

"Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God."



Today, we celebrate the **Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**. Our gospel passage is **Matthew 22:15-21**.

In this Sunday's gospel passage, the Pharisees (Jewish religious leaders of Jesus' time) tried to trick Jesus and to get him into trouble. They asked him to answer a question about the tax to Caesar (the Roman ruler). The Pharisees thought that Jesus would be tricked into telling the people to break the law and not to pay their taxes. But Jesus taught that it was important for people to follow the law of the land, but also give their best to God.

We have special ways of giving ourselves to God. When we act in love or

compassion for another person, when we make a small sacrifice to help someone in need, or when we spend time in prayer we are giving him the best parts of ourselves.

## For More Fun:

- ✓ Each of us is a masterpiece of God's creation! October is Respect Life month. This month, in your home or classroom, pray for the sanctity of all human life. Find some Respect Life lesson plans online at http://goo.gl/Boqi2G
- ✓ Think of a special way to "give to God" this week. Try to do this in secret, but be intentional about sharing yourself generously for God's glory.
- ✓ This week, we celebrate St. Paul of the Cross (10/20) St. John of Capistrano (10/23). Learn more about the lives of the saints at Saints.SQPN.com.
- ✓ We love to hear from you! Email me at lisa@catholicmom.com to let me know where you live and where you go to Church!

## Give the Lord glory and honor.