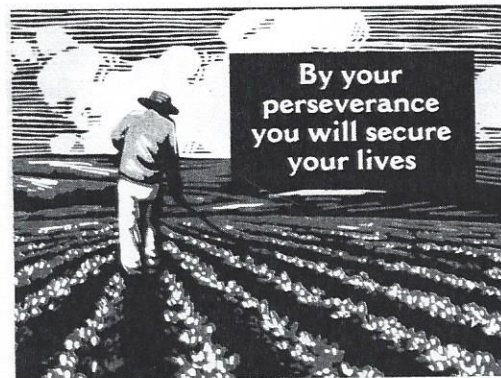


Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 17, 2019

Sing praise to the LORD with the
harp,
with the harp and melodious
song.
— *Psalm 98:5*



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63;
Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158;
Lk 18:35-43 or (for the memorial of the
Dedication) Acts 28:11-16, 30-31;
Ps 98:1-6; Mt 14:22-33
Tuesday: 2 Mc 6:18-31; Ps 3:2-7; Lk 19:1-10
Wednesday: 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b, 15;
Lk 19:11-28
Thursday: 1 Mc 2:15-29; Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15;
Lk 19:41-44
Friday: 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; 1 Chr 29:10bcd,
11-12; Lk 19:45-48
Saturday: 1 Mc 6:1-13; Ps 9:2-4, 6, 16, 19; Lk 20:27-40
Sunday: 2 Sm 5:1-3; Ps 122:1-5; Col 1:12-20;
Lk 23:35-43

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**Ministry Leaders will meet on Tuesday Nov. 19th at
5pm in the parish hall.**

**Pancake breakfast will be on Sunday Nov. 24th from
8:30am– 11:30am**

**Lector training following each Mass Nov. 23rd &
24th**



St. Joseph Prayer Group will meet on

The Parish Club will again sponsor a toy/clothing/cash collection for the kids serviced by the **HELP AGENCY OF THE FOREST**. Gifts for children of any age are appreciated but, the most underserved are kids between the ages of 14 & 16. There is a box at the back of church. We need to deliver everything the week of December 9th. Thank you for your continued participation in this worthy cause.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary
Time

Monday: The Dedication of the Basilicas
of Ss. Peter and Paul; St. Rose Philippine
Duchesne

Thursday: The Presentation of the
Blessed Virgin Mary

Friday: St. Cecilia

Saturday: St. Clement I; St. Columban;
Blessed Miguel Agustín Pro;
Blessed Virgin Mary

**THANKSGIVING DAY MASS
WILL BE CELEBRATED ON
THURSDAY NOVEMBER 28TH
9:30 AM WITH RECITATION OF
THE ROSARY BEGINNING AT
9AM**

33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

As we come to the end of the liturgical year, the Gospel reading of today from Luke (21:5-9), apocalyptic in nature, deals with the end times. The passage begins with Jesus' prediction about the destruction of the temple of Jerusalem. In response to Jesus' prediction of the destruction, the disciples want to know when this will happen. They request a sign that the destruction is imminent, perhaps so they can prepare themselves in advance.

Jesus' response gives them more than they ask for! He lists not just one sign of the end times, but many. From wars to insurrections to nations and kingdoms turning against each other to cosmic disasters that will come from the sky. Jesus also predicts about the persecution of his disciples' imprisonment and trials before kings. Having warned that the rulers will require their testimony, Jesus assures his disciples that when the time comes, He will give them wisdom to speak appropriate words. The power of His divine wisdom will render the persecutors powerless.

Through the promises of persecution and of divine guidance, Jesus ensures that his disciples are ready for the coming trials and confident they will receive divine support when those trials come. But Jesus promises neither happiness nor immunity from pain for his followers, only that God will triumph, and that patient strength will bring salvation. The words of Jesus, *By your perseverance, you will secure your lives*, speaks to all of us who wait and endure until our heavenly reward.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

We are faced with strong and disturbing readings today that hold a certain fascination, since they seem at first glance to be blueprints for future inevitable wars and hardship. A fundamentalist interpretation focuses on this aspect. Yet we hear them at our Sunday celebration of the Eucharist, which infuses them with hope and optimism. Rather than dreading the future, today's liturgy assures us that God is with us in all of life's inevitable trials, and that we have a role in shaping the outcome of human history. Occasionally, some Christians have attempted to decode these readings for an exact measure of the world's end, but they have thus far been disappointed.

"Nothing lasts forever" is a lyric from a Broadway show. Stars fall from the sky, leaves wither and fall, mountains wash into the sea, human projects and governments totter and collapse with great regularity. Today's liturgy opposes this idea as incomplete, reminding us that Christ has made a permanent change in human history, and that life in him is life forever. Rather than inviting us to throw in the towel, today's liturgy strengthens us for acts of goodness and grace in our families, communities, and world.

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Food Bank



We are in need of non-perishable food item so that we are able to provide food baskets to families in need during the Thanksgiving/Christmas season. Whatever you can donate will be much appreciated.



Mass
Intentions

Saturday Nov. 16th 4pm: Repose of the soul of Brian Passe

Sunday Nov. 17th 9am: In memory of the anniversary of Francis & Helen Faye Long

Tuesday Nov 19th 9:30am Repose of the soul of Anthony Papp

Wednesday Nov. 20th 9:30am In thanksgiving for the gift of life

Saturday Nov. 23rd 4pm: Repose of the soul of Charles & Barbara Robinson

Sunday Nov. 24th 9am: Repose of the soul of Will Fralix

Weekly Offering



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Thank you for your continued support of St. Joseph Parish.

Prayer Requests

Averi Antich
Blaine
Marvin Bordetsky
Dawn Brenan
Janice Cahill
Danny Canzolino
Mary Canzolino
Catherine Coleman
Diane DaSilva
Eric Day
Thelma Einboden
Ruth Faulkner
Lorraine Fitzkee
Pamela Fitzkee
Kevin Fitzpatrick
Dawn Fraher
Gene Loosemore
Mary Sutton
Samantha Houldson
Pamela Mickiewicz
Mary Porter
Patsy Beam
Ruvia Doyle
Petra Herb
Peggy Dowd

Gail Garrett
Martha Gartland
Lisa Gibson
Ben Hall
Maggie Hall
Lawrence Harris
Edward Hickey
Florence Humble
Raymond Jaskiewicz
Chris Keller
Jeff Keller
Rodney Keller
Jennifer Kesse
Caleb Knaggs
Helen Kocijan
Joan Langlie
Laquittia Linquist
Adam Linquist
Morris Lunn
Jim Mansfield
Bob Benjamin
Haley Falconbury
Roger Soucey
Christopher Cochran
Diane Lemon

Rick Muhlig
Joan Nehiley
Carolina Pape
Nancy Payne
Madeline Pynn
Marie Sample
Concetta Santangelo
Woody Salisbury
Dennis Soucey
Kitty Thompson
The Homebound
Greg Trace
Michael Vilt
Adele Ward
Margaret Wimberly
Charles Young
Adele Fournier
Carolyn Ashe
Jackie Nezille
Chris Jones
Shaunee March
Charles Dougherty
Francis Carrizzo
Chris Ulrich