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OCTOBER
18
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Parish Information

Pastor
Rev. J. Gregorio Rausseo G.

Deacons
Mr. Stan Stott
Mr. Gerardo Marrufo

Pastoral Assistant
Stephanie Lara

Finances
Carina Corona

Office Hours
Monday - Thursday
8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Mass Schedule

Saturday
English 5:00 pm
Spanish 6:30 pm

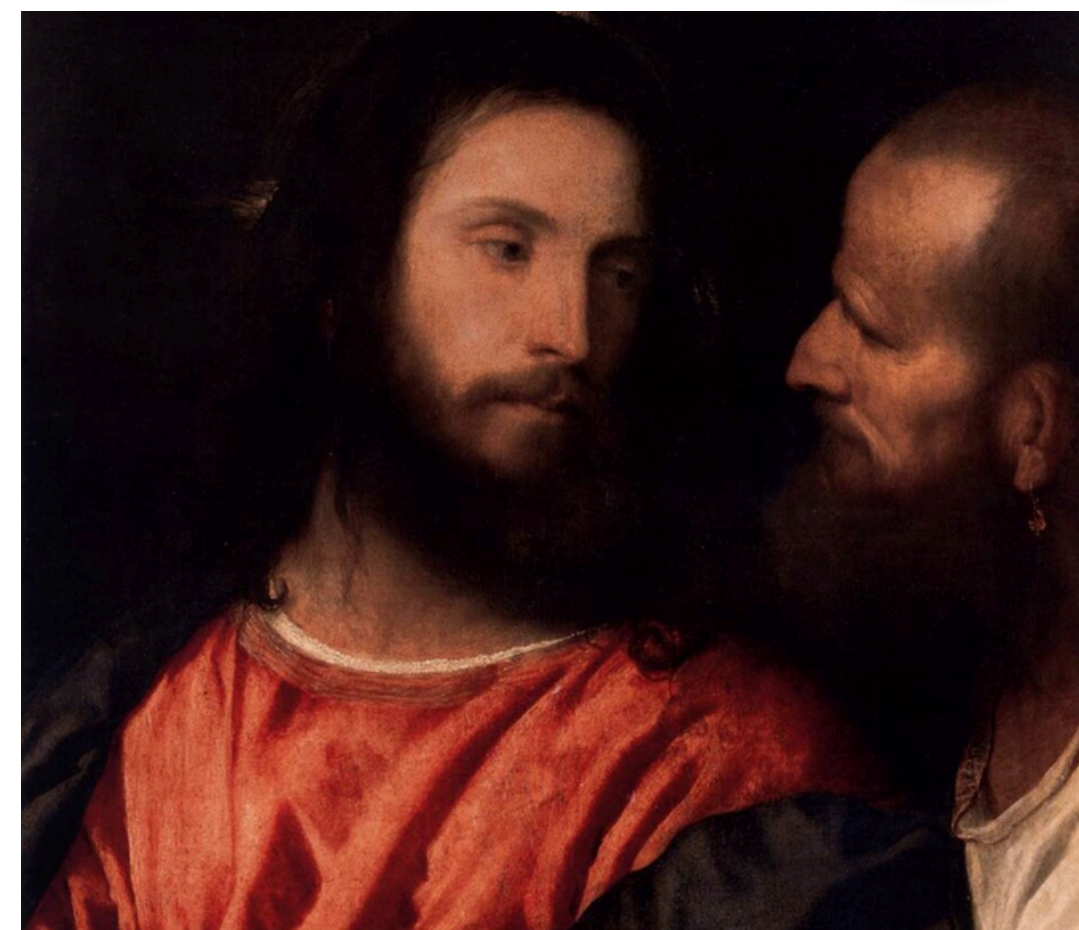
Sunday
Spanish 8:00 am
English 10:00 am
Spanish 12:00 pm

Weekly Mass
Stone Chapel
Tuesday & Thursday
English 9:00 am
Spanish 6:30 pm

Blessed Sacrament Adoration
Thursday
9:45 am - 6:15 pm

Holy Hour
All 2nd Wednesdays
6:00pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Tuesday
5:15pm-6:15pm
Communion Services
Deacon Stan/English
Wednesday
9:00am



The Tribute Money - Titian (1490-1576)

XXIX Ordinary Time

ELECTRONIC OFFERING

We are now accepting offerings via QR code! Thank you for all those who have donated and contributed. Please continue to help us on our journey to reduce our debt!



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Matthew 22:15-21

Despite the presence of oppressive empires throughout the history of Israel, there was a period of peace three hundred years before **Christ** with the Persian invasion and the ruling of Cyrus. Hence, today's first reading calls for the blessing of the **God** of Israel over the Persian king who allowed the reconstruction of the Temple. Once the king was dead, however, the empire changed and oppression returned, first with the Greeks and later, the Romans—the context of today's Gospel. **Jesus** refuses to fall into the trap that others had placed before him. He says that while those who live on earth must render honor to public officials, honor to **God** is due by all on a higher realm. We are called to look beyond our culture toward the horizon of eternity, illumined by our faith and filled with hope.

Discuss this theme with liturgical ministers throughout the week: How do we behave before those decisions that the law makes and may be contrary to our values as Christians? How are we defending the rights of the poor and the marginalized in our communities?

Liturgy.OCP (2026)

Night Adoration

Every Saturday after the 6:30 pm mass, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed (7:15-12 am) and on October 31st we will have a vigil until Sunday, November 1st.



The Catholic Diocese of Salt Lake City is committed to protecting children and young people. If you are aware of abuse or have been abused by clerics, Church volunteers or Church workers, contact the Division of Child and Family Services, 1-800-678.9399.

Readings ~ 10/18/2026 XXIX Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading Isaiah 45:1, 4-6 The Lord anointed Cyrus of Persia to subdue the nations and free Israel. God made Persia great so that everyone might know that there is no god besides the Lord God of Israel.

Responsorial Psalm 96:1, 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10

Second Reading 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5b The Thessalonians believed in the gospel, lived in the Holy Spirit, and labored in love with full conviction. Paul thanked God for the faith of the Thessalonians and remembered them in prayer.

Gospel Matthew 22:15-21 When some Pharisees tried to trap Jesus into saying something negative about the emperor, Jesus used a Roman coin to teach them, "Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God."

Readings ~ 10/25/2026 XXX Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading Exodus 22:20-26 The faithful and gracious Lord said, "You shall not wrong any widow or orphan....If you take your neighbor's cloak,...return it before sunset. If he cries out to me, I will hear him; for I am compassionate."

Responsorial Psalm 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51

Second Reading 1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10 Paul commended the Christians of Thessalonica: "You became imitators of us and of the Lord, receiving the word in great affliction, with the joy from the Holy Spirit. So that you became a model for all believers...the word of the Lord has sounded forth."

Gospel Matthew 22:34-40 In response to a question from some Pharisees who wanted to trip him up, Jesus said, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart...soul...and mind. You shall love your neighbor as yourself." These are the two great commandments.

MINISTRY OF THE SICK

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HOLY HOUR Every second Wednesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. in the Main Church.

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THE ACT OF GIVING

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Whatever the circumstances, every family should strive to give sacrificially, even if the gift is small, and then build on that commitment over time.

Scripture reminds us to give freely and from the heart: **"Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver"** (2 Corinthians 9:7).

Jesus also praises the poor widow who gave two small coins, teaching that her humble offering was greater than the gifts of those who gave from their abundance (**Luke 21:1-4**).

Common Spirit Holy Cross Hospital -Jordan Valley invites you to join us for mass in our dedicated, Catholic chapel every Wednesday at 12:00pm.

All are welcome to participate in the mass, regardless of whether you are receiving services at the hospital.



For more information, please contact Fr. Bartholomew Okonkwo at bartholomew.okonkwo@commonspirit.org