ST. JOHN'S CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A

Reading I: Ex 22: 20-26
Reading II: 1 Th 1: 5-10
Gospel: Mt 22: 34-40

Revised Roman Missal: 580

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Gospel Summary

Trying to trick Jesus into saying something contrary to Moses, the Pharisees asked Jesus which was the greatest commandment. Jesus responded by saying that we are to love God with all our heart, our soul, and mind. Secondly, we are to love our neighbor as our self.

Reflection for Families

Our children see us live out this gospel message in the every-day things we do for other people. How often do they quietly notice us help an elderly relative, take food to a sick neighbor, or visit someone in a nursing home. We don't really have to preach this gospel message to our children, but sometimes just inviting them along is witness enough to shape their lives.

Bringing the Gospel Into Your Family

Read your local newspaper or check your parish family ministry; or listen out at school or at your office to see where your family might live out this gospel message.

Discussion Starters

1. A time I remember when someone showed compassion to me was when...
2. The thing about me that make it difficult for me to love completely is...
3. One sacrifice I make in order to follow these two commandments is...

- **SECOND COLLECTION**
  There will be a Second Collection at all Masses for the Priests' Retirement Fund. Thank you for your generosity.

- **NOMINATIONS FOR 2027-2028 PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL**
  The last day of nominations will be conducted online and in paper forms at the Masses today, 25 October. Please pray and discern your choice of candidates. **NOMINEE CRITERIA**: 18 years and above, baptized & confirmed Catholic, firm in Faith, good conduct and moral standing, willing to Serve, loves the Church, basic knowledge about Church teachings, and good leadership and teamwork skills.

- **KB CHRISTIAN CEMETERY CLEANING AND BLESSING**
  The annual cemetery cleaning will be held today, 25 October, from 10:30 AM onwards. Please bring your own cleaning tools and rubbish bags.

- **CHANGE IN MASS TIME**
  The daily Mass on Wednesday, 28 October will be moved to 6:30 AM. The recitation of the Holy Rosary will remain at 5:30 PM and there will be NO Holy Hour on that day.

- **MARIAN TALKS**
  A series of Marian talks will be held from Thursday, 29 October to Saturday, 31 October, immediately after the 6:00 PM Mass. All parishioners are invited to join and deepen their understanding of our Blessed Mother, Mary.

- **CLOSING OF ROSARY MONTH AND POTLUCK FELLOWSHIP**
  On Saturday, 31 October, we will commemorate the closing of the Rosary Month with a procession at 5:30 PM from the church, to the church surroundings. This is followed by the Mass and the final day of talks.

  Everyone is invited to join the Potluck Fellowship after the Mass and talk. Please bring a dish to share.

- **ALL SAINTS' DAY MASS (HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION)**
  All Saints' Day Mass, a Holy Day of Obligation, will be celebrated on Sunday, 1 November at both Masses: 9:00 AM and 6:00 PM. All parishioners are encouraged to attend.

- **PRAY FOR YOUR LOVED ONES**
  Envelopes are available at the Church entrance to list your deceased loved ones for All Souls Day prayers. Please return them during the weekend collections or to the parish office by Friday, 30 October, with names in BLOCK LETTERS. Offering: $10 for up to 10 names.

- **WORLD YOUTH DAY 2027—SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA**
  World Youth Day 2027 will take place in Seoul, South Korea, from 28 July to 11 August 2027. All youth aged 18–39 are invited to participate. Registration closes on 31 October 2026. For more information, please contact Phoebe Ang or visit the Vicariate website's announcement page for details.

DONATION

Cheque to be made payable to: Vicar Apostolic of Kuching (KB)
OR bank in to Baiduri Bank Account: 03 02 110 426070.

After payment, please WhatsApp us at +6738348855 and send picture of transaction. Thank you for your generosity.

RECONCILATION / CONFESSION

It is available 30 minutes before Sunday Mass or you may request for an appointment through the Parish Office Admin at WhatsApp 8348855.

REGISTRATION FOR INFANT AND CHILDREN BAPTISM

Open for children aged 7 years old and below.

SCHEDULE: Every THIRD week of the month.

REQUIREMENTS:

- Child's Birth Certificate.
- Parent's Sacrament of Matrimony Certificate.
- Godparent's Confirmation Certificate

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE ADMIN AT WHATSAPP 8348855

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Meet Parish Priest SIX MONTHS before the intended date of marriage.

REQUIREMENTS:

- Baptism and Confirmation Certificate.
- Marriage Preparation Certificate if you are from another Parish.
- Civil Marriage Certificate if applicable.
- IC's copy for both candidates and witnesses.
- Photo (Passport size).

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DATE	TIME	READINGS
26 OCTOBER—Monday 30th Week in Ordinary Time	5.30pm (Rosary) **6.00pm (Mass)**	Eph 4: 32—5: 8 Lk 13: 10-17
27 OCTOBER—Tuesday 30th Week in Ordinary Time	5.30pm (Rosary) **6.00pm (Mass)**	Eph 5: 21-33 Lk 13: 18-21
28 OCTOBER—Wednesday 30th Week in Ordinary Time	**6.30am (Mass)** 5.30pm (Rosary) *NO HOLY HOUR*	Eph 2: 19-22 Lk 6: 12-19
29 OCTOBER—Thursday 30th Week in Ordinary Time	5.30pm (Rosary) **6.00pm** **(Mass and Talk)**	Eph 6: 10-20 Lk 13: 31-35
30 OCTOBER—Friday 30th Week in Ordinary Time	5.30pm (Rosary) **6.00pm** **(Mass and Talk)**	Phil 1: 1-11 Lk 14: 1-6
31 OCTOBER—Saturday 30th Week in Ordinary Time	5.30pm (Rosary with procession) **Followed by Mass, talk and fellowship**	Phil 1: 18-26 Lk 14: 1, 7-11
1 NOVEMBER—Sunday **ALL SAINTS DAY** (HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION)	**9.00am (Mass)** **6.00pm (Mass)**	Rev 7: 2-4, 9-14 1 Jn 3: 1-3 Mt 5: 1-12