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November 7, 2021

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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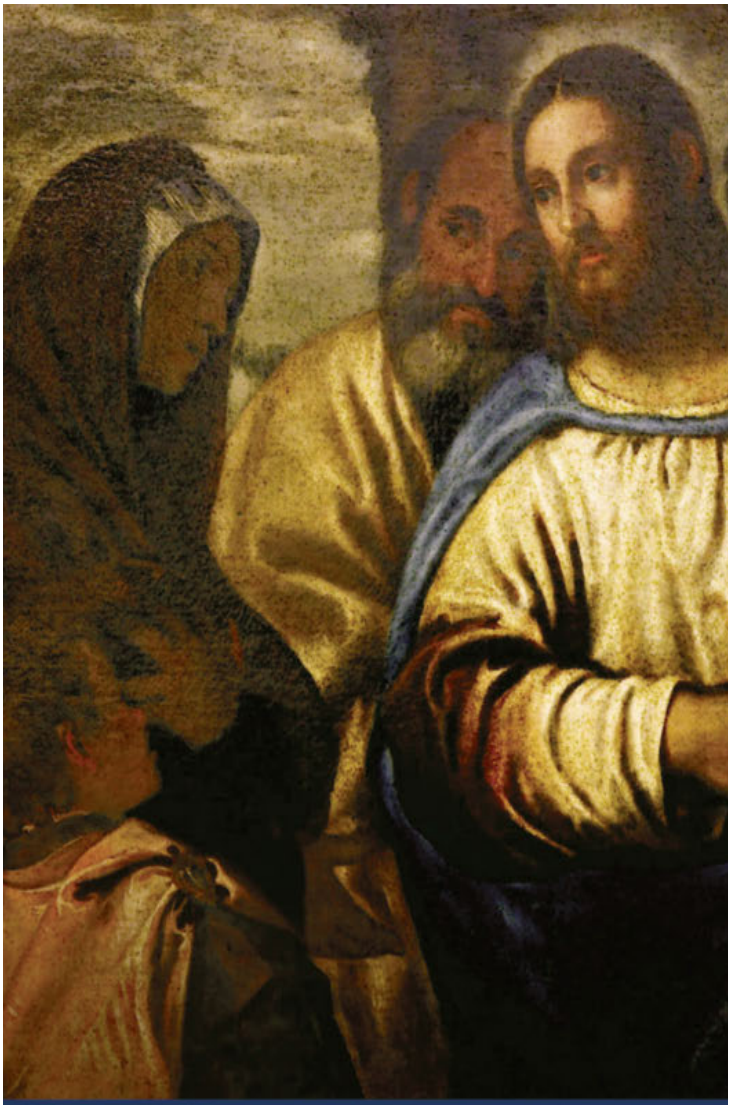

32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

A poor widow also came and put in two small coins worth a few cents. Calling his disciples to himself, he said to them, "Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury." - Mk 12:42-43

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, November 8	7:00am	†Samuel Faggen †Earl Leeve
Tuesday, November 9	7:30am	†Dorothy Fagen
Wednesday, November 10	7:30am	†Bernadine Tamburino
Thursday, November 11	7:30am	Bety Melligan Prisoners of war and Missing in Action †Ron Lungren
Friday, November 12	7:30am	†Mary Ann Behr
Saturday, November 13	8:00am	Robert & Margaret Lichtfuss
	5:00pm	†Sophie Nowacki †Deceased members of the Gallik Family
Sunday, November 14	7:30am	†Dick Stahr †Larry Olinger
	10:30am	†Rita Meder

Generations of Giving

Contributions for the Week of October 24, 2021

Sunday Envelopes……$8,211.61
Online Giving……$5,212.51

Pray for Our Military

Rickey Baylon - Navy
Daniel Cabrera-Army
Joseph M. Dutner - Army
Mike Klapperich - Navy
Ostdick - Air Force
Vivica Ramirez, Army
Miguel Uriostegui - Army
Nick Wiltsie– Army
Wayne Becker - Army
Tiara Cabrera - Army
Ben Kochheiser - Army
Joseph McAlpin - Air Force Mitchell
James Peterson, Navy
Jose Uriostegui - Army
Josh Wiltsie – Army

Mass Intention Requests for 2022

There are still many openings in our Mass intention book for 2022. If you wish to schedule an intention it can be done by mail, in the collection basket in an envelope or email (mcorona@stmaryelgin.org). Please tell us the date you are requesting (if any), the name of the person you wish to offer the Mass for and if they are living or deceased. The usual stipend is $10.00 per Mass.

Please note: Payment can only be made with money order, check or cash. Payments for Mass intentions cannot be made online.

Weekday Mass (Live streamed)

Monday: 7:00am Tuesday - Friday: 7:30am
Saturday: 8:00am
En Espanol: 9:00am Martes & Miercoles

Sunday Masses

† 5:00 pm SAT. - Sunday Obligation
† 7:00 pm SAT. - Sunday Obligation (Espanol)
† 7:30 am
† 10:30 am
† 1:00 pm & 3:00pm (Espanol)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

† Tuesday: 6:00 pm
† Saturday: 4:00 pm

Other Times By Appointment: Please call the Rectory.

Holy Day Masses

Times will be posted in the bulletin

Eucharistic Adoration

Every Tuesday from 5:45—7:00pm

Sacrament of the Sick

If you or a loved one are going to have major surgery or are seriously ill and would like to receive the grace and healing of the Anointing of the Sick, please call the Parish Office.

Parish Registration

New parishioners are most welcome. Please call the Parish Office during regular office hours.

Baptisms

Please call the Parish Office for information and registration.

Wedding Dates

Must be reserved at least six months ahead.

RCIA (Adult Initiation)

If you are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, please contact the RE Office at 847-888-2718.

Bulletin Notices

Must be submitted by Monday noon, one week prior to event.

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday: 9:00am - 3:00pm

Hispanic Ministry (397 Fulton St.)

12:00pm - 5:00pm (Lunes - Viernes)

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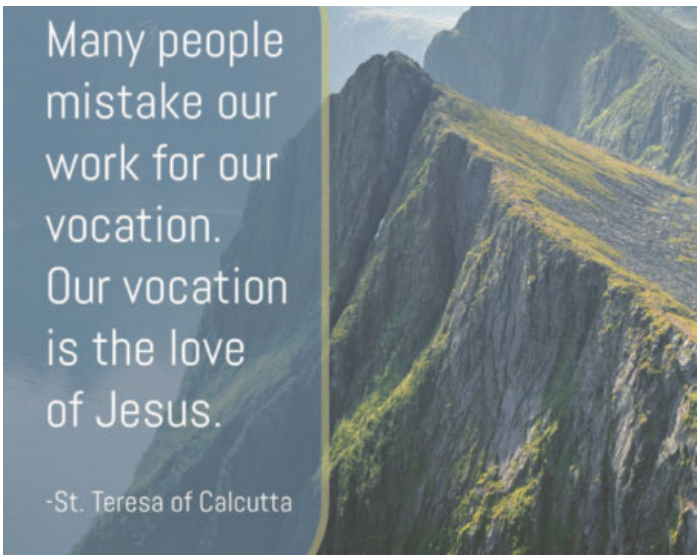
No Cook Night– Panera

Thank you to everyone who has participated in our no cook nights! We earned $140 through Panera in September and $240 through Portillo's in October!



Office Number: 847-888-2718

2022 Mission Planning
We are still in need of volunteers for the different committees to assist with the upcoming St Mary Parish Mission in April 2022.

Here are the committees that we are seeking volunteers for:

- Transportation
- Child Care
- Promotion
- Phone calling
- Hospitality (am/pm)
- Set up and tear down
- Liturgy and Mass

Please let us know if we can count on you by calling us at the Faith Formation Office.

Building Community
Our next gathering (formerly Family Nights) is on Wednesday, November 17 at 6:30pm in the school gym. An email Flocknote went out to RSVP. This will help us determine how much food to provide.

We want to change the name from Family Nights to one that is all inclusive of the parish and school. Do you have an idea for a name? Submit it to us. We will send out a survey to vote on a name.

Advent Wreaths and Candles
It is that time to get your Advent wreaths ready. We are selling the wreath with 4 candles for $10 and a box of 4 candles for $4. Stop over to the Faith Formation Office located at 114 So Gifford; Monday through Thursday 8:30 am to 4 pm or call to reserve 847-888-2718

Knights of Columbus

The Elgin Knights of Columbus will be hosting a Recruitment for new members at St Mary's on Saturday November 13 and Sunday November 14 after masses

Join us for the Chaplet

We have started praying the Chaplet on Wednesdays at 3 p.m at the church. All are welcome.

Readings for the Week

Sunday:
1 Kgs 17:10-16/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/Heb 9:24-28/Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44

Monday:
Wis 1:1-7/Ps 139:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10 [24b]/Lk 17:1-6

Tuesday:
Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 [5]/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22

Wednesday:
Wis 6:1-11/Ps 82:3-4, 6-7 [8a]/Lk 17:11-19

Thursday:
Wis 7:22b-8:1/Ps 119:89, 90, 91, 130, 135, 175 [89a]/Lk 17:20-25

Friday:
Wis 13:1-9/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5ab [2a]/Lk 17:26-37

Saturday:
Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9/Ps 1-05:2-3, 36-37, 42-43 [5a]/Lk 18:1-8

Next Sunday:
Dn 12:1-3/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Heb 10:11-14, 18/Mk 13:24-32

Adopt-A-Family
Christmas 2021

It's not too soon to think about Christmas and those in need despite the ongoing unusual circumstances again this year. **St. Mary's Conference of St. Vincent de Paul** is again sponsoring the **Adopt-A-Family** program. As before, we are looking for individuals – or groups (scouts, clubs, friends, office teams) – who would like to "adopt" one of our families and provide Christmas joy, especially needed in these difficult times.

This year we are once again asking you for **gift cards** so parents can safely shop for their families, large or small. Reach out to us, let us know your budget and we will match you with a family, provide you information about them and their store/shopping preferences. So that families have ample time to shop, all gift cards will be delivered by **Sunday, December 4th**. As in past years we will deliver for you if you are not comfortable doing so yourself or you are welcome to deliver in person should you prefer.

If this sounds like something that would make your Christmas more meaningful, please fill out the Commitment Form at the bottom of this flyer and drop it in the collection box or at the Parish Office as soon as possible. You can also email Anne Zabransky at *anne_zabransky@ameritech.net* or leave a message for Anne at 847-289-2222.

May the Lord bless you for your kindness.

Name _____

Phone_____ Email _____

Size of Family Wanted_____

_____We will deliver the gift cards.

_____We will get them to Binsfeld Hall on 12/04 by 11:30 a.m. so SVdP can deliver.

St. MARY WOMEN SOCIAL CLUB

CHRISTMAS DINNER PARTY

DECEMBER 4, 2021

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BEVERAGES 11:30 DINNER 12:00

RSVP AT OUR NEXT MEETING

NOVEMBER 9, 2021

1:00 BINSFIELD HALL

OR CONTACT

JOANN DEMUTH 847-931-1025

demuth_joann@yahoo.com

BEV SMITHBERGER..847-8675047...bevjsmi@aol.com

A Prayer for Veterans Day

Father, bless our veterans and all who serve our nation defending our freedom.

For those who bravely gave their lives, grant them eternal rest.

For those who are serving, give them courage.

For those who served, we offer our gratitude.

We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

*A prayer for Veterans Day by The Catholic Digest

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Parish Families,

Here we are in the month of November and All Saints and All Souls Days are fresh in our minds. On All Saints, we rejoiced in the many people who are saints in heaven! We are reminded that all of us are called to be saints and have this clearly in mind as our overarching goal. Very few saints have been formally canonized by the Church, most are anonymous; and yet, many of us have known people who were deeply faithful and whom we thought to ourselves were "living saints". Who are the saints in your life? I invite you to share the stories of faithful people to your children and grandchildren!

On All Souls Day, we pray for all of the faithful departed. Praying for the dead is an ancient Christian practice. The Catacombs in Rome that date to ancient times (early Christian graves) often had inscribed in their markers - "pray for me". We have that sense and doctrine that people should be prayed for and are in need of purification so that they can enter into heaven and see the Beatific Vision of God. We also have the sense that God invites us to "assist" Him in purifying those in Purgatory.

Purgatory is a happy doctrine because it means more people will go to heaven than if they needed to be absolutely perfect at the moment of their deaths. It also reflects the Biblical witness of the Old Testament, where so many times God sent prophets to call Israel back to repentance. The severity of sin can be easily seen in the Biblical account of Noah and the flood, Sodom when Abraham pushed God to show mercy, and the Golden Calf incident where Moses had to plead before God as an intercessor. It is clear that God notices sin and Jesus often was known to forgive sins before he healed their bodies. God takes sin seriously.

In the month of November we are invited to have Masses offered, to fast, give alms, and pray for our deceased loved ones and for those with no one to pray for them. There is the sense that we can actually help our departed loved ones by what we do for them spiritually right now. Some of you may be the only people in your family who go to church or who pray - there may be no one else to remember and pray for the dead except for you. If we do not have enough Mass intentions open for you, I do know priests who do not have parish assignments but are in good standing who would be happy to offer a Mass for your intention.

Please write the names of your loved ones and neighbors in our "Book of the Dead," and we will pray for them at our parish Masses. If you are home bound, please simply call or email the parish office and we can do this for you.

Next week, I hope to encourage you to plan for your own funerals and arrangements. These days, I am more and more shocked by people who are not willing to come to church for a proper funeral for their loved ones. We need to be on guard, especially if our adult children do not share our faith or might be hostile enough to the Christian faith that they will not honor ones' Catholic faith with Christian burial and the funeral practices. We may need to anticipate the behavior of our adult children and take matters out of their hands.

God bless you all,

Fr. Chris Kuhn

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