

# You are my inheritance, O Lord!

November 18, 2018

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



**Saturday, November 17**

5:30 pm For Thomas Tell by Lennon Family

**Sunday, November 18**

9:00 am For Bernard Cho by Marianne Nyman

11:00 am For Letha Bell by Kathy Woeste

**Monday, November 19**

8:45 am For Fr. Edward Collins

**Tuesday, November 20**

8:45 am For Thomas Tell by St. Mark's Parishioners

**Wednesday, November 21**

8:45 am For Fr. Robert Gordon

**Thursday, November 22 Thanksgiving Day**

9:00 am In thanksgiving for all God's blessings

**Saturday, November 24**

5:30 pm For Bill Kuhl by Burke Family

**Sunday, November 25**

9:00 am For Parishioners of St. Mark's

11:00 am For Beth Sackner by McLoughlin Family

**REMEMBRANCE MEMORIALS  
FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER**

**Altar Breads & Wine:** In loving memory of Aeneas and Genevieve Corry by Corry/Benardone family

**Sanctuary Lamp:** In loving memory of Vito and Marie Benardone by Corry/Benardone family

**Mass Candles:**

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE  
November 24, 25, 2018**

**Saturday, 5:30 pm**

Celebrant: Fr. Marcin Michalowski

Lector: Joanne Lee

Eucharistic Ministers: Nancy & Mike Lennon

Altar Servers: Help Needed

**Sunday, 9:00 am**

Celebrant: Fr. Javier Bareno

Lector: Kevin O'Shea

Eucharistic Ministers: Rick Gebbia, Mark Vetteral

Altar Servers: Teagan Daniels

**11:00 am**

Celebrant: Fr. Javier Bareno

Lector: Tom & Sarah Hanifin

Eucharistic Ministers: Trish Mitchell, Eric & Sharon Woelfel

Altar Server: Jordan and Brendan Roehrig

**THIS WEEK AT ST. MARK'S**

**Monday, November 19**

8:45 am Mass

4:30 pm CEC K-5

7:30 pm Boy Scouts

**Tuesday, November 20**

8:45 am Mass

6:15 pm JYM

8:00 pm K of C Meeting

**Wednesday, November 21**

8:45 am Mass

**Thursday, November 22**

9:00 am Mass Thanksgiving Day

Parish Office Closed

**Friday, November 23**

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**Saturday, November 24**

8:00 am Men's Bible Study

K of C Auction Ticket Sale

**Sunday, November 25**

9:00 & 11:00 am Mass K of C Auction Ticket Sale

**WEEKLY COLLECTION**

Current Year	Last Year 2017
November 11, 2018: \$1,699	November 12, 2017: \$2,464
Supermarket Gift Cards: November 11, 2018 Sales: \$3,025 Profit: \$151.25 2018 YTD Profit: \$5,620 2017 YTD Profit: \$7,100 # of families: 17	St. Mark's Faith Direct Church Code is NJ484

**FAITH DIRECT...**

Giving Tuesday provides us an opportunity to thank God for all of the blessings that he has bestowed upon us during the year and to look within ourselves to see how we can best use our talent and treasure to help others. This year, St. Mark the Evangelist is building upon that feeling of generosity and compassion by asking our parishioners to prayerfully consider enrolling in eGiving for your recurring weekly offering. We are excited about Giving Tuesday and all of the miraculous work our parish can do in our community, with your support. Enrolling in eGiving is a safe and secure way to give to our parish and getting started is easy—just visit [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) and use our church code: NJ484. Your gifts and your participation are a blessing to us and I ask you prayerfully to consider making a donation on Giving Tuesday, November 27, 2018.

God Bless You,  
Fr. Marcin

## MY DEAR PARISHIONERS,

As we gather on this “first day of the week” to celebrate the Lord Jesus’ Holy Resurrection we come to the 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time. Next Sunday we celebrate the last Sunday in the Ordinary Time – Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe and then we will begin Advent Season our preparation for Christmas.

We live between the first and second coming of Jesus. Whether we are dead or alive when Jesus comes again, we believe that he will judge us. In the Creed which we pray every Sunday we proclaim: “He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.”

Jesus’ first coming was a rescue mission - to free the human race from slavery to sin and Satan - the father of lies. His second coming will be the final completion of his mission when he will “make all things new” - a new heavens and a new earth - after he has put down the last enemy which is death and restores our lowly bodies to immortality when death will be no more (Daniel 12:2-3).

What lesson does the Lord Jesus want us to learn from the parable of the budding fig tree? The fig tree was a common and important source of food for the Jews. It bore fruit twice a year, in the autumn and in the early spring. This parable foretells the joy of God’s kingdom - the joy of new life and the promise of a new age of peace and blessing.

We do not know the day or hour when the Lord will return again in glory. But now in this present age we can experience the first-fruits of the kingdom of God - the abundant new life in the Holy Spirit who dwells within us, and the fruits of the Spirit - love, peace, joy, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control (Galatians 5:22-23) and so many other qualities which the Spirit works within us - thus enabling us to love and serve others with tenderhearted mercy, patience, and goodness. Do we know and experience in our life the first-fruits of the kingdom of God?

*“Lord Jesus, fill me with your Holy Spirit that I may radiate the joy of your kingdom and the fire of your love to all I meet and serve. Direct my life to the glory of your name and to the coming of your kingdom.”*

## NOVEMBER – MONTH OF ALL SOULS

As we pray for our loved ones during November it is good to remember that the Mass is the greatest prayer for the dead. For deceased masses are offered to assist them in their journey to heaven.

### GET A MASS INTENTION FOR YOUR LOVED ONES DURING THIS MONTH OF ALL SOULS.

Some people think that the story of human life is, “Birth, life, and death.” For a Christian, it is different. The story is not “Birth, life, and death,” but rather, “Life, death, and Resurrection!” Death does not have the last word; life does!

Death was not part of God’s original plan; it came into the world because of sin. Death is not from God; death is from turning away from God. Death is not the end of the human story; it is the middle. The end of the story is Resurrection and life that has no end! God has broken the silence about death, and told us that He has conquered it!

**Eternal rest grant to them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.**

## THANKSGIVING – November 22nd

On Thanksgiving Day, we are encouraged to pause and give thanks to God. When we give thanks, we bring to mind God’s gifts to us. On this Thanksgiving Day, we thank our Heavenly Father, and we pray fervently, “God bless America!” It is a beautiful holiday. Jesus shows us the importance giving thanks. By expressing gratitude, we overcome sadness, we cement relationships with each other and with God.

By coming to Mass on Thanksgiving Day, we are thanking God in the best possible way.

**THANKSGIVING MASSES – November 22nd: St. Mark’s at 9:00 a.m. and OLM 9:30 a.m.**

## ADVENT REFLECTION WITH FR. MARCIN

Wednesday night – OLM Parish Center – 7:30pm  
November 28<sup>th</sup>, December 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> (last session on Tuesday because Wednesday Dec. 19<sup>th</sup> is our ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE). I would like to focus on the Gospel reading from the coming Sunday and the nature of the Season of Advent. Save the date and join me and others for this Advent reflection.

God bless you. HAPPY THANKSGIVING DAY! Fr. Marcin

## 2018 BISHOP’S ANNUAL APPEAL

### Here I Am, Lord!

The ability to reach out to people in need through our Bishop’s Annual Appeal is completely dependent on the number of faithful parishioners who participate by making a gift. That is why every gift counts! Your support helps bring hope to thousands of people who come to our Catholic Charities agencies each year. It also supports seminarian education, our diocesan priests’ residence, extraordinary healthcare needs of our priests and our urban elementary schools. In addition, parishes receive half of all funds received over their parish goals-with a total of over \$700,000 being returned to parishes last year alone! Please help your neighbors in need and our parish by making a gift today! For your convenience, you can make an online gift or pledge at [www.2018appeal.org](http://www.2018appeal.org).

## FROM FR. SLAWOMIR...

### St. Josaphat – November 18

Bishop and martyr (1580-1623)

St. Josaphat Kuncewycz was born in Ukraine to Orthodox parents. After learning about the Union of Brest (1596), which brought about union between the Ruthenian Orthodox and Catholic Churches, he became an enthusiastic champion of Church unity and converted to the Byzantine rite.

In 1604 Josaphat entered the Basilian Holy Trinity monastery in Vilnius. Eventually he was ordained and became the bishop of Polatsk in Belarus. In this position he continued to preach and speak out for Church union, though his mission provoked increasingly angry opposition from Orthodox opponents.

In 1623 he preached a series of sermons on Church unity in Vitebsk Cathedral. There, on November 12, an angry mob attacked and killed him on the cathedral steps and afterward threw his body in the River Dvina.

Josaphat was canonized in 1867, the first Eastern-rite saint recognized by the Church. He might also be recognized as an avant-grade witness to the spirit of ecumenism.

“If you have anything against me, here I am!”

- Last words of St. Josapha

**TEACHING FROM THE CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH - THE SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH**

**The Sacrament of the Eucharist**

**The Liturgical Celebration of the Eucharist**

My dear brothers and sisters from the very beginning Christians have brought, along with the bread and wine for the Eucharist, gifts to share with those in need. This custom of the collection, ever appropriate, is inspired by the example of Christ who became poor to make us rich:

*Those who are well off, and who are also willing, give as each chooses. What is gathered is given to him who presides to assist orphans and widows, those whom illness or any other cause has deprived of resources, prisoners, immigrants and, in a word, all who are in need.*

The anaphora: with the Eucharistic Prayer - the prayer of thanksgiving and consecration - we come to the heart and summit of the celebration:

In the preface, the Church gives thanks to the Father, through Christ, in the Holy Spirit, for all his works: creation, redemption, and sanctification. The whole community thus joins in the unending praise that the Church in heaven, the angels and all the saints, sing to the thrice-holy God.

In the epiclesis, the Church asks the Father to send his Holy Spirit (*or the power of his blessing*) on the bread and wine, so that by his power they may become the body and blood of Jesus Christ and so that those who take part in the Eucharist may be one body and one spirit (*some liturgical traditions put the epiclesis after the anamnesis*).

In the institution narrative, the power of the words and the action of Christ, and the power of the Holy Spirit, make sacramentally present under the species of bread and wine Christ's body and blood, his sacrifice offered on the cross once for all.

God bless you

**WALK FOR LIFE...**

The Long Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring a bus trip to Washington DC for "Walk for Life" on Friday, January 18<sup>th</sup>. Bus will be leaving from the Chester, Shoprite. Time and cost to be determined. If you are interested please contact Mike Lennon at [mike.lennon@comcast.net](mailto:mike.lennon@comcast.net).

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS AUCTION & DINNER...**

Long Valley K of C presents our 27<sup>th</sup> annual sharing The Season Community Benefit Auction & Dinner on Saturday, December 1<sup>st</sup> at St. Luke's Church 265 W. Mill Rd. Long Valley. Silent Auction begins at 6 pm, Live Auction at 8 pm. \$25 Admission/\$35 at the door. Includes a Sumptuous Dinner Buffet provided by Valley Caterers Beer, Wine, Beverages, coffee and desserts. For info visit [www.auctionzip.com](http://www.auctionzip.com) or call 973-975-8684. Tickets available this weekend after all masses.

**PARISH FUNDRAISING EVENTS...**

• **AMAZON SMILES-YOU SHOP AMAZON DONATES...**

Buy your gifts and essentials at smile.amazon.com during the Christmas season and all year round! You shop. Amazon donates. Here's how: Visit smile.amazon.com to complete your Christmas and year round shopping. Type in "St. Mark the Evangelist Church Long Valley, NJ" under "Select a Charity". 0.5% of your purchase goes to St. Mark's at no cost to you!

- **NEW YEARS DAY 5K RUN...**As much as January 1 seems to be a long way off, it will soon be 2019. As a great way to welcome in the New Year, St. Mark's Church is once again hosting our New Year's Day 5K. Last year this event raised over \$4,000 for St. Marks. This year we hope to double that amount and have made some upgrades to this wonderful 5K on January 1 – USATF certification and a professional timing system. So as you begin to make your holiday plans, please consider participating in St. Mark's New Year's Day 5K. Thank you

**PRAY FOR THE SICK**

*All- powerful and ever-living God the lasting health of all who believe in you, hear us as we ask your loving help for the sick; restore their health, that they may again offer joyful thanks in your church.*

Randi Alloway, Richard Alvarez, Tony Atkins, Matthew Augustine, Kenneth Bernisky, Paul Buckley, John Callaghan, Emily Condit, Naalia Danilczuk, Jerry Devine, Krish Dharia, Catherine DiPasquale, Neil Donohue, Elizabeth, Connie Elliott, Larry Fine, Tracey F, Elaina Grace Gaffin, Ann Geary, Jerry Green, Barbara Gotterdam, David Guemond, Helen Greenly, Harper Lynn Granito, Regina Hague, William Heimsly, Bob Hodiern, Maria Dougherty Jante, Donna Jennings, Laurel Jilek, Joey, Jim Karpinski, Dana Karpinski, John, Kevin Kay, Russell H. Keller, Mary Koenig, Jean Koenig, Rocky Labato, Mara Lak, Christina Lanaris, Maryann Litori, Anthony Marino, Norman Milz, Marie Molloy, Madelyn Maruggi, Jonathon McClelland, Harold & Mary McKay, Edward Michonski Sr., Kathy Minichini, Faith Morelli, Robert Neilson, Sr., Maryanne & Jack Newell, Girard Nolte, Jr., Marilyn O'Connor, Josh Olsen, Jim Owens, Arlene Parikh, Nicky Pilosi, Laurie Pitcock, Clifford Reynolds, Jim Robinson, Ryan, Jillian Elizabeth Sayer, Donald Schmitt, Jeff Schpiner, Ann Senftinger, Bill Siegrist, Rhonda Soto, Special Intention, Judy Stone, Cindy Sullivan, William Thompson, Mary Travisano, Debbie Trepkau,, Patricia Villano, Anne Walsh

Community News 

**12<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL WEST MORRIS CENTRAL MEMORIAL 5k RUN/WALK AKA TURKEY TROT...**

The WMC Turkey Trot is a community event held Thanksgiving Day, November 22, at the WMC high school athletic field and campus. The race and walk begin at 9am, rain or shine. Participants should register prior to the race at [www.wmcturkeytrot.com](http://www.wmcturkeytrot.com) or the facebook page: facebook.com/WMC memorial. Walk-on registrants are welcome. Questions? Call Ed Murray 908-768-9992