

# THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## 12 NOVEMBER 2023

**Readings for Sunday, November 12:** Wisdom 6:12-16; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Matthew 25:1-13.

We seek many things in this life, but we should seek first the Lord and his wisdom. By so living, we will keep vigil for the Lord as we await his return in glory.

**Readings for Sunday, November 19:** Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6; Matthew 25:14-30.



**St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Mother Parish Special Day of Prayer is Wednesday. Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament: Wednesday after 9:00 A.M. Mass to 5:00 PM in the Church. Benediction at 5:00 PM.**



<u>Date</u>		<u>Intention</u>	<u>Requested By</u>
13 Nov.	MON. 9:00 AM	Joanne McKee	Durante Family
14 Nov.	TUE. 9:00 AM	Michael J. Rudy	Daughter, Mary
15 Nov.	WED. 9:00 AM	Lawrence Vitacco	Tony & Theresa
16 Nov.	THU. 9:00 AM	Thomas & Vincent Katalinas	Tony & Theresa Vitacco
18 Nov.	SAT. 4:00 PM	Parishioners of St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Mother Parish	
19 Nov.	SUN. 9:00 AM	Neil Hipszer	Barbara & Michael



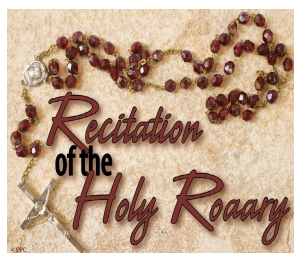
**ETERNAL REST** grant unto them, O Lord. May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.  
**PRAY FOR THE SICK AND SUFFERING** of the parish especially those in homes and hospitals.  
**REMEMBER OUR TROOPS:** Pray that God will bless and protect our young men and women in the military.



**NOVENA IN HONOR OF OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL** on Mondays after the 9:00 AM Mass. All are welcome to join in this special Marian Devotion.

### **THE ROSARY PRAYER GROUP**

leads the recitation of the Rosary before the 9:00 AM Mass every Sunday. They also pray the Rosary before the 9:00 AM weekday Masses. All are welcome to join in these special Marian Devotions.



parishioner's loved ones who have died, especially those who have passed away this year. All are invited to gather for Mass to pray for our departed loved ones.

**NOVEMBER IS THE MONTH OF ALL SOULS. A MEMORIAL MASS** will be held on Tuesday, November 14 at 7:00 PM to remember parishioners and

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**DEPOSIT FOR NOVEMBER 5, 2023.** . . . . . \$4,686  
 2023-2024 Year to Date Collections. . . . . \$74,995  
 2022-2023 Year to Date Collections. . . . . \$74,010

**SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND**, November 18 and 19 will be the Parish Property Maintenance & Repair Collection.

**ST. CHARLES BORROMEO SEMINARY APPEAL** - Next weekend Seminarian Alexander Sorensen will join us to share his experience at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary. From forming our future priests and deacons, to educating the hundreds of lay men and women who study at the seminary, St. Charles' influence is far reaching. Please consider supporting our seminary by making a gift today using the envelope mailed to your homes.

**CONSIDER REMEMBERING YOUR PARISH IN YOUR WILL.**  
 Call the Parish Office for more details.

## "ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK"

**DRY TECH WATERPROOFING SOLUTIONS**

1-888-5DRY-TECH



**THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE** will be held next weekend, November 18 and 19. Please bring your donations of non-perishable food items to the church vestibule next weekend. Food collected will be delivered to the Outreach Center in Pottstown for those in need in our area. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

## **MASS ATTENDANCE for November 4/5:**

4:00 PM Mass - 130

9:00 AM Mass - 136

Total Attendance - 266



**PARISH LOTTERY RAFFLE TICKET** based on the PA Pick 3 Evening Number. Winning ticket number must be the exact number drawn for the PA Pick 3 Evening Number. Tickets are \$5.00 each and are sold on a monthly basis. The prize for the winning ticket is \$50.00 on weekdays and \$100.00 on Sundays and one specially-designated weekday. **This is our major fund raiser for the parish. We encourage each family to purchase at least one ticket each month. Your support is greatly appreciated.**

## **LOTTERY RAFFLE TICKET WINNERS**

October 30 - #039 - unsold

October 31 - #227 - unsold

OCTOBER FIGURES: 235 Tickets sold - \$1175.00. Payout to winners - \$400.00. Cost of tickets - \$100.00. Profit for October - \$675.00.

November 1 - #962 - John Donnelly - \$50.00

November 2 - #350 - Brigid Donnelly - \$50.00

November 3 - #015 - unsold

November 4 - #723 - unsold

November 5 - #608 - unsold



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**CHURCH MAGNETS** are available at the Parish Office. They can be placed on your car or refrigerator. Cost is \$5.00 each.



**APPAREL ALERT!** We are now accepting orders for our parish apparel: T-shirt (small logo on upper left) - \$10; Hoodies - (small logo on upper left) - \$25; 1/4 Zip (small logo on upper left) - \$35; Men's & Women's Polo Shirts (small logo on upper left) - \$25.

Current colors offered are: Kelly Green or Sunburst Yellow (logo is black and gray just like the photo). Sizes: S to XL - larger sizes are available (just add \$2) and we have youth sizes too! **PROMOTE YOUR PARISH!!!** Complete the order form in the vestibule of Church and return to the parish office along with payment or contact Maria Boyer ([mboyer@sgsm62.org](mailto:mboyer@sgsm62.org)).



## **AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVES**

on November 20 and December 4 and 18 from 2:00 PM to 7:00 PM in the social hall. Please call 1-800-RED-CROSS to make an appointment.

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE - November 18/19

### 4:00 PM Mass

Lector - Warzeski

Ministers of Holy Communion - Front, Deacon; Break, Nester & George; Choir, Durante

Altar Server - Holmes

Greeter - Scheidt

### 9:00 AM Mass

Lector - Boyer

Ministers of Holy Communion - Front, Deacon; Break, C. Buccaglia & Carr

Altar Servers - Griffin & Nagel

Greeter - Hildebrand



**2024 MASS BOOK** - Requests for Masses to be offered on a specific day in 2024 can be made at the Parish Office beginning Tuesday, November 14. There will be a limit of one Mass on the weekends per person and five Masses per person on weekdays.

### *The Corner*

Jesus died over 2000 years ago. Nobody has ever referred to Him as the late Jesus. Not even the heathens. Nowhere in history. Nowhere has He ever been referred to in the past tense. He IS the Living God!

## WOMEN'S SOCIETY NEWS

**JEWELRY SHOPPING** - The Women's Society is once again planning a Sunday afternoon of jewelry shopping. Gather any jewelry that you are tired of or never wear and drop off to the parish office for our sale. Don't worry, we'll also have plenty of new to choose. Drop off to office by January 10 then plan for a ladies afternoon of fun on January 21. Details to follow.

**WOMEN'S SOCIETY CHRISTMAS PARTY** on Sunday, December 17 at 1:00 PM at Shorty's Sunflower Café. 3 course dinner includes Roasted Corn Chowder, Choice of Slow Cooked Beef with potato and veg, Chicken breast with apples, mushrooms in brandy cream with veg or Butternut squash lasagna. Dessert and all cold and hot beverages. BYOB. \$30 for members; \$35 for non-members. All invited. Payment and dinner choice to Lori by December 10.

**VOLUNTEER NEEDED** to stop the leak. The liners inside the large vases have some small holes that may be fixed by soldering. Anyone who is able to help with this, please call Lori (610-326-6030).

**EAGLES BASKET** - Beginning November 17, we will be selling chances for a large EAGLES basket. Some items include an autographed ball with authentication from Jack Elliott, \$50 gift card to Frank Smith, sweatshirts, lawn flag, tailgating food and supplies and more. Chances are \$1 each, 6 for \$5 or best value 15 for \$10. Winner will be pulled on December 17.

**BAKE SALE PLUS** on weekend of December 9 and 10. Everything \$5.00. Pizzelles, cookies, candy, brownies, anything and everything. Anyone wishing to donate items you wish to make, please label and drop off before Masses. Remember EVERYTHING \$5.



We have received several calls concerning an email people are receiving which supposedly came from Fr. Wilson asking with assistance in purchasing gift cards.

Please know this is a SCAM. Do not respond to the email.

## MEMORIAL MASS FOR PARENTS OF DECEASED

**CHILDREN** on Wednesday, November 15 at 7:00 PM at St. Teresa of Calcutta Parish, Limerick. Light reception in the Parish Ministry Center Hall after Mass. All loved ones who have lost a child(ren) are invited to be part of this Memorial Mass. Anyone who plans to attend is asked to respond to Shawn Marie Brown no later than Monday, November 13 at [dps@stteresacalcutta.com](mailto:dps@stteresacalcutta.com) or (610-287-2525, ext. 100). RSVP is required along with the name of the deceased child (if named), date of birth and death, and the number of family members attending the Mass and reception. All are welcome!

**FLAME OF LOVE ORGANIZATION** - The Flame of Love Organization is currently operating throughout the USA and Canada and many other countries. A speaker from the Flame of Love Organization will be present at St. Teresa of Calcutta Ministry Center on November 29 from 7:00 to 8:00 PM. You are invited to come and learn about how Jesus and Mary gave Elizabeth Kindlemann the knowledge of the Flame of Love and how they wish their message to spread to us and to all people in many countries throughout the world. This will be a very worthwhile evening for all who are able to attend.



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As wars in our world sadly continue and violence in our society seems without end, this might be an appropriate time to call to mind some insights of the Second Vatican Council. The following is from *The Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World* (no. 78):

Peace is not the mere absence of war or the simple maintenance of a balance of power between forces, nor can it be imposed at the dictate of absolute power. It is called, rightly and properly, a work of justice. It is the product of order, the order implanted in human society by its divine founder, to be realized in practice as men hunger and thirst for ever more perfect justice. The common good of the human race is subject to the eternal law as its primary principle, but its requirements in practice keep changing with the passage of time. The result is that peace is never established finally and forever; the building up of



peace has to go on all the time. Again, the human will is weak and wounded by sin; the search for peace therefore demands from each individual constant control of the passions, and from



legitimate authority untiring vigilance. Even this is not enough. Peace here on earth cannot be maintained unless the good of the human person is safeguarded, and men are willing to trust each other and share their riches of spirit and talent. If peace is to be established it is absolutely necessary to have a firm determination to respect other persons and peoples and

their dignity, and to be zealous in the practice of brotherhood. Peace is therefore the fruit also of love; love goes beyond what justice can achieve. Peace on earth, born of love for one's neighbor, is the sign and the effect of the Peace of Christ that flows from God the Father. In his own Person the incarnate Son, the Prince of Peace, reconciled all men to God through His death on the cross. In His human nature He destroyed hatred and restored unity to all mankind in One People and One Body.



Raised on high by the resurrection, He sent the Spirit of Love into the hearts of men. All Christians are thus urgently summoned to live the Truth in Love, and to join all true peacemakers in prayer and work for Peace.

Peace!

Fr. Wilson