

ST. JOSEPHINE BAKHITA

THIRTIETH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME | OCTOBER 29, 2023

...I will surely hear their cry.

Exodus 22:22

WHAT ARE THE CRIES

THAT I HOLD IN MY HEART



NAMES OF KIDNAPPED NIGERIAN GIRLS

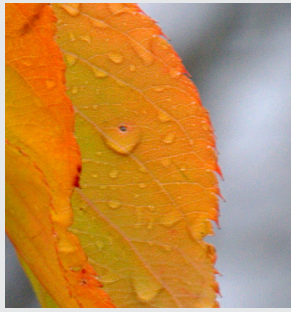
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Deborah Salomi Mary Ruth Esther Esther Maryamu Zara Maryamu Lydia Laraba
Na'omi Rahila Ruth Ladi Mary Esther Helen Margret Deborah Filo Febi Ruth
Racheal Rifkatu Mairama Saratu Jinkai Margret Yana Grace Amina almata Awagana
Pindar Yana Saraya Hauwa Hauwa Hauwa Maryamu Maimuna Rebeca Liyatu Rifkatu
Naomi Deborah Ladi Asabe Maryamu Ruth Mary Abgail Deborah Saraya Kauna Christiana
Yana Hauwa Hadiza Lydia Ruth Mary Lugwa Muwa Hanatu Monica Margret Doca Rhoda Rifkatu
Saratu Naomi Hauwa Rahap Deborah Hauwa Hauwa Serah Aishatu Aishatu Hauwa Hamsatu Mairama Hauwa Ihyi
Hasana Rakiya Halima Aisha Kabu Yayi Falta Kwadugu

WHAT CRIES WAIT FOR ME TO RESPOND TODAY

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THE GREAT SHEMA

The Pharisees approach Jesus with a rhetorical question: “which is the greatest commandment?” This is a teaching for all Jews; Jesus would have memorized it when he was three years old: “You shall love your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.” This is the first commandment uttered from the lips of Moses in the Book of Deuteronomy (6:4), beginning with “Shema,” which is translated, “Hear!”



Jesus offers the second commandment, to connect the first commandment to its measure. We must love our neighbor as our self. Our neighbor is our self; we are all connected as beloved children of God. We are one body, one in Christ. The way to know we are loving our God completely is to ask, “How are the widow, the orphan and the stranger faring in my midst?”

We are called to love God wholeheartedly, with our whole being. When we love boldly, we are attentive to the voice of the poor. Who waits for me to respond today? Our love of neighbor mirrors our love of God; our love of God deepens each time we love our neighbor.

St. Josephine Bakhita, you are with us.

– Father Mitch

PRAYING THE ROSARY IN OCTOBER: Sundays 8:15 a.m. at St. Nicholas and 10:15 a.m. at Most Holy Trinity. October is the month dedicated to Mary. Please come to pray a peaceful recitation of the rosary.

BIBLE STUDY: Wednesdays, 1:00 pm St. Nicholas Church now through November 15, “The Book of Sirach” (Ecclesiasticus-Wisdom of Ben Sira)-Chapter 33. Noon Mass precedes each session. Join us for liturgy. Please bring a Bible, New American Edition preferred. Free will offerings are welcome.

WE CELEBRATE, WE REMEMBER, WE ARE BLESSED BY ALL WHO HAVE GONE BEFORE US.

As we enter church, we are invited to enter the names of our loved ones in the Book of Remembrance. This book will be placed on the altar during Mass. Also, please bring a photo of loved ones that will be displayed in a place of honor in the church during the month of November.

MASS SCHEDULE

Noon Mass: Monday-Friday, St. Nicholas

Sunday, October 29

9:00 St. Nicholas

First Reading Lector: Carlton Prince

Second Reading Lector: Alice Prince

Eucharistic Ministers: Eloise Grimes, Alber Washington

11:00 Most Holy Trinity

First Reading Lector: Ayrn Bostic

Second Reading Lector: Kathy Hesse

Eucharistic Ministers: Korky Buhr, Doris Speed, Brenda Tillman

Sunday, November 5

9:00 Sts. Teresa and Bridget

First Reading Lector: Frances Warren

Second Reading Lector: Brenda Tillman

Eucharistic Ministers: Valerie Howard, Pam White, Val Dowdy

11:00 St. Nicholas

First Reading Lector: Sharonda White

Second Reading Lector: Alice O’Byrant

Eucharistic Ministers: Don Elston, Darlene Elston, Eloise Grimes

SAVE THE DATES:

November 2 Liturgy Meeting, 6:00 pm – 7:30 Parish office

November 4 Transition Meeting, 10 am to noon, Parish office

November 12 Blessing of Veterans at Mass
Celebration of Black Catholic History Month, (flyers in back of church)

November 19 A Black Catholic Community’s Perspective, PBS, “This is our story. This is our song.”

November 23 Thanksgiving Mass, 9:00 am, Most Holy Trinity

COLLECTION: 10/22/2023 - \$6,525.48 THANK YOU

OCTOBER 31 ALL HALLOW’S EVE: All Hallows Eve is the day before All Hallows’ Day, also known as All Saints’ Day. The church traditionally held a vigil on All Hallows’ Eve when worshippers would prepare themselves with prayer and fasting prior to the feast day of All Saints. The name derives from the Old English ‘hallowed’ meaning holy. It is often connected to the familiar word Hallowe’en.

NOVEMBER 1 ALL SAINTS DAY MASSES:

St. Nicholas, Noon

Most Holy Trinity, 6:30 PM

This day designates women and men, girls, and boys who are ordinary, and heroic daily, who live their faith, and share works of kindness. The communion of saints daily lives the Gospel. Their presence is alive within every generation in the same faithful way of discipleship. The new generation is alive with faith and goodness because of 'all saints,' their ancestors. These 'saints', have their name inscribed in the eternal book of life remembered by God and us.

NOVEMBER 2 ALL SOULS DAY MASS: St. Nicholas,

Noon. This is a day to reflect on the lives of loved ones: family, friends, and pets who have crossed over into new life. We honor all those who have gone before us with a candle, prayer, a gravesite visit, a card of empathy, a plant, attend the noon Mass at St. Nicholas and cherish them forever.

RETIREMENT FOR RELIGIOUS COLLECTION: next

Sunday, November 5. Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priest have served the Church and world. Today they pray with and for and are present with a

world that is hurting. Because hundreds of religious communities have served and ministered without adequate financial compensation, many religious congregations do not have adequate retirement funds and struggle to provide for aging members. Your gift today provides medications, nursing care and more for those who have served tirelessly and lovingly. Thank you for your generous support.

CONGRATULATIONS: Winners in the Festival of Ministries drawing: Len Jacobs, Joseph Johnson and Patty Whaley. Thanks to the stewardship committee, the planners, and workers for a meaningful and joyous occasion for all.

TO RECEIVE A CARD: If you would like to receive a birthday card from our parish, be sure to sign the Birthday Sheet in the back of church. If you know of someone who is ill or homebound who would like to receive a greeting card, sign their name and address on the Thinking of You sheet also in the back of church. If you have extra greeting cards at home (Birthday, Thinking of You, Blank or Christmas) please place them in the Card Donation Box at the back of church. Thank You, the Care Team

OUR PARISH MISSION:

Dear Parishioners and friends of Saint Josephine Bakhita Parish, we embark on the next chapter of our journey together as a new parish. With gratitude we seek to embrace the mission which God now entrusts to us.

The Transition Team has prayed the mission of our three churches. We seek to express what we believe God is calling us to be in this moment. The three proposed mission statements are the fruit of that work. We invite participation from every in the parishioner to assist in our parish mission discernment.

OPTIONS:

Inspired by the Gospel, we are a faithful, hopeful, and loving people witnessing to Christ's message of compassion and salvation. We open St. Josephine Bakhita's doors to all in love and gratitude.

As the Catholic church, we come together to worship, pray, teach, fellowship, evangelize and serve all God's people.

We open wide our doors to worship, teach, evangelize, and serve in justice to all God's people.

One of the statements below may be our parish mission; or maybe an edit or two will reveal our emerging mission. Maybe a new statement altogether waits to be crafted. Please pray the mission statements. Please share your insights. Please submit your feedback in the offertory basket this Sunday, drop them by the office, or email them to MITCHELLDOYEN@ARCHSTL.ORG. Ballots are in the back of church. All feedback must be in by Friday, November 3.

St. Josephine Bakhita, you are with us.
Fr. Mitch

The Gospel for All Saints Day sheds light on the actions and attitudes characteristic of the Christian life, and sustains hope.

A LITANY OF THE *Beatitudes*

When Jesus saw the crowds he went up on the side of a mountain and sat down.
Jesus' disciples gathered around him, and he taught them:

Blessed those who depend on God

They belong to the reign of God!

Blessed are those who are sad because someone they love died

They will find comfort!

Blessed are those people who are humble

The earth belongs to them

Blessed are those who want to obey God more than anything

They will be given what they desire

Blessed are those who are merciful

They will be treated with mercy.

Blessed are those whose hearts are pure

They will see God

Blessed are those who are peacemakers

They will be called the daughters and sons of God

Blessed are those who are mistreated for doing the loving thing

They belong to the reign of God

Blessed are you when people mistreat you, and tell lies about you, because you speak about God.

You will have a great reward in heaven.

– From the gospel of Mathew

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ST. VINCENT DEPAUL SERVICES

Most Holy Trinity

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Food/Utility Assistance
Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday: 9:00 – noon
4335 Warne Ave, 63107
314-535-9794 (during operating hours)

St. Nicholas (Off-site)

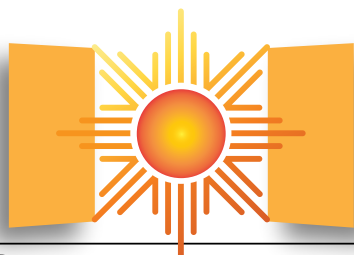
Food Pantry sponsored by Immacolata SVDP
First and Second Tuesdays: 9:00 – 11:00
Hot meal, snacks, fellowship; Dine in or carry-out
1414 N. Taylor Ave, 63110
314.289.6106 ext, 1171

St. Nicholas

Food Pantry sponsored by Ascension SVDP
Mondays (except holidays): 10 - noon
701 N 18th St., 63103
314.289.6101

Sts. Teresa & Bridget

Food Pantry/Utility Assistance/Store Vouchers
Tuesday, Thursday 9 – noon
Bag Lunches for homeless
Sts. Teresa & Bridget Hall
2431 N. Grand Blvd., 63106
314.531.1169



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OUR DOORS**

Most Holy Trinity, St. Nicholas,
Sts. Teresa & Bridget
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