

NOVEMBER 2025

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 26 Christ the King All Saints Party | 27 Adult Catechism | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | 1 All Saints |
| 2 21st Sunday after Pentecost | 3 Commemoration of All Souls | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 First Friday | 8 Roses of Mary Men's Schola |
| 9 Dedication of the Archbasilica of the Most Holy | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 Pro-Life Vigil | 15 Altar Guild Men's Schola |
| 16 23rd Sunday after Pentecost | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 |
| 23 24th and Last Sunday after Pentecost | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29  All-Night Adoration |
| 30 First Sunday of Advent | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |

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Repose of the Souls of:

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* IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH



CHRIST the KING


October 26, 2025

Sunday Schedule:

Low Mass: 7 a.m.
9 a.m.

Sung Mass: 11 a.m.

Confessions:

One-half hour before Mass and Saturdays at 4 p.m.

Daily Mass Schedule:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday: 8 a.m.

Thursday: 6 p.m.

Friday, Saturday: 8 a.m.

Holy Hour:

Thursday: 7 p.m.

Pastor:

FR. JAMES GORDON, F.S.S.P.

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Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter parish in Colorado Springs

Disordered AFFECTIONS LEAD to SIN

from: *Worshipping a Hidden God*, by Archbishop Luis M. Martinez

When, at any time, an affection rises to the point of taking complete possession of our heart in such a way that it causes us to place our happiness and our final end in a creature, then mortal sin is committed; for mortal sins is nothing else but the triumph of an inordinate affection over the love of God.

Very often a disordered affection does not go to such an extreme, yet it can contrive to live side by side with the love of God. Then it is a species of parasite that prevents the love of God from developing in all its fullness and in all its glory. In this case, a disordered affection is the cause only of venial sins or simply of imperfections yet, in every instance, it hampers the perfect development of the love of God.

The Gospel gives us an example of this truth. Before the descent of the Holy Spirit on the apostles, they cherished disordered affections in their hearts; some, of course, more than others. They thought that the kingdom of Jesus Christ was to be a temporal kingdom, that the Messiah was to come to conquer the world and to subject it to the yoke of Israel, and that Christ was to be a conqueror after the manner of Alexander or Cæsar; and they desired to occupy various posts in this kingdom. These desires did not carry them to the extent of committing treachery or treason, but they did deprive them

of the fervor, devotion, and holy ardor that they should have had on the night of the institution of the Eucharist. For while Jesus was consummating the most stupendous mystery that the ages have ever seen, right there in the Cenacle itself, close to Jesus transfigured, the apostles were disputing about which of them would be greatest in the kingdom of Heaven.

Thus it is with disordered affections: when they do not go so far as to burst their bonds and produce the supreme tragedy of mortal sin in the soul, they cause venial sins. They are the seed-plot of imperfections, or at least they hinder the perfect development of love in our hearts. They are parasites.

We all know what happens to a plant when it is infested with parasites: it loses its exuberant growth and vigor; it no longer produces flowers or fruits, or it produces such as are diseased and miserable. When a good gardener sees a sickly plant, he at once comes to this conclusion: "This plant has parasites. They may be at the roots, or in the stalk, or on the leaves, but have them it does." Similarly, when a soul does not advance in perfection as it should, when it stands, as it were, stock still, even though it does not commit mortal sins, or even many venial ones, any director of souls can make this judgment: "Here are parasites;

Upcoming Parish Events

October 27 ~ Adult Catechism

Fr. James Gordon will resume his series of lectures on Spiritual Theology 7 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

November 1 ~ All Saints Holy Day

Saturday is a holy day of obligation. We will have two Masses: 8 a.m. Sung Mass and 11:30 Low Mass; there will be a First Saturday meditation in Spanish after the 11:30 Mass.

November 2 ~ Standard Time Resumes

Remember to set your clocks back one hour and reclaim the lost hour.

November 3 ~ Commemoration of All Souls

We will have three Masses on Nov. 3: 8 a.m., noon, and a Sung Mass at 6 p.m.

After the noon Mass we will go to Pikes Peak National Cemetery to pray the Rosary (Bring a sack lunch to eat after Mass before driving to the cemetery). Cemetery located at 10545 Drennan Road, Colorado Springs.

here are disordered affections. I do not know what they are, but I do know that they exist, and their presence is what impedes the progress of this soul."

It was for this reason that our Lord taught us in so clear and so precise a manner that, if we are to achieve perfection, an absolute renunciation of all things of this world is necessary. We must root out from our hearts everything that is not the love of God or that does not have its origin in this love.

This is the truth. He set as the foundation of His doctrine in His sermon on the beatitudes: "Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of Heaven." The kingdom of Heaven is union with God; it is all-consuming love; it is full

participation in the life of God. And the kingdom of God is for the poor, for the self-renounced, for those who have sold all that they possessed, for those who find themselves in the holy and divine nakedness of poverty and of love.

There is another passage in the Gospel wherein the Lord teaches us the same doctrine even more clearly. "Which of you," says the Master, "having a mind to build a tower, doth not first sit down and reckon the charges that are necessary, whether he have wherewithal to finish it; lest, after he hath laid the foundation and is not able to finish it, all that see it begin to mock him saying: 'This man began to build, and was not able to finish.' Or what

† MASS INTENTIONS †

FOR THIS WEEK

Monday, October 27 ~ Feria

8 a.m. — Private Intention

Tuesday, October 28 ~ Sts. Simon and Jude

8 a.m. — + Beatrice Gordon

Wednesday, October 29 ~ Feria

8 a.m. — + Dona & Ester Geier, by Dana Chavira

Thursday, October 30 ~ Feria

6 p.m. — Private Intention

Friday, October 31 ~ Feria

8 a.m. — Gail Johnson, by Jill Demian

Saturday, November 1 ~ All Saints

8 a.m. — Pro Populo

11:30 a.m. — Benefactors

Sunday, November 2 ~ 21st Sunday after Pentecost

7 a.m. — Private Intention

9 a.m. — Private Intention

11 a.m. — Pro Populo

Fr. James and Fr. Dennis are accepting Mass intentions.

king, about to make war against another king, doth not first sit down and think whether he be able with 10,000 men to meet him that with 20,000 cometh against him? Or else whilst the other is yet afar off, sending any embassy, he desireth conditions of peace. So likewise every one of you that doth not renounce all that he possesseth cannot be my disciple."

At first sight, the conclusion seems illogical, for we do not quite see what connection the king and the tower have with the renunciation of all that we possess. But if we reflect carefully on this precious teaching

of our Lord, we come to understand His meaning. As one needs money to build and soldiers to wage war, so one needs renunciation to achieve perfection. He who has no money should not build, and he who has no soldiers should not wage war.

Likewise, he who will not renounce himself should not try to attain perfection; rather, let him seek some other employment to which to devote himself. For it is impossible to achieve perfection without renouncing our possessions, or without freeing our hearts of them.