

Sacred Heart Parish -- Eden

November 1st, 2020

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St. Joseph Parish -- Grenville

All Saints Day

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Bulletin Deadline: Friday @ noon

Baptisms: These are scheduled after pre-baptism requirements are fulfilled. Call for an appointment.

Marriage Preparation: Contact Fr. Simon at least six months prior to your wedding date. **Email:** sheden@venturecomm.net

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LITURGY SCHEDULE

Cemetery Blessing for St. Michael Cemetery, St. Joseph Cemetery Eden Park and St. Joseph Cemetery Lake City will be immediately following Mass this Sunday, November 1st instead of doing it after dark on All Soul's Day.

All Souls Day

Mon., Nov. 2, Grenville: 8:30 a.m. † Cathy Breske

Cemetery Blessing to Follow

Eden: 5:30 p.m. † All the Faithful Departed

Tue., Nov. 3, Eden: 8:30 a.m. Elections

Wed., Nov. 4, Eden: 8:30 a.m. † Leonard Gruby

Thu., Nov. 5, Roslyn: 9:30 a.m. – In Honor of Arlene Deutsch

Fri. Nov. 6, Eden: NO MASS

First Sat., Nov. 7, Eden: 8:30 a.m. – In reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary for our sins
Mass, Adoration, Rosary, Meditations, Confessions,
& Benediction

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8

Grenville: 8:30 a.m. – For the People of the Parishes

Eden: 10:30 a.m. † Bill & Louella Schlekewy

COLLECTION: Eden: \$1922.00 Grenville: \$506.00

MISSION SUNDAY: Eden: \$95.00 Grenville: \$284.00

LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENTS: SUN., NOV. 8, 10:30 a.m.

SERVER .. Jake Samson

LECTOR Jenny Roerig

E.M..... * Mary Ellen Keintz

ROSARY LEADER... Carol Lee Michlitsch

8:30 A.M. – ST. JOSEPH, GRENVILLE

SERVER...Addison Gruby

LECTOR... Elaine Koslowski

E.M....* Roger Kulesa

USHER...Don & Dennis Lewandowski

ROSARY LEADER...Ron Grajczyk

Money counter for November – Joe Lesnar

Church cleaning for November – Band 1

Money counter for Nov. – Scott Sommers

Nov. 1 – T. Steiner **Nov. 8** – Jaspers

Nov. 15 – Michlitsch/Opitz **Nov. 22** – K. Steiner

Nov. 29 – T. Steiner

Sun. 8:30 a.m. Mass is on Facebook Live and recorded for 10:00 a.m. broadcast on KBWS 102.9 FM & www.BigStoneRadio.com. Please consider a donation to support the Radio Mass.

PETER'S PENCE: Eden: \$5.00

ALL SAINTS DAY – Have you ever thought about becoming a saint? Perhaps the first question should be; what does it mean to be a saint? What qualities do you think a saint would have? Can you think of anyone who has one or more of these qualities? Consider the lives of those who have been officially declared saints – do they possess *all* these qualities? Do you have any of these qualities even if they are not perfected yet? Consider the idea that you are called to be a saint – to perfect these qualities and in all things seek God's will.

See what love the Father has bestowed on us in letting us be called the children of God. ~ 1 John 3:1



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Funeral for Henry Okroi: Henry died on his 65th birthday anniversary last Thursday, Oct. 29th. Funeral is probably on Wed. in Grenville with details TBD.

Eden Baptism Congratulations and Welcome to Griffin Dale Samson:

Griffin was brought into the family of God through the Sacrament of Baptism on October 18th, 2020. God bless him and may he always be close and open to the many graces God has for him. Griffin is the son of Micah and Amy.

Grenville Matrimony Congratulations: Congratulations to Adam Okroi & Briana Rodriguez celebrating the Sacrament of Matrimony this past Sat., Oct. 24th, 2020 in St. Joseph Church, Grenville. May God bless you and your family through each other until death do you part.

Eden Finance Council Meeting: This will be Tue., Nov. 10th at 6:30 p.m.

Pope Francis' Comment on Civil Unions: Bishop DeGrood has produced a video available at www.sfcatholic.org basically stating that we are awaiting clarification, and it does not affect the Church teachings on faith and morality.

Beatification of Fr. Michael McGivney: This priest, the founder of the Knights of Columbus, was beatified in Hartford, CT and televised on EWTN yesterday, Sat., Oct. 31st. (Search on YouTube for videos.)

Faithful Citizenship Means VOTE!: Election Day is Tue., Nov. 3rd. Please be sure to vote!

Plaintiff (Saint) vs Defendant (Sinner)



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Fr. Simon used this cartoon in last Sunday's bulletin dated October 25th, 2020 that was apparently designed for All Saints Day which is this Sunday. Hopefully, it helped people reflect on the importance of the upcoming All Saints feast day. In our Rel. Ed. Faith Formation classes last Wednesday in both parishes we discussed what this visual aid seems to depict. Of course, there can be various interpretations. It shows the judge not liking the visual aid that the lawyer is using on behalf of his client. Why? Which client do you suppose the lawyer represents? Lawyers are not allowed in court proceedings to sway the jury's decision by getting them to make an irrational moral judgement on the plaintiff and defendant rather than on the evidence. The counsel has to be representing the plaintiff. He is using this visual aid to depict his client as a good person, a saint,

who could not have done anything wrong. It's the defendant who is the sinner, an evil person. The scene is probably the closing argument of the plaintiff's counsel saying the jury must conclude that the defendant is the guilty party.

Fr. Simon sees this as a depiction of the particular judgement we all have to go through immediately after we die. It depicts a person being judged to be either a good, saintly person to be saved from condemnation or as an evil person who should be condemned to death. Along with the person on trial, the Most Holy Trinity is depicted in the roles we attribute to each person of the Blessed Trinity. Also, a guardian angel is depicted at the side of the one who is being judged. Can you see it this way?

How are the three Persons in One God depicted? The judge is God the Father. He oversees the proceedings making sure it is done in a fair manner so that the judgement of the person is just. We say Jesus is the judge, but if we consider the Word of God came to earth to be one like us in all things except sin, then we could see that the jury represents Jesus. The jury determines the guilt or innocence of the person on trial. In our system the jurors have to be peers of the person on trial. Jesus is our peer because he is One like us. He is the One Who judges whether we can be determined to be a saint or if we have to be condemned because we are evil. God does provide for us the Advocate who gives us the gift of counsel. Thus, the lawyer is a representation of the Holy Spirit, who Jesus called the Advocate. He is our Counselor!

Fr. Simon gave out this cartoon for the Rel. Ed. students to take home with them as a reminder for them that they have a conscience. (A few extra sheets are available in our church entrances.) They also have a guardian angel who accompanies them in their conscience with guidance and protection. Did you notice what is hanging on the wall above the empty chair? It is probably the American Flag but it seems the artist made it to look like an angel with wings. This could depict the person's guardian angel who accompanies the person through life, death, and eternal life.

In our conscience we choose whether we want to be judged to be a saint by the grace of God or an evil person who has to be condemned. Choosing good actions in our lives leads us toward sainthood while choosing bad actions leads us to becoming an evil person that results in condemnation. Of course, we are all sinners, but if we repent by the grace of God in this life, we can be saved by Jesus our Savior, the Lord of our Life! Each one of us needs to make a personal decision to accept Jesus Christ as our Savior and be determined to always have Him as the Lord of our Life that leads us to Eternal Life!

Eden Rel. Ed. Faith Formation All Saints Report: Sacred Heart Faith Formation students had a Saints Party Wednesday evening to celebrate All Saints Day a few days early. Students came dressed as their favorite Saint, brought something to represent their Saint, or simply shared about a Saint. Treats were provided. We also played Saints Bingo (and won prizes!) and learned about becoming a saint.

Day of Recollection "Man or Woman, Slave or Free, We are All One in Christ: A Challenge to Stop Human Trafficking": The Abbey of the Hills with Sr. Teresa Ann Wolf will be offering this on Tue., Nov. 10th 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. including lunch for a free will offering. Each one of us is beloved of God, of inestimable value. How can anyone debase a brother or sister, enslaving and selling them again and again for pleasure and financial profit? How can you recognize the signs of human trafficking and how can you stop it? What can you do to help victims heal and recover their dignity? Go to www.abbeyofthehills.org or call (605) 398-9200 to register.