

WELCOME to ST. JOHN EVANGELIST PARISH



OCTOBER 27, 2024 THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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MASS SCHEDULE

2nd & 4th Saturday.....4:00 pm

Sunday.....9:00 am

Wednesday & Thursday.....6:45 am

1st Fridays.....7:00 am

1st & 3rd Fridays:

Pine Haven 10:00 am

2nd & 4th Fridays:

Prairie Crossing 10:00 am

PARISH OFFICE:

Hours: Monday–Thursday

7:00 am - 4:00 pm

Friday

7:00 - 11:00 am

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Please contact the Parish Office to:

1. Join the Parish
2. Schedule a Baptism
3. Schedule a Mass Intention
4. Become a Catholic
5. Any other questions or concerns

PRAY THE ROSARY DURING THE WEEK:

Wednesday & Thursdays at 6:25 am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

1st Fridays: 6:00 - 6:45 am &

Immediately following 7:00 am Mass

Sundays: 8:00 - 8:45 am

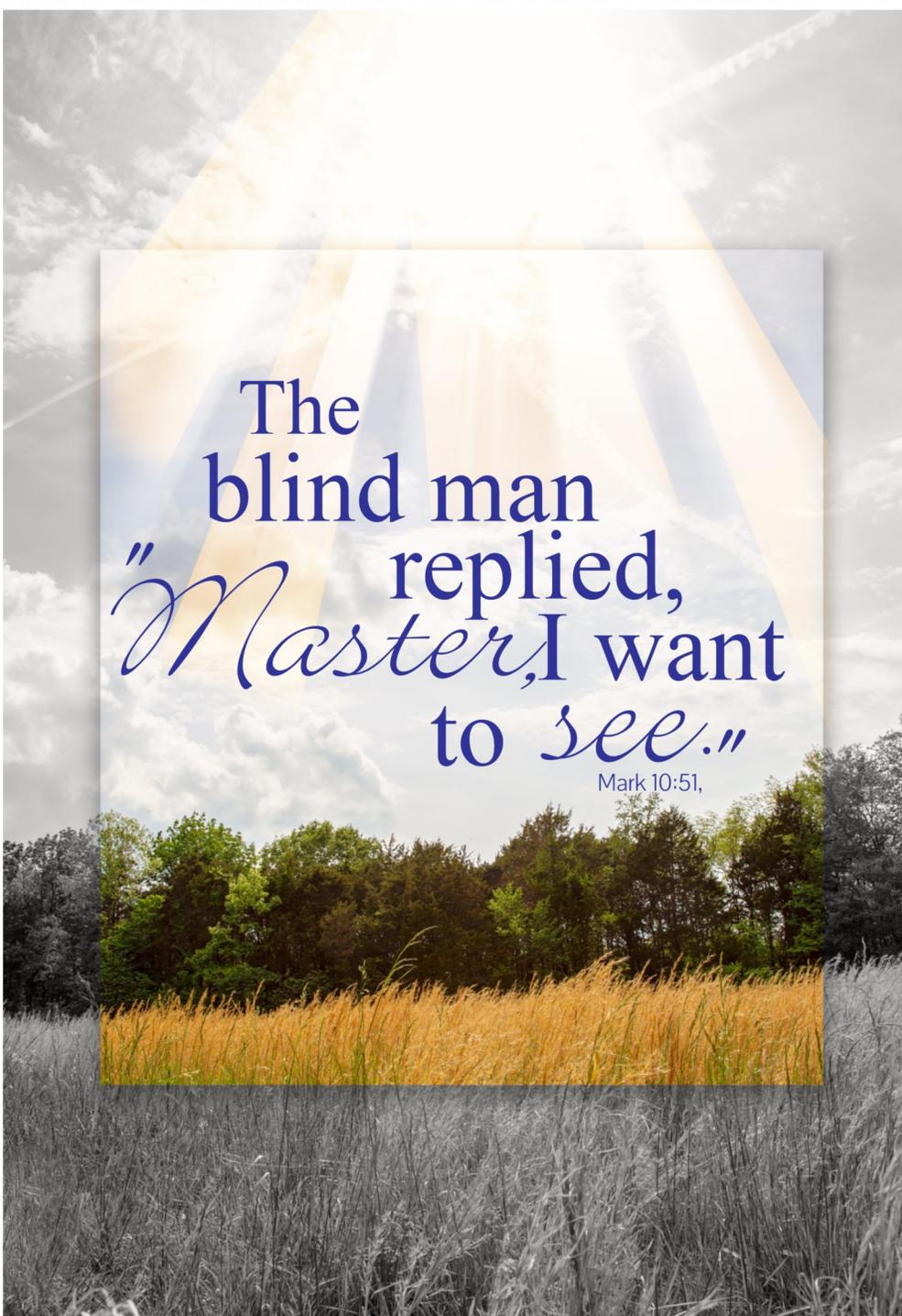
2nd & 4th Saturdays: 3:00 pm

Readings for the Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time:

1st Reading: Jeremiah 31:7-9

2nd Reading: Hebrews 5:1-6

Gospel: Mark 10:46-52



The
blind man
replied,
*"Master, I want
to see."*

Mark 10:51,

Universal Call to Holiness

As we navigate our daily lives, it's important to remember the profound truth that each of us is called to holiness. This call isn't reserved for any specific person, it's a universal invitation extended to every baptized person. In the words of the Second Vatican Council, "All Christians in any state or walk of life are called to the fullness of Christian life and to the perfection of charity." As we honor the Saints on Nov 1st, it's important to recognize how to imitate them in both the "fullness of Christian life" and the "perfection of charity".



The Christian life is one that is supported by prayer. It must begin, be centered in, supported by, and filled with God's grace. The best way to open ourselves up to that grace is by cultivating a daily habit of prayer. If we want to grow in any skill, ability, or relationship we must give it regular attention. Wanting to become a pianist virtuoso must be accompanied by daily practice, and a life of holiness is supported and made possible only by developing a regular and daily habit of prayer. It is hard to be like God if we don't know Him, and even harder to imitate Him without His help! The Sacraments give boosts for us in the midst of our world. They provide an oasis of peace that can help us on our pilgrimage through life. We should use the Sacraments regularly to give us that boost that we need!

The "perfection of charity" is less obvious, but it is a bold and important claim. The Second Vatican Council claimed that we are all called to be able to be healed from all that ails us and be free to act with virtue. Even the laziest among us has the opportunity and invitation to change! Whenever you doubt whether you can change or not, always remember that the Church believes in you much more than we often believe in ourselves! Now the perfection of charity is not just found in our hard work but is supported, of course, by God's grace. God pours out His grace so much so that none of us even in our greatest weaknesses are "lost causes" or beyond hope. God and the church do not give up on us, rather we give up often before we have given it our all.

Charity in this case does not refer to the greatest of all local virtues, Midwest kindness. Charity isn't being "nice", it's being loving. Being loving often includes having to have difficult conversations, to say things that people may need to but not want to hear. Jesus was always loving to everyone he met, but in many cases, people would have said that He wasn't very "nice"! We often confuse politeness for charity, because politeness seems to keep peace in a situation. Charity may disrupt peace for the sake of a deeper relationship. God always acts towards us in charity, but we often don't receive it as very kind. The "perfection of charity" isn't found in the greatest niceties, it's found in being incredibly loving. Holiness does not make us unoffensive or boorish, it makes us loving. It is important to recognize too that holiness does not make us offensive either! Charity is not found in doing what is pleasant for people, it's doing what is good.

All the Saints have different ways and times in which their charity and holiness were tested by their circumstances, and we are no different! As we learn about the Saints, follow their example, and receive help from their prayers, we must strive to live up to that call to Universal Holiness that we all have received and to remember that no matter what happens, the Church believes and is here to support you in becoming happy and in becoming holy.

Fr. Michael

FINANCIAL: OCTOBER 20: Collection: (contribution envelopes, electronic giving and loose offering): \$1,106.30.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	October 26	St. John's	4:00 pm	†Paul Vavra
Sunday	October 27	St. John's	9:00 am	Deceased Members of the Tauferner & Schwebel Families by Rich Tauferner
Sunday	October 27	Blessed Trinity	10:30 am	Mass for Parishioners
Monday	October 28	Blessed Trinity	8:00 am	Deceased Members of the Zimbal Family by Randy & Ann Reineking
Tuesday	October 29	Blessed Trinity	12:10 pm	†Paul & Anna Zillner by Family
Wednesday	October 30	St. John's	6:45 am	†Fr. Richard Cerpich by Udovich Family
Thursday	October 31	St. John's	6:45 am	†Norbert & Adeline Haen by Family
Thursday	October 31	Blessed Trinity	5:15 pm	†Kyle Wagner by Mom & Dad
Friday	November 1	St. John's	6:15 am	Mass for Parishioners
Friday	November 1	Pine Haven	10:00 am	†Ambrose J. Schmitz by Kathleen Schmitz
Friday	November 1	St. John's	12:10 pm	†Fr. Louis Wilimek
Friday	November 1	Blessed Trinity	5:15 pm	†Len & Geri Widder by Family
Saturday	November 2	Blessed Trinity	4:00 pm	†Edwin & Delores Sabel by Family, †Carol Schuessler by Family
Sunday	November 3	St. John's	9:00 am	Mass for Parishioners
Sunday	November 3	Blessed Trinity	10:30 am	†Ben Woveras by Family, †Leonard & Margaret Tomczyk by Nancy Matthews

LAY MINISTERS FOR NOVEMBER 3

MASSES	Sunday 9:00 am
Lectors	Susan Vavra Sophia H.
Servers	Volunteer Volunteer
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Rich Tauferner
Ushers	Tom Reilly Jim Sarafin
Sacristan	Diane Dombrowski

ALL PARISH OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED: All Parish Offices will be closed on Friday, November 1 in observance of All Saints Day. If there is an emergency, please contact Fr. Michael at the emergency number at 920-550-1145.

ALTAR SERVER PRACTICE: Fr. Michael will be holding an altar server practice on **Wednesday, November 6** at **5:15 pm**. It is open to all new and existing servers. Any child in grade 3 and over can volunteer to serve during a weekend Mass. After this practice, a schedule will be made. Please contact the parish office with any questions.

OCTOBER WINE & HOSTS: In Memory of Deceased Members of Tauferner & Schwebel Families by Rich Tauferner

ALL SAINTS DAY MASSES: All Saint's Day is Friday, November 1. All Saint's Day honors all saints and martyrs who have gone to heaven. This is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses will be held on:
 Thursday, October 31: 5:15 pm at Blessed Trinity Parish
 Friday, November 1: 6:15 am at St. John Evangelist Parish
 12:10 pm at St. John Evangelist Parish
 5:15 pm at Blessed Trinity Parish



EVENTS CALENDAR

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26

3:00 - 3:40 pm Reconciliation
4:00 pm Mass

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27

8:00 - 8:40 am Reconciliation
9:00 am Mass

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29

8:30 - 11:00 am Mission Society

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30

6:45 am Mass
4:00 - 5:15 pm Religious Education
4K- Grade 6
6:45 - 8:00 pm Religious Education
Grades 7 - 12

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31

6:45 am Mass
7:15 am - 8:00 pm Adoration
2:00 pm Bible Study
8:00 pm Benediction

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1

6:15 am All Saints Day Mass
12:10 pm All Saints Day Mass

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3

8:00 - 8:40 am Reconciliation
9:00 am Mass

SAFEGUARDING ALL GOD'S CHILDREN:

All staff and volunteers, beyond High School age, who will work with or have contact with children under the age of 18 years old, must have Archdiocesan-mandated Safe Environment Training. There will be in-person **Safe Environment Training Session held at:**

St. John the Baptist Parish in Plymouth on Wednesday, October 30 from 6:00 - 9:00 pm.

The session is approximately 3 hours long. Pre-registration is required. For more information and to register go to: <https://www.archmil.org/offices/safeguarding/Safeguarding-Events.htm>. If you have questions or need help with registration, please contact our St. John Evangelist Parish office at stjohnnev@btsje.org or call 920-452-9623.



HALLOWEEN CANDY: Please bring any left over Halloween candy the weekend of November 2/3 and place it in the bin in the Gathering Space. All candy will be used as bingo prizes for the monthly bingo games at Rocky Knoll.



CHOIR: Upcoming practices:

Tuesday, October 29 at 6:30 pm St. John Evangelist specific choir practice

Wednesday, October 30 at 6:30 pm Joint choir practice at Blessed Trinity Parish

CATHOLIC LIFE CENTER UPDATES:



AED HANDS ONLY CPR & AED TRAINING: Will be held on **Tuesday, October 29 from 6:30 - 7:30 pm** in the Blessed Trinity Church Hall. Ushers are encouraged to attend if they are not familiar or need a review of the topic. The class may not take the whole hour. All are welcome to attend.

The Eucharist and Evangelization with Fr. Michael: On **Saturday, November 2** immediately following the 4:00 pm Mass at Blessed Trinity Parish. Heavy appetizers will be provided.

WELCOME TO THE PARISH: Please welcome Michael & Debra Horzen to the parish.



ST. PETER CLAVER FISH FRY:

On Friday, November 1 at St. Peter Claver (1439 S. 12th Street) from 4:30 - 7:00 pm. There will be lightly breaded Sauger with your choice of french fries or potato salad and coleslaw or applesauce. There is also grilled cheese/ham & cheese to order. Desserts will also be available for sale by the 8th grade CCA students. Carry outs are available.

AVAILABLE NOW!

PRINT & DIGITAL AD SPACES

The Support of Your Business is Greatly Appreciated

Jeff Tkachuk from LPI, our bulletin printer, will be securing new ads for our church in the coming weeks. It is the support of the business community that helps to make our church thrive. Please consider purchasing a print and/or digital ad as your participation makes our bulletin successful, and you attract customers!

Church bulletin advertising is a cost-effective way to advertise 52 times per year and show support for your local community; in turn, parishioners will support you!

Digital advertising allows your business to be front and center to anyone who visits a church profile page on ParishesOnline.com — that's approximately 500,000 page views per month!



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FINANCE COUNCIL:

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PASTORAL COUNCIL:

Chairperson.....Steve O'Neil
Vice Chairperson.....Bridgitt Zielke
Rich Tauferner
Nick Cinquepalmi
Paul Garni
Carol Marksteiner
Rick Michaletz
Ken Udovich

Trustees:

Toni Sarafin, Trustee Treasurer
Michael Pellegrino, Trustee Secretary

Bulletin Submission Deadline: All requests for bulletin articles must be received by Wednesday noon to be included in that weekend's bulletin. Any articles received after that will be included as space permits. For holiday weeks, the deadline may change. Thank you for your understanding.

BLESSED TRINITY AUTUMN FEST

\$5 ADMISSION | INCLUDES HEAVY APPETIZERS

Saturday November 9th, 2024 | 5 PM

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- Silent Auction
 - 50/50 Raffles
 - Bucket Raffles
 - Cash Bar
 - 20 Line Raffles
 - Big Ticket Raffle
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POLKA MUSIC

RYAN KAUTZER DUO

5:30 - 8:30 PM



**All proceeds are for purchase and installation
of new sound system in the church hall.**

**Blessed Trinity Parish Hall
319 Giddings Ave, Sheboygan Falls WI**



The Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Mission Statement

“A network of Friends, inspired by Gospel values, growing in holiness and building a more just world through personal relationships with service to People in need”

“It is our vocation to set people’s hearts ablaze, to do what the Son of God did, who came to light a fire on earth in order to set it ablaze with His love.” Blessed Frédéric Ozanam (1813-1853), the founder of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

As a college student in 1833, Frédéric led a small group of his classmates into the poor areas of Paris to do what they could to address their needs for food and fuel. Blessed Sr. Rosalie Rendu (1786-1856) taught them how to minister to God’s poor. Working one-to-one with families, they gave witness to non-believers about the vitality of their faith. This model of assistance spread through Europe and arrived in our Milwaukee Archdiocese in 1849.



The Blessed Trinity/St John Evangelist Conference Provides a Helping Hand Up for Neighbors in need.

Fourth Quarter July 2024 – September 2024 Results:

19 home visits serving 34 people, including 8 children.

1 telephone visit serving 1 person.

12 rents paid: \$4,802

13 utilities paid: \$3,952

2 households fed: \$200

4 households clothed: \$124

1 household furnished: \$25

9 households’ auto needs: \$631

Vincentians are guided by three essential elements: Spirituality, Friendship, Service.

The practice of a spiritual life, guided by prayer and devotion to Mass, is the foundation. In the spirit of friendship, Vincentians meet regularly to pray and reflect on the Gospels. Enriched by the Word, they are inspired to encounter Christ in service to the poor, lonely, needy, disheartened, or ill.

Please contact current members* with questions and interest: Bob Bartel, Françoise d’Auriol-Pietzner, Annette Gryglewski, Bob Guse, Linda Guse, Judy Heimerl, Paula Inda, Linda Leis, Stan Leis, Sharon Reilly, Ann Reineking, Lina Vainauskas, Bob Weber, Barb White, Mary Jo Widder.

**Not all members listed.*

The Catholic Life Center

Mission: "To engage and unite our intergenerational faith community in learning and fellowship."

Sponsoring parishes: St. John Evangelist, Kohler and Blessed Trinity, Sheboygan Falls
Contact: Mary Waitkus, Director, 920-467-4616, Ext. 314



www.blessedtrinitysheboyganfalls.org/CLC

November 2024

Bishop Barron Programs

St. John Evangelist – Lower-Level Conference Room

November 13 **Faith Clips: Spiritual Life**, Bishop Barron answers questions about Spiritual Life, 10:00-11:00 am

November 20 **Pivotal Players: St. Francis of Assisi**, Bishop Barron explains how St. Francis of Assisi shaped the life of the Church and changed the course of civilization, 10:00-11:15 am

****Register with Mary at Mary.Waitkus@btsje.org or 920-467-4616, Ext. 314.**



Basic Photography

Monday, November 18 from 1:00-2:30 pm

St. John Evangelist Lower-Level Conference Room

Phil Waitkus will give suggestions for turning a snapshot into a memorable photograph and tips to get it right using any camera. If you bring your camera (or cell phone) with you, you can try out some of the principles.

****Register with Mary at Mary.Waitkus@btsje.org or 920-467-4616, Ext. 314.**



Service Projects

CLC-Meeting Room, 1:00-2:30 pm

November 7 **Meals on Wheels Cards**

November 12 **Pine Haven Christmas Cards**



****Register with Mary at Mary.Waitkus@btsje.org or 920-467-4616, Ext. 314.**

Make Christmas Coasters

Thursday, November 14, 1:00-3:00 pm, CLC-Meeting Room

Make a set of four Christmas Coasters for you or a friend. Our quilters group has given us Christmas material to work with and offered their time to help. It is an easy project to cut, fold and iron and help is available. The sewing will be done for you. Cost is freewill offering. Registration Required.



****Register with Mary at Mary.Waitkus@btsje.org or 920-467-4616, Ext. 314.**



Tiny Saints Story Time in St. John Evangelist Classrooms
Thursday, November 21, 9:30-10:15 am in St. John Evangelist Classrooms
Ideal for children ages 1-4 and their caregivers.



Conversations Over Coffee with Father Michael

General Q&A – Wednesday, November 6 after the 6:45 am Mass (7:15-8:15 am)
in the SJE-Gathering Space

Family and the Holidays – Tuesday, November 19 before the 12:10 pm Mass
(11:00-11:45 am), in the CLC-Meeting Room

Walk the Walk... Our adult walking program has restarted and is held every Tuesday & Thursday from September-May at 7:30-8:30 am in the old school gym on the 3rd floor at Blessed Trinity. An elevator is not available. Led by Dave Hart, SJE member. Any questions, call the CLC.



Afternoon at the Movies Featuring the film, "Glory Road"

This drama is based on a true story from 1966 about the first college basketball team to have an all-black starting line-up during the NCAA national championship.

*Starring
Josh Lucas,
Derek Luke, &
Austin Nichols*



Wednesday, November 13 from 1:30-3:30 pm in the CLC-Meeting Room

Christmas Craft Service Project for the Homebound

Thursday, November 21 from 1-2:30 pm in the CLC-Meeting Room

*Register with Mary at Mary.Waitkus@btsje.org or 920-467-4616, Ext. 314.



BT/SJE Senior Singles 55+

Social: Senior Singles at Blessed Trinity/St. John Evangelist invite you to brunch on Thursday, November 21st at River Park Family Restaurant at 10:30am.



Please RSVP to Patty Daun at pattydaun60@gmail.com or 920-207-9023 by November 18.
Please leave a message or e-mail Patty, as she will be traveling.

**For more information, contact Mary at Mary.Waitkus@btsje.org or 920-467-4616, Ext. 314.



Organize the CLC – Help Needed

Join us on Tuesday, November 26 from 10:00-11:30 am in the CLC-Meeting Room to help organize our donated cards and service project supplies.

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Ongoing Educational Programs

Cell Phone Education by Appointment – If you have questions on how to use your cell phone, appointments are available on an as-needed basis.



Formed.org Education by Appointment – If you have questions on how to sign up or use Formed.org, appointments are available on an as-needed basis. Access this site for diverse Catholic programs for all ages.

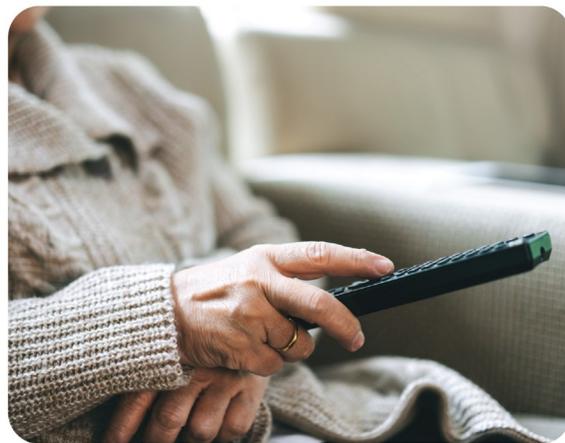
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Dear Padre,

I am an eighty-year-old with painful knee replacements. Am I allowed to remain seated during Mass? Also, at what age am I free to watch a televised Mass at home instead of going to Mass?

Your health condition permits you to remain seated while others in the congregation kneel or stand. Of primary importance is your valued presence, and your full, active participation with fellow members of your Catholic faith community. At Mass, “the faithful form a holy people...so that they may give thanks to God and offer the unblemished sacrificial Victim not only by means of the hands of the Priest but also together with him...” (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, 95).

However, if someone is incapable of attending Mass, then the obligation is abrogated, regardless of age. The Church allows a televised Mass primarily for people who are homebound, in hospitals, nursing homes, and prisons. “The televised Mass is never a substitute for the Church’s pastoral care for the sick in the form of visits by parish ministers who share the Scriptures and bring Communion, nor is it ever a substitute for the Sunday Mass celebrated within a parish faith community each week” (*Guidelines for Televising the Liturgy*, USCCB, 2014). If you are unable to be present at Mass, you have an opportunity to identify with a worshipping community, hear the word of God, be moved to expressions of praise and thanksgiving, and unite with Christ in spiritual communion. ●



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Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR / DearPadre.org

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
October 28	October 29	October 30	October 31	November 1	November 2	November 3
<i>Sts. Simon and Jude, Apostles</i>	<i>Weekday</i>	<i>Weekday</i>	<i>Weekday</i>	<i>All Saints</i>	<i>Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls)</i>	<i>Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
Eph 2:19–22 Lk 6:12–16	Eph 5:21–33 Lk 13:18–21	Eph 6:1–9 Lk 13:22–30	Eph 6:10–20 Lk 13:31–35	Rv 7:2–4, 9–14 1 Jn 3:1–3 Mt 5:1–12a	Wis 3:1–9 Rom 6:3–9 Jn 6:37–40	Dt 6:2–6 Heb 7:23–28 Mk 12:28b–34



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A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

Jesus hears [Bartimaeus'] plea. When he goes to him... he takes time to listen. This is the first step in helping the journey of faith: listening. It is the apostolate of the ear.... For Jesus, the cry of those pleading for help is not a nuisance but a challenge. How important it is for us to listen to life!

HOMILY, ROME, OCTOBER 28, 2018