All Saints Sunday November 3, 2023

FIRST READING - Deuteronomy 6:1-9 The Great Commandment

Now this is the commandment—the statutes and the ordinances—that the LORD your God charged me to teach you to observe in the land that you are about to cross into and occupy, so that you and your children and your children's children may fear the LORD your God all the days of your life, and keep all his decrees and his commandments that I am commanding you, so that your days may be long. Hear therefore, O Israel, and observe them diligently, so that it may go well with you, and so that you may multiply greatly in a land flowing with milk and honey, as the LORD, the God of your ancestors, has promised you.

Hear, O Israel: The LORD is our God, the LORD alone. You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart. Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise. Bind them as a sign on your hand, fix them as an emblem on your forehead, and write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

SECOND READING - Hebrews 9:11-14

But when Christ came as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation), he entered once for all into the Holy Place, not with the blood of goats and calves, but with his own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption. For if the blood of goats and bulls, with the sprinkling of the ashes of a heifer, sanctifies those who have been defiled so that their flesh is purified, how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to worship the living God!

GOSPEL - Mark 12:28-34 The First Commandment

One of the scribes came near and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that he answered them well, he asked him, 'Which commandment is the first of all?' Jesus answered, 'The first is, "Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength." The second is this, "You shall love your neighbour as yourself." There is no other commandment greater than these.' Then the scribe said to him, 'You are right, Teacher; you have truly said that "he is one, and besides him there is no other"; and "to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the strength", and "to love one's neighbour as oneself",—this is much more important than all whole burntofferings and sacrifices.' When Jesus saw that he answered wisely, he said to him, 'You are not far from the kingdom of God.' After that no one dared to ask him any question.

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"In response to God's love, St. Matthew's is a faith community welcoming all to grow in faith, to worship Christ and to reach out to everyone."

Welcome!

We hope our worship will be a blessing to you. Our Lord's Supper is being celebrated today. Everyone is welcome to receive this Holy Sacrament.

All Saints Sunday

Today, we remember the saints who have left their earthly pilgrimage and now rest from their labours. Together with all the saints, we await the full joy of life eternal through our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

If you missed last week's sermon, it is available on our website.

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The lines of the Psalm printed in bold font are sung in unison to the tune of a familiar hymn. The lines in plain font are read by the leader.

Psalm 119:1-8 — Tune: **879** For the Beauty of the Earth

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Blest are those--most happy they--Who the law of God obey.

Happy are those whose lives are faultless, who obey the law of the Lord with all their heart, walking in the ways of the Lord.

Lord, you gave your laws that we Might obey them faithfully.

If I pay attention to all your commandments, then I will not be disappointed. As I learn your righteous rulings, I will praise you with a pure heart.

Stand beside me, that I may All your goodly laws obey.

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God of power, God of plenty, all things belong to you.
We bring your gifts to the table, that all might be fed.
Form us into the body of your Beloved, Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

Dates to Remember

November 17th will be the next Council Meeting.

October Council minutes are posted in the Church office.

November 24 the Reign of Christ Sunday - Bishop's worship service in Ridgeway at 11:15 am, everyone is welcome, luncheon to follow.

Day light savings time has ended.

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Response: Thanks be to God.