

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 11, 2018

PASTORS CORNER

Dear friends,

As Thanksgiving rapidly approaches, I just wanted to share some assorted thoughts and ideas related to gratitude and its importance in our lives. The basic stance of a disciple, as well as a Christian community, is that of gratitude. That is why I am very happy to say that last weekend, as a grateful community, we had a chance, at the 5 PM mass on Saturday, to thank and bless our former parish secretary, Tami Harris. We prayed over her and affirmed her in a special way at that Mass. After Mass, I hosted a thank you dinner for her in the parish house. It was great to be able to thank someone who has been a trooper for so many years and has given so much love and service to the parish community!! Once again, thank you, Tami, for all your service and generosity!!

In speaking to and getting to know many of you in this last month, I can tangibly sense the great gratitude that many of you have to be part of this parish (with all its blessings) and to have experienced the service of several priests from the beginning with Fr. Forti and all the way through to Fr. Matt. There is a wonderful family spirit and intimacy that everyone has contributed to. This is a very rare experience in this day and age in a Catholic parish. There truly is so much to be grateful for in all of our individual lives, as well as, in the life of the community.

It is so vitally important for us to live as God's grateful disciples and, in a world where it is so easy to get lost in what is not right, to stay focused on the blessings of our lives and to live our lives from the place of great gratitude to Almighty God! God is good and generous!!

In my work as a spiritual director at the seminary accompanying men who are preparing to serve the Church as priests of Jesus Christ, we often speak of prayer. In this conversation, following the advice of the Saints, I always encourage the seminarians to begin their prayer expressing gratitude to God. It helps to take the focus off of oneself and to place the focus upon what God has done and is doing. Gratitude changes the way we view the world and changes the way that we live our lives. It makes us much better stewards of all that we are and all that we have.

As we look forward to Thanksgiving, I want to encourage all of us to strive to pray regularly and to begin prayer by giving thanks to God for the blessings of our lives.

“ Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus!!”
1 Thes 5:16-18

Fr. Bill

DAILY MASS READINGS

- Monday:** *Saint Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr (Memorial)*
Titus 1:1-9; Luke 17:1-6
- Tuesday:** *Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin (Memorial)*
Titus 2:1-8, 11-14; Luke 17:7-10
- Wednesday:** Titus 3:1-7; Luke 17:11-19
- Thursday:** Philemon 7-20; Luke 17:20-25
- Friday:** 2 John 4-9; Luke 17:26-37
- Saturday:** *Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious (Memorial)*
3 John 5-8; Luke 18:1-8
- Sunday:** Daniel 12:1-3; Mark 13:24-32

This Week's Program Schedule

Monday, November 12 ~ Veterans Day Observed

~Office Closed~

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| 8:00AM | Mass | Church |
| 8:30AM | Rosary | Church |
| 8:30AM | Bible Study | Lounge |
| 6:00PM | Adoration/Reconciliation | Church |

Tuesday, November 13

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| 8:00AM | Mass | Church |
| 8:30AM | Rosary | Church |
| 10:30AM | Senior Workshop | Lounge |
| 6:30PM | Charismatic Prayer Group | Lounge |

Wednesday, November 14

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| 1:00PM | Mass @ CSUS | Bizini Hall, Rm 113 |
| 4:00-5:00PM | 1 st Session CRE | Church |
| 5:15-6:30PM | 2 nd Session CRE | Church |
| 6:45-8:00PM | 3 rd Session CRE | Church |

Thursday, November 15

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| 2:00PM | Elder Committee | Conf. Rm |
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Friday, November 16

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| 4:30PM | Mass | Church |
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Saturday, November 17

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| 6:30AM | That Man is You! | Church |
| 3:30PM | Reconciliation | Church |
| 5:00PM | Mass | Church |

Sunday, November 18

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| 9:00AM | Mass | Church |
| 9:00AM | Children's Liturgy | Conf. Rm |
| 6:00PM | Mass | Church |
| 7:15PM | CSA | Lounge |

Something for our Children!

Can you unscramble the following words from today's Gospel?

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| BSEOR | OORNH | QUTSENAB |
| DWWOI | INSOC | RRYUSTEA |

Answers on the next page→

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Give back to the Lord a sacrifice, a share of what the Lord has so generously given to you.

- Sunday's Offertory: \$ 8,463.00
 Building Fund: \$ 4,178.00
 All Saints Day: \$ 2,081.00

“A PRAYER FOR ALL VETERANS”

Veterans Day is November 11. Please pray for all of our Veterans who have given so much for our country, in the past and present:

O God, Great and Almighty creator, we thank and praise You for the freedom we enjoy in our country and pray that our liberties will continue to be protected.

Thank You for America's heroes, that have fought for our freedoms and who have faithfully served our country. We honor all of our veterans, for their sacrifices and for their courage and integrity.

As we celebrate these freedoms, we ask Your blessing on those veterans who made the ultimate sacrifice while defending our country. Bless their families and comfort them with the thankful prayers of a grateful nation.

We thank You for our veterans, past and present. Through the efforts of these individuals, help us continue to promote justice in all nations. Amen.

PRAYERS FOR ALL SOULS

Masses for the *Souls of our dearly departed* will be celebrated throughout the month of November. All Souls envelopes are available on the lobby table for your special mass intentions. Please place your All Souls Mass Intention Envelopes in the box provided on the lobby table.

OFFICE CLOSED: The office will be closed in observance of the Veterans Day holiday on Monday, November 12. There will be daily mass at 8am, as well as, Adoration and Reconciliation at 6pm.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS: **Donovan Fierro Ahedo**, son of Hector and Joanne Ahedo, **Madison Rose Fierro Castillo**, daughter of Andre and Lisset Castillo, **Kysen Drew Christian**, son of Dustin and Kristen Christian, and **Eliana Araceli Zavalza**, daughter of German and Jessica Zavalza, were baptized into the Catholic faith this weekend. **Welcome to the family, Donovan, Madison, Kysen, Eliana!**

SENIOR/ELDER/CAREGIVER NEEDS WORKSHOP:

There will be a senior information workshop coming up on Tuesday, November 13 at 10:30am in the lounge. There will be information about where and how to obtain various services that benefit our senior community. There will be a discussion and refreshments will be provided. Anyone interested is invited to attend.

This week's helpers include ...

Altar Linens ~ Judy Luiz

Thank you and God bless you for your unselfish service!

PUZZLE SOLUTIONS: ROBES, HONOR, BANQUETS, WIDOW, COINS, TREASURY. How did you do?

TIPS FOR TITHING

What we give to God is God's share of the blessings we have received from Him. They are needed to carry on the work of God in and through the Church. What we give to God is not charity but is that of our Christian obligation. Charity done for individuals or organizations cannot be a substitute for tithing.

MASS INTENTIONS

5:00PM	Saturday, November 10	All Souls†
9:00AM	Sunday, November 11	Mora Anniversary
6:00PM	Sunday, November 11	All Saints Community
8:00AM	Monday, November 12	Arnold Barcellos†
8:00AM	Tuesday, November 13	Catherine Anton†
4:30PM	Friday, November 16	Bud Meyer†

SPECIAL PRAYERS

Please pray for our sick community members and friends:

Gustavo Delgadillo	Ed H	William Jackson
Peggy Howard	Carol Parks	Claire Soares
Robert A. France	Linda Seymour	Stephen...
Jim Perdomo	Flynn Hillman	Janet Fiorini
Jason & Lisa Rhinehart	Anthony Farinha	Shelly...
Henny van Warmerdam	Tim Grahn	Karen ...
Cynthia Basco	Jackie Ferreira	Pamela Hall
Richard Lopes	Bill Nixon	Sharon...
Danny Thompson	Yvonne Riley	Linda Ryle
Patti & Tom Scott	Joe Parolini	Ed Rocha
Sam Carnemolla	Nicole Nancarrow	Jack B. Shaw
Joanne Mattos	Isabel Rodriguez	Edward Lytle
Joann DiGiovanni	Ernestina Padilla	Kevin Downs
Rita Yonan	June Zuniga	Raul Campusano
Carolyn ...	Taylor Holt	Carter Gomes
Giovanni Sahagun	Linda Butler	Joe O. Brasil
Allan Alansalon	David Rodriguez	Keely Gomes
Thomas Anderson	Carol Patterson	Cody Hein
Everett Castro	Kayla Castro	Toni M.
Julio Lucas	Mary Farinha	Chase O.
Melissa...	Ken Hara	Betty Nunes

Your special prayers for these and others suffering from illness are gratefully appreciated. Thank you and God bless you!

Notify the office if you have anyone you would like to place on our list of persons in need of prayer due to illness. So that space will always be available for your loved ones, names will be kept on our list for three months. (However, your prayer requests can be renewed.)

CATHOLIC STUDENT'S ASSOCIATION (CSA)

Fall Retreat: Please pray for our college students and Fr. Bill as they go on retreat this weekend to the Madonna of Peace Renewal Center in Copperopolis, CA.

Sunday, November 11: There will be **no** meeting.

Tuesday, November 13: Please join *Body and Soul: Jeopardy night*. Meet at the church at 6:30pm.

Wednesday, November 14: CSA will meet in the Quad at 11am to do the Rosary.

All college students are welcome and encouraged to attend!

RCIA

Any adult wishing to embrace the Catholic faith or any Catholic wishing to be confirmed should contact Michael Fuller by calling the church office at 669-0473.

THIS WEEKEND'S SECOND COLLECTION will be for the benefit of our *Scholarship Fund*. God bless you for your continued generosity.

JOB POSTINGS: Please check the bulletin board in the lobby for job postings within our diocese.