

# Saint Michael the Archangel Church

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## Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

October 20, 2013

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### Mass Intentions

Sun. Oct. 20th	Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost, II Class
8:00 a.m.	† Richard V. Kasarda - Ruth and Children
10:15 a.m.	Pro Populo
Mon. Oct. 21th	St. Hilarion, Abbot, IV Class
7:45 a.m.	Fr. Joseph Poisson, FSSP - St. Michael's
Tues. Oct. 22nd	Feria, IV Class
7:45 a.m.	Emig Children
Wed. Oct. 23rd	St. Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop & Conf., III Class
7:45 a.m.	Robert Cherry - Mary Seeley
Thur. Oct. 24th	St. Raphael the Archangel, III Class
7:45 a.m.	Dr. A. Maravelli - Christian & Joyce Keifer
Fri. Oct. 25th	St. Isidore the Farmer, Confessor, III Class
6:00 p.m.	Emily LaFata - Bob & Marie Sica
Sat. Oct. 26th	St. Evaristus, Pope & Martyr, IV Class
9:00 a.m.	Fr. Joseph Poisson, FSSP - Mary Ann Czarnecki
Sun. Oct. 27th	Christ the King, I Class
8:00 a.m.	Mike & Nancy Emig
10:15 a.m.	Pro Populo

### MASS SCHEDULE

#### Sunday

Low Mass: 8:00 am

High Mass: 10:15 am

#### Weekdays

Monday-Thursday: 7:45 am

Friday: 6:00 pm

Saturday: 9:00 am

### CONFESSIONS

Monday-Saturday

One half hour before Mass

Sunday: 7:15-7:50

& 9:15-10:05

### DEVOTIONS

#### Exposition-Benediction

Friday 5:00 pm

Saturdays 8:00 am

### DAILY ROSARY

Monday-Thursday — After Mass

Friday-Sunday — Before Mass

### OFFICE HOURS

Mon-Friday 9 am-5 pm

**THURSDAY - CLOSED**

Saturday - 10 am-Noon

## Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

### **INTROIT**

*Ps. 129, 3, 4*

If Thou shalt observe iniquities, O Lord, Lord, who shall endure it? For with Thee is propitiation, O God of Israel. From the depths I have cried to Thee, O Lord: Lord, hear my voice. *V.* Glory be to the Father ... If Thou shalt ...

### **COLLECT**

O God, our refuge and our strength, the very author of piety, be present to the devout supplications of Thy Church, and grant that what we seek in faith we may effectively arrive at. Through our Lord...

### **EPISTLE**

*Philip. 1, 6-11*

Brethren, we are confident in the Lord Jesus, that He Who hath begun a good work in you, will perfect it unto the day of Christ Jesus. As it is meet for me to think this for you all, for that I have you in my bands, and in the defense and confirmation of the Gospel you are all partakers of my joy. For God is my witness, how I long after you all in the bowels of Jesus Christ. And this I pray, that your charity may more and more abound in knowledge and in all understanding; that you may approve the better things; that you may be sincere and without offence unto the day of Christ; filled with the fruit of justice, through Jesus Christ, unto the glory and praise of God.

### **GRADUAL**

*Ps. 132, 1, 2*

Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity. *V.* It is like the precious ointment on the head, that ran down upon the beard, the beard of Aaron.

### **ALLELUIA**

*Ps. 113, 11*

Alleluia, alleluia. They that fear the Lord, let them hope in Him: He is their helper and protector. Alleluia.

### **GOSPEL**

*Matt. 22, 15-21*

At that time, the Pharisees went and consulted among themselves, how to ensnare Jesus in His speech. And they send to Him their disciples, with the Herodians, saying, Master, we know that Thou art a true speaker, and teachest the way of God in truth, neither carest Thou for any man, for Thou dost not regard the person of men. Tell us therefore, what dost Thou think? Is it lawful to give tribute to Caesar, or not? But Jesus knowing their wickedness, said: Why do you tempt Me, ye hypocrites? Show Me the coin of the tribute. And they offered Him a penny. And Jesus saith to them, Whose image and superscription is this? They say to Him, Caesar's. Then He saith to them, Render therefore to Caesar, the things that are Caesar's; and to God, the things that are God's.

### **OFFERTORY**

*Esther 14, 12, 13*

Remember me, O Lord, Thou Who rulest above all power, and give a well-ordered speech in my mouth, that my words may be pleasing in the sight of the prince.

### **SECRET**

Grant, O merciful God, that this saving oblation may forever rid us of our own guilt and defend us from all adversities. Through our Lord...

### **COMMUNION**

*Ps. 118, 81, 84, 86*

I have cried, for Thou, O God, hast heard me: O incline Thy ear unto me, and hear my words.

### **POSTCOMMUNION**

We have taken the gifts of the sacred mystery. O Lord, humbly imploring that what Thou has bidden us to in commemoration of Thee may avail unto the help of our infirmity. Who livest...

*Then He saith to them: Render, therefore, to Cæsar the things that are Cæsar's; and to God, the things that are God's.* (Saint Matthew 22:21) As though He said, “Now that you, O Jews, are subject to Cæsar, and always use his coins, which you would not otherwise use, since you utterly abhor the practices and symbols of the Gentiles, and since Cæsar demands of you nothing but temporal things which are his own, namely the denarius inscribed with his name and image, therefore, you do not so much give as render or restore to him the denarius which is due to him as tribute. But spiritual things, that is to say, worship and piety, give you to God. For this God exacts as what is rightly His due. So shall it come to pass that you will offend neither against God nor Cæsar.”

*Render, therefore, to Cæsar ... and to God ...* That is, give to Cæsar the didrachma, which he rightly exacts from you to sustain the burdens of the state, and especially to maintain soldiers to defend you against the attacks of enemies. But give God also the didrachma—tithes, oblations, victims, as St. Jerome says—such as are prescribed in Leviticus, which He by the right of supreme dominion demands of you as His creatures and believers in Him. “Because,” says Origen, “a man renders to Cæsar what belongs to Cæsar, it is not a hindrance to him in rendering to God what belongs to God.” The rights which belong to Cæsar are different from those which belong to God. Political obligations are not adverse to religion; neither is religion adverse to political duties. Therefore, since Tiberius Cæsar reigns over you, and you are his subjects, which clearly is the case, because he has the right of coining money, indeed, the right to mint the coin of tribute, I mean the denarius of such a weight and value as seems good to him; and inasmuch as you yourselves, by receiving the coin of tribute from Tiberius, as your prince, acknowledge that you are his subjects, and bound to pay his taxes, therefore by this very fact you are under obligation to pay the coin of tribute which he has minted and decreed. “What Christ spoke with His mouth,” says St. Bernard, “He was careful to fulfill in act. This Creator of Cæsar delayed not to pay tribute to Cæsar (cf. Saint Matthew 17:26).”

Politically, Christ here tacitly admonishes Cæsars and sovereigns that, being contented with what belongs to

them, they must not meddle with the affairs of God and the Church. Wisely and piously did Constantine the Great say to the prelates of the Church, as Eusebius testifies, “You are bishops within the Church; I have been appointed by God a bishop [i.e., overseer] outside the Church.”

Morally, Christ here teaches us prudence, that we may always speak wisely when among deceitful men and moderate our speech so as not to offend any party, but rather sail between two waters and elude both Scylla and Charybdis.

Tropologically, St. Hilary says, “We are bound to render unto God the things of God; our body, soul, and will; for the coin of Cæsar is in gold, in which his image is engraven; but God's coin is man, in whom is the image of God. Give your money then to Cæsar, but keep for God the consciousness of your innocence.” So, too, Origen says, “To God should be rendered the things that pertain to virtue, and to Cæsar the things that pertain to the state and the census.” And St. Augustine says, “To God must be given Christian love, to kings human fear.” And St. Bernard, or whoever was the author of the book on the Lord's Passion, says, “Render unto Cæsar the penny which has Cæsar's image; render unto God the soul which He created after His own image and likeness, and ye shall be righteous.”

Symbolically, the author of the “sermon to the brethren in the wilderness” says, “Then do we render to Cæsar the things of Cæsar, when we pay to the saints the reverence (*dulia*) which is due to them; and we give the things of God to God, when we render unto Him that divine worship (*latría*) which is due to Him alone.”

Lastly, St. Augustine rightly applies these words to vows, and those who make vows. “Whosoever reflects seriously upon what he may vow to God, and what he pays by taking a vow, let him vow and render himself. This is required, and this is due. Let Cæsar's image be rendered to Cæsar, God's image to God. This is what the Psalmist commands when he says, Vow ye, and pay to the Lord your God: all you who are round about Him bring presents.” (Psalm 75:12).

(The Great Commentary of Cornelius à Lapide)

**ALL SAINTS DAY:** Friday November 1st, is All Saints Day, and a Holy Day of obligation (and First Friday of the month). The schedule will be as follows:

- 9:00 a.m. — Low Mass
- 6:00 p.m. — Holy Hour
- 7:00 p.m. — High Mass

**ALL SOULS DAY:** Saturday November 2nd, is All Souls Day (and First Saturday of the month). The Holy Hour will be cancelled. The schedule will be as follows:

- 8:00 a.m. — Low Mass
- 10:00 a.m. — High Mass

**SECOND COLLECTION:** There is a second collection today for World Mission Sunday.

**ALL SAINTS PARTY:** The All Saints party will be held on Thursday, October 31st at 6:30 p.m. If you have any questions please contact Kate Gardner 570-689-4958.

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27th,** we will have a procession of the Blessed Sacrament for the Feast of Christ the King. Please mark this date in your calendar and make a special effort to be at the 10:15 Mass (procession afterwards) and become a public witness to our Faith.

**CONFRATERNITY MEMBERS:** Fr. Zepeda will give the Confraternity blessing after the 10:15 Mass today.

**HOLY SOULS NOVENA:** Please make sure that you have the Mass intentions for the Holy Souls in by **October 27th.** Your intentions will be included in a novena of Masses beginning on November 2nd, All Souls Day.

**6:30 a.m. Mass:** Monday through Wednesday this week.

**October 24th through October 31st:** Fr. Poisson will away to help out FSSP Harrisburg.

**COLLECTION:** October 13th - \$1,611.00

## *Altar Boy Schedule*

**TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY**

**AFTER PENTECOST**

**October 20th**

**8:00 a.m. Mass**

- AC1** Justin LaFata
- AC2** Francis LaFata

**TEAM D**

- MC** William Skuba
- TH** Matthew Gillenkirk
- AC1** Chris Shanahan
- AC2** Joseph Schneider
- C** Patrick Schneider
- S1** John Skuba
- S2** Joseph Skuba
- S3** Joseph Seeley
- S4** Brendan Seeley

**WEEK THREE**

- Monday**  
**7:45 a.m.** Joseph Schneider  
Patrick Schneider
- Tuesday**  
**7:45 a.m.** Robert Seeley  
Patrick Seeley
- Wednesday**  
**7:45 a.m.** Dominic Gardner  
Jack Gardner
- Thursday**  
**7:45 a.m.**

**CHRIST THE KING**

**October 27th**

**8:00 a.m. Mass**

- AC1** Joshua Sica
- AC2** Timothy Sica

**TEAM A**

- MC** James McWhirter
- TH** John Gillenkirk
- AC1** Joseph McWhirter
- AC2** Patrick Seeley
- C** Robert Seeley
- S1** John Pheasant
- S2** Andrew Pheasant
- S3** Matthew Gillenkirk
- S4** Timothy Emig