

# Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

*The greatest among you must be your servant.*

Matthew 23:11

October 30, 2005

## MARKETPLACE OF FAIR TRADE CRAFTS

PRESENTED BY: CONCERN AMERICA

### What is Fair Trade?

Fair Trade means that trading partnerships are based on reciprocal benefits and mutual respect; that prices paid to producers reflect the work they do; that national health, safety, and wage laws are enforced; and that products are environmentally sustainable and conserve natural resources. Next weekend, Concern America will present their *Marketplace of Fair Trade Crafts*. Coffee and beautiful gift items that are handmade by indigenous people living in very materially poor rural areas of El Salvador, Guatemala, Mexico, Ecuador and Bangladesh will be available. The artisans are primarily women, single heads of households, who struggle to provide for their family's most basic needs. By purchasing these items you help the people in the countries where Concern America works to earn a just and fair wage, to improve their life situations and to preserve their traditional handcraft cultures.

A gift selected from *Marketplace of Fair Trade Crafts* is a double gift: It will warm the heart of the person receiving it and it will support the struggle for a dignified life for the artisan and her/his family. We invite you to think about honoring your family and friends in a very special way this coming holiday season by choosing gifts with meaning and purpose. The sponsoring organization is **Concern America**, an International development and refugee aid organization based in Santa Ana, CA 714.953.8575, [www.concernamerica.org](http://www.concernamerica.org).

### LITURGY COMMITTEE MEETING

Will be held on Monday, November 7th at 7:00 p.m. in the Rectory. All members are invited to attend and encouraged to bring ideas for Thanksgiving and for Advent.

### THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**First Reading:** Wisdom 6:12-16

**Second Reading:** 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 [13-14]

**Gospel:** Matthew 25:1-13

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### PRAY FOR OUR SICK

*Helen Parkin, Evarista Ramirez, Joe Turi*

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### ALL SAINTS DAY

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1

Holy Day of Obligation

#### MASS SCHEDULE

*Oct. 31--Vigil, 5:30 p.m. (English)*

*Nov. 1-- 8:00 a.m. (English)*

*7:15 p.m. (Spanish)*



### ALL SOULS DAY

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2

Not a Holy Day of Obligation

#### MASS SCHEDULE

*St. Matthew's Church*

*8:00 a.m. (English)*

*7:15 p.m. (Spanish)*

*All Souls Cemetery*

*10:00a.m.-Presider: Cardinal Roger Mahony*

### PROFESSION OF FAITH AND RECEPTION OF THE SACRAMENTS

Today at the 10:30 a.m. Mass, **Betty Campos and Ryan Romero** will become Catholic by making a Profession of Faith and receiving the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist. **Nancy and Ayleen Rosales**, two other RCIA candidates, will receive Holy Communion for the first time. We welcome all these people and rejoice with them, their sponsors, families and friends.

### NOVEMBER COMUNIDAD MEETING

The next Comunidad meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 1st at 7 PM in the Fr. Gerald Meisel Parish Hall. We will be celebrating All Saints Day. If you have been to Mass earlier on this Holy Day of Obligation join us to discuss the status and future of Comunidad's Lesbian and Gay Outreach Programs. If you still need to attend Mass you can attend the 7:15 Spanish Mass and join us immediately after for our memorial for our departed loved ones. Please bring pictures or other memorial objects. This will be followed by our annual election for the Comunidad Steering Committee. Light refreshments will be served. All are welcome.

**JOIN US TO PRAY THE ROSARY** on Saturday mornings at 8:30a.m. in the church.