



Church of the Holy Childhood

1435 Midway Parkway † St. Paul MN 55108

October 31, 2021



31st SUNDAY *in ordinary time*

When Jesus saw that he answered with understanding, he said to him,
"You are not far from the kingdom of God." - Mk 12:34ab

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Pastor's Letter

PRAYER FOR THE SOULS OF OUR LOVED ONES

We are once again on the threshold of the month of November, a time specially set aside by the Church to remember our loved ones in prayer. This practice, however, has very sadly fallen out of the regular prayer of many Catholics in our time, if it occurs at all. Too many mistakenly think, following our past-Christian cultural ideas, that “we all go directly to Heaven.” Not so. None of us is so completely sinless and without fault as to be able to present ourselves - and our lives - in God’s presence without needing to pass through the cleansing fires of Purgatory, since “nothing unclean will enter [the Heavenly City]” (see Revelation 21:27).

The Bible itself bears abundant and clear testimony to this, in both Old and New Testaments, for example:

“Therefore [Judas Maccabeus] made atonement for the dead, that they might be delivered from their sin” (see 2 Maccabees 12:39-45);

“Then in anger his master handed him over to the torturers until he should pay back the whole debt. So will my heavenly Father do to you, unless each of you forgives his brother from his heart” (Matthew 18:34-35);

“The work of each one will come to light ... But if someone’s work is burned up, that one will suffer loss; the person will be saved, but only as through fire” (see I Corinthians 3:15).

The teaching of the Church of Christ has also been constant and equally clear from the beginning and throughout the centuries, for example:

“All who die in God’s grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation; but after death they undergo purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven” (Catechism of the Catholic Church, n. 1030).

Laying flowers or other tokens at a loved one’s gravesite may make us feel better, but doesn’t help their soul; only prayer, penances we may offer for them, and above all the unsurpassed cleansing power of the unbloody Renewal of the one and eternal saving Sacrifice of Jesus, the Mass, will alleviate and shorten the purification of their souls, hastening their entry into the fullness of eternal life. This is an act of love on our part that passes beyond the veil of death to truly help those we love.

SCRIPTURE REFLECTIONS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, 31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:

Deuteronomy 6:2-6 “The Lord is our God, the Lord alone!” was Moses’ testament to God’s People. The questions then beg themselves: “Whom do I serve?”; “Whose voice guides *my* decisions?”; “Do I really *love my God*?”

Hebrews 7:23-28 Just as Jesus himself, his Priesthood is a living and life-giving reality for “those who approach God through him, since he lives forever to make intercession for them.”

St. Mark 12:28b-34 The inseparable, two-sided Commandment of love of God and love of neighbor sums up what it means to be a Christian, a disciple of Jesus Christ.

Please remember in your prayers those who have passed away this past year.



*May Mercil, Robert Kohnen, Nadean Larson, Ernest L'Heureux-Thomas,
Mark Harrington, Beth Wollerman, and Lorraine Quinn.*

*Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine
upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen*

SOCIAL SUNDAY - OCTOBER 31

Following the 9:15 am Mass TODAY. There will be donuts, coffee, juice and lots of 'boos' to enjoy. See you there.

WOMEN'S CLUB COUNCIL MEETING.

A council meeting will take place Thursday, November 4 at 7:00 pm. in Buchanan Hall. All council members are invited to attend and plan women's club activities. Call Judy or Joan if you have questions.

WOMEN'S CLUB GENERAL MEETING & DINNER.

Please make sure you RSVP to Judy or Joan no later than November 7th if you are attending the Women's Club "Thanksgiving" dinner.

We look forward to seeing everyone after such a long absence. Call Judy or Joan if you have any questions.

WOMEN'S CLUB MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

All membership packets for the Women's Club not picked up have been sent out.

If you did not receive the membership forms, please contact: Mary Ellen at 651-645-4415 Thank you.

REQUEST FROM OUR FINANCE COMMITTEE

Due to the projected increase for heating this winter, we unfortunately need to look at ways to help offset this cost here at Holy Childhood.

We have five buildings that require heating the church/school, two convents and the rectory.

We are asking for your help. We would like to start a "Heating Sunday", which would be the first Sunday of the month and it would be the second collection at Mass. If you could use one of your envelopes and mark it "Heating", it would be appreciated.

Please remember, no gift is too big and no gift is too small.

BOILER REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE

Current repairs and maintenance to the boiler are in excess of \$6000. Any and all additional contributions to these expenses will be gladly accepted. Just mark your contribution "BOILER". Thank you in advance for helping us keep Holy Childhood a warm place.



OUR CONDOLENCES AND PROMISE OF PARISH PRAYERS to the families of:

BETH WOLLERMAN who passed away at the age of 85 and **LORRAINE QUINN** who passed away at the age of 99.

May Beth and Lorraine be welcomed into their heavenly inheritance and may their loving survivors here on earth find comfort and peace in the promises of Jesus.

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

- November 3, Rosalind Elmquist
- 4, Tom & Joyce Nevins (54)

OCT. & NOV. HC EVENTS

- 30 - 31 - Appalachia Collection
- 30, 9:00 a.m. - UFO Group (BH)
- 31, 10:15 a.m. - Social Sunday (BH)
- 2:00 p.m. - Holy Hour
- 2, 7 a.m.-8 p.m. - Election Polling Place (BH)
- 3, 7:00 p.m. - Choir Rehearsal (CH)
- 4, 7:00 p.m. - Women's Club Council Mtg. (BH)

ALL SAINTS AND ALL SOULS DAY MASSES

All Saints Day - 7:45 am (A Holy Day of opportunity. Not a Holy Day of Obligation this year.)

All Souls Day - 7:45 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

SAINT ANDREW KIM SCHEDULE

- October 31, 10:00 a.m. - Sunday School
- 10:30 a.m. - Confession (SCH)
- 11:15 a.m. - Mass (CH)
- 1:30 p.m. - Korean Language School
- November 5, 7:00 p.m. - Mass



UNTIL ALL ARE FED

Como Park Lutheran will be hosting a **Hunger Ministry Fair** on Sunday, Nov 7th from 12 - 2 pm in their parking lot (Hamline & Hoyt). This event will bring together three organizations that work to address food insecurity in our community. There will be free hot cider & cocoa served, Shobi's Table food truck will be there selling soup & sandwiches, and Keystone Community Services will have one of their mobile food trucks for people to tour. See the flyer on the narthex bulletin board for more details.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 30

7:45 a.m. † Paul Hisdahl

5:00 p.m. Parishioners

Sunday, October 31

9:15 a.m. † Stefanie Clasemann

Monday, November 1

7:45 a.m. Parishioners

Tuesday, November 2

7:45 a.m. † Karen Merth

7:00 p.m. † Parishioners

Wednesday, November 3

7:45 a.m. † Ginny Kullman

3:30 p.m. † Fr. Timothy Nolan

Thursday, November 4 - NO MASS
Friday, November 5

7:45 a.m. †† Fran & Chris Ostertag

Saturday, November 6

7:45 a.m. † Ann Landwehr

5:00 p.m. † Lenora Galvin

Sunday, November

9:15 a.m. Parishioners

Financial Support

FAIR SHARE October 24, 2021 \$ 4129.00

WORLD MISSION COLLECTION \$ 642.00

Parish Information

Pastor, Fr. Timothy Cloutier

Parochial Vicar, Fr. Joseph Fink

Weekend Assistant, Fr. James Reidy, Ph. D.

Parish Office 651-644-7495

Buchanan Hall 651-647-0689

Office Hours 6:30am -1:30pm, Monday-Friday

Our Current Services

Confessions - Saturday.....4:00-4:30 p.m.

Thursday.....7:10-7:25 a.m.

Conference Room

Saturday Anticipatory Mass.....5:00 p.m.

Sunday Mass.....9:15 a.m.

Weekday Masses - Monday - Saturday.7:45 a.m.

Wednesday -Lyngblomsten Chapel.....3:30 p.m.

Holy Day of Obligation as announced.

Rosary - Thursday6:00 p.m.

Holy Hour - Sunday.....2:00 p.m.

Prayer Chain.....Peggy - 651-645-4955

Website.....www.holychildhoodparish.org

Email.....contact@holychildhoodparish.org

Victim Assistance Program.....651-291-4497



SPIRITUALLY ADOPT AN UNBORN BABY

To honor and celebrate life, our parish will be sponsoring a Spiritual Adoption Program. We are asking parishioners to spiritually adopt pregnant women and their unborn children. Will you pray a child to birth? asking God for the health of the baby, and to give the parents of these children the grace they need to face whatever difficult circumstances they encounter. For the next two weekends, there will be spiritual adoption cards in the Narthex for you to take. Pray each day for the next nine months for a woman in crisis and her baby. Each month, in the bulletin, there will be an update on your babies development.



Well-Read Mom Group Forming Now

You are invited to come and learn about a local Well-Read Mom small group forming in this area. Well-Read Mom (WRM) is a way for women to reclaim time to read the best. The goal is to provide a way for women to read high-quality literature together and grow in friendship in the process. Our groups are open to women at all stages of life. WRM groups read one book per month and meet to discuss once a month. Our year together includes great books, spiritual classics (during Advent and Lent), and worthy reads that explore the human condition and reorient us to what is good, true, and beautiful. Contact Suzanne Jenny at 651-468-5204 or suzanne.jenny@gmail.com for more information or visit wellreadmom.com to find out more.



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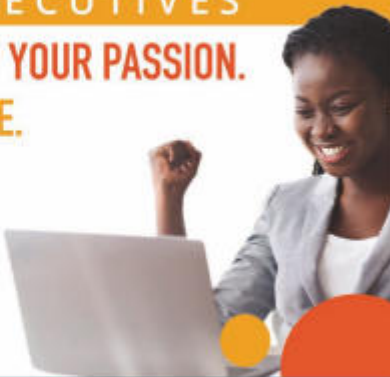
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