

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

NOVEMBER 18, 2018

LIVING GOD'S WORD

No one likes transitions. They're filled with pain, and they're unsettling and confusing and demand that we surrender control. But that is when God comes. At such moments a great peace rushes in and faith in God is renewed simply because faith in ourselves does not work anymore. At that point we come face to face with God.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK NOVEMBER 19, 2018

Monday, Nov. 19
8:15AM Intention of Catholic Extension Donor
Tuesday, Nov. 20
8:15AM Cleo Gross
Wednesday, Nov. 21 Presentation of Blessed Virgin Mary
10AM Memorial Mass for Barb Derickson
6PM Dorothy Niermann by Bob & Patty Snider
Thursday, Nov. 22, St. Cecilia
NO MASS-NO SCHOOL
Friday, Nov. 23, St. Clement I
NO MASS-NO SCHOOL
Saturday, Nov. 24, St. Andrew Dung-Lac & Companions
5PM Charles & Margaret Fadler by Mike & Anita
Sunday, Nov. 25
9AM For the Parish

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK NOV. 18 THRU NOV. 25

Sunday	9AM Mass PSR Class after 9AM Mass till 11:15AM
Monday	8:15AM Mass 11AM-1PM K of C Luncheon BBQ Brats/Fried Chicken
Tuesday	8:15AM Mass
Wednesday	10AM Memorial Mass-Barb Derickson 10:30AM Communion Service at Three Springs 6PM Thanksgiving Mass
Thursday	NO MASS-NO SCHOOL
Friday	NO MASS-NO SCHOOL
Saturday	5PM Mass
Sunday	9AM Mass

NOTE FROM THE PASTOR: Today's readings come from a time when "what happens next" was very much on people's minds. The book of Daniel with its vision of the archangel Michael, guardian of the Jewish people, arising and awakening those who sleep in the dust was written to comfort and give hope to a people suffering under a cruel king who persecuted and killed Jewish believers. In Mark's Gospel today we hear Jesus' words speak of a day when the Son of Man will come in the clouds with great power and glory and gather his elect. It was written to give hope to the early church persecuted by the Roman emperor Nero. We do not know exactly how things will end, but we do know that God will be there, that Christ will come again, and that we are not meant to end in the dust bin of history. As the psalm refrain reminds us today: "You are my inheritance, O Lord!" (Psalm 16:1).

TITHE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 11, 2018

Mary Help of Christians: \$7,026.00
\$872.00 Improvement Fund; \$65.00 Sr. Anne;
\$1.00 Child Env.; \$5.00 Votives
WEEKLY Budget Need: \$7,000.00
YTD Average Weekly Tithes: \$6,284.65
Fiscal Year Week: 20
YTD Actual Giving: \$125,693.00
YTD Budget Need: \$140,000.00
YTD Budget Difference: (\$14,307.00)
YTD Weekly: (\$715.35)

SERVERS SCHEDULE for Nov. 24 & 25: 5PM, Kolton Jany, Grace Welborn; 9AM, Gage Hopkins, Garret Hopkins, Paige Vasquez

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: The promise of God to be with us all our days, the assurance of Christ to be with us

until the end of time, the gift of the Holy Spirit as the ongoing presence of God in our midst, bring assurance that we are not abandoned.

CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT: One in seven people in the U. S. lives in poverty. With this collection you support programs that address the causes of poverty and provide a sustainable future for those who are struggling across the country. 25% of funds collected remain in our diocese to fund local anti-poverty projects. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this collection.

BLEST ART will have hand carved Nativity sets, statues, crosses, rosaries, and many other pieces of beautiful olive wood art when they are here Nov. 24 & 25. Please visit their display and consider purchasing a piece of art from the Holy Land. This will help support the many families who depend on this art for their living. Your purchase will make a difference in the lives of many Christian families.

COVETED CAN COMPETITION: St. Mary's School is currently collecting canned goods in competition with St. John the Baptist, Red Bud. Last year St. John's beat us by only 44 items. If you would like to help the HAWKS win the trophy this year, just drop off your canned goods at the school. All items donated will be taken to the Chester Area Christian Food Pantry. Deadline to donate is Monday, Nov. 26, at NOON.

QUILT-CASH BINGO at St. Boniface, Evansville, on Sunday, Nov. 25, at 1PM. Lunch stand opens at 11AM.

PTO FRIED CHICKEN DINNER will be held on Friday, Dec. 7, at the K of C Hall from 4:30-7PM.

A MUSICAL GIFT TO THE CITY: The sounds of Webster University Chorale at Christmas will fill St. Peter's Cathedral, Belleville, on Saturday, Dec. 8, at 7PM. This "free gift" is open to all!

GALA DINNER AUCTION tickets are now available! The Auction will be on Saturday, March 2, 2019. Call Ron Korando (615-2509) to reserve your seats. Tickets are \$35.

GUN RAFFLE Tickets are available at the school office.

WORKING ON THE MARGINS: Too many people in our country find themselves living in poverty, and the barriers to breaking this cycle can sometimes feel impossibly large. Stable housing is often one of the first steps for someone trying to break out of the cycle of poverty. In many locations the cost to rent an apartment or buy a property has increased beyond what is possible for low to moderate income families to afford. The Catholic Campaign for Human Development allocates funds to community projects that promote the mission and vision of CCHD while adhering to the moral and social teachings of the Catholic Church. Learn about those living in poverty by visiting www.usccb.org/cchd. Connect with the work of CCHD by supporting the collection and pray for those who benefit from this collection.

LOOK AT THE TREES: Unless a pine or live oak, most trees in the northern hemisphere have already dropped their leaves. Though looking dead, they are dormant only. We look ahead to spring and new leaves-and new life. But now is end-time living. Now is end-time praying. When my life passes away in death, I want to be with Jesus. What will I shed now for the benefit of later new life? What path does Jesus lay before me? How am I preparing for death?