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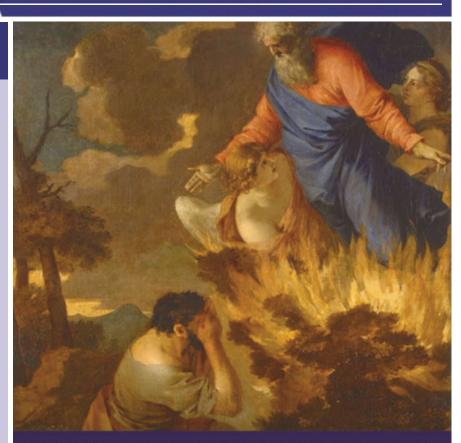
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~ Mission Statement - Pentecost 1998 ~

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"That the dead will rise even Moses made known in the passage about the bush, when he called out 'Lord,' the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob; and he is not God of the dead, but of the living, for to him all are alive." - Lk 20:37-38

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Weekdays Monday thru Friday: 7:00 am

Weekends

Saturday: 4:00 pm & 6:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 pm

Holy Day Masses

Vigil Mass: (evening prior) 7:00 pm 7:00 am, 12:00 pm, 7:00 pm

> Reconciliation Saturdays 11:00am-12:00pm In the Sister Carol Center

Holy Hour Thursdays in Church at 7:00 pm

Rosary Monday - Friday after the 7am mass

PARISH CENTER OFFICE HOURS

The Parish Center is open Monday - Thursday from 8:30am-5pm Friday from 8:30-4pm

Mass intentions and most services can be done in person or by calling us at 586-777-3670 during these hours.

Our after-hours emergency number: 586-777-1342.

Baptisms: Please go to our website (stjoan.church) and fill out the Baptism request form. You will be contacted to make further arrangements based on submission of that form.

Marriages: Arrangements should be made at the Parish Center at least six months prior to the desired date. Pre-marriage series required.

Registration: It is very important that every family and independent adult be registered in the Church in order to keep our records and mailings current. Please contact the Parish Office to register at your earliest opportunity: 586-777-3670.

RCIA: Please call the Parish Center: 586-777-3670

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A PARISHIONER?

If you would like to become a parishioner of St. Joan of Arc, please register at stjoan.church and we will contact you by phone. Or by calling us at **586-777-3670** during office hours.

Live Streamed Broadcasts at St. Joan of Arc

Live Stream Broadcasts have become a standard part of our celebrations at St Joan of Arc. This has increased our mass participation at daily and weekend masses. It has also allowed many of our parishioners to stay in touch with their faith community remotely.

Go to: livestream.stjoan.church to watch all live streaming and to view archived celebrations.

> Weekday Masses Monday thru Friday @ 7am

Weekend Masses Saturdays (a) 4pm & 6pm Sundays @ 8am, 10am, 12pm

> Holy Hour Thursdays @ 7pm

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Assistant Principal Charles Kaiser



Plumbing Isn't His Thing Round TWO: After writing about last week's plumbing issue and how plumbing isn't always my thing in the Do-It-

Yourself world, I thought of two other plumbing "events" that quickly added to my "Way to Go Clark ... Club Points."

It was a Saturday morning. Ninety-five percent of the time, Saturdays are choked full of activities. It, by far, tends to be the busiest day of the week because we can go from an early funeral to confessions, to a wedding, to baptisms, to the two evening masses. But this Saturday was different. All we had were confessions at 11 AM and then the two evening masses. It was a dream bonus day. And what did I decide to do? I decided to tackle some muchneeded cleaning around my house.

It started off to be a very productive day. I started by clearing out the refrigerator. I rummaged through all the salad dressings and other condiments that were old. I then cleaned out some of the leftovers that were stacking up. I had vegetables, some leftover chicken dish, and just a bunch of things that needed to get tossed. My garbage disposal was getting quite the workout. That garbage disposal ground it all away, and I thought that was the last I would see of those things. Was I wrong!

While I was in the kitchen, I loaded the dishwasher and got that going too. I then ran upstairs, grabbed my laundry, and headed to the basement. At this point, I was starting to fear I would get interrupted. I usually don't get too far into these bonus days without someone, something, or some issue needing my immediate attention. But, so far, all was quiet. Once I got downstairs, I loaded my washing machine with white t-shirts. I set the machine on the "bright white" cycle, poured in a bunch of bleach, added some soap, hit the start button, and off that machine went to complete its cleaning tasks.

I went back upstairs to start working on the bathrooms. At one point, I returned to the basement to grab my bucket and mop for the bathroom floors. I immediately saw water and "stuff" on the floor but didn't know what was happening yet. I then looked at my laundry tub and saw both sides filled to the brim ... and now flowing over onto the floor as the

TALLer Tales

dishwasher and washing machine decided to drain simultaneously. I saw things floating on top, which were then cascading down to the basement floor like a waterfall. Suddenly I realized all the stuff I fed my garbage disposal was floating on top of the overflowing tubs or finding its way onto the basement floor. There were chicken and vegetable pieces all over the place. I shoved my hand into the tub, thinking something was clogging the drain. As my arm descended into the recesses of the tub, I realized all that bleach I poured into my washing machine was now all over my arm. I grabbed the plunger and tried to clear the clog, which only sent more water and bleach and chicken and vegetable pieces onto the floor. I WAS NOT going to win. My dream day was turning into a Clark-ish nightmare. In the end, I just gave up and decided to wait until Monday when the pros arrived (Greg and Vern from our Maintenance Team). It was a good thing I did. The sewer drain lines beneath my basement floor had collapsed and had to be rebuilt. There was no way a YouTube video would ever have helped me accomplish such a monumental endeavor as rebuilding some sewer lines. But the thought of using a jackhammer to tear up my basement floor sounded intriguing.

Remembering the Dead during November This past Wednesday, the Church celebrated the Feast of All Souls. On that day, we turned our attention to the souls of the dead who await the day they will join the company of the saints in Heaven. It was a day to remember ... and a day to reflect on our own mortality, our relationship with Christ, and the hope of the Resurrection!

In his message for All Souls' Day a few years ago, Pope Francis reminded the world that the Solemnity of All Saints and the Feast of All Souls are intimately linked: "Yesterday we celebrated the Solemnity of All Saints, and today the liturgy invites us to commemorate the faithful departed. These two recurrences are intimately linked to each other, just as joy and tears find a synthesis in Jesus Christ, who is the foundation of our faith and our hope. On the one hand, in fact, the Church, a pilgrim in history, rejoices through the intercession of the Saints and the Blessed who support her in the mission of proclaiming the Gospel; on the other, she, like Jesus, shares the tears of those who suffer separation from loved ones, and like Him and through Him echoes the thanksgiving to the Father who has

delivered us from the dominion of sin and death.

"Church Tradition has always urged prayer for the deceased, in particular by offering the Eucharistic Celebration for them: it is the best spiritual help that we can give to their souls, particularly to those who are the most forsaken. The foundation of prayer in suffrage lies in the communion of the Mystical Body.

"Remembering the dead, caring for their graves and prayers of suffrage, are the testimony of confident hope, rooted in the certainty that death does not have the last word on human existence, for man is destined to a life without limits, which has its roots and its fulfillment in God With this faith in man's supreme destiny, we now turn to Our Lady, who suffered the tragedy of Christ's death beneath the Cross and took part in the joy of his Resurrection. May She, the Gate of Heaven, help us understand more and more the value of prayer in suffrage for the souls of the dead. They are close to us! May She support us on our daily pilgrimage on earth and help us to never lose sight of life's ultimate goal, which is Heaven. And may we go forth with this hope that never disappoints!"

As a people of hope and a people of the Resurrection, visiting the graves of family and friends would be a noble thing to do during November, which is a month dedicated to remembering our dearly departed. You might consider taking the time to pray for deceased family and friends by name at your family meals. You might think about creating an art project with your children where you remember your deceased relatives and friends by name by creating holy cards for each of them and then placing those cards in a special basket that could be highlighted at your family meals or family gatherings during November.

May our family and friends who have already gone before us enjoy eternal rest in the loving hands of Christ the Lord.

Enjoy the week. Know of my prayers.

In Christ,

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St. Joan Arc

THE THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – NOVEMBER 13 C

Reading One - Mal 3:19-20a

Lo, the day is coming, blazing like an oven, when all the proud and all evildoers will be stubble, and the day that is coming will set them on fire, leaving them neither root nor branch, says the LORD of hosts. But for you who fear my name, there will arise the sun of justice with its healing rays.

Responsorial - Ps 98:5-6, 7-8, 9

R. The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.
Sing praise to the LORD with the harp, with the harp and melodious song. With trumpets and the sound of the horn sing joyfully before the King, the LORD.
R. The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.
Let the sea and what fills it resound, the world and those who dwell in it; let the rivers clap their hands, the mountains shout with them for joy.

R. The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice. Before the LORD, for he comes, for he comes to rule the earth, he will rule the world with justice and the peoples with equity.

R. The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.

Reading Two – 2 Thes 3:7-12

Brothers and sisters: You know how one must imitate us. For we did not act in a disorderly way among you, nor did we eat food received free from anyone. On the contrary, in toil and drudgery, night and day we worked, so as not to burden any of you. Not that we do not have the right. Rather, we wanted to present ourselves as a model for you, so that you might imitate us. In fact, when we were with you, we instructed you that if anyone was unwilling to work, neither should that one eat. We hear that some are conducting themselves among you in a disorderly way, by not keeping busy but minding the business of others. Such people we instruct and urge in the Lord Jesus Christ to work quietly and to eat their own food.

Alleluia – Lk 21:28

Alleluia, alleluia.

Stand erect and raise your heads because your redemption is at hand. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel - Lk 21:5-19

While some people were speaking about how the temple was adorned with costly stones and votive offerings, Jesus said, "All that you see here--the days will come when there will not be left a stone upon another stone that will not be thrown down."

Then they asked him, "Teacher, when will this happen? And what sign will there be when all these things are about to happen?" He answered, "See that you not be deceived, for many will come in my name, saying, 'I am he,' and 'The time has come.' Do not follow them! When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for such things must happen first, but it will not immediately be the end." Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be powerful earthquakes, famines, and plagues from place to place; and awesome sights and mighty signs will come from the sky.

"Before all this happens, however, they will seize and persecute you, they will hand you over to the synagogues and to prisons, and they will have you led before kings and governors because of my name. It will lead to your giving testimony. Remember, you are not to prepare your defense beforehand, for I myself shall give you a wisdom in speaking that all your adversaries will be powerless to resist or refute. You will even be handed over by parents, brothers, relatives, and friends, and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name, but not a hair on your head will be destroyed. By your perseverance you will secure your lives."

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This Week on FORMED



Week of November 06, 2022



Blessed Duns Scotus

A Franciscan priest and theologian, Bl. Duns Scotus debated against the Dominicans in the thirteenth century, defending Mary's Immaculate Conception. Filmed in beautiful ancient monastery locations in Europe, Bl. Duns Scotus is revealed as a humble and courageous apostle of the Faith against the oppressive anti-Catholic government in power.



Can God Heal Human Divisions?

A tragic consequence of sin is human division, something we all face in one way or another. In this video, Dr. Tim Gray and Dr. John Sehorn discuss how we can invite Christ into those situations of brokenness.



True Worship by Fr. Mike Schmitz

Father Michael Schmitz inspires and educates in this Lighthouse Talk about the highest form of worship—the Mass. Through this vibrant presentation, Fr. Mike makes sure that you will have a deeper and more profound experience of the Mass.

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Grow + Go

November 6, 2022

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Written by THE FAITHFUL DISCIPLE

2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14 | 2 Thes 2:16-3:5 | Lk 20:27-38

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

My colleague grew up playing a lot of basketball, and she has pointed out the obvious: Despite the fact that the hoop is much larger than the ball, and there is a very large backboard behind it, it can be very easy to miss a shot. Depending on where you are on the floor, you have to set your sights on, and aim the ball toward, a very specific place in space or on the glass. The king in the first reading and the Sadducees in the Gospel are shooting airballs. Each one of them is, literally, not seeing the right goal. In answering the Sadducees' questions, Jesus challenges their assumptions - not about marriage, but about life after death: "Those who are deemed worthy to attain to the coming age and to the resurrection of the dead ... can no longer die ... they are the children of God ... and he is not God of the dead, but of the living." Something even greater, beyond human understanding, awaits. The seven brothers who experienced horrible deaths rather than violate God's law knew that. We, too, hold onto hope that we will be among the living whom Jesus describes. In the meantime, we can place our trust in Jesus and focus on living according to the example he set for us. We may not know exactly what life after death will look and feel like, but we can trust the psalmist's words: "Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full."

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

I like to run races of various distances, and one of my favorite things is seeing the fun posters people hold up ("This is a lot of work for a free banana") and hearing shouts of encouragement. Even more powerful, of course, is the encouragement of friends and family members as we face challenges or difficulties. So it's heartening to hear from St. Paul that we can count on Jesus and the Father as a source of "everlasting encouragement and good hope." Again we are reminded that we cannot – and should not have to – do it alone. Instead, we can join Paul in asking God to "encourage [our] hearts and strengthen them in every good deed and word." In turn, we can encourage others in their faith and daily lives, seeking to reflect God's love to those we encounter.

ACTION One positive thing about social media is the way it allows us to lift one another up through a simple "Like" or comment. In the same way that we "connect" with others on social media, our kind, encouraging words and Christian example in our comments can connect others to Jesus and his Church.

Prayer for Life and Right Laws

Almighty ever-living God, you bestow the gift of life as you form each of us in our mother's womb. Look on our nation, state, and community and awaken in every heart reverence for life. Protect our state from unjust laws. In your Name, bring to defeat every attack against the sacredness of life. Safeguard the rights of parents, whom you have entrusted with the care and formation of their children. Help all who believe in Jesus to proclaim the Gospel of Life to their neighbors. Dispel every anxiety and fear. Strengthen the bond between parents and their unborn child. May mothers and fathers accept and nurture the gift of life made in your image and likeness.

Our Lady, Queen of the Family, pray for us! St. Michael the Archangel, pray for us! St. Joseph, Protector of the Unborn, pray for us!

If They Say... You Say...

A Guide to Talking About the Reproductive Freedom for All Abortion Amendment

They Say: This amendment gives people the fundamental right to birth control without interference from the government.

They Say: This amendment ensures that women will not be prosecuted for having a miscarriage/abortion.

They Say: All individuals should have the right to access reproductive care.

They Say: Michigan citizens should have the constitutional right to abortion care and reproductive freedom.

They Say: "We believe that it is imperative to enshrine in our constitution that the right to comprehensive reproductive care, including the right to an abortion, remains in the hands of patients and their doctors." (From Michigan Voices Executive Director)

They Say: This amendment allows reasonable health regulations and standard of care. **You Say:** There are no Michigan laws against birth control. There are no plans for future Michigan laws that would interfere with women having access to birth control.

You Say: There is no history of women being prosecuted in Michigan for either of those circumstances. The court case *In re Vickers* proves this point. In 1963, the Michigan Supreme Court heard *In re Vickers*, a case involving a woman who received an abortion and the doctor who performed the abortion. The court ruled that one who performs an abortion has committed a felony and the person receiving the abortion is not guilty and cannot be charged with aiding or abetting.

You Say: This amendment takes away the rights of the parents who have the responsibility to give consent in any other medical procedure. If abortion is healthcare and it's considered a medical procedure, what makes it different from all other medical procedures that parents are informed on?

You Say: All women have the right to reproductive care in the state of Michigan. Women have access to prenatal care, postpartum care, infertility care, and birth control. Pregnancy help centers provide care for women who are not able to see a doctor. Abortion is not reproductive care as it harms women mentally and physically, and it guarantees that out of the two patients involved, one will die.

You Say: With this amendment, non-physicians will be able to perform abortions, completely taking doctors out of the small picture they were already in. This new amendment will allow for doctors to not be involved whatsoever. Most abortions happening in the U.S. are done by the abortion pill, or a medical abortion. These pills can be bought online and shipped to your house without any consultation with a doctor to assess for ectopic pregnancies. Abortionists are also encouraged by abortion facilities to not connect with their patients as they are trying to fit as many women in the workday as possible. There have been countless stories of women going in for an abortion and reporting that the doctor didn't even make eye contact with them, ask them how they are feeling, or answer their questions when they had doubts.

You Say: The amendment specifically says any health regulation must "not infringe on that individual's autonomous decision-making." In other words, if someone wants to do anything related to abortion, sex, or anything related to pregnancy, they can do it. If a woman wants to have an untrained person provide them an abortion with rusty tools from a cheap abortion business, there's nothing health regulators could do about it—they couldn't even investigate it.

They Say: This amendment allows for restricting late-term abortions unless there is a health concern.

They Say: This amendment stops the government from prosecuting women who experience miscarriages.

They Say: This amendment allows the state to restrict/ regulate abortion after viability.

They Say: This amendment removes restrictions placed on abortion providers that are medically unnecessary and not based on best clinical medicine.

They Say: This amendment protects the rights of the LGBTQ community by allowing them to get the care that they need. **You Say:** The amendment creates broad exceptions to any late-term abortion bans, specifically mental health. Any person could claim not having a late-term abortion would impact their mental health, so no abortion would ever be restricted. In addition, there is no definition for what health means.

You Say: Millions of Michigan women had miscarriages when abortion was illegal in the state before *Roe v. Wade*, and they were not investigated for having miscarriages. This amendment is written so poorly that it would forbid even investigating infanticides or situations where babies were left to die following botched abortions.

You Say: This amendment changes the definition of fetal viability to no longer mean when the baby can survive outside the womb. The language within the amendment states that viability is when a baby can survive outside of the womb without "extraordinary medical measures." This means that an infant in the NICU who is only there for a few days could be considered not viable, allowing infanticide at the discretion of the mother and doctor.

You Say: Abortion is currently the only "healthcare" procedure that has constitutional protection. People do not have a constitutional right to get knee surgery. Abortion facilities receive one or more additional waivers to safety regulations and were exempt from regulations for years until 2012 when policies changed. The state puts safety regulations and restrictions on all medical facilities and most medical procedures. Physicians are required by the doctrine of informed consent to tell their patients all information relating to the procedure or diagnosis to ensure that the patient can make an informed decision. Michigan requires that abortionists provide written material that lists alternatives to abortion because they relate to pregnancy.

You Say: This radical abortion, anti-Michigan amendment harms children along with their parents by allowing unregulated clinics and schools to handout steroids and hormones to minors without consent from parents. These hormone treatments have permanent consequences that the parents should know about—including sterilization. This amendment eliminates parent's fundamental rights to care for the safety and wellbeing of their children.



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Weekly Calendar of Events

Monday, November 7th

7:00 AM Morning Mass - Live Streamed

6:00 PM Baptism of Declan A. Sapiano

6:00 PM Confirmation Class - Emmaus Hall

7:00 PM Men's Fellowship

Tuesday, November 8th

7:00 AM All Saints Day Mass - Live Streamed

7:00 AM Election Day Precinct - Emmaus Hall

Wednesday, November 9th

7:00 AM Morning Mass - Live Streamed 6:30 PM Light in the Spirit Prayer Group - MM

Thursday, November 10th

7:00 AM Morning Mass - Live Streamed 7:00 PM Holy Hour - Live Streamed

Friday, November 11th

7:00 AM Morning Mass - Live Streamed

Saturday, November 12th

11:00AM Reconciliation

4:00 PM Sunday Vigil Mass - Live Streamed 6:00 PM Sunday Vigil Mass -Live Streamed

Sunday, November 13th

8:00 AM Sunday Mass - Live Streamed

8:00 AM American Red Cross Blood Drive -EH

10:00AM Sunday Mass- Live Streamed 12:00 PM Sunday Mass - Live Streamed Words on the Word

Nov. 6, 2022 – Stress Management

Let's face it, for almost everybody, the sources of stress in the world are almost endless.

One could argue that's something acutely felt by parents, who must be ever-alert to potential threats or disruptions in their children's lives in school and in the community at large.

It was interesting, then, to read a story reported on an internet portal a few weeks ago about how sitting down at a table and sharing a meal is one of the best things families can do to manage stress in their lives.

"Researchers with the American Heart Association have found that 91 percent of parents notice their families are less stressed when they share meals together," the story reported, going on to say that doing so can thus help decrease the risk of heart disease and stroke.

It was ironic, then, that *The Detroit News* a few days later ran a story indicating that some restaurants have begun to find it necessary to ban children. Included as part of the justification, alas, is that other diners sometimes find kids to be a distraction.

"We specialize in experiential dining and our goal is to create an unforgettable experience for our customers," one restaurant spokesperson said.

Translation: no kids.

To be sure, not all places are appropriate for children. Bars come immediately to mind.

But parents might take heart in knowing that, when eating together at home won't work, finding a place where the family can eat together comfortably is worth the effort.

Surely God would have it so.

"But the Lord is faithful," we hear in today's second reading from St. Paul's second letter to the Thessalonians. "He will strengthen you from the evil one. We are confident of you in the Lord that what we instruct you, you are doing and will continue to do."

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Mass Intentions / Weekly Readings

Mass Intentions

- Monday November 7, 2022 Weekday (Green)
- 7:00 a.m. Joseph Allemon
- Tuesday November 8, 2022 Weekday (Green)
- 7:00 a.m. Fr. Richard Gorecki, SPC and George J. Bugarin

Wednesday November 9, 2022 The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica (White)

- 7:00 a.m. Daniel Grady and Casey & Juliette Zaranek
- Thursday November 10, 2022 Saint Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church (White)
- 7:00 a.m. Joseph Gielniak
- Friday November 11, 2022 Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop (White)
- 7:00 a.m. Lewis McQuillan, Casey Zaranek and Pierre Zaranek
- Saturday, November 12, 2022 Vigil of the Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time; Saint Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr
- 4:00 p.m. Salvatore & Antonietta Urso, Bonnie Batche, Alfred Blind, Melvin Dries, Julius Bauer, Pat Ireland, Leonard Kaliszewski, Gertrude Shaw, Anthony & Ann Zyneal, Joel VanDenbussche, Rose Ferreri, and Special Intentions for the Allor and Petrella Families, for the J. Champine Family, for the Thomas Family, for Adrienne Weidenbach and for the VanDenbussche Family.
- 6:00 p.m. Harriet Armaly
- Sunday November 13, 2022 Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (Green)
- 8:00 a.m. For the Intentions of Saint Joan of Arc Parishioners
- 10:00 a.m. Phil D'Agostino
- 12:00 p.m. Steve Haamen, Amal Aranki, Emael L. Sarmieto, Jose R. Medina, Rosario O. Medina, Jeffrey A. Hardy, Daisy Marie Buenavista, Joseph Paluzzi Jr.

Daily Readings

Monday, November 7

Titus 1:1-9 Luke 17:1-6

Tuesday, November 8

Titus 2:1-8, 11-14 Luke 17:7-10

Wednesday, November 9

Ezra 47:1-2, 8-9, 12 1 Corinthians 3:9c-11, 16-17 John 2:13-22

Thursday, November 10

Philemon 7-20 Luke 17:20-25

Friday, November 11

2 John 4-9 Luke 17:26-37

Saturday, November 12

3 John 5-8 Luke 18:1-8

Sunday, November 13

Malachi 3:19-20a 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12 Luke 21:5-19



I Am The Resurrection & The Life

"Heavenly Father, welcome home those who you have called from this world and grant peace and consolation to their families."

> Margaret Wienck Kevin O'Connor



"I said to the man who stood at the Gate of the Year: Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown. and he replied: Go out into the darkness and put your hand into the hand of God. That shall be to you better than light, and safer than a known way." *Minnie Louise Haskins*

Reporting Sexual Abuse

Individuals with knowledge of sexual abuse by clergy or other Church representatives are urged to contact local law enforcement and/or the Michigan Attorney General's Office at 844-324-3374 or aginvestigations@michigan.gov.

Individuals also may contact the Archdiocese of Detroit by visiting protect.aod.org calling the toll-free, 24/7 victim assistance line at 866-343-8055 or by emailing vac@aod.org. There are no time limits or restrictions on individuals wishing to report abuse. Every complaint shared with the Archdiocese of Detroit, regardless of its source or the date of the alleged activity, is reported to civil authorities. No complaints are held back, pre-screened or disregarded.

Feather Party for the SJA Special Religious Education Program



St. Joan of Arc Knights of Columbus #8695 and The Order of Alhambra Galicia Caravan #77 proudly hosts



An evening of fun at the Aldo Cardosi / Don Champine

FEATHER PARTY

Andy Marter Grand Knight

Don Kaiser Grand Commander

WIN! WIN! WIN!

Turkeys & Hams at our Charity Event!

Friday, November 18, 2022

Doors Open at 6:00pm Dinner 6:00 - 7:00pm — Bingo Starts at 7:30pm

ASSUMPTION

CULTURAL CENTER 21800 Marter Road St. Clair Shores, MI 48080 (between Greater Mack & Jefferson, Vernier & Nine Mile) BUFFET MENU Chicken Piccata Penne w/Meat Sauce Fettucini Alfredo Green Beans Almondine Salad & Bread Dessert & Coffee

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Tire Tracks in the d'Arc



Talking Turkey: I mentioned last weekend that I was away, leading a retreat at the Maryville Felician Retreat Center

in Holly for the seminarians. It was a very enjoyable weekend and hopefully fruitful for the seminarians. Unlike when I first attended this "Days of Recollection" retreat as a seminarian in 2011, this group didn't have the stress of being removed from their last minute cramming for mid-term exams beginning that Monday; their exams had ended the Friday they came on retreat. So it was a good moment to spend time together and be refreshed before diving back into the semester.

For the final weekend in October, the weather could not have been more perfect—blue skies and sun, all the way. Saturday began with an eerie fog settled across the grounds and with the fall trees silhouetted against the sun, it formed a stunningly beautiful setting in which to appreciate the splendor of God's creation.



The weekend was a combination of conferences, mass, shared meals that the seminarians were responsible for planning and preparing, some quiet-time and some time for recreation. I took some time to walk the grounds. I haven't been back since 2012 and actually had very little memory of the property other than the lake with the peninsula that we had accidentally found while trying to circle the lake. The only other things I really remembered from my last visit were the chapel which has pews that face the altar with a wall of windows behind the altar, which, from the pews can be very distracting when the deer show-up. Now as the priest celebrating the mass, I wouldn't have to worry about that, but the seminarians told me I missed the turkeys! And the last thing I recall was that we did something wrong and upset Sister! I conveniently don't remember what it was,

but it was on my mind that now I was "the adult in charge" and hopefully this group of seminarians would be holier than my class, so that I didn't have to apologize for anything, and then answer to the seminary for it!

We prayed daytime prayer together and I gave the first conference on Friday afternoon and then there was some time for recreation before dinner. So I settled into my little hermitage on Friday afternoon, which was very comfortable, and then headed out to walk one of the trails. I thought I would find the lake and I eventually did... right before I noticed the hermitage was just behind me... I had walked in a loop—if I had set off on the trail to my left, instead of the one to the right, I would have found the lake after about 50 yards, instead of a mile! Oh, well it was a beautiful day for walk.



After mass, breakfast and a conference on Saturday, there was an opportunity for some quiet reflection and again, the weather was warm and sunny so I explored another trail, ending-up at the front of the property, which opened-up into a large field. Along the edge of the tree-line, the sun was catching the canopy of the trees in a brilliant golden orange. Ever looking-out for a good photo op I went over to take a closer look. I recently found the photos I took from my Days of Recollection a decade ago-fall colors, but no sun, and an old digital camera, not my simple iPhone. It's amazing how technology has advanced so much in that time that my phone now takes better photos that an actual camera.



I took some pictures, and it was then that I ran into the gaggle of turkeys on the edge

of the woods. I approached slowly, and they allowed me, to a point, but eventually they got nervous and disappeared into the tree-line. But not far enough for me to lose them! So I kept tracking them, the gaggle in the woods and me on the edge of the field. I think they lost sight of me, and then saw me again, too close for comfort, because suddenly there was a flapping sound and they all came charging out of the trees, some running, some flying. The sudden movement and noise spooked a couple of squirrels, who scrambled up a tree and squawked at me, since I was clearly the culprit here. But their hollering disturbed 3 herons (or "ugly peacocks" as one of the seminarians had earlier referred to them!). The herons immediately took off over the lake, and as I stood watching them, I heard the sound of air moving and a gaggle of geese appeared over the tree-line and headed out across the lake.

As I turned around to head back to the cabins, I then saw a distant figure walking toward me with two other people, walking a dog. There is a lot of open space but they were clearing heading purposefully in my direction. Then I realized it was Sister. "Oh no... I'm in trouble for disturbing the balance of nature," I thought! Sister must have seen all this going on and had come to correct this mischievous priest who had annoyed her turkeys and thrown-off the entire equilibrium of the natural world! It wasn't the seminarians who were causing trouble-it was me! Thankfully, no. Sister was walking to talk to me, but only because I was not wearing clerics on Saturday so she had not recognized who was walking across her field!

I think I will remember this Days of Recollection better than I remember my own! Please continue to pray for our seminarians. They are a good group of faithful men who are giving themselves to discerning God's will for their lives, with a great desire to serve Him and you.



You are in my prayers this week.

Fr. Andrew

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The American Red Cross will <u>not</u> be taking walk-ins and you <u>must</u> have an appointment.

To make an appointment, log onto <u>RedCrossBlood.org</u> (sponsor code: stjoanblooddrive) or call John Staperfenne at 248-789-8274.

Light of the Spirit

Prayer Group

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Prayers Needed

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Bringing Home the Word



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Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time (C) November 6, 2022

The Fallacy of Reincarnation

By Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

T he Sadducees didn't believe in the resurrection of the dead or the immortality of the soul. But in Maccabees, one of the last books written in the Old Testament, one can see how the Jewish sons find strength to resist their torturers in the belief that they will live forever. They firmly believe that God will raise them up if they remain faithful to him.

Jesus makes it even clearer that our souls will live forever and that our bodies will rise up one day with him

Sunday Readings

2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14

"You accursed fiend, you are depriving us of this present life, but the King of the universe will raise us up to live again forever...."

2 Thessalonians 2:16-3:5

May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father...encourage your hearts and strengthen them in every good deed and word.

Luke 20:27-38 or 20:27, 34-38

Jesus said, "God is not God of the dead, but of the living, for to him all are alive."

after death. The faith of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob was faith in a living God; even if they had died hundreds of years before, they were alive in God.

We pray together in the Nicene Creed, "I look forward to the resurrection of the dead." Thus, belief in reincarnation is contrary to Christian faith; Jesus taught a different doctrine. We live life on this earth once, die once, and are judged once.

Jesus is the "resurrection and the life" (John 11:25). We hope that one day we will rise with him, even if on earth our lives are "hidden with Christ in God" (Colossians 3:3). To be a witness to Jesus is to be like the first apostles, a witness to his resurrection.

The living God who called Abraham, Isaac, and Moses is the same God who sent his Son, raised him from the dead, and who calls us to follow him and rise up to be with him forever. +

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A Word from Pope Francis

Christian faith is not a way of exorcising the fear of death; rather, it helps us to face it. Sooner or later, we will all pass through that door....The true light that illuminates the mystery of death comes from the Resurrection of Christ....And this is the light that awaits us behind that dark door of death.

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- When my finals days come, will I have any regrets?
- What change can I make today to avoid remorse tomorrow?

Bringing Home the Word

Holiday Expectations

By Mitch and Kathy Finley

The happy time of Thanksgiving and then Christmas is coming. But wait. Think back on these celebrations of the last few years. What were they really like for you? Sometimes we look forward to Thanksgiving and Christmas gatherings and they turn out to be disappointing or stressful. Maybe we try too hard to make our celebrations resemble a Norman Rockwell painting, and when it turns out to be a Maurice Sendak kind of day, full of "wild things" that give us a throbbing headache, the day ends unhappily.

If past Thanksgivings or Christmases were not peaceful, now is the time to talk to those with whom you usually spend these days. Schedule a time to listen to each other, even if it's a conference call. This might be the time to calmly share your hopes and expectations and listen to theirs. What do they love about the family's Thanksgiving and Christmas celebrations? What do they find difficult?

The pandemic forced many people to celebrate differently and for some it was an eye-opener. Some discovered how much they missed everyone gathering together, and when it was taken away, previous irritations seemed minor. Others found they were happier with the forced



simplicity and have decided to forego crowded get-togethers and celebrate on a smaller scale.

The Thanksgiving and Christmas photos we post on social media often don't represent the entire experience of the holiday. We omit the grumpy parts. For most of us, our holiday gatherings are neither all Norman Rockwell nor Maurice Sendak.

We cannot change others, but we can often change ourselves. As we prepare to gather for these festive occasions, let's try to remember the voices of the prophets who encourage us to look to ourselves and make straight the parts that are crooked, address traits that keep us from being the person we are meant to be, the person we long to be. To do this we need a bit of quiet, a time to pray, both alone and with our community of faith. We might need a guide—a confessor or some wise person who seems further down the road than we are, someone who knows the way of the Lord.

If we can remember that we are each flawed, we are more likely to be patient with or even overlook the flaws of our loved ones and enjoy our time together. None of our families is the Holy Family. However, we can try to be just a bit holier and invite Mary, Joseph, and the Baby Jesus to join us around our holiday tables. +

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Gracious God, help us to love others so that, in our final days, we feel no remorse about how we lived our lives. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

The Redemptorists

WEEKDAY READINGS

November 7–12

Monday, Weekday: Ti 1:1–9 / Lk 17:1–6 Tuesday, Weekday: Ti 2:1–8, 11–14 / Lk 17:7–10

Wednesday, Dedication of the Lateran Basilica (Rome): Ez 47:1–2, 8–9, 12 / 1 Cor 3:9c–11, 16–17 / Jn 2:13–22 Thursday, St. Leo the Great: Phlm 7–20 / Lk 17:20–25

Friday, St. Martin of Tours: 2 Jn 4–9 / Lk 17:26–37

Saturday, St. Josaphat: 3 Jn 5–8 / Lk 18:1–8



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