

The Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**Year A**

Sunday, October 26, 2014

Readings: 1) Exodus 22:20-26

2) 1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10

3) Matthew 22:34-40

The focus for today's Mass is that we should live our lives based on our love of God, our neighbors and our self.

In our first reading, Moses lays before the Israelites the laws that pertain to their relationship with those who are less fortunate.

Saint Paul acknowledges the work of the missionaries and the Christian community in spreading God's word.

In today's Gospel, Jesus answers the Pharisees' question: *Which commandment in the law is the greatest?*

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS**PRIEST:**

Having been nourished by the Word, let us present our prayers to God for our needs and the needs of our sisters and brothers.

For our Holy Father, and all who serve the Church,
may they continue to faithfully proclaim the Word of God to all people.

We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

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

We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

For those baptized this weekend.

We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

For the poor, the sick and the suffering.

We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

For our beloved dead.

We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

For all who come to this table may we be nourished with love.

We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

For our own personal intentions, (long pause).

We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

PRIEST:

**Compassionate God, hear us, and if it be your will, grant these prayers.
Through Christ our Lord.**

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