

November 17, 2013: Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



"I 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." — Lk 21:13-15

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass 02001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

LITURGY

MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS

Sunday, November 17 (Mal 3:19-20a/2Thes 3:7-12/Lk 21:5-19)

8:00 am- Deceased members of John & Lucy Henke Family

10:30 am- For our Parish Family

Monday, November 18, Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter & Paul, Apostles; St. Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin (1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63/Lk 18:35-43)

7:00 am- Richard & Irene Janak

10:00 am- Anne Mae Technik (H'ville Rehab)

Tuesday, November 19 (2 Mc 6:18-31/Lk 19:1-10)

7:00 am- Annie & John Novak

Wednesday, Nov. 20 (2 Mc 7:1, 20-31/Lk 19:11-28)

7:00 am- Living & deceased members of Adolf & Minnie Berger Family

8:05 am- George Bucek Family

Thursday, November 21, Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (1 Mc 2:15-29/Lk 19:41-44)

7:00 am- John & Laura Grahmann

10:00 am- Rudy & Mary Opela (Stevens)

Friday, November 22, St. Cecilia, Virgin & Martyr (1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59/Lk 19:45-48)

7:00 am- Alois & V.C. Labay

8:05 am- Charles Ransome

Saturday, Nov. 23, St. Clement I, Pope & Martyr; St. Columban, Abbot; Bl. Miguel Agustin Pro, Priest & Martyr (1 Mc 6:1-13/Lk 20:27-40)

5:30 pm- Henry Jalufka

Sunday, November 24, Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (2 Sm 5:1-3/Col 1:12-20/Lk 23:35-43)

8:00 am- George Bujnoch

10:30 am- Grace Ann Liska

5:00 pm- For our Parish Family (Spanish Mass)

Church Bulletin: Don & Barbara Rainosek in memory of Alvin J. Grahmann & Margaret Etzler.

Radio Broadcast: Catholic Life Insurance Branch #22

Vigil Light: Special intention for recovery from cancer.

Flowers at the Altar of Sacrifice: In honor of Bob & Maggie Pustka's 40th Anniversary by their children.

Please pray for the poor souls in Purgatory!



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17

-Blood Drive, 8:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m., Family Center.
-Baptism Preparation Class, 9:00 a.m., Cafeteria. Please call the Rectory in advance to register for the class.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18

-Rosary & Evening Praise, 5:30 p.m., Church.
-Choir Practice, 6:15-8:30 p.m., Church.
-Catholic Daughters Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Family Center.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19

-Quilting Circle, 9:00 a.m., K.C. Hall of Fame Room.
-Serra Club Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Jalisco's Café.
-Knights of Columbus Officer's Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20

-CCD: K-12th Grade, 6:00-7:30 p.m.
-Divine Mercy Study/Prayers, 7:30 pm, Church Cry Rm.
-SHCS Booster Club Meeting, 7:30 p.m., K.C. Hall.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21

-RCIA, 7:00-8:30 p.m., Family Center.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24

-Christ the King Procession, 2:00 p.m., church.
-Covered Dish Supper, Family Center after Spanish Mass.

Among our sick: Donna Avant, Lorene Christ, Matt Pohler, Wilbert Kalinec, Mary Bonorden, Josephine Muniz, Vivian Janak, Bobbie Lee Drozd, Donna Steffek, Glenn Rabel, Lisa Grissom, Rachel Davis, Richard Grahmann, Colin Grahmann, Emil Hermes, Georgia Schaefer, Pat Hanslik, Leroy Loth, Debby Kolos, Barbara Kubena, Kathy Davis, Yvonne Muska, Russell Janak, Timothy Brosch, Marilyn Palmquist, Johnny Krenek, Doug Blumberg, Terry Mitchon Bludau, Elrose Ehler, Melissa Pilat, nursing home residents, & the homebound.

Our Gift to God: Nov. 3- Envelopes-\$7,159.50; All Saints-\$1,064; Building Repair Fund-\$1,884; Loose-\$2,093; Children-\$45. Nov. 10- Envelopes-\$7,685.50; Catholic Ed.-\$1,793; Loose-\$1,030; Children-\$45.

Anniversaries:

Robert & Maggie Pustka	40 years	Nov. 17
Leon & Rose Thumann	51 years	Nov. 18
Alton & Bernice Michalcik	52 years	Nov. 19
James & Tonie Brooks	60 years	Nov. 21

Please pray for the souls of *Marjorie Migl Fields*, half-sister of Frank, Joe & Paul Migl, Mary Bonorden, Leona & Virginia Steffek, & Anita Migl; *Sedra Gutierrez*, mother of Virgil Gutierrez; and, *Victor Steffek* of our parish family. *May they rest in the peace of Christ.*

Perpetual Adoration will continue through the Thanksgiving Holiday. If you will be unable to fulfill your regular hour, please find a replacement, or contact your hourly captain or Charlene Bradbury at 798-3224.

Part-time cafeteria worker needed at SHCS. Call Christina Brooks 798-2122 between 8:00-10:00 a.m.

From the Desk of Msgr. John

Today we support our family and friends who have served this nation with distinction. The Collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services will provide the Gospel, the sacraments and other forms of spiritual support to the men and women of the United States Armed Forces wherever they serve, no matter the circumstances. Please prayerfully consider a generous contribution to the first-ever national Collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services.

Next Sunday, November 24, we will have our annual Christ the King procession. We will begin at 2:00 p.m. in church and process around the courthouse square and return to the church for the final prayers. Let us gather as God's family to witness our faith and proclaim Jesus as our King.

CCD News ~~

Nov. 17: 6th Grade youth involvement, 8:00 a.m. Mass.
Nov. 20: Regular class for Elementary. Net Retreat for Jr. High & High School, 5:30-9:30 p.m., Family Center.
Nov. 27: No CCD. Happy Thanksgiving Holiday!
November: Texas Right to Life essay contest.

Sacred Heart Catholic School News ~~

Nov. 18: High School Net Retreat, 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
Nov. 21: 7th & 8th Gr. Net Retreat, 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
Tamale Pickup, 3:00-6:00 p.m., Cafeteria.

English Second Language Classes will not be held on Thursday, November 28 (Thanksgiving Day).

KJZT Society #2 Christmas Party, Sunday, Dec. 8, 12:00 noon, Family Center. Members **MUST** RSVP **before Dec. 1**. Call 798-5033, 798-3886, or 798-9967.

Attention Ministers: For December Ministry scheduling purposes, please call the Rectory **before Thursday, November 21** to let us know which Christmas Mass you will be attending; otherwise, ministers will be scheduled according to the person next in line. This is for all ministries. Thank you for your consideration and co-operation.

The Sharing Tree with name tags of Catholic residents in our nursing homes is in the foyer of the church. Please bring a wrapped gift with the resident's name attached to the Sharing Tree **no later than Saturday, November 30**. The gifts will be delivered to the nursing homes so that each Catholic resident will have a gift to open at their Christmas party. The Sharing Tree is sponsored by the Christian Mothers Society.

Calendar Membership Drawing: Nov. 11: Leo Hoffer, Hallettsville-\$50; **Nov. 12:** Lyndsey Allen, Hallettsville-\$50; **Nov. 13:** Joseph J. & Joyce Morris, Victoria-\$50.

Don't forget to turn in your Calendar Membership! Drawing began on Nov. 11, *but there are still 6 more weeks to go!!!*



Apple Strudels: A limited supply of frozen unbaked strudels are still available for \$14. They make a quick and tasty dessert for the holidays! Call Barbara Grahmann 798-4167.

Perpetual Adoration: An adorer is needed at 4:00 a.m. on Fridays. If you are able to spend this hour with Our Lord in prayer and adoration, please call Charlene Bradbury at 798-3224.

Community Thanksgiving Prayer Service will be held on Tuesday, November 26 at 7:00 p.m. at First Baptist Church, 501 E. 2nd St.

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

We are nearing the end of the Atlantic hurricane season. There are many people in this country who pay little heed to this designation, which typically runs from June 1 to November 30 each year. On the other hand, there are large segments of the populace for whom hurricane season is a time to follow the weather broadcasts more closely. For those who live in the affected areas of the country, being prepared for a hurricane's arrival is part of life. Long-range preparation includes things like having an evacuation plan, knowing where important documents are, and having some emergency cash. When a storm is close at hand, vigilance heightens as people board up windows, stockpile supplies, and stay tuned to weather forecasts. Local and state governments execute their disaster preparedness plans to ensure the safety of citizens.

In the Gospel this weekend, Jesus encounters some people who were enamored of all the beauty of the Temple. For them, this was a sign of a certain permanence and blessing rendered by God. In Luke's Gospel, written after the Jerusalem Temple had been destroyed, the Gospel writer has Jesus describing the city's doom and the Temple's destruction. Just like the citizens of hurricane areas who pay close attention to weather reports when there is an approaching storm, the people in the Gospel ask Jesus for the sign that what He describes will happen.

Like folks who live in a hurricane zone, we need to be prepared. Our long-range preparation includes having an evacuation plan. The evacuation plan isn't about gathering up belongings and pulling out before the storm hits. The evacuation plan for a Christian is being prepared to leave this life when the time comes. That means that during our life on earth we have stayed close to God by being faithful to Him and trying to live the kind of life Christ has taught us by loving our neighbor. Are you ready to go?