

## November 12, 2023 Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Stewardship is a Way of Life. Tithing is God's Plan for Giving:

Tithing income for the week of November 5, 2023:

Regular:	\$5,368.00
Loose:	\$ 502.50
ONLINE GIVING:	\$1,864.00
Tithing income November 5, 2023:	\$7,734.50
Tithing income November 6, 2022:	\$8,254.50

Mass Attendance for November 5, 2023	296
Mass Attendance for November 6, 2022	241

#### Tithe for November 5, 2023

St. Vincent dePaul Society **\$773**

#### Tithe for November 12, 2023

Cross Catholic Outreach

#### Tithe for November 19, 2023

Expectations Women's Center, Samaritan's Purse  
Matthew 25 (envelope)



Please be generous in your financial and spiritual support for the Matthew 25 Collection next weekend. Our parish retains 25% of your gift to provide immediate assistance to our brothers and sisters who need housing assistance, warm clothes for the winter months and a nutritious meal. Over the past five years, **more than \$1.04 million has been provided to local organizations in the Diocese of Harrisburg, with over \$329,230 returned to parishes** for their work in providing food, clothing, and shelter. Gifts can be made via cash, check or credit cards. Visit [www.hbgdiocese.org/matthew25](http://www.hbgdiocese.org/matthew25) to make an online gift and for more information.

### FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly Most Holy Name Catholic Church, Garfield, NJ Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time November 12, 2023

**"Then the door was locked. Afterwards the other virgins came and said, 'Lord, Lord, open the door for us.' But he said in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, I do not know you. Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour.'"**

During this month when we celebrate the saints and commemorate the holy souls, it is time for us to look at our own spiritual lives and our journey. We often 'put off until tomorrow', what should be done today. How true that we listen closely to the parable of Jesus and apply it to our own lives, where we stand at this precise moment. When we remember the past we express our gratitude and also ask forgiveness. Yesterday is over. Tomorrow may never come for some of us, so don't wait.

We live in the present 'and if we believe that Jesus died and rose, so too will God through Jesus bring with Him those who have fallen asleep.' May we answer the question 'am I ready now?'

Clip this paragraph and bring it with you to church, and ask the Lord for forgiveness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Clip this paragraph and give it to someone for whom you are concerned and encourage them to act. Today, don't delay.

#### **First Reading: Wisdom 6:12-16**

Regarded as personifying God's power, Wisdom is readily and easily found by those who seek her.

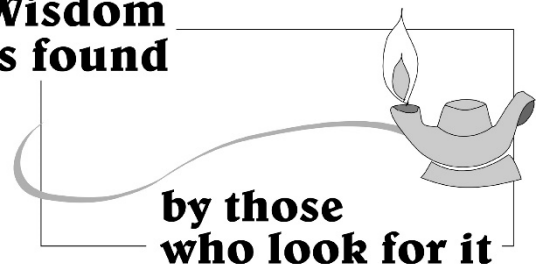
#### **Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18**

The Thessalonians, who fear that those who have died will miss Christ's return, are comforted by Paul's assurance that those "who have died in Christ will rise first."

#### **Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13**

In the parable of the five sensible bridesmaids and the five foolish bridesmaids, Jesus emphasizes the fact that we must always be ready for the coming of Christ because in his words, "You know not the day or the hour."

**Wisdom  
is found**



The International Gifts & Bake Sale will be held at Cedar Grove BIC Church at 287 Deerville Road, Mifflintown, PA on Thursday, November 16 from 6-8 PM, Friday, November 17 from 9 AM to 7 PM and Saturday, November 18 from

9 AM to 3 PM. For more information, visit us on Facebook or at [www.juniatainternationalgiftssale.com](http://www.juniatainternationalgiftssale.com).

## LITURGICAL NOTES

Mass  for the  
Intentions  the Week



**Saturday, November 11: Saint Martin of Tours,  
Bishop (Memorial)**

Isaiah 61:1-3abcd; Psalm 89:2-3, 4-5, 21-22, 25 & 27;  
Matthew 25:31-40

4:00 PM Irene Soltis Mank from Tom & Jean Mank

**Sunday, November 12: 32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Wisdom 6:12-16; Psalm 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8;

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Matthew 25:1-13

7:30 AM Anna Kasmark from Larry Sutusky

11:00 AM People of the Parish

**Monday, November 13: Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini,  
Virgin (Memorial)**

Wisdom 1:1-7; Psalm 139:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10;

Luke 17:1-6

8:00 AM Tom & Marge Connare from Tom Connare, Jr.

**Tuesday, November 14: Weekday**

Wisdom 2:23 – 3:9; Psalm 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19;

Luke 17:7-10

8:00 AM Katherine Kozicki

**Wednesday, November 15: Weekday**

Wisdom 6:1-11; Psalm 82:3-4, 6-7; Luke 17:11-19

7:00 PM David Kenepp from Del & Rose Guerrini

**Thursday, November 16: Weekday**

Wisdom 7:22b – 8:1; Psalm 119:89, 90, 91, 130, 135,  
175; Luke 17:20-25

9:00 AM Special Intentions of Fr. Peter Rettig from the  
Companions of Pauline

In Memory/Honor of SHS Memorial Society Members

**Friday, November 17: Saint Elizabeth of Hungary,  
Religious (Memorial)**

1 John 3:14-18; Psalm 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9, 10-11;

Luke 6:27-38

8:00 AM Elizabeth Showers from Anne Marie Showers

**Saturday, November 18: Weekday**

Wisdom 18:14-16, 19:6-9; Psalm 105:2-3, 36-37,  
42-43; Luke 18:1-8

4:00 PM Mark Ryan from wife, Adelaide

**Sunday, November 19: 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; Psalm 128:1-2, 3,  
4-5; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6; Matthew 25:14-30

7:30 AM Ann H. Smith from Kathie Tice

11:00 AM People of the Parish

## Calendar of Events

**Saturday 11/11/23**

Confessions/3:00PM/Church

Mass/4:00PM/Church



**Sunday 11/12/23 – 32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Mass/7:30AM/Church

**Adult Sunday School/9:00AM/Parish Office**

**CCD Class/9:00AM/Sacred Heart School**

Mass/11:00AM/Church

Spanish Mass/1:30PM/St Jude

**Youth Group/6:00PM/Church Basement**

**Monday 11/13/23**

Mass/8:00AM/Church

**Tuesday 11/14/23**

Mass/8:00AM/Church

**Wednesday 11/15/23**

**Confessions/6:30PM/Church**

Mass/7:00PM/Church

**Adult Choir/7:30PM/Church**

**Thursday 11/16/23**

Mass/9:00AM/Church

**RCIA/7:00PM/Parish Office**

**Friday 11/17/23**

Mass/8:00AM/Church

**Saturday 11/18/23**

**SVDP Community Meal/11:00AM/SHS Cafeteria**

Confessions/3:00PM/Church

Mass/4:00PM/Church

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**No Youth Group**



**The Sanctuary Lamp**  
for the week of November 12<sup>th</sup>  
burns in Loving Memory of  
**Harry Carothers**  
From Pat and Family



**Memorialize Sanctuary Candles: The following dates  
are available: December 31 and January 7, 14, 21 & 28.**



**The Sanctuary Flowers for**  
the week of November 12<sup>th</sup>  
are in loving memory of  
**Harry Krepps**  
From Jeannie and Family



*Happy*   
*Thanksgiving*

The Parish Office will be closed Thursday, November  
23<sup>rd</sup> & Friday, November 24<sup>th</sup> in observance of  
Thanksgiving. The office will reopen on Monday,  
November 27<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 AM.



### Ministry Schedule: November 11 – November 12

#### Sat. 4:00 PM

**Greeter:** Diane Bray, Al Specht

**Lector:** Bernie Howard

**EMHC:** Nora Torquato

**Knights of the Holy Temple:** Tristen Kline

**Altar Server:** Ethan McMonigal

**Cantor:** Gino Zannino

#### Sun. 7:30 AM

**Greeter:** Sue Reinke, Linda Treaster

**Lector:** Dan Palopoli

**EMHC:** Wendy Vogt

**Knights of the Holy Temple:** Unfilled

**Altar Server:** Anthony Palopoli

**Cantor:** Cathy Stout

#### Sun. 11:00 AM

**Greeter:** Ruth Allison, Del Guerrini

**Lector:** Jeff Michaels

**EMHC:** John Maroney

**Knights of the Holy Temple:** Landon Mazur

**Altar Server:** Ellie Tressler

**Cantor:** Rose Guerrini

### Ministry Schedule: November 18 – November 19

#### Sat. 4:00 PM

**Greeter:** Ken Johnson, Steven Lilley

**Lector:** Barbara Bratton

**EMHC:** Christina Stryker

**Knights of the Holy Temple:** Tristen Kline

**Altar Server:** Daniel McMonigal

**Cantor:** Unfilled

#### Sun. 7:30 AM

**Greeter:** Donath Korbich, Penny Nerhood

**Lector:** Don Spangler

**EMHC:** John Maroney

**Knights of the Holy Temple:** Unfilled

**Altar Server:** Unfilled

**Cantor:** Mary Smith

#### Sun. 11:00 AM

**Greeter:** Judy DeVecchis, Judith Stroup

**Lector:** Jean Mank

**EMHC:** Greg DeVecchis

**Knights of the Holy Temple:** Landon Mazur

**Altar Server:** Kenneth Shank

**Cantor:** Unfilled

### Ministry Schedule: November 23

**Thur. 9:00 AM – Thanksgiving Day**

**Greeter:** Denny & Dottie Peiffer

**Lector:** Judy Sieber

**Knight of the Holy Temple:** Unfilled

**Altar Server:** Unfilled

**EHMC:** Joann Loht

**Cantor:** Unfilled



### **2023 Diocesan Annual Campaign**

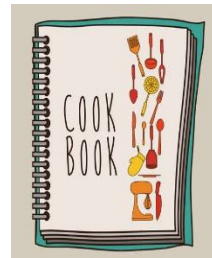
#### **Update as of October 31**

The Diocese of Harrisburg continues to process gifts from the faithful who are making gifts in support of the DAC. Below is Sacred Heart's up to date information. **Please continue to honor your pledges to the DAC.**

Sacred Heart Parish Goal for 2023 **\$36,246.43**

Total Paid to date **\$40,140.41**

**Over** Goal to Date **\$3,893.98**



We at St Vincent dePaul would like to thank all those parishioners who donated recipes and purchased cookbooks! They have been sent to the publisher and will be here mid-December. We will have extra to sell. A special thanks to Nan Yeater for her hard work in organizing and doing all the typing.



We are still in need of personal care items such as shampoo, conditioner, toothpaste and toothbrushes, deodorant, as well as diapers size two and three. They can be dropped off at the office or placed in the basket in the narthex.

### **Advent by Candlelight**



The Women's Guild of St. Jude Parish would like to cordially invite the ladies of St. Jude Parish, Sacred Heart Parish, and Sacred Heart School to attend the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Advent by Candlelight on Friday, December 1<sup>st</sup>, for an evening of preparation for the Advent Season. The event's keynote speaker is Melissa Maleski. Her talk is entitled: "Pour Forth Into the Silence: An Advent Reflection on the Holy Spirit's Gifts to Mary and Joseph".

There will be music, socializing and confession.

The event will begin at 6 pm (Doors open at 5:30) and will conclude at 9 pm.

Proceeds from the event will go in support of Sacred Heart School so we ask for a \$10 donation from participants. There will also be gift basket raffles and door prizes. For more information, or to RSVP, please contact Megan Miller at [mfitzy6@hotmail.com](mailto:mfitzy6@hotmail.com) or 717-363-7319. If you are interested in hosting a table, please contact Megan. **\*\*To ensure that we have seats for everyone please RSVP by November 22, 2023.\*\***





### Calling all kids!

Children's Choir practices for the Christmas Eve Vigil Mass will be held from 12:30 -1:30 p.m. in the Choir Loft on the following dates:

Sunday, November 12  
Sunday, November 19  
Sunday, December 3  
Sunday, December 10  
Sunday, December 17



All children in grades 1-8 are invited to join. The children's choir will sing at the 4 PM Mass on Christmas Eve. For questions, please contact Cathy Stout at 814-360-4268.



St Vincent dePaul will be placing a Christmas Giving Tree in the church beginning **November 18<sup>th</sup> through December 4<sup>th</sup>**. Pick a tag and shop for the local needy. **We will need the gifts returned to the St. Vincent dePaul Office at 3 W. Monument Square, Suite**

**203. We are under a strict guideline this year and will need the gifts by Wednesday, December 6<sup>th</sup>!** If you

have any questions, please contact our Chairperson, Sue Reinke at 717 437-6742 or call the SVDP office at 717 363-4812. Help us to help others have a Merry and Bright Christmas.



### SCHOOL NEWS

**SACRED HEART SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS**  
**Monday – Friday 7:30 AM- 3:30 PM**

**\*\*If assistance is needed outside of office hours, leave a message on the school answering machine at 717-248-5351 or contact the Parish Office at 717-242-2781**



### Sacred Heart School Angel Fund

This weekend you will find nicely decorated apples in the Narthex. These apples were decorated by the students of SHS in hopes that you will make a gift to the SHS Angel

Fund. The SHS Angel Fund provides scholarships and financial assistance to children who attend our school. If you would like to make a donation, you can make checks payable to **Sacred Heart School with Angel Fund** in the memo and placing it in the collection basket, mailing it to the school or you can go online

to [sacredheartschool.com](http://sacredheartschool.com) and make an online donation.

Donations to the SHS Angel Fund are accepted at any time during the year; however, if you are able, we encourage you to participate at this time. **Consider using your 5% tithe to other charitable organizations**

to participate, if possible. Thanks for your support of SHS!

### SHS Celebrates 75 Years of Catholic Education:



For those of you who weren't aware, Sacred Heart School of Lewistown is celebrating their 75<sup>th</sup> Year during the upcoming 2023-24 school year. While many special things will be going on during the year to commemorate this

great achievement, we would like to plan a celebration for the school in the spring.

If you would like to help in planning this event, please let us know. We will keep you updated on future planning meetings. We welcome participation in the planning from all groups associated with the school - families, alumni, faculty, school board, and both parishes.

Please consider participating in this endeavor with us as we celebrate our school. If you have any questions, or wish to help and aren't able to be at a meeting please contact Megan Miller at 717-363-7319 or by email at [mfitzy6@hotmail.com](mailto:mfitzy6@hotmail.com).



## RaiseRight™

Formerly ShopWithScrip

**RaiseRight**, formerly SCRIP, is a wonderful fundraiser for our school. Families purchase gift cards for everyday expenses (i.e. groceries, gas, clothing, eating out) or gifts for holidays (i.e. Christmas, Birthdays, Mother's Day, and Father's Day) and HSA receives a percentage of each purchase. Percentages vary based on the company. The money HSA receives goes back to the school for assemblies, playground improvement, teacher expenses, etc. There are over 750 brands from which you can purchase gift cards.

You can purchase gift cards 3 different ways:

1. Fill out a form available in the Narthex. Send it into the school or the Parish Office with cash or a check made out to SHS-HSA.
2. Download the app or go to RaiseRight.com and order gift cards. You can choose to have the gift cards shipped to you or to the school. There is a small fee to have the gift cards shipped to you and there is a small fee to pay for your order through the website or app.
3. Download the app or go to RaiseRight.com and order e-gift cards or reloadable cards. These cards are made available to you immediately. There is a small fee to pay for orders through the website or app.

The RaiseRight enrollment code for SHS is:

**986DCAA961532**

**The order deadline is December 4<sup>th</sup>**  
**Thank you for your support. Happy Shopping!**