

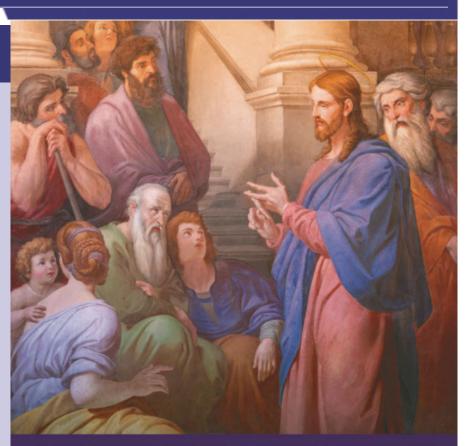
SAINT JOAN of ARC NEWS

The members of St. Joan of Arc Parish are disciples of Jesus Christ, who recognize God's love for the world & are empowered by the Holy Spirit to proclaim the Gospel to all people through joyful worship, life-long education, compassionate service, responsible stewardship, & active community living.

~ Mission Statement - Pentecost 1998 ~

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31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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"As for you, do not be called 'Rabbi.' You have but one teacher, and you are all brothers. Call no one on earth your father; you have but one Father in heaven. Do not be called 'Master'; you have but one master, the Christ. The greatest among you must be your servant." - Mt 23:8-11

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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Parish Directory / Liturgy Schedule

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LITURGY SCHEDULE

Weekdays

Monday thru Friday: 7:00 am Wednesday: 6:00 pm

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

Wednesdays: 5:00 pm Saturdays 11:00 am - 12:00 pm 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 - 5:00pm Friday: 8:30am—4:00pm

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.**

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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 Wednesday @ 6pm

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

Holy Hour Thursdays @ 7pm

TALLer Tales



Eat Those Words: I have this uncanny ability to always be around when my mom stumbles a little. The Bugarin kids are very protective around

our mom to ensure she doesn't stumble or trip over things. But often enough, I'm a witness to it, and my mom ... as she fondly says ... gets "The Lecture" from you know who. "You have to be smart when you're walking." "Take your time." "Don't rush." "Use your cane." Use your walker." My mom and sisters do a great job of mocking me, giving "The Lecture."

Last summer, my mom and I were walking alongside her driveway, and it happened that my nephew's truck was parked there. My mom was following lessons learned from "The Lecture" and was paying attention to the cement when she accidentally ran smack into the passenger-side mirror. Unfortunately, this wasn't any small collision because it caused a pretty big goose egg on her head later that evening. My mom immediately looked at me and said (as if she knew she would get "The Lecture" in nano-seconds), "I was following instructions to keep my head down and pay attention to the cement; see where that got me! I was trying to be SMART about this!"

As many of you know, because of the reappearance of my crutches and cane for a few weeks, I had some "issue" happen, which caused my right leg to lock and swell up. Of course, this is my nonsurgical, "good" leg. Before I get to the story of what happened that night, I had some x-rays taken as well as an MRI, and it was determined that I have a loose foreign body about a 1/3 of an inch lodged underneath my kneecap.

After some rest, plenty of icing of the knee, and using my crutches and cane for a couple of weeks, the pain and stiffness finally calmed down to the point where I could walk without a cane or crutches. We'll continue monitoring it, but it doesn't appear to need any surgical intervention just yet.

I'm still not sure how it happened, but that particular Saturday night, I crawled into bed, and as I did so, I knelt with my right knee on my mattress to get into bed. As soon as my right knee hit the mattress, I felt this considerable shooting pain from my kneecap, and once I got positioned in bed, I realized I couldn't straighten my leg out. No matter what I did, my leg would NOT straighten out. As long as my leg was bent, I was fine. But anytime I tried to straighten my leg, the pain would return. I figured I would just fall asleep and hope that whatever happened would disappear once I got up.

It happened that my mom was staying at my house that particular weekend. As I tried to get out of bed that Sunday morning, I quickly realized the issue was still there. I sat up at the edge of my bed and contemplated how I would walk to the bathroom and, for that matter, carry on the rest of the day. As I attempted to hop over to the bathroom, my mom saw me and asked what happened. After giving her all the details, we scoured every closet upstairs for my tall crutches. With the crutches in hand, I had some mobility without significant pain. Once I found my way to my recliner, my mom had the perfect opportunity to start giving ME "The Lecture," and she did so! "You always tell me I must be smarter about walking, etc," she started. "You know, sonny-boy, you're almost 60, and you need to start paying attention to these things. Were you "SMART" about getting into bed last night? You always get on my case; now I can get on your case," she said with a smile. Good heavens, I hate when my words come right back at me and hit me square in the face. I was eating a lot of words that morning. I need to start being careful about "The Lecture" because apparently, I'm now game for it, too!

Remembering the Dead during
November This past Thursday, 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. You might consider praying 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.

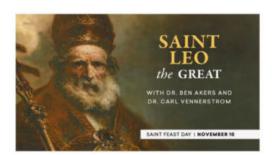
Enjoy the week. Know of my prayers.

In Christ

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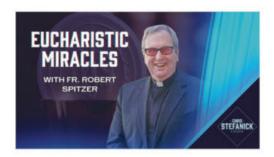


Week of November 05, 2023



St. Leo the Great | Catholic Saints

Join Dr. Ben Akers and Dr. Carl Vennerstrom as they discuss St. Leo the Great, who served as pope during the tumultuous time of the Council of Chalcedon.



The INCREDIBLE Eucharistic Miracles w/Fr. Robert Spitzer | Chris Stefanick Show

Did you know there are miracles that back up the true presence of the Eucharist? It's true! And I brought Fr. Robert Spitzer back to tell us about the incredible science behind them.



The Church Needs More Saints w/ Jason Evert | SEEK23

Using the example of Pope St. John Paul II, Jason Evert discusses the importance of interior life in the mission of evangelization to which all Christians are called.

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Along the Way

Rome: Part III

Last week I shared about the Basilica of St. Paul Outside the Walls, one of the major basilicas of Rome. One of the other major basilicas that I had the privilege of visiting was St. Mary Major, Basilica di Santa Maria *Maggiore*. The basilica is sometimes called the Our Lady of Snows. According to tradition, the Virgin Mary indicated and inspired the construction of her abode on the Esquiline Hill. She appeared in a dream to the aristocrat, Giovanni, and to Pope Liberius, asking for the construction of a Church in her honour, in a place that She would miraculously reveal.



On the night of 5 August 358, Our Lady appeared in a dream to Giovanni and his wife. The Virgin promised them that she would grant their desire to have a child through a miracle. The couple went to visit Pope Liberius who told them that he had had the same dream. As they were leaving, the married couple saw that part of the Esquiline Hill was covered in snow. Using his crosier (staff), the Pope marked the perimeter of where the couple was to build the church. While the original aspect of that church is still unknown, the consecration of today's Basilica, which was ordered by Pope Sixtus III in 431, after the Council of Ephesus, took place precisely on the day of the miracle, on 5 August. In memory of this miraculous event, each year solemn celebrations take place that culminate with a shower of white petals falling from the ceiling above the altar.

One of the most prominent pieces of religious art in the basilica is the painting known as *Salus Populi*

Romani. Legend tells us that the icon, made of cedar wood, was painted by St. Luke himself. The origin of the "Luke image" is unknown, but a charming legend has prevailed through the ages. It reveals that after the Crucifixion, when Our Lady moved to the home of St. John, she took with her a few personal belongings – among which was a table built by the Redeemer in the workshop of St. Joseph. When pious virgins of Jerusalem prevailed upon St. Luke to paint a portrait of the Mother of God, it was the top of this table that was used to memorialize her image. While applying his brush and paints, St. Luke listened carefully as the Mother of Jesus spoke of the life of her son, facts which the Evangelist later recorded in his Gospel. Legend also tells us that the painting remained in and around Jerusalem until it was discovered by St. Helena in the fourth century. The painting Salus Populi Romani



means Savior (or Protectress) of the People of Roman. Where did this name come from? The answer is found in the mysterious origins that lie shrouded in history, the fact that it has endured, and the many miraculous stories of protection that are attributed to Our Lady imaged therein. During the pontificate of St. Gregory the Great (590-604) a plague viciously attacked the people of Rome, killing entire families. The pontiff fervently prayed to the Blessed Mother. During the Easter festivals he carried her image in solemn procession. Arriving at Hadrian's Mausoleum (now called San Angelo), an angelic choir was heard

singing a joyful Resurrection hymn. After which, the plague was ended.

Catechism in a Year

Many of you have been following along with the Catechism of the Catholic Church in a Year Podcast, hosted by Fr. Mike Schmitz. One of the recent episodes has raised quite a few questions that have been addressed either to me or to Msgr. Mike. In particular, questions regarding abortion and excommunication. The Catechism states: "The formal cooperation in an abortion constitutes a grave offense. The Church attaches the canonical penalty of excommunication to this crime against human life. A person who procures a completed abortion incurs excommunication latae sententiae..." Latae sententiae essentially means an automatic excommunication. HOWEVER... there are many nuances that Fr. Mike did not mention.

First, we must look again at the nature of moral sin. For someone to commit a mortal sin, it must be grave matter, they must know that it is grave matter, and they must freely choose this grave matter. I have never met a woman that has, with 100% freedom, chosen to undergo an abortion without some sort of physical or psychological or emotional pressure, either coming from within or without. Second, for someone to be excommunicated, they must know prior to their intended action that it is an excommunicable offense. If you have made a choice in your life that you suspect or fear is a cause for excommunication, know that there is always restoration possible.

If you have had an abortion, please know that you are loved! You are welcome here. Jesus is kind and merciful. If you have any doubts or concerns, please talk to me. If you are still searching for healing after making the difficult decision to terminate a pregnancy, please visit rachelsvineyard.org. Healing and freedom are possible!

Blessings, Fr. Adam

Grow+Go



November 5, 2023

Written by THE FAITHFUL

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mal 1:14b-2:2b, 8-10 | 1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13 | Mt 23:1-12

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

We all want to feel special and be noticed. We see it in Adam and Eve's decision to eat the fruit in the garden after the snake promises "your eyes will be opened and you will be like gods." (Gen 3:5) The scribes and the Pharisees in today's Gospel certainly appear to fall into this category of wanting to be noticed: "All their works are performed to be seen," Jesus says. To be clear, we ARE each unique children of God: chosen by him and called by name. We are "wonderfully made" by the Lord (Ps 139:14), and that alone makes us valuable beyond measure. The problem arises when we begin to see our value as something we are responsible for on our own. We no longer give glory to God and acknowledge him as the fount of all good things. Instead, we are tempted to take credit for ourselves – that was the error of the scribes and the Pharisees, and it is one against which we should guard ourselves.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Today's readings are instructive and, frankly, a good reminder that as God's beloved children baptized into Christ, we are called to a higher standard. What is this higher standard? First, it entails "[giving] thanks to God unceasingly," as St. Paul said in today's reading. It also involves practicing what we preach in a way the Pharisees do not. At the heart of Jesus' message today is telling us, his followers, how we are meant to live. We are to follow Jesus' words and strive to imitate his actions with humility and love. Does this mean loving unconditionally? It does. Does this mean not seeking places of honor but rather having a servant's attitude? It does. Are these postures and attitudes that come naturally to us as human beings? As descendants of Adam and Eve? Perhaps not. But if we wish to make Jesus the master of our lives, let us discern where we can be serving others better and putting our energy into the work of building God's kingdom.

PRAY The Catechism calls humility the "foundation of prayer."
(CCC 2559) Let us pray this week for the humility to do God's will without any praise or recognition. Let us ask the Holy Spirit for wisdom to know what the Lord wants from us and to joyfully fulfill that call even if it means working in the shadows where no one will notice.

Readings for the Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Joan Arc

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - NOVEMBER 12 A

Reading One - Wis 6:12-16

Resplendent and unfading is wisdom, and she is readily perceived by those who love her, and found by those who seek her. She hastens to make herself known in anticipation of their desire; Whoever watches for her at dawn shall not be disappointed, for he shall find her sitting by his gate. For taking thought of wisdom is the perfection of prudence, and whoever for her sake keeps vigil shall quickly be free from care; because she makes her own rounds, seeking those worthy of her, and graciously appears to them in the ways, and meets them with all solicitude.

Responsorial - Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8

R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

O God, you are my God whom I seek; for you my flesh pines and my soul thirsts like the earth, parched, lifeless and without water.

R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

Thus have I gazed toward you in the sanctuary to see your power and your glory, For your kindness is a greater good than life; my lips shall glorify you.

R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

Thus will I bless you while I live; lifting up my hands, I will call upon your name. As with the riches of a banquet shall my soul be satisfied, and with exultant lips my mouth shall praise you.

R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

I will remember you upon my couch, and through the night-watches I will meditate on you: You are my help, and in the shadow of your wings I shout for joy.

R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

Reading Two - 1 Thes 4:13-18

We do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, about those who have fallen asleep, so that you may not grieve like the rest, who have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose, so too will God, through Jesus, bring with him those who have fallen asleep. Indeed, we tell you this, on the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the

coming of the Lord, will surely not precede those who have fallen asleep. For the Lord himself, with a word of command, with the voice of an archangel and with the trumpet of God, will come down from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. Thus we shall always be with the Lord. Therefore, console one another with these words.

Alleluia - Mt 24:42a, 44

Alleluia, alleluia.

Stay awake and be ready! For you do not know on what day your Lord will come.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel - Mt 25:1-13

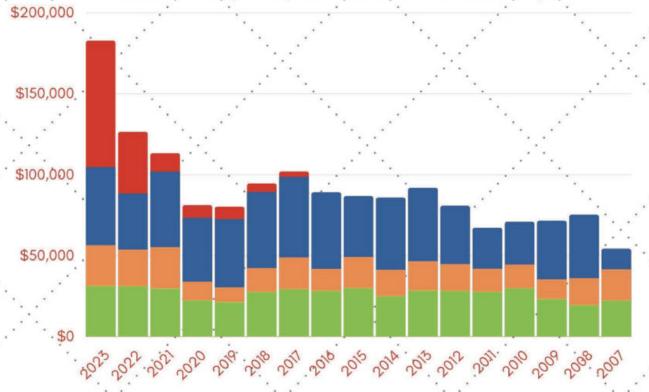
Jesus told his disciples this parable: "The kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were wise. The foolish ones, when taking their lamps, brought no oil with them, but the wise brought flasks of oil with their lamps. Since the bridegroom was long delayed, they all became drowsy and fell asleep. At midnight, there was a cry, 'Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!' Then all those virgins got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish ones said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise ones replied, 'No, for there may not be enough for us and you. Go instead to the merchants and buy some for yourselves.' While they went off to buy it, the bridegroom came and those who were ready went into the wedding feast with him. Then the door was locked. Afterwards the other virgins came and said, 'Lord, Lord, open the door for us!' But he said in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, I do not know you.' Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

Gala Update



2023 Gala Update

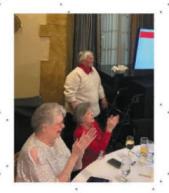




We cannot begin to thank our parish and school families and friends for their support for our annual gala - whether through planning, attendance, donations, advertising or prayer. This was our most successful gala to date - with the greatest increase pointed at helping others through the Msgr. Bass Scholarship Fund. In these past 17 years, we have raised more than 1.5 million dollars to benefit our school community. God Bless yoù all!









SJA Knights of Columbus Feather Party



Order of Alhambra Galicia Caravan #77 **Grand Commander Don Kaiser**



St. Joan of Are Knights of Columbus #8695 **Grand Knight Andy Marter**

proudly hosts

An evening of fun at the Aldo Cardosi / Don Champine



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All Proceeds to Benefit St. Joan of Arc Exceptional Children Religious Program

Tickets \$40 Per Person

Please make checks payable to St. Joan of Arc K of C

Tickets Available After St. Joan of Arc's Weekend Masses on November 4th & 5th and November 1th & 12th **Includes Dinner, 12 Games of Bingo and Dauber**

For Reservation and Tickets: Bill Marchiori (586) 871-2929

Announcements





St. Joan of Arc Knitting Group

The SJA Knitting Group will be meeting the Second and Fourth Wednesday's of most months at 12pm.

We will be knitting in the Mary the Mother of Jesus Room.

November Knitting dates are 11/8 & 11/22

If you are interested in joining or have questions please call: Marie Byrski @ 586-943-0240.



Calendar of Events / Words on the Word

Weekly Calendar of Events

Monday, November 6th

7:00 AM Morning Mass - Live Streamed 10:00 AM Walking with Purpose - EH

Tuesday, November 7th

7:00 AM Morning Mass - Live Streamed 7:00 AM Elections Voting Precinct –EH 10:00 AM Rescue Project - Church

Wednesday, November 8th

7:00 AM Morning Mass - Live Streamed 12:00 PM Knitting & Crochet Ministry

5:00 PM Reconciliation 6:00 PM Evening Mass

Thursday, November 9th

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

Friday, November 10th

7:00 AM Morning Mass - Live Streamed

Saturday, November 11th

11:00 AM Reconciliation12:30 PM Baptism of Rhett Joseph Rutkowski1:30 PM Baptism of Willow E. Bettens

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

Sunday, November 12th

8:00 AM Sunday Mass - Live Streamed 10:00 AM Sunday Mass - Live Streamed 12:00 PM Sunday Mass - Live Streamed

Words on the Word

Nov. 5, 2023 – Choices, Choices

Every day, in every way, we have choices to make.

Choices about everything from the food we eat to the activities we undertake to the books we read to the television shows we watch.

We also make more important choices, such as how we prioritize our time and how we treat other people.

A couple recent news stories illustrated the difference in striking terms.

One the one hand, a story reported by *Fast Company* explained how and why certain "toxic" employees work their way to the top of the heap in corporate settings. Long story short, the piece explained, the very things that make these people so abrasive to their colleagues – their schmoozing, politicking, and dirty tricks – are the "dark side ... social skills" that position them well in reviews and work assignments.

To be sure, such "success" begs the question of who, in the long run, is really winning.

Meanwhile, a story on the Aleteia website described the experiences of a man who has carried a 55-pound cross in countries around the world for more than 35 years.

"I often feel when you carry the cross it's like a red carpet being rolled out before you," the man was quoted as saying. "It's like God has got people for you to meet."

The effort gives him, he said, a great opportunity to evangelize. And that would seem to be a much more important use of time and energy than self-aggrandizing activities in the dog-eat-dog corporate world.

"You have but one Father in heaven," Jesus says in today's gospel passage from St. Matthew. "Do not be called "Master'; you have but one master, the Christ. The greatest among you must be your servant. Whoever exalts himself will be humbled; but whoever humbles himself will be exalted."

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Mass Intentions / Weekly Readings

Mass Intentions

Monday November 6, 2023 Weekday (Green)

7:00 a.m. Joseph Allemon

Tuesday November 7, 2023 Weekday (Green)

7:00 a.m. George J. Bugarin

Wednesday November 8, 2023 Weekday (Green)

7:00 a.m. Fr. Richard Gorecki, SPC & Angie Calus

6:00 p.m. Georgiann Kaptur

Thursday November 9, 2023 The Dedication of the

Lateran

Basilica (White)

7:00 a.m. Special Intention for the Family of Tina Calisi

Friday November 10, 2023 Saint Leo the Great, Pope

and Doctor of the Church (White)

7:00 a.m. George J. Bugarin

Saturday, November 11, 2023 Vigil of the Thirty-second

Sunday in Ordinary Time (Green)

4:00 p.m. Joseph Gielniak, Mary Ann Cannon, Dick

Hanselman, Helen Blind, Casey & Juliette Zaranek, the deceased veterans in the McQuillan, Zaranek and Gaidis Families, Charlotte Miller, Sally Cabot, Joseph & Rita Snyder, Clarence & Philomene Wolschlager, Pat Ireland, Gertrude Shaw, Angelina Calus, Bonnie Batche, and special intentions for the Thomas Family, the J. Champine Family, for Alison Reslow, Pam Haisenleder, Lorraine Jonas, and Ray DeFrates

6:00 p.m. Harriet Armaly

Sunday November 12, 2023 Thirty-second Sunday in

Ordinary Time (Green)

8:00 a.m. For the Intentions for St. Joan of Arc Parishioners

10:00 a.m. Peter & Norma Sehee

12:00 p.m. Dennis Venuto, Steve Haamen, the deceased

members of the Bryk & Kidon Families, Joel VanDenbussche, Jose Medina, Rosario Medina, Jeffrey Hardy, Joan Hardy, Feliciana Punzalan, Dini Hamm, Daisy Marie Buenavista, Special Intentions for Pam Haisenleder, Alison Reslow,

Lorraine Jonas and Ray Defrates

Daily Readings

Monday, November 6 Friday, November 10

Romans 11:29-36 Romans 15:12-21 Luke 14:12-14 Luke 16:1-8

Tuesday, November 7 Saturday, November 11

Romans 12:5-16b Romans 16:3-9, 16, 22-27

Luke 14:15-24 Luke 16:9-15

Wednesday, November 8 Sunday, November 12

Romans 13:8-10 Wisdom 6:12-16 Luke 14:25-33 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Matthew 25:1-13

Thursday, November 9

Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9,12 1 Corinthians 3:9c-11, 16-17

John 2:13-22



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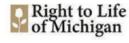
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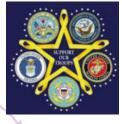
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Bringing Home the Word

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) November 5, 2023

A Priest's Lot

Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

Today's readings are a stern call to conversion for priests who obviously have a special call to holiness. Like a parent cares for his or her children, a priest is entrusted with the spiritual children of God's family. His example, his words, and his way of carrying out his service all have profound effects on the holiness of the Church.

The last book of the Old Testament, Malachi, condemns the priestly class of the Jewish people because they had turned away from God's commands and led people astray with faulty instruction. This rule of thumb from the Old

Sunday Readings

Malachi 1:14b-2:2b, 8-10

You do not keep my ways, but show partiality in your instruction.

1 Thessalonians 2:7b-9, 13

With such affection for you, we were determined to share with you not only the gospel of God, but our very selves as well, so dearly beloved had you become to us.

Matthew 23:1-12

Do and observe all things whatsoever [the priests] tell you, but do not follow their example. Testament is still valid today: so go the priests, so go the people!

Jesus himself had harsh words for priests and religious leaders as well. It is clear from the Gospel that one of the main reasons why Jesus was ill-received by so many of his contemporaries was because the priestly class opposed him. "He came to what was his own, but his own people did not accept him" (John 1:11).

Saint Paul gives us the example of what priests should be. They should so love their people that they become one with them in their suffering, joys, and victories. Rather than build up heavy burdens, they should make them lighter by lending a hand to lift them. They shouldn't dilute the gospel and its demands but, with brotherly love, show the beauty of the gospel by the joy and charity with which they live. Like a good parent, they should be the first to wake up and the last to go to bed. Slow to judge, quick to forgive. †

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A Word from Pope Francis

That expression—"We have always done it that way"—is poison for the life of the Church. Those who think this way, perhaps without even realizing it, make the mistake of not taking seriously the times in which we are living. The danger, in the end, is to apply old solutions to new problems.

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QUESTIONS ONESTIONS MEETECTION

- Are you ever tempted to reject the truth spoken by someone you don't admire?
- Do you live up to every truth you speak?

Appreciating Firsts and Lasts

Paige Byrne Shortal

I was thirteen when the Byrds made famous Pete Seeger's song: "To everything, turn, turn, turn; there is a season, turn, turn, turn..." It was a hard time in our family and I sang the lyrics with little understanding and no knowledge that they came from the Bible (Ecclesiastes 3:1–8). I thought I'd always be sad.

Fast-forward forty years to a Sunday afternoon in June. The weather couldn't have been better in Eden. The air smelled of peaches and we were picking them by the bushel. My husband's parents were with us for the weekend—two lovely and lively people in their eighties. Our two oldest grandchildren ran through the garden while their baby brother crawled around on the quilt under the oak tree.

Friends Dan and Mary came to help pick with us and stayed for dinner. Dan brought recordings by a favorite jazz band and we watched our littlest grand do his baby dances. Friend Peggy came with her two daughters, bearing their pet chickens, Buffy and Jody, who had outworn their welcome in their city neighborhood. The hens were made



welcome in the new coop and Peg and her daughters stayed and picked peaches while the city hens and the country hens competed for Queen of the Coop. After dinner we played Scrabble with Mom and Dad and ate leftover peach cobbler. A perfect day.

Fast-forward another month. The peaches are all processed for the winter. The sweet corn and tomatoes are ripe. The grand-boy who could only crawl is now walking. And Dad Shortal had a stroke. It could have been worse. He is in no pain, but his memory is not the same and he says the same things many times. But, oh, what he says: "I'm so

blest." "Aren't my children lovely?" "It's a beautiful world."

We have baby books to record a child's firsts: their first word, first step, first solid food. But what about marking the lasts? The last time a child crawled onto our lap. The last time we embraced a loved one. The last Scrabble game with our dad. "To everything there is a season, turn, turn, turn."

November is about the passing of time. We remember the saints and the souls who have left our midst. We remember veterans of wars with enemy nations, some of which are now our friends. "Turn, turn, turn."

In November we also stop to give thanks. When times are hard, when you are suffering, when someone you love is dying, when the unthinkable has happened—give thanks, for this too shall pass. And when life is good, stop and notice and give thanks. Pay attention so that those last precious hugs and Scrabble games are etched in your memory. And pray, "O God, you who have given so much to me, give me one thing more: a grateful heart." †

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Holy God, give us the grace to hold ourselves to the same standards we hold others, and to forgive ourselves and others when we fail. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

The Redemptorists

WEEKDAY READINGS

November 6-11

Monday, Weekday: Rom 11:29–36 / Lk 14:12–14

Tuesday, Weekday: Rom 12:5–16ab / Lk 14:15–24

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Friday, St. Leo the Great: Rom 15:14–21 / Lk 16:1–8

Saturday, St. Martin of Tours: Rom 16:3–9, 16, 22–27 / Lk 16:9–15



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