October 22

Weekday

Saint John Paul II, Pope

Eph 3:14-21

Lk 12:49-53

Friday, October 23

Weekday

Saint John of
Capistrano, Priest

Eph 4:1-6

Lk 12:54-59

Saturday, October 24

Weekday

Saint Anthony Mary
Claret, Bishop;

Eph 4:7-16

Lk 13:1-9

Sunday, October 25

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Ex 22:20-26

1 Thes 1:5c-10

Mt 22:34-40

Family Connection

Payment of taxes is unlikely to be a disputed issue in your family. Yet families can still learn something from this Gospel reading. Jesus' answer to the Herodians and Pharisees redirects their question to focus on the issue of greatest importance: loving and honoring God. Taking this perspective can help us make good judgments about the competing issues of importance in our lives.

As your family gathers, make a list of the activities that your family spends time doing together, such as household tasks, jobs, academics, and recreational activities. Talk about the importance of each of these activities. Ask what would happen if there were an imbalance in our attention to these activities and we spent too much time on one activity at the expense of another.

In today's Gospel Jesus reminds us of the necessity of giving things their proper importance. Read Matthew 22:15-21. The Herodians and Pharisees were giving too much importance to the issue of the payment of taxes. Jesus reminds them that loving and honoring God is of greater importance. In family life we do many important things, but we remember that God is of the greatest importance in our lives. Pray together that your family will learn to keep things in proper perspective, remembering to keep God first in your lives. Pray together today's psalm, Psalm 96.

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MASS ATTENDANCE

October 10/11, 2026

4:30p.m.	8:00a.m.	9:30a.m.
75	78	165
11:00a.m	12:00p.m.	2:00p.m
	215	

Thank you for your continued
stewardship
of Time, Treasure, and Talent!
Collections for October 10/11, 2026

Regular Offertory	\$	3,878.50
Building Fund	\$	831.00
Maryknoll Mission	\$	2,761.82
Alms Box	\$	123.00
Sacraments (Bapt. XV, Marriage)	\$	1,043.00
Total	\$	8,637.32

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October 24/25	Holy Communion Minister	Eileen Hammons	Martin Vanslager	Michelle Joyce	Fatima Rangel	Araceli Cruz	Celina Ramírez
	Lector	Sophia Alejo	Monserrat Martin	Lou Donnelly Barbara Elder	Ernesto Gómez María Dominguez	Giovanni Sánchez Alondra Gómez	Maria Ponce Erika Altamirano