

# THE THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

NOVEMBER 5, 2006

YOU SHALL LOVE THE LORD, YOUR GOD, WITH ALL YOUR HEART,  
AND WITH ALL YOUR SOUL, AND WITH ALL YOUR STRENGTH.

— Deuteronomy 6:5

## GOD AND NEIGHBOR

The two great commandments form a supportive cross for our lives: love God wholeheartedly and love your neighbor as yourself. One without the other does not hold us up on the Lord's presence. Our weakness needs the cross of our redeemer Jesus to lean on. He shows us how to cling to his tree of life and how to climb slowly toward our salvation "following his separate call to each of us." If we truly seek the kingdom of God, this is the way to go. Can you lean on Christ's glorious cross? He intercedes for our weakness and sins!

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## CONCERN AMERICA CRAFTS ARE AVAILABLE TODAY

Today we once again welcome **Concern America** with its **MARKETPLACE OF FAIR TRADE CRAFTS**—They have brought Fair Trade coffee and beautiful handmade craft items from El Salvador, Guatemala, Mexico, Honduras, Bangladesh and Ecuador — just in time for early Christmas shopping, birthdays, weddings, or any other special event you may celebrate. Through your appreciation of their crafts and your generosity, many materially poor artisans will be able to earn a just wage, support their families, experience hope, and keep alive their cultural heritage. Concern America is an international development and refugee aid organization based in Santa Ana 714.953.8575. You may view a selection of their crafts on their web site: [www.concernamerica.org](http://www.concernamerica.org)

## A MESSAGE FROM PEACE AND JUSTICE...

Apparently our bread is even more delicious that we thought because we ran out of bread waaaay too early at our October sale! We apologize to all of you generous parishioners who were unable to buy any! We plan to place a larger order for our upcoming sale on November 18th. Thank you for your understanding!

We also want to thank the parish for your generous support for the Crop Walk held last month. We had 6 walkers from our parish and we raised more than \$1,000. God bless you for your support of those in need!

## FAITH FORMATION COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, November 6th at 7:00 p.m. in the rectory.

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## PRAY FOR OUR SICK

*Jim Montgomery, Jill Curtis, Betty Schaefer*

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## REFLECTING ON NEXT SUNDAY'S GOSPEL

Each week you are encouraged to open your bible and reflect on next Sunday's gospel reading. The readings for next week are listed below along with two questions to prompt you to relate the Word of God to your life.

- 1) *Have I ever met someone like this widow? How did this person affect me?*
- 2) *Why is Jesus so harsh with the scribes?*

## NOVEMBER 12 - 32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**First Reading:** 1 Kings 17:10-16

**Second Reading:** Hebrews 9:24-28

**Gospel:** Mark 12:38-44

## THIS TUESDAY —NOVEMBER 7 ELECTION DAY

The Bishops of California have called special attention to Proposition 85—The Parent's Right to Know and Child Protection Initiative. They have declared their support of Proposition 85 and encourage its passage.

## A YES VOTE ON PROPOSITION 85 WILL ALLOW PARENTS TO RECLAIM THEIR RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

## BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING AND FLU SHOTS

Will be available **NEXT SUNDAY, Nov. 12**  
**in classroom #2 from 9:00am to 2:00p.m.**

## RESERVE THE DATES...

You are invited to attend Fr. Jim Halley's presentation on "*Our Brothers and Sisters of the Eastern Catholic Churches*" at **7:00p.m. on Monday, November 13th** in our church. The following **Sunday, Nov. 19th** you may participate in an Eastern Rite Mass at St. Andrew's Russian Greek Church in El Segundo. Fr. Jim offers you this rare opportunity not only to learn more about the Eastern churches but to experience a Catholic Mass in another cultural context. Hopefully, carpooling will be available at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday, November 19th. Mass at the Russian Greek Church (which satisfies your Sunday obligation) will end at approximately noontime.

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## PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED

*Marlin McKeever*

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