



DAY	FEAST	READINGS	TIME
Mon 19	29TH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME Psalter Week I SS. John de Brebeuf and Isaac Jogues and Comp. St Paul of the Cross	Eph 2, 1-10. Lk 12, 13-21.	5:30 PM
Tue 20	29TH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME Psalter Week I	Eph 2, 12-22. Lk 12, 35-38.	5:30 PM
Wed 21	29TH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME Psalter Week I	Eph 3, 2-12; Lk 12, 39-48.	5:30 PM
Thu 22	29TH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME Psalter Week I St John Paul II	Eph 3, 14- 21 Lk 12, 49-53.	5.30 PM
Fri 23	29TH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME Psalter Week I St John of Capestrano	Eph 4, 1-6; Lk 12, 54-59.	Mass: 12:15 PM Holy Hour: 7:30pm
Sat 24	29TH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME Psalter Week I St Anthony Mary Claret	Eph 4, 7-16. Lk 13, 1-9.	5:30 PM
Sun 25	30TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME Psalter Week II	Ex 22, 20-26. 1 Th 1, 5c-10. Mt 22, 34-40.	8:00 AM 5:30 PM

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29TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A

Reading I: Is 45, 1. 4-6
 Responsorial Psalm: Ps 95, 1 and 3. 4-5. 7-8. 9-10a. and c.
 Reading II: 1 Th 1, 1-5b.
 Gospel: Mt 22, 15-21.



Revised Roman Missal: 577 (Bahasa 1563)

REFLECTION

The Pharisees come up with a new plan to try to trap Jesus during one of their debates by bringing up the hot topic of paying taxes. They inquire, "Is it lawful to pay the census tax to Caesar or not?" Jesus ably distinguishes between the rights of God and human authority; clearly pointing out that we are bound by our conscience to **be honest with God and with others.**

1. Jesus is praised the most for his honesty by his enemies: "Teacher, we know that you are a truthful man and that you teach the way of God in accordance with the truth. And you are not concerned with anyone's opinion, for you do not regard a person's status". Christ isn't fooled. Moreover, he makes use of the Pharisees' challenge to teach us a lesson about our religious and political behavior. Instead of causing division he reconciles people by means of sound reasoning. "He said to them 'whose image is this and whose inscription?' they replied 'Caesar's' at that he said to them, 'then pay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God.'"

2. The coin that the Pharisees showed Jesus had two sides: on one side was the face of Caesar and on the other was the numerical value of the coin. But although there are two sides, there is only one coin. "**Give to God what is God's**" is not an alternative to "giving to Caesar". A Christian should work for progress and well being, but always in accordance with the Gospel precepts. Moreover, when the Church proclaims the Gospel she is reminding society that God should always come first. In our own Christian lives we also need to value spiritual realities a little more and be a little more detached from material possessions.

3. "Give to Caesar what is Caesar's" means recognizing the legitimate rights and duties of civil authorities and setting up the right balance between the religious and human spheres. You shouldn't "give to the Caesar of economy" by treading on the rights of life, work, education, and the dignity of the human person. You shouldn't "give to the Caesar of power or success" by sacrificing other people who die of hunger and thirst or who are victims of war and terrorism.

This is why we ought to work today **to improve and transform the world according to the justice and charity that Christ taught us.** We have to work to form a social conscience which moves us to create a community of peace, harmony, service and progress—a society which has both rights and duties to respect life, take care of the environment, and protect the family, culture and religion of all people. Brothers and sisters, isn't this a good occasion for making an honest comparison between Christ's attitudes and our own? We can with the help of his grace.

ATTENDING MASS GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

1. Put on Mask before entering
2. Temperature Check
3. BruHealth QR code Check
4. Registration and seat assignment
5. Sanitize hands
6. Practice social distancing

The Correct Way to Wear a Mask



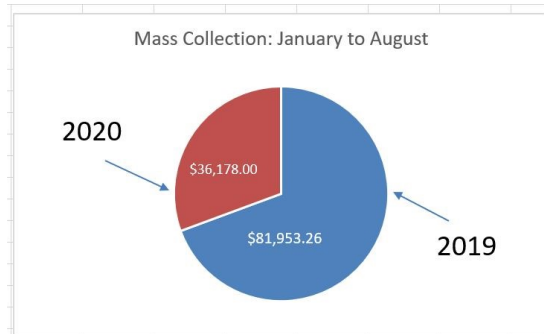
It should cover your mouth, nose and chin, with the coloured side facing outwards.



To be effective change your masks regularly or if soiled or wet.

Second Collection (18th October)

Today, every Catholic community and parish throughout the world is involved in World Mission Sunday. It is a day that we show that all Catholics are missionary disciples who all have a role to play in the missionary activities of the church. Your kind support will help new churches to become strong and vital faith communities. Thank you in advance for any financial support that you can provide on this World Mission Sunday.



Gotong Royong (18th October)

There will be a general cleaning of the church and its compound this morning from 10:30 AM onward.

Sunday School and COM classes (18th October)

There will be Sunday School and COM classes today for those in Primary 4 and COM 1 to COM 4.

Adult Faith Formation (Every Thursday)

The Bible Study of the Book of Romans: The Gospel of Salvation is on every Thursday in Fr McClorey's room at 7:30 PM. This study will help you make sense of the difficult passages regarding faith, works of the law, and justification.

KB Cemetery Cleaning (25th October)

In preparation for All Souls Day, the gotong royong in the KB cemetery will be on Sunday 25th October from 10:30 AM. Hope you can be there.

Closing Rosary (31st October)

Flowers will be on sale on Saturday, 31st October for the offering to Mother Mary during the Closing Rosary prayer at 6:00 PM. The daily Mass on this day will be at 5:30 PM as usual.

All Saints Day and All Souls Day Mass (1st & 2nd November)

This year the Mass for All Saints (1st November) falls on Sunday. There will be two Mass as usual on Sunday: 8:00 AM and 5:30 PM. All Souls (2nd November) will be on Monday 2nd November at 6:00 PM. The blessing of the Christian cemetery in Kuala Belait will take place on All Souls Day at 10:00 AM.

A **plenary indulgence**, applicable only to the souls in Purgatory, is granted to any of the faithful who 1) on one of the days from 1 to 8 November visit devoutly a cemetery or who simply pray mentally for the dead; 2) on All Souls Day visit a church or chapel with devotion and there recite the Our Father and the Creed.

A **partial indulgence**, applicable only to the souls in Purgatory, is granted to any of the faithful who 1) visit devoutly a cemetery or who simply pray mentally for the dead; 2) recite with devotion Lauds or Vespers of the Office of the Dead, or the invocation *Eternal Rest grant* ...

Book of Remembrance

The Book of Remembrance is available in the Church Foyer until the end of November for everyone to write in the names of deceased loved ones they would like to have remembered during the month of November.

Parish ID card

The Parish ID registration form is available from the Registration Desk and in the Parish Office. Please return the form to the Parish Office or anyone at the Registration Desk at the entrance of the Church as soon as you can. You may also sign-up for the Parish ID online via the COOL web page.

Mass and Mass Gathering Guidelines

As we are still not out of the covid-19 pandemic, we still need everyone to follow the guidelines from the Ministry of Health and recommendations from our bishop for the sake of one another.

With the current requirement of wearing the mask, it is thus proposed that singing be suspended to avoid people from removing the mask to sing. This, of course, means that there will be no choir leading the congregation in the singing. Music can still be used to help us to lift our hearts to God. We will also recite the proper of the Mass instead of singing it.

As there will be singing and praise and worship at Prayer Meetings, the mask requirement will also make it difficult for members to keep their mask on. As such, prayer meetings are to be put on hold for now in line with the other churches in the Vicariate. We are also been informed recently that the BruHealth code is only for Mass attendance registration and cannot be use for other activities.

All food fellowship are also recommended to be postponed or held outside the church as it is hard for us to avoid close contact and sharing of dishes. Thus, events like Migrant Night and our parish feast day celebration will not take place this year.

As it is hard for us to monitor and control them, outsider are also not allowed to book/use our premise until the covid-19 restrictions are lifted.

Although you do need to pre-register to attend the Mass, we don recommend that you continue to do so. Please remember to scan in your BruHealth code and observe the other mass gathering guidelines from the MOH. At this time only those 12 years and above with green or yellow BruHealth QR code may join the Mass.

We hope everyone understand why we need to take extra precautions so that we can all continue to gather safely, without worrying of contracting the covid-19 virus that can, not only take our lives but cause great economic hardship, and passing it to others. Please continue to pray to the good Lord to stem the spread of the virus and help us find a solution to this pandemic. Mother Mary, pray for us.