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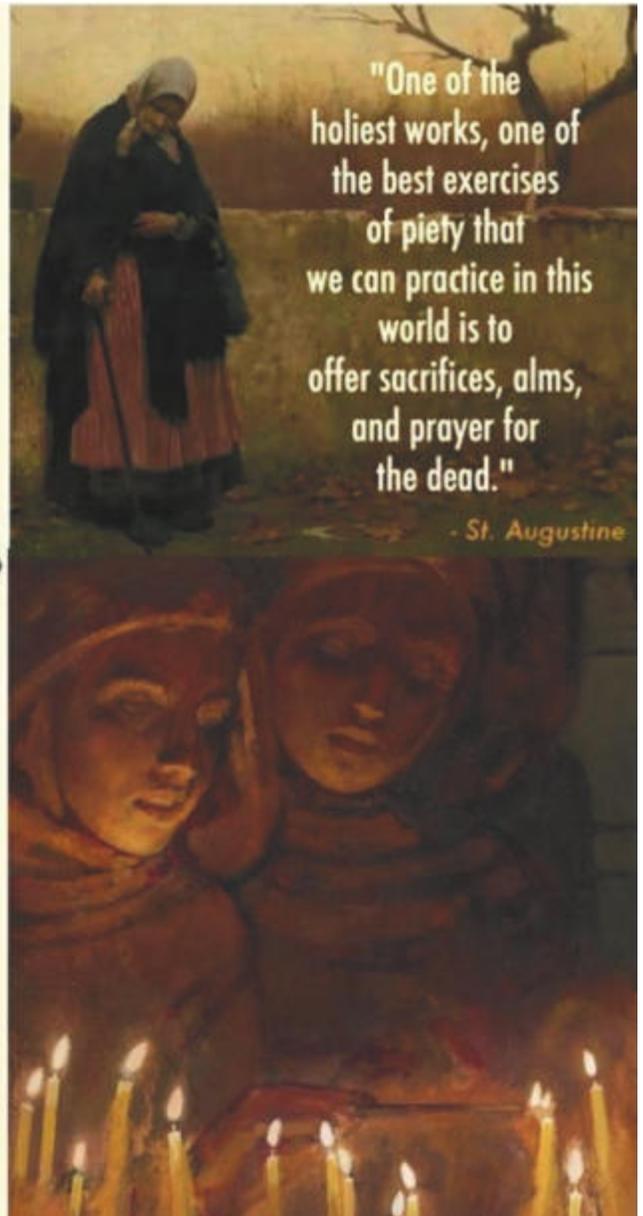
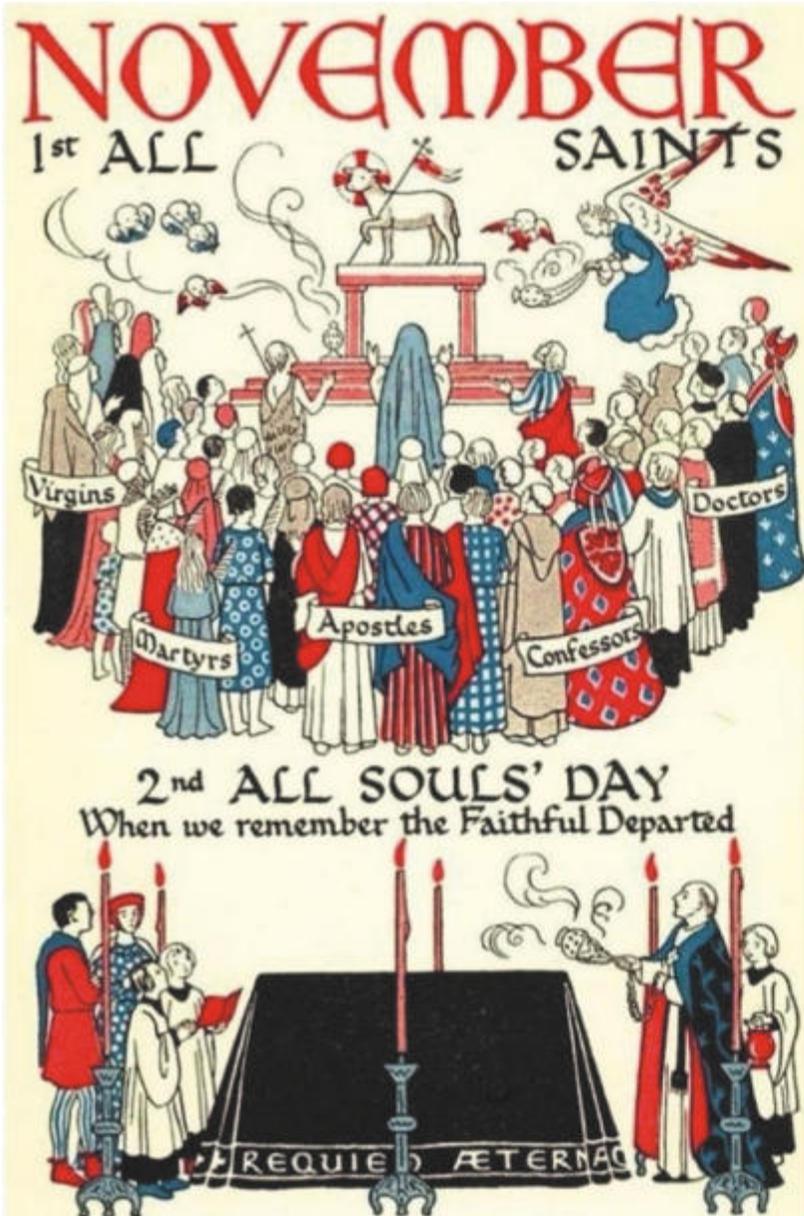
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M,T, Th, F 7:00am-3:00pm

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SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Daily Mass: T, W, TH, F - 8:30 AM

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM & 10:15 AM

Music Director and Rel. Ed. Coordinator:
David Collins

PARISH STAFF

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OCTOBER 31, 2021



Monday

8:30am

Req. By:

6:00pm

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Tuesday

8:30am

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Thursday

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Saturday

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Sunday

8:00am

10:15am

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Mass Intentions

NOVEMBER 1

+RUDY BROTONS

Family

+MARY ANN SMITH

Her Family

NOVEMBER 2

+POOR SOULS

Kay

NOVEMBER 3

+MARGUERITE E. VALVO

Richard & Carol Valvo

NOVEMBER 4

THE PRIESTHOOD

Secular Carmelites

NOVEMBER 5

+NATIVIDAD NAVARRO

Family

NOVEMBER 6

+CHRISTOPHER PHILLIPS

Mother

+VICTORIA PIETROCZYNSKI

NOVEMBER 7

PARISHIONERS

+THERESA CROWLEY

Friend

RECEPTION OF THE SACRAMENTS

Baptism: For registered and active parishioners: Please contact the Church Office. Baptism instruction is required for Parents.

Reconciliation (Confessions)

Saturdays 2:00-3:00 PM in Adoration Chapel
Or by Appointment

Weddings: For registered and active parishioners: must be arranged with the pastor at least 6 months before the date desired. Please contact the Church Office for more details. **941-776-9097**

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

First Reading: Dt 6:2-6

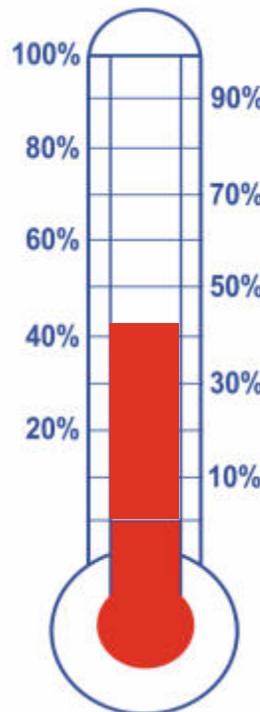
Psalms 18:2-4,47,51

Second Reading Heb 7:23-28

Gospel Mk 12:28b-34



Catholic Faith Appeal



Our Goal

\$164,000.00

Thank You!

Raised so far:

\$72,256.78

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK MONDAY ALL SAINTS DAY

667: Rv 7:2-4,9-14 Ps: 24:1bc-4b,5-6 1Jn3:1-3 Mt 5:1-1-12a

TUESDAY ALL SOULS DAY

668: Wis 3:1-9 Ps 23:1-6 Rom 5:5-11 Jn6:37-40

WEDNESDAY ST. MARTIN DEPORRES

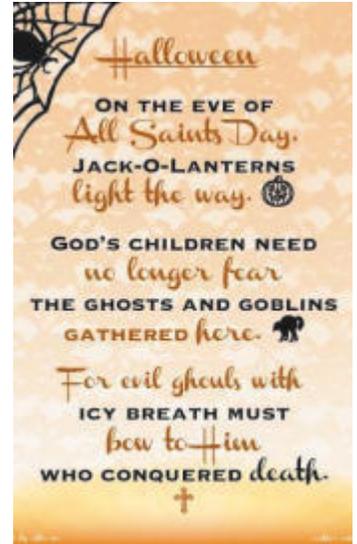
487: Rom 13:8-10 Ps 112:1b-2,4-5,9 Lk 14:25-33

THURSDAY ST. CHARLES BORROMEIO

488: Rom 14:7-12 Ps 27:1bcde,4,13-14 Lk 15:1-10

FRIDAY

489: Rom 15:14-21 Ps 98:1-4 Lk16:1-8



Thanksgiving Potluck

November 4 @ 6:00pm

Please call the office and let us know what side dish or a dessert you are bringing.

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Monday, November 1

8:00 AM - Rosary & Adoration

8:30 AM - Mass

5:30 Rosary & Adoration

6:00 Mass w/ Candle Procession to Memorial Garden after Mass

Tuesday, November 2

8:00 AM - Rosary and Adoration

8:30 Mass

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St. France Cabrini Catholic Church

Parrish, FL

October 31, 2021

Dear Parishioners,

I want to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your kind wishes and prayers as your new pastor and I'd like to cordially extend my prayers to you as well. It has been a unique journey for all of us as we struggled through during the course of these last months with the epidemic. Much was learned and observed during this period and we are blessed to see the parish return to some semblance of normalcy once again.

As Pastor, I have been given a permanent role and station here at St. Frances Cabrini and I would like to begin focusing on how we can move our Parish forward to the future, especially in the recent growth of our community our recent Parrish growth. Looking in that direction, there a few topics I would like to give for your reflection.

1. I am amazed at the growth rate of the Parrish area and the new communities being built.
2. Even through Covid we have continued to increase the number of new families to our parish.
3. While the Offertory has been building back up to what it was Pre-Covid, we have been able to update a few areas in the Church proper.
4. We received a PPP loan, which was forgiven so we do not have to pay it back and managed to keep our staff intact over the past year.

All in all, we are holding our own except that we have missed our monthly mortgage/loan payments to the Diocese. Those payments consist of the following three.

1. The mortgage balance for the Cabrini Center \$244,946.30
2. The loan to buy the corner property \$74319.74
3. The CFA deficit balances from prior years \$207164.79

The combination total is \$526,460.83 . When taking the sum of all three expenditures, the monthly payment to the Diocese is \$9,500.00 . As of today we have 627 active/registered families in the parish. It is my hope that we can be debt free by 2023. To help our Parish family get to this point, I asked our Business Manager, Richard Lind, if he could give the Parish a break down between the debt number and active parishioners.

I know that there will be some families and individuals who may not be able to meet that number and there may be some who can give more. All I ask is that as you look over your budgets in the upcoming months to see if there might be a place in your financial stewardship towards St. Frances Cabrini. Whether it is a little less or a little more. As the Gospels have told us, our Savior can work wonders by the gifts brought to him, just as he did with the loaves and fishes. As soon as we are debt free, other projects can begin that will make St. Frances Cabrini Catholic Church a perpetual memorial of Catholics here in the Parrish Community.

I thank each of you for your generosity, not only in tangible monetary form, but your generosity of Spirit that you have shown me over the course of these two years, the kindness you've shown each other through this Pandemic, and all of the small things, whether it be a smile, a wave at the potlucks, or just a chat under the portico to one another. All these things tie us together as the Body of Christ, building the Kingdom of God here on earth through our words and actions.

Please know of my prayers for you as we begin this journey together. Let us never lose hope that we have a God that can work miracles and let us show him that we have that faith in him. Thank you for your time.

Peace and Blessings

Father Joseph Gates

October 31, 2021

Autumn Tree for Life

Thank you to Everyone who has given to the Tree for Life this year. The Community Pregnancy Center was completely overwhelmed by the generosity of our Parish.

Though a few more Donations were given towards the end our numbers towards the end of the count were the following:

Wipes: 73 packs	Lotion: 34
Wash clothes: 216	Bibs & Pacifiers: 11
Baby Wash/Shampoo: 70	Blankets: 28
Towels: 71	Diapers: 300
Tolietries: 3	Hats/Booties: 10
Toys: 10	Diaper cream: 4
Sleepers: 157	Gift Cards: \$860
Outfits: 72	Donations \$1,256
Onesies: 114	



We've already received word that there was a young 17 year old mother who found herself pregnant and went to Planned Parenthood to get an abortion. One of the side-walk Counselors spoke with her and directed her to the Community Pregnancy Center around the corner. After meeting with the Staff she decided to keep her child.

The young mother found herself in need of clothing and a Crib and because of your generosity, she and her baby girl were able to start their new life together with a crib and beautiful clothing, blankets, and other new-born accessories.

Please know you've at least touched at least two lives, a mother and her child. A child who could grow up to be a doctor who could cure cancer, a teacher who could influence another person's life, even become a mother herself. Thank you to everyone who made this year's Tree for Life such a success. As the Community Pregnancy Center Team said: "Your Parishioners are the real angels who intervene on God's behalf for each and every Baby saved. The Tree for life indeed extended its braches down to help this generation and the next."

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Interested in the March for life this January?

Any High School Youth who would like to attend please contact David Collins at **David.collins@sfxcparrish.com**

If you'd like to sponsor a youth, please contact the Parish Office for more details



Fatima Rosary Prayer Chain Across America

The Knights of Columbus would like to thank all those who came and prayed the Rosary on September 16 at the Corner of 301 and Fort-Hammer Road. 48 Parishioners were present and many more in spirit.



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Does Praying to the Saints Mean They're Gods? TRENT HORN

At this very moment there is probably someone in the world praying the Hail Mary or asking someone like St. Anthony to pray for him or her. In fact, there are probably millions of people asking specific saints to pray for them at any given moment. How can the saints in heaven hear thousands of prayers made in different languages at the same time? Wouldn't this make the saints all-knowing, which is a quality that God alone possesses?

Not impossible for God

It might be difficult to understand how saints in heaven could hear our prayers by themselves, but for God nothing is impossible (see Matthew 19:26).

At Pentecost God gave the apostles the ability to speak and understand different languages (see Acts 2:4-6), so there's no reason to think he wouldn't give the saints this same ability. Moreover, if God will give us a glorified bodies at the end of time, then why wouldn't he also give us glorified minds that can know much more than normal human minds? If earthly mothers can manage to hear more than one of their children seeking their attention at the same time, then there's no reason to think God has not blessed our heavenly mother Mary to do the same on a larger scale.

Finally, if God can create an entire universe from nothing, then to say he couldn't give his creatures the ability to understand lots of prayers would be to deny God's omnipotence or the truth that God is all-powerful. But does the saints' ability to hear so many prayers make them omniscient, or all knowing, like God?

The nature of omniscience

According to Protestant apologist Eric Svendsen, "In order to hear all those prayers at once [Mary and other saints in heaven] would have to be *omniscient* ("all-knowing")—an attribute that is the property of God *alone*" (*Evangelical Answers: A Critique of Current Roman Catholic Apologetics*, 209). Svendsen is mistaken, because even though the prayers addressed to Mary and the saints are large in number, they are still finite, so knowing them does not entail omniscience. To be fair, Svendsen says this reply fails, because "one may as well argue that omniscience is not needed even by God himself since all things that can be known—no matter how many—are nevertheless limited to a finite number."

The problem with Svendsen's argument is that he misunderstands the nature of omniscience. God is not all knowing because he knows an infinite number of truths (as Svendsen seems to suggest). God is all knowing because his knowledge has no limits. The saints in heaven can answer our prayers even if they don't know every truth God knows (such as the atomic structure of a star in a random part of the universe). The saints' abilities to do what we cannot does not make them gods. It only makes them God's friends empowered by him to assist their brothers and sisters on Earth.

Svendsen also doesn't seem to understand that some of God's attributes are communicable and can be shared with his creatures. For example, God's love is communicable, because we are called to love as God loves (see 1 John 4:19). But God's simplicity, or God's ability to exist as being itself without division or deficiency, is incommunicable. No creature, even with divine assistance, could exist as undivided being itself, because to exist in that way is what it means to be God.

However, some of God's attributes are both communicable and incommunicable, depending on how they're understood. God's holiness is communicable, because he tells believers, "You shall be holy, for I am holy" (1 Pet. 1:16). However, God's *intrinsic* holiness, or the fact that God is holy in virtue of his own nature, is incommunicable, because that kind of existence belongs to God alone (see Revelation 15:4).

Likewise, 1 Timothy 6:16 says God alone possesses immortality (Greek, *athanasios*; literally, "without death"), but Jesus promises that believers will never die (see John 11:26). *Intrinsic* immortality, or having unending existence as the essence of one's nature, belongs to God alone, even though God can share some of this attribute with his creatures by preventing them from dying.

So what about omniscience? Only God has the ability to know all truth, because he alone sustains every truth and every created thing. But God, as the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* says, "wanted to make his creatures share in his being, wisdom and goodness" (CCC 295).

If God can grant people on earth supernatural knowledge about the future or about the afterlife, then there is no reason to deny God's ability to grant angels and saints in heaven knowledge of our prayers. Deuteronomy 29:29 puts it well: "The secret things belong to the Lord our God; but the things that are revealed belong to us and to our children for ever."

A devilish detail

1 Peter 5:8 says, "Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour." Remember that Peter's warning is given to all Christians in all times and all places. This means that the devil, who is a mere creature, has the ability to ensnare billions of Christians at the same time with unique temptations he has crafted for each of them. (Even if the devil personally doesn't tempt us, and only his demons do, Satan himself is organizing all of this. This means he has mental abilities that far surpass what humans in this life possess in order to lead his demonic kingdom.)

If God's enemy can have knowledge of what billions of humans do in order to tempt them, then why wouldn't God's friends, or the saints, have similar kinds of knowledge and use that knowledge to pray for us? Scripture seems to suggest that's the case. The author of Hebrews, after recounting the heroes of the Old Testament, says, "since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us" (Heb. 12:1). (Catholicexchange.com)





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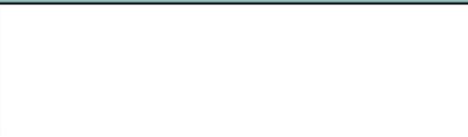
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