

October 31, 2010: 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time



Jesus said to [Zacchaeus], "Today salvation has come to this house because this man too is a descendant of Abraham. For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save what was lost." — Lk. 19:9-10
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LITURGY

MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS

Sunday, October 31 (Wis 11:22-12:2/2 Thes 1:11-2:2/Lk 19:1-10)

8:00 am- Emilie Bitala
10:30 am- Frank H. & Mary Migl
5:00 pm- For our Parish Family (Spanish Mass)
Monday, Nov. 1 (Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/ 1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a)

6:45 am- Edna Neumeyer (All Saints Day)
8:05 am- Alice Wilde
10:00 am- Jim & Bessie Kouba (H'ville Rehab)
12:05 pm- Anton Steffek

Tuesday, November 2 (Wis 3:1-9/Rom 5:5-11)

7:00 am- All Souls Novena (All Souls Day)
8:05 am- Lillie Demny
6:30 pm- K.C.'s & CDA Memorial Mass

Wednesday, November 3, St. Martin de Porres, religious (Phil 2:12-18/Lk 14:25-33)

7:00 am- Ben & Sue Spanihel
8:05 am- All Souls Novena
Thursday, November 4, St. Charles Borromeo, bishop (Phil 3:3-8a/Lk 15:1-10)

7:00 am- Mass of Thanksgiving – Daniel & Dorothy Rother's 53rd Anniversary
10:00 am- All Souls Novena (Stevens)

Friday, November 5 (Phil 3:17-4:1/Lk 16:1-8)

7:00 am- Lorene Fuller
8:05 am- All Souls Novena
Saturday, November 6 (Phil 4:10-19/Lk 16:9-15)

12:30 pm- SHCS Homecoming Memorial Mass
5:30 pm- All Souls Novena
Sunday, November 7 (2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14/2 Thes 2:16-3:5/Lk 20:27-38 or 20:27, 34-38)

8:00 am- All Souls Novena
10:30 am- For our Parish Family

All Saints Day Mass Schedule for area churches:

St. Mary's – Monday, November 1 at 6:30 p.m.
St. John's – Monday, November 1 at 6:30 p.m.

Bulletin Sponsor: In memory of Gus Werner, Jr.

Radio Broadcast Sponsor: In memory of Joe, Leona & Harvey Joe Laake by Mary Wallace & Diana Wenske.

Vigil Light: In memory of Helen Marie Etzler by Donnie & Jane Kalisek.

Our Gift to God: Envelopes-\$5,578; Loose-\$1,205; Children-\$41; Manna-\$753; Catholic Ed.-\$1,938.

Anniversaries:
Daniel & Dorothy Rother 53 years Nov. 5

Please pray for the repose of the souls of *Raymond Fojt* of our parish family; & *Jerome Bujnoch* of St. Mary's. *May they & all the faithful departed rest in the peace of Christ.*

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31

-St. Peter, Blessing, Annual Turkey Dinner 11 am.
-Covered dish supper in Family Center after Spanish Mass.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1

-Rosary & evening prayer, 5:30 p.m. in church.
-Dave Ramsey Course, 6:30 p.m., Family Center.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2

-Quilting Circle, 9:00 a.m., KC Hall of Fame Room.
-Adult Education/RCIA will not be held this evening.
-Women's ACTS meeting, Sweet Home, 7:00 p.m.
-Soup & Sandwiches at KC Hall after Memorial Mass.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3

-CCD: Grades K-12th, 6:00 – 7:15 p.m.
-Scripture Study, 6:30 p.m., Mary's House.
-English Class, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m., Family Center.
-SHCS Booster Club mtg., 7 pm, KC Hall of Fame Rm.
-Divine Mercy Study/Prayers, 7:30 pm, Church Cry Rm.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4

-First Friday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament begins at 6:00 p.m. in church. The intention this month is for *the poor souls in Purgatory.*

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5

-First Friday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament ends with Benediction at 6:00 p.m. in church.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6

-Serra Club Mass for vocations, St. Mary's, 8:30 a.m.

Among our sick: Pam Dornak, Edna Key, Ty Heinsohn, Frank Fishar, Helen M. Appelt, Faith Del Castillo, Michael Gerdes, Marge Rehm, Renae Ross, Hubert & Mary Grahmann, Odessa & Doug Blumberg, Danielle Grady, Carl Pederson, Mary Ann Koenig, John Pavliska, Rose Thumann, Dr. Michael Moore, nursing home residents & the homebound.

Visitation of Cemeteries – Sunday, October 31

St. Mary's – 8:30 a.m. **Sacred Heart** – 3:00 p.m.
St. Augustine, Worthing – 3:45 p.m.
St. Anthony, Witting/Breslau – 4:30 p.m.
St. Ludmila, Wied – 5:15 p.m.

If you have old flowers on the graves, please remove or replace them as we prepare for visitation next Sunday.

Perpetual Adoration: Adorers are needed on Thursdays at 12:00 noon & Fridays at 3:00 p.m. Please call Charlene Bradbury 798-3224 if you are able to spend an hour with our Lord in prayer and adoration.

If you are interested in receiving the on-line Right to Life Newsletter, please send your email address to Joan Janak at JJanak9341@gmail.com. Thank you.

Wied KJT #43 meeting, Nov. 8, 7:00 pm, St. Mary's Hall.

Flowers at the Altar of Sacrifice this past week were in memory of Raymond Fojt.

From the Desk of Father John

It's hard to believe it's already November. As this year comes to an end we are reminded that time in this life will come to an end for each one of us. It's not something most of us enjoy thinking about, but the Church reminds us through various liturgies at this time of the year that this life is not all there is. God has greater things prepared for us. And so we begin the month with the feast of All Saints, giving us an image of the glory God intends for us if we just travel along the way He has pointed out for us.

On All Souls Day, we pray for those who have died and may need our prayers on their journey. The poor souls in Purgatory need our prayers. Let us remember them in a special way during the month of November.



The Youth Connexion
Kris Hermes 798-0655



Nov. 14: Firefall 5:00 p.m. in church. Youth Social for 8th-12th 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. in the Youth House.

Music Practice: Monday's @ 6:00 p.m., Youth House.

Sacred Heart Catholic School ~~ Office: 798-4251

Oct. 25-Nov. 12: Band tamale sale. Delivery date Nov. 18. To order, call Tim Hines 798-5554, Becky McElroy 798-2831 or the school office.

Nov. 5: Homecoming Pep Rally, 7 p.m., school grounds.

Nov. 6: Homecoming Memorial Mass, 12:30 p.m. Football game time at 4:30 p.m. followed by Chicken Fried Steak dinner 6:30–8:00 p.m. at the KC Hall followed by private dance.

Religious Education (CCD) ~~ Office 798-3124
Angela McConnell, Coordinator

Nov. 3: Safe Environment class for parents in Room 220, 6:00 – 7:15 p.m.

White Ribbon Against Pornography (WRAP) Week, Oct. 25 – Nov. 1. The Catholic Daughters will display white ribbons around the parish property as a reminder that involvement with pornography leads to behavioral, psychological & social problems, and for the need to enforce obscenity and related laws.

Fund Drive for house at 318 S. Texana: Goal \$40,000
Total Donations Received To Date \$12,675

Catholic Schools Sweepstakes sponsored by Catholic Life Insurance. Grand Prize: 2011 Ford F150, 2011 Ford Fusion, or \$20,000 VISA prepaid credit card. Secondary prizes: (2) \$5,000, (2) \$2,500 & (5) \$1,000 prepaid VISA credit cards. Purchase raffle tickets (\$5.00 each) from SHCS students, Elementary Library, school office or the Rectory. Drawing Jan. 29, 2011 in San Antonio.

KC's Deer Hunters Stag Supper, Mon., Nov. 1, KC Hall. Doors open at 5 pm with social. Steak dinner begins 7 pm.

Financial Report – September, 2010

Church Income:

Sunday Collection	\$ 24,686.50
Other Donations	2,520.00
Rentals	250.00
Religious Articles	1,401.95
Interest	481.73
Retired & Needy Priests Collection	834.00
Picnic Transfer	<u>45,000.00</u>
Total Church Income	<u>\$ 75,174.18</u>

School Income:

Registration K-12th	\$ 500.00
Book Fees	675.00
Bus Fees	50.00
Friends for Catholic Education	5,930.00
Pre-K – 12th Tuition	56,102.50
Extended Care	2,720.00
Catholic Education Envelopes	3,398.00
Memorials	305.00
Golf Tournament	14,865.00
Library	25.00
Donations	5,279.58
Miscellaneous	<u>736.00</u>
Total School Income	<u>\$ 90,586.08</u>

Church Expense:

Salaries	\$ 7,004.90
Utilities	2,041.80
Church Expense	1,053.17
Rectory & Office Expense	1,372.68
Religious Articles	668.30
Medical Insurance & Pension	3,586.00
Family Center Expense	358.86
Building Insurance	1,719.97
Special Collection	<u>834.00</u>
Total Church Expense	<u>\$ 18,639.68</u>

School Expense:

Salaries	\$ 78,646.55
Contracted Services	514.97
Office & Teaching Supplies	3,222.94
Staff Development	340.00
Assessment Dues	5,972.50
Public Relations	378.83
Textbooks	13,177.64
Library Expense	120.06
Utilities	4,080.20
Plant Repairs	7,475.97
Custodial Supplies	1,298.62
Bus & Van Expense	1,401.27
Payroll Taxes	5,672.21
Medical Insurance & Retirement	17,912.80
Worker's Compensation	3,604.05
Property Insurance	5,413.44
Student Insurance	3,840.00
Convent Expense	500.75
Acquisition of Equipment	5,279.58
Technology	1,396.20
Extravaganza	3,968.00
Miscellaneous	<u>49.00</u>
Total School Expense	<u>\$164,265.58</u>

Parish Income	\$ 165,760.26
Parish Expense	- 182,905.26
Parish Deficit	\$ (17,145.00)

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November 2010

Sacred Heart, St. Mary, St. John and Ascension Churches

Fr. John C. Peters, Pastor

One Minute Meditations

Nurture faith

Spiritual growth doesn't stop with formal religious education. To know God better, start with the Bible and consider adding spiritual books or magazines. (*Hint:* ask a priest or religious for recommendations.) Read so that you may learn more about God's ways.

Don't assume

No matter how good a judge of character we may be, making assumptions about others' intentions or motives is risky. Assumptions become facts in our minds, yet it is impossible to accurately see inside another's heart or mind. Guessing or assuming may lead to misunderstanding. Instead, wait for the truth.

Develop a prayerful disposition

Many of us would like to pray more but can't find the time. A key is to develop a prayerful disposition. That means limiting activities to a few useful projects, abandoning useless interests, and looking for time to be with God. It's a trade-off, but one that brings the peace of a closer union with God.



Follow a sure path to Heaven

Our loving Father wants all of his children to follow a path that leads to Heaven. To help, the Catholic Church offers us examples of people who walked the paths of charity, holiness, and heroic virtue. We call them "saints."

Charity.

Although a queen, St. Margaret of Scotland (1093) was dedicated to caring for the poor. In public she never refused beggars, washing their feet and giving them alms. Before sitting down to eat herself, she first fed orphans and destitute adults. St. Peter Claver (1654), horrified by the treatment of West African slaves imported to Colombia, often rowed out to the disease-ridden slave ships to bring food, comfort, and

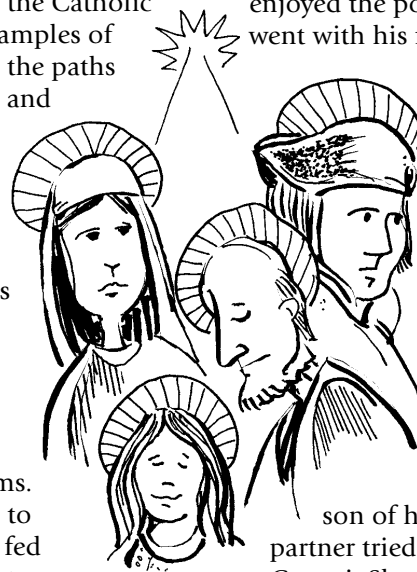
God's love.

Holiness. St. Thomas More (1535) enjoyed the power and prestige that went with his friendship to King

Henry VIII, but he loved God more. He earned a death sentence when he refused to sacrifice the Church to Henry's demands. His last words declared him to be, "the King's good servant, but God's first."

Heroic virtue.

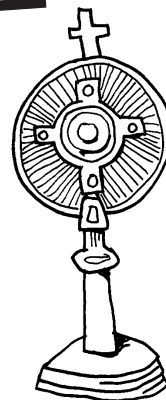
She was only 12 years old when the son of her father's business partner tried to seduce St. Maria Goretti. She refused to be the cause of his sin or to sin herself, and was murdered. Her example of purity had a converting effect on her murderer and he attended her canonization decades later.



Why Do Catholics Do That?

What is Eucharistic Benediction?

Eucharistic Benediction or Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament is a liturgical service during which the Blessed Sacrament is exposed in a receptacle, such as a monstrance, on the altar. It is a practice that fosters a deeper



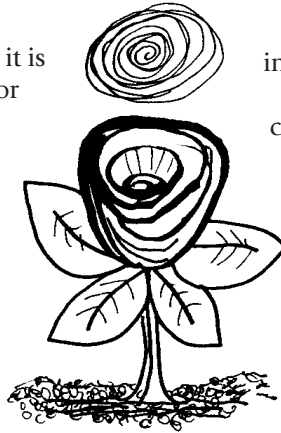
spiritual communion with our Lord.

Eucharistic Benediction reminds us of the mystery of the Eucharist – that Jesus is truly present, body and blood, soul and divinity, in the Blessed Sacrament. It offers us an opportunity to "keep watch with me" (Matthew 26:38).

Bury the dead and comfort the living

Catholics know that death leads to new life but it is very difficult to lose someone we love. When we or someone we love experiences such a loss, friends and family can be a great comfort. Such acts as burying the dead and comforting the living are Works of Mercy and part of our Catholic faith. Although knowing how to help can be puzzling, there are ways to make a difference.

Pray. Pray for the souls who have died that they may find their place in heaven. Perhaps arrange to have that prayer included in the



intentions during Mass in your parish.

Be there. Attend the funeral or wake service. Such customs are part of honoring the life of the dead and showing compassion to the living.

Show support. Bring a meal to the family. Mass cards, notes and phone calls can also offer comfort.

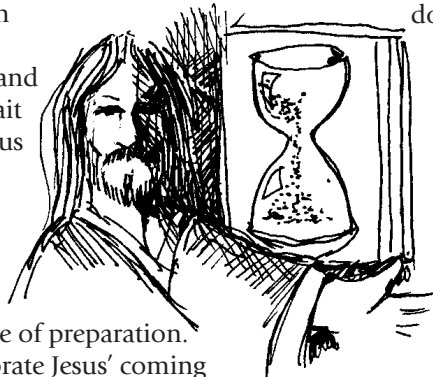
Contribute. Consider making a donation of time or money to organizations such as a local Hospice that provide grace and dignity to those dying.

from Scripture

Matthew 24:37-44, Is he here yet?

The Church calendar is a gift to help us mark the seasons of joy and sorrow, work and rest. We can withdraw from the pattern of the world and remember that we wait in joyful hope for Jesus to come.

Beginning at the end of this month, the season of Advent is a time of warning and a time of preparation. Next month we celebrate Jesus' coming at Christmas. But he will come twice more: at our own death, and at the end of time. This Gospel reading reminds us that we will never know ahead of time



just when he will come for us. Advent is the time to ask, "What do I need to do to be ready to greet the Lord?"

Start by examining your conscience and pick one or two sinful practices you want to eliminate. Then try to spend more time in prayer, attend Mass faithfully, and go to Confession.

Finally, spend a few extra minutes each day in prayer. Then when Christmas comes, you will know you are ready to greet the Lord with joy.

Q & A How does the Church decide who is a saint?

There are many people in Heaven who are saints, but whose names we may never know. They are uncanonized saints.

Canonization is the formal process by which the Church identifies and determines whether someone has become a saint.

In its simplest form, official Church procedures detail three steps to recognizing a saint. First, the bishop of the diocese where the person died begins an extensive investigation. The results are passed to the Congregation for the Causes of Saints. If the Congregation approves, the prefect presents the cause to the pope. With the pope's approval, the petitioner becomes "venerable" and is called "Servant of God."



Next, "beatification," may come after further investigation and a miracle has proven to be attributed to the Servant of God's intercession after his or her death. Then the person can be called "Blessed."

Finally, canonization may follow additional investigation and a second miracle also proven to have occurred after the beatification and as a result of the candidate's intercession. After canonization, the "Blessed" is called "Saint."

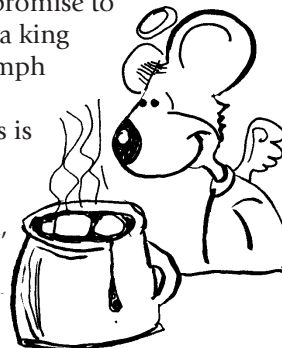
Feasts & Celebrations

The first day of Advent falls on Nov. 28 this year and begins a new year in the Church calendar (Cycle A). The Advent wreath is lit in households all over the world as we anticipate the birth of our Lord.

Nov. 1 - All Saints Day. In the early Church, each saint and martyr was assigned a feast day. However, the persecution of the Christians became so great that there weren't enough days in the calendar for individual commemorations. Eventually Pope Gregory IV designated Nov. 1 as All Saints Day.

Nov. 2 - All Souls Day. This is a day when we pray for the dead, especially our loved ones and souls in Purgatory. Our prayers and sacrifices can help them get to Heaven faster.

Nov. 21 - Our Lord Jesus Christ the King. A solemnity that commemorates Our Father's promise to his people of a king who will triumph over their enemies. Jesus is our King. In Baptism and Confirmation, we are brought under his kingship.



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