

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME NOVEMBER 1, 2020

OPENING HYMN: 1) All people that on earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with cheerful voice; Him serve with mirth, His praise forth tell, come we before Him, and rejoice. 2) Know that the Lord is God indeed; without our aid He did us make; we are His folk, He does us feed, and for His sheep He does us take. 3) O enter then His gates with praise; approach with joy His courts unto; praise, laud, and bless His name always, for it is seemly to do so.

FIRST READING: *Malachi 1:14b-2:2b, 8-10*

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: *In you, Lord, I have found my peace. In you, Lord, I have found my peace.*

SECOND READING: *1 Thessalonians 2:7b-9, 13*

GOSPEL: *Matthew 23:1-12*

PREPARATION OF GIFTS: 1) Will you let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you; pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant too. 2) We are pilgrims on a journey, we are travelers on the road; we are here to help each other walk the mile and bear the load. 3) I will hold the Christ-light for you in the night-time of your fear; I will hold my hand out to you, speak the peace you long to hear.

COMMUNION HYMN: 1) For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies, for the love which from our birth over and around us lies; Lord of all to You we raise this our hymn of grateful praise. 2) For the beauty of each hour of the day and of the night, hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light: Lord of all to You we raise this our hymn of grateful praise. 3) For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's delight, for the mystic harmony linking sense to sound and sight: Lord of all to You we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

CONCLUDING HYMN: 1) Now thank we all our God with hearts and hands and voices, Who wondrous things has done, in Whom His world rejoices; Who, from our mothers' arms, hath blest us on our way with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today. 2) O may this gracious God through all our life be near us, with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us; preserve us in His grace, and guide us in distress, and free us from all sin, till heaven we possess.

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH POP-UP BBQ: Brat, pulled pork or pork steak plate. Sides ~ baked beans, cole slaw or potato salad. Plate includes one meat & two sides for \$8.00. *PLEASE PRE-ORDER* by calling 618-284-3314. Pick up will be at the parish hall at Middle and Chartrand Streets.

ALL SAINTS, SOLEMNITY: Saints Next Door. It can be easy to view the beatitudes as impossible goals for Kingdom in Heaven living. But they are not just dreams and hopes; they are norms, achievable standards of right behaviors for baptized disciples. The second reading helps us grasp this. We are children of God not by blood or birth or desire. We are God's children by baptismal rebirth, by God's good choice. We constantly look, at Pope Francis' urging, for the saint next door. We constantly try to be one too.

THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED (ALL SOULS): The Dead Matter. It is a good and holy thing to pray for the dead as it is to console those who mourn the death of ones they

love. For they are as much a part of the Kingdom of God as those alive on earth and those alive in heaven.

MASS INTENTIONS & CALENDAR FOR NOVEMBER 2 – NOVEMBER 11

Monday, November 2	PRIVATE MASS – For the People The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Soul's Day)
Tuesday, November 3	PRIVATE MASS – For the People St. Martin de Porres
Wednesday, November 4	9AM Mass (Grades 5-8) – Special Intentions St. Charles Borromeo
Thursday, November 5	NO MASS – Fr. Gene's Day Off
Friday, November 6	PRIVATE MASS – For the People
Saturday, November 7	5PM MASS – Barb Derickson By: Bruce and Jessica Buatte & family
Sunday, November 8	9AM MASS – For the Parish

TITHE FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 25, 2020

Fiscal Week: 17

Mary Help of Christians: \$4507.00; Cemetery \$127.00; Improvement \$278.00; World Mission Sunday \$170.00	
WEEKLY Budget Need: \$7000.00	YTD Budget Need: \$119,000.00
YTD Average Weekly Tithe: \$6030.66	YTD Budget Difference: (\$16,478.80)
YTD Actual Giving: \$102,521.20	YTD Weekly: (\$969.34)

CHESTER AREA CHRISTIAN FOOD PANTRY COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE:

This year, instead of a bag of food, we respectfully request that you consider a monetary donation toward the purchase of supplies. The Pantry Staff will assemble the bags and this will allow the Pantry to include perishable items along with the staples. The Pantry will begin to distribute the bags on Monday, November 2, 2020. Please place your monetary donation in an envelope marked "Thanksgiving" and drop it into the collection box. We will deliver the envelopes to the Pantry. Thank you very much for your continued support of the Pantry!

BELLEVILLE COUNCIL OF THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL: With cold weather just around the corner, there is desperate need for gently-used coats and blue jeans-men's, women's and children's (all sizes) and blankets. Also, sack lunch items to help assist in feeding the homeless during these uncertain times are also much appreciated: cookies, fruit cups, tuna & chicken snack packs, chips, crackers, cheese sticks, yogurt, cereal, Pop Tarts, breakfast bars, soup or pasta in a cup, bottled water, luncheon meat/cheese for sandwiches. Items can be dropped off at SVDP Thrift Store/Soup Kitchen 3718 State, East St. Louis, Monday-Friday 9am-1:30pm & Saturday 9am-noon or 8800 West Main, Belleville (across from Blessed Sacrament Church), Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9a.m.-2:30p.m. ~ *please note: this is a new address for the administrative offices. All outreach ministries remain in East St. Louis.*

DIOCESAN FALL HARVEST BLESSING: Wednesday, November 11, 2020 at 2:00 PM at the Melvin and Louise Family Farm located at 2510 N. Scheller Lane, Scheller, IL 62883. Those attending are invited to bring harvested grain, fruit and vegetables and garden produce in sealed, marked containers along with animals and farm machinery to be blessed. You are encouraged to bring non-perishable food items to be donated to the local food pantry. All are invited! Pandemic health and safety protocols will be in place.