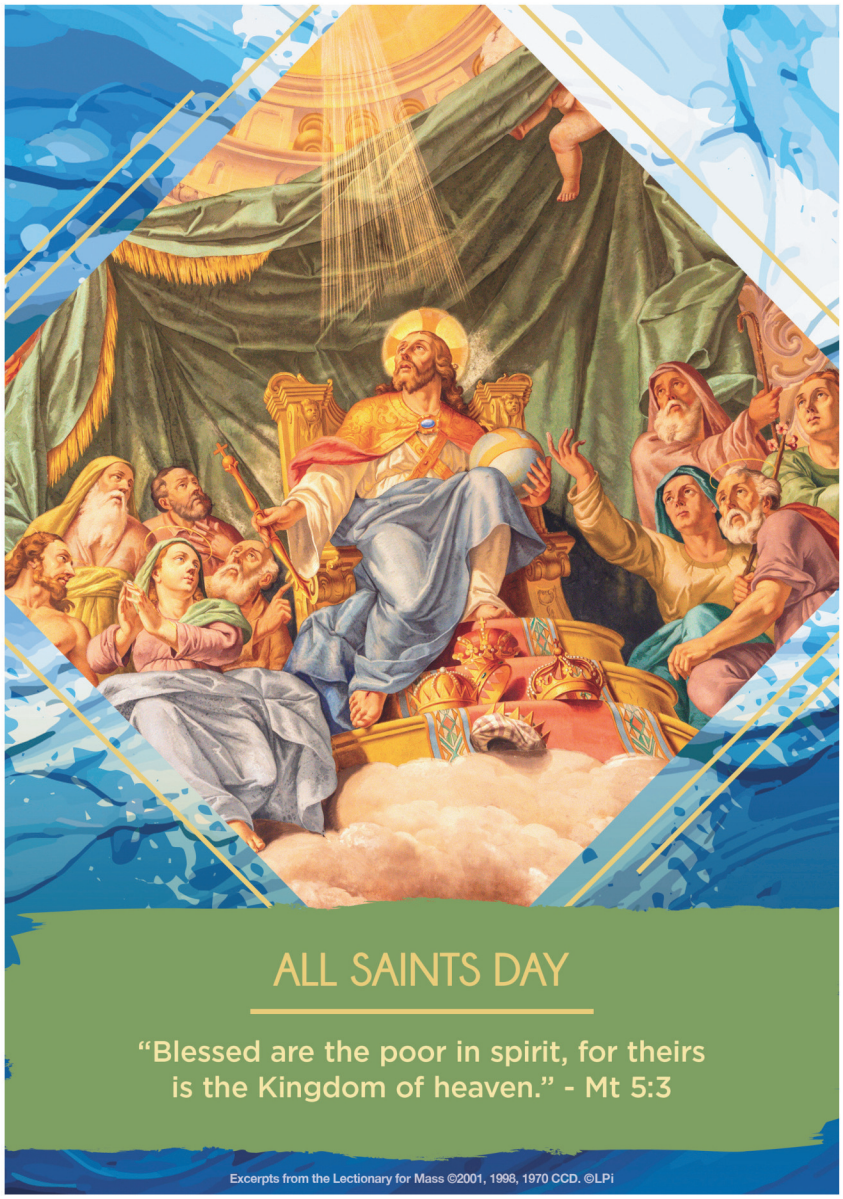
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November 1, 2026
All Saints' Day
Matthew 5:1-12

At the end of her short life, my hero, St. Thérèse of Lisieux, found herself in a curious position. Audaciously, she was convinced that she would become a great saint and would be loved by many after her death. At the same time, she insisted that she was weak, impatient, and ordinary. She became arguably the greatest saint in modern times. How is it possible that an ordinary and imperfect person can also be a great saint?

On this All Saints' Day, Jesus overturns our assumptions about holiness. He says, **"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven" (Matthew 5:3)**. The blessed are not the impressive or the self-sufficient, but the poor in spirit, the meek, the merciful, and the persecuted. These are not heroic traits by normal standards. They are signs of a heart that has learned to rely on God rather than itself. That's what St. Thérèse, and all the saints, are all about.

All Saints' Day is not a celebration of spiritual elites. Rather, it announces what grace can do in our ordinary lives. The saints are not those who avoid weakness or suffering, but those who allow these things to deepen their trust. What good news for us! The smaller and weaker we are, the more qualified we are to be great saints.

— Father John Muir

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Weekday Masses
Monday-Saturday 8:00 a.m.

Weekend Masses
Saturday 4:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday 3:00 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.

Liturgical Ministers	Lector	Eucharistic Minister	Greeter	Gift Bearer	Usher
November 7th Saturday, 4:00 PM	Janis LeChein	Ramona Effinger Jeannette Yelinek	Pat Visintine Janet Visintine	Patti Tepen Ivan Tepen	Kacie Denton Kevin Effinger
November 8th Sunday, 8:30 AM	Peggy Hassel	Joyce Dierkes	Lynne Fulte	Bernadette Gadu Alvina Tippy	Daniel Broeckling George Mehochko
November 8th Sunday, 10:30 AM	Jerry Ahrens	Marilyn Elam	Sue Bolen	Dawn York **Need Volunteer**	Chris Knee **Need Volunteer**

Respect Life Corner

Palliative Care Awareness Month

November is Palliative Care Awareness Month. During this month, our Respect Life Corner will highlight end-of-life issues so that we accompany people with dignity and compassion. Palliative care relieves the pain, symptoms, and stress of a serious illness while working with primary, curative care. Anyone can receive palliative care for any duration, usually in the form of pain management, and is usually covered by insurance. Palliative care supports the Catholic Church's teaching that those whose lives are diminished or weakened deserve special respect. Sick or handicapped persons should be helped to lead lives as normal as possible (CCC 2276).

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Got a broken heart? Rejoice! An empty bank account? Rejoice! Are you undervalued, overlooked? Rejoice! In the Beatitudes, Jesus offers more than just sweet sayings. He offers a challenge, one we can only meet if he is at our side: rejoice!

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Blessing for All Saints

God,
Bless us as we journey in faith, a journey marked with twists and turns.
Bless us with the inspiration and friendship of those who have gone before us, the saints.
May their lives serve as guiding lights, beckoning us through the darkness to safety and rest.
Amen.

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READINGS OF THE WEEK

Readings for the week of of November 1, 2026

Sunday:	Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a
Monday:	Wis 4:7-14/Ps 25:6, and 7b, 17-18, 20-21/Rom 5:17-21/Mt 11:25-30
Tuesday:	Phil 2:5-11/Ps 22:26b-27, 28-30ab, 30e, 31-32Lk 14:15-24
Wednesday:	Phil 2:12-18/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14Lk 14:25-33
Thursday:	Phil 3:3-8a/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7Lk 15:1-10
Friday:	Phil 3:17-4:1/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Lk 16:1-8
Saturday:	Phil 4:10-19/Ps 112:1b-2, 5-6, 8a and 9/Lk 16:9-15
Next Sunday:	Wis 6:12-16/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14/Mt 25:1-13

Observances for the week of November 1, 2026

Sunday:	All Saints' Day; *Daylight Saving Time Ends;* National Vocation Awareness Week
Monday:	The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)
Tuesday:	St. Martin de Porres, Religious; Election Day
Wednesday:	St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop
Thursday:	
Friday:	
Saturday:	
Next Sunday:	32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Mass Intentions for the week of November 1, 2026

SUN	11/1	8:30 AM 10:30 AM	For the People Trevor Siebert
MON	11/2	8:00 AM	Adolph & Emma Auer
TUES	11/3	8:00 AM	Jean Gass
WED	11/4	8:00 AM 10:20 AM	Jean Muntan ACHS Mass
THURS	11/5	8:00 AM	Catholic Extension Donor Intentions
FRI	11/6	8:00 AM	Memorial Donors
SAT	11/7	8:00 AM 4:00 PM	Catholic Extension Donor Intentions Joan Wilbret
SUN	11/8	8:30 AM 10:30 AM	Dr. Paul Biegler For the People

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC- RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS
By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

The Survivors

"I'm no saint."

We hear people say this all the time, and what they usually mean is this: "I've made mistakes." Well, congratulations! You have taken that first crucial step to sainthood. You're well on your way!

A saint is not a person with fewer-than-average mistakes. A saint is a person with greater-than-average hope.

What is hope? Hope is certainty in the promises of God over the merits of man. Hope is what makes a Christian rejoice when he hears the litany of earthly trials described in the Beatitudes, because hope makes him see not the trials but the grace promised through them.

Hope remembers, always, that God is in the business of bringing life from death.

"These are the ones who have survived the time of great distress." (Rev. 7:14) This is how we hear the saints described in the Book of Revelation. We do not hear: "These are the ones who were perfect. These are the ones who had no faults. These are the ones who made good choices."

No — these are the ones who survived.

We are all buried in the rubble heap of sin and death. Many of us despair and cry, "We cannot climb out!" The saint is the one who has the hope to answer, "But Someone is coming. Just wait." The saint is the one who looks for the sliver of light, who reaches for it even when everyone else dismisses it as illusion.

Follow the saints. They know how to survive.

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National VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK

Vocation Corner

This Sunday starts National Vocations Awareness Week (NVAW). National Vocation Awareness Week is an annual week-long celebration of the Catholic Church in the United States dedicated to promoting vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life through prayer and education. It is the perfect time to renew our prayers and support for those who are considering one of these vocations. Please consider praying a few minutes each day this week for an increase in vocations and for young people to hear their call to Holiness. Please also pray for seminarian Casmir Cozzi, as he is ordained to the transitional Diaconate this Saturday, November 7th at 10:00 AM at St. Peter's Cathedral in Belleville.



Modesty, *Explained!*

One of the 12 fruits of the Holy Spirit is modesty, related to the cardinal virtue of temperance, or moderation of passions. It means "refusing to unveil what should remain hidden" and in doing so "protects the intimate center of the person" (CCC 2521). This virtue is a guide for how we interact with others in a way that honors their inherent dignity.

Christ notably said that those who look upon others with lust commit adultery in their heart (Matthew 5:28), indicating that modesty is concerned not just with action but with thoughts and interior disposition. Parents are obliged to instruct their children in the ways of modesty as part of teaching respect for others.

"The forms taken by modesty vary from one culture to another," we read in the Catechism. "Everywhere, however, modesty exists as an intuition of the spiritual dignity proper to man. It is born with the awakening consciousness of being a subject" (CCC 2524). ©LPi







PRAYER REQUESTS

"Heavenly Father, we offer all the prayer requests on our prayer chain to you. We ask that you would hear and answer each one according to your perfect will. We trust in your love, your power, and your grace. May your peace reign in our hearts and in the lives of those we are praying for."

Alice	Dan	Laura	Rosalie
Andy	Darla	Linda	Rose
Ashely	Emily	Maggie	Sue
Barb	Groh Family	Margie	Susan
Barbara	Hayden	Michele	Tanya
Betty Ann	Jon	Pat and Tom	Terry
Cathy	Kelly	Pope Leo XIV	Tom
Cullen Family	Kurt	Ron	William

Please keep in your prayers all who are ill, specially those listed, their families and their caregivers.

To add names to the Prayer List, please contact Carol Lesko by phone at 618-698- 5838. If she unavailable to take your call please leave a message.

Names will be published for 4 weeks unless we are notified to retain them longer.



All parish support listed is from the week's collections, mailed in, and online donations.

October 25, 2026

Envelopes/Loose	**$ 12,612.85**
St. Vincent de Paul	**$ 756.20**
Guatemala	**$ 65.60**
World Mission Sunday	**$ 171.50**

THANK YOU

to everyone who supports our parish through donations, prayer, and or service!



November 1, 2026

Sunday	**8:30 AM Mass** Live Stream 8:30 AM Mass **10:30 AM Mass**
Monday	8:00 AM Mass SVDP Mtg 9:00 am CLC Board Mtg 5:30 pm
Tuesday	**Vote Today** 8:00 AM Mass
Wednesday	8:00 AM MASS 10:20 ACHS Mass **Eucharistic Exposition** 2:30-4:30 pm Choir Rehearsal 6:30 pm
Thursday	8:00 AM Mass
Friday	8:00 AM Mass
Saturday	8:00 AM Mass **4:00 PM Mass**
Sunday	**8:30 AM Mass** Live Stream 8:30 AM Mass **10:30 AM Mass**

Eternal Light Concert

The Diocese of Belleville and the Cathedral of Saint Peter cordially invite you to attend:
Eternal Light Concert…Music of Remembrance and Hope
Featuring the Requiem of Gabriel Fauré
Sunday, November 1, 2026 -2:00 p.m.
Cathedral of Saint Peter- 200 West Harrison Street, Belleville
Free Admission



The Parish Rosary Program. Each week parishioners are requested to either email to the church secretary sthenryc@peaknet.net or drop a slip of paper in the collection basket with the number of rosaries they prayed this week. (started February 12, 2023)

Weekly	Year to Date	Grand Total
150	5,840	22,588



We are joining St. Augustine's Queenship of Mary Sodality on **Monday, November 9th at 5:00pm (Doors open at 5:00pm Dinner at 5:30pm).** For the Annual Pot Luck Dinner/Ornament Auction in St Augustine's Kuhl Hall. Auction to benefit the Pregnancy Care Center.

Main menu will be ham, fried chicken and scalloped potatoes. St. Henry Ladies are asked to bring dessert or a side dish for the dinner and a Christmas or Fall item to be auctioned to support the Pregnancy Care Center.

Father Ken and Father Bill always make the night entertaining. Looking forward to a fun evening.

Apostles Creed
By Rev. Paul Turner

Question: Can I get an explanation of the words in the Creed "rose again"

Answer: In Latin, the verb surgo means to rise, and the verb resurgo is used for resurrecting. They're based on Greek words stasis (standing) and anastasis (resurrection). The prefix "ana" in Greek can mean "again" or "above". It plays into the conversation where Nicodemus asks Jesus how someone can be born "again" when Jesus means born from "above".

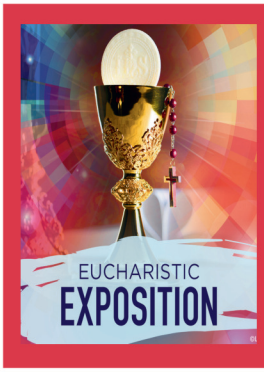
So the English is making a similar usage of the Latin word, rendering resurgo as "rise again" when it more properly means "rise above".

In my view, it's not a good translation for what the Latin says, and it makes some people wonder, "When did Jesus rise the first time if he rose 'again'?" The word "again" could be deleted, and the meaning would be preserved.

But the phrase is so ingrained in English, that those in charge of translations have never felt compelled to change it.

I explain this in my book "In These or Similar Words".

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Celebrate!

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Ruth Figura 11/01
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Anna Nguyen 11/03
Susan O'Malley 11/03
Madison Martin-Giacalone 11/04
Ashley Hettenhausen 11/05
Fatima Reyes 11/05
Susan Wessel 11/06
Victor Behrmann 11/06
Angela Quirk 11/07
Don Poirot 11/07
Mary Poletti 11/07

PRAYING FOR SEMINARIANS

Please pray for our Diocesan Seminarians. Each week, we will feature one of our 11 seminarians. Please consider dropping them a note of support. At the very least, a simply prayer would be helpful.
For this week:

Gus King
Conception Seminary College
37174 State Hwy V V
P.O. Box 502
Conception, MO 64433



PSR
PARISHES SCHOOL OF RELIGION



The Parishes School of Religion Wednesday classes are from 6:00 – 7:30 PM and Sunday classes are from 8:45 – 10:10 AM. All classes are held at St. Augustine of Canterbury Parish.

The students in **PSR will NOT have class on Sunday, November 1**. We will have Reconciliation for Grades 3-8 on Wednesday, November 4. Grades Kindergarten – Grade 2 will have regular class on Wednesday, November 4 and all students who come on Sunday are invited to come on Wednesday to take part in the Sacrament of Confession. Confessions will begin at 6:20 PM in the church. The PSR program is moving along quickly.Thank you to all the parents who faithfully bring their children to PSR every week.

Children are educated by what the grown up is and not by his talk. (Carl Jung)

Sister Theresa Markus, S.S.N.D.
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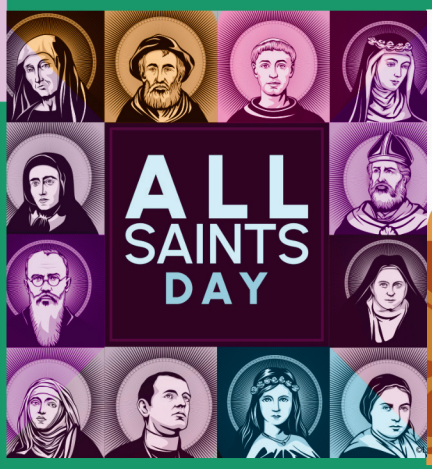
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Christmas PARTY

The St. Henry Parish Christmas party is Sunday, December 6th after 10:30 A.M. Mass, in the Msgr. Voss Parish Center, for the WHOLE parish. Sponsored by the Men's Club and Ladies Club.
Reservations are required! Please call Marilyn Elam 618-604-6340 or Dawn at the rectory 618-233-2423 x10 before November 20th.





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