



131 Rohde Avenue

## St. Jerome Church

131 Rohde, Cincinnati, Ohio

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1 – 5 PM Monday – Thursday

1 – 3 PM Friday

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St. Vincent DePaul: (513) 624-3147

**The Twenty-ninth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
October 18, 2020  
World Mission Sunday**

### Mass Schedule

Saturday evening 5:00 PM

Sunday 9:30 AM

Tuesdays and First Fridays 7:30 PM

Reconciliation by appointment

Pregnancy assistance services (nationwide) 1-800-848-LOVE

Suicide Prevention Hotline (nationwide) 1-800-273-8255, (local) 513-281-CARE

Baptisms and Weddings: Call the Rectory (513) 231-7042

**How to register at St. Jerome's:** New member registration packets are under the table to the right as you leave church. Fill out the registration form and return that form by dropping it in the collection basket, or mailing it to the Rectory at 5858 Kellogg Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio, 45230. If you have any questions, please call the Rectory at 231-7042

## Mass Schedule

Date	Time	Intention	Petitioner
Sat 10/17	5:00 PM	Jim Van Pelt	Russ & Juanita Dixon
Sun 10/18	9:30 AM	Pat Koch	Tim and Karen Hogan
Tue 10/20	7:30 PM	Rev. Thomas Schmidt	Br. Julian Lane
Sat 10/24	5:00 PM	Walt Ruther	Tim and Karen Hogan
Sun 10/25	9:30 AM	Steven Robert Hogan	Ben and Missy Hogan
Tue 10/27	7:30 PM	Ed Ruehlman	Rosie Bird

### Minister Assignments for 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Date/Time	Lector	Communion Minister	Servers	Ushers
Saturday 10/24 5:00 PM	Ron Hermann	None	Charlie Hoh	Bill Ellis
Sunday 10/25 9:30 AM	Hugh Lynch	None	Brandon Auer	Aaron Robinson

### *What's Happening?*

Saturday	10/17	5:00 PM	Second Collection for World Missions*
Sunday	10/18	9:30 AM	Second Collection for World Missions*
Tuesday	10/20	7:30 PM	Holy Rosary followed by Mass in church

### *Collections October 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020*

\$1,774.00

*Thank you!*



\*Sunday, October 18<sup>th</sup>, is World Mission Sunday and we will hold a second collection to help missionaries and their works throughout the world, especially in the poorest areas. All monies collected will be sent to the Mission Office of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. The need is especially great this year because of the pandemic.

### **Prayer of Spiritual Communion for Those Who Cannot Attend Mass**

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

"Let us trust in him who has placed this burden upon us. What we ourselves cannot bear let us bear with the help of Christ. For he is all-powerful, and he tells us: 'My yoke is easy, and my burden light.'" — St. Boniface

## *It Bears Repeating...*



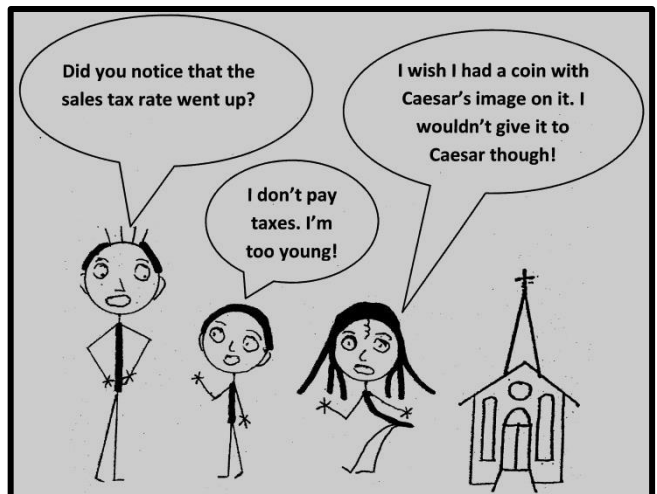
During this and previous election cycles, we often hear that our choice of one candidate or another should not be about one single issue. For example, if a particular candidate is pro-abortion but his or her platform is made up of some excellent goals the abortionist should be considered for office because the other things outweigh the one single problem of their stance on life.

We take strong exception to this attitude. Abortion is, regardless of legal definitions, murder – the wanton destruction of human life. Any person who has no regard for innocent, defenseless babies obviously has lessened regard for the dignity of human life. Many who espouse abortion also support euthanasia and assisted suicide. Such a person cannot be trusted to act morally in the best interest of *all* their constituents.

Many scientists know that life begins at conception. We believe that God instills an unique and sacred soul in that new life at the very second of conception. Graphic studies of the development and growth of babies shows that it is remarkably fast, its heart beginning to beat in just 24 days.

Federal law prohibits us from advocating one candidate or party over another. All we can do is beg you to read non-biased reports on each candidate and each party and choose the pro-life option.

"Cheerfulness prepares a glorious mind for all the noblest acts." — St. Elizabeth Ann Seton





O clement, O loving, O sweet Mother Mary, we, your children of every nation, turn to you in this pandemic. Our troubles are numerous; our fears are great. Grant that we might deposit them at your feet, take refuge in your Immaculate Heart, and obtain peace, healing, rescue, And timely help in all our needs. You are our Mother. Pray for us to your Son. Amen.

Has this doggone pandemic got you in a funk? Are all the negative political ads making you swear more often? Is your faith weakening? We might have a cure to suggest: How about a retreat at the **Jesuit Spiritual Center in Milford**? They offer silent conference retreats as well as individually directed retreats. There are men-only, women-only, and mixed retreats. We can testify that a weekend spiritual boost is something that we all need now and again. Visit <https://jesuitspiritualcenter.com/retreats/> for a full list of opportunities.



In this Sunday's Gospel reading from Matthew 22:15-23, The Pharisees and Herodians join forces to plot against Jesus. The Herodians were supporters of the regime of Herod and his dynasty. They were quite well disposed to Roman rule and, as far as religious matters were concerned, they held the same kind of materialistic ideas as the Sadducees. The Pharisees were zealous keepers of the Law; they were anti-Roman and regarded the Herods as usurpers. It is difficult to imagine any two groups more at odds with each other: their amazing pact shows how much they hated Jesus.

Had Jesus replied that it was lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, the Pharisees could have discredited him in the eyes of the people, who were very nationalistic; if he said it was unlawful, the Herodians would have been able to denounce him to the Roman authorities.

Our Lord's answer is at once so profound that they fail to grasp its meaning, and it is also faithful to his preaching about the Kingdom of God: give Caesar what is his due, but no more, because God must assuredly be given what *he* has a right to (the other side of the question, which they omitted to put). God and Caesar are on two quite different levels, because for an Israelite God transcends all human categories. What has Caesar a right to receive? Taxes, which are necessary for legitimate state expenses. What must God be given? Obviously, obedience to *all* his commandments—which implies personal love and commitment. Jesus' reply goes beyond the human horizons of these temptors, far beyond the simple yes or no they wanted to draw out of him.

Jesus' words show that he recognized civil authority and its rights, but he made it quite clear that the superior rights of God must be respected, and pointed out that it is part of God's will that we faithfully fulfil our civic duties.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> [\*Saint Matthew's Gospel\*](#). (2005). (pp. 146–147). Dublin; New York: Four Courts Press; Scepter Publishers. University of Navarre.