

The Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year A

Sunday, October 25, 2020

Readings: 1) *Exodus 22:20-26* 2) *1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10* 3) *Matthew 22:34-40*

## Sunday Liturgy

The focus for today's Mass is: Our love of God is best demonstrated by our love of neighbor.

In the first reading, the writer of Exodus reminds the Israelites of their duty toward the foreigner, the poor, the orphan and the widow in their midst. Saint Paul reminds us that it is the Spirit that turns the human heart away from worldly idols to faith in Jesus Christ. Jesus summarizes the Gospel message as love of God and love of neighbor.

## GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

PRIEST:

Trusting in God's love and faithfulness,  
let us bring our petitions before him.

**For pastoral leaders and preachers,  
for dedicated liturgists and educators.**

We Pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

**For patient peacemakers and negotiators,  
compassionate leaders and honest lawmakers.**

We Pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayers.

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**For all who are sick in mind, spirit and body.**

We Pray to the Lord. Lord hear our prayer.

**For all our beloved dead.**

We Pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

**For us, Gods holy people,  
called to offer each other God's mercy and forgiveness.**

We Pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

**For our own personal intentions, ..... (long pause).**

We Pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

PRIEST:

God of intimate love, hear our prayers today,  
we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord.