Proper for November 3, 2024, the Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

(Proper 26)

Theme: “Borderless Truth”

Collect of the Day

Almighty and merciful God, it is only by Your gift that Your faithful people offer You true and laudable service: Grant that we may run without stumbling to obtain Your heavenly promises; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. ***Amen.***

First Proclamation: Deuteronomy 6: 1-9

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 119: 1-8

New Testament Proclamation: Hebrews 9: 11-14

Gospel Proclamation: Mark 12: 28-34

Gradual Verse:

O, how I love Your law! It is my meditation all the day.

Prayers of the People Option I:

 *You may use the following:*

Deacon: Let us pray for the whole state of Christ’s Church, and for the world.

Minister: Almighty Father, we lift before You Your holy catholic Church:

*People: That You would lead us in truth, baptize us in love, and unite us in spirit.*

Minister: We pray for her leaders, especially Bishop Craig and Bishop Ariel:

*People: That they may with one voice minister Your life to Your people and the world.*

Minister: We lift before You the people of this community, this nation, and the world:

*People: That we may honor one another and serve the common good.*

Minister: We pray for our governmental leaders, especially President Marcos:

*People: That You would lead them in the ways of justice and peace.*

Minister: We lift before You all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit:

*People: That You would send Your comfort and grace upon them.*

Minister: Give to the departed eternal rest:

*People: Grant that we may share with them in Your everlasting Kingdom.*

Deacon: And we lift before You this parish, in the manner in which You have given unto us:

*People: As we pray our Corporate Petition.*

*or the following alternative:*

Prayers of the People Option II:

Deacon: Beloved in the Lord, there is no ill in society which cannot be overcome by the love of God working through His Church. Let us pray that a mature people walk in the law of love.

Minister: Blessed God, You have poured out Your love within our hearts by the Holy Spirit. Grant that this love, working through Your Church, overcome man’s greed.

*People: Grant that Your love, working through Your Church, overcome man’s fear.*

Minister: Grant that Your love, working through Your Church, overcome man’s poverty*.*

*People: Grant that Your love, working through Your Church, overcome man’s sickness.*

Minister: Grant that Your love, working through Your Church, overcome man’s prejudice*.*

People: *Grant that Your love, working through Your Church, overcome man’s injustice.*

Minister: Grant that Your love, working through Your Church, overcome man’s hatred*.*

People: *Grant that Your love, working through Your Church, overcome man’s divisions.*

Minister: Grant that Your love, working through Your Church, overcome man’s pride*.*

People: *Grant that Your love, working through Your Church, overcome man’s rebellion.*

Minister: Grant Your people the facilities to better express and administer that love;

*People: Answer, we pray, our Corporate Petition*.

Corporate Petition

Concluding Collect

Presider: O great Jehovah, You alone are God, You alone are Lord: Grant that we Your people live wholeheartedly unto You: undivided in devotion, undistracted in service, and uncompromised in faith. We ask this through Christ the Lord. ***Amen.***

# Proper Preface

Father, all powerful and ever living God, we do well always and everywhere to give You thanks through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Out of love for sinful man, He humbled Himself to be born of the Virgin Mary. By suffering on the cross He freed us from death, and by rising from the dead He gave us eternal life.

And so, with all the choirs of angels in heaven we proclaim Your glory and join in their unending hymn of praise: