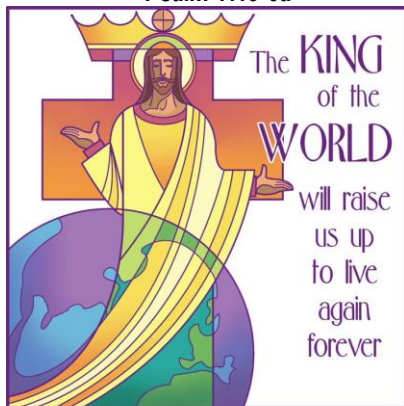


**THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
NOVEMBER 10, 2019**

*My steps have been steadfast in
your paths, my feet have not faltered.
I call upon you, for you will answer me,
O God.*

— Psalm 17:5-6a



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CONFIDENCE IN THE LORD

We are nearing the end of the liturgical year. Today's readings remind us that our own lives will draw to a close one day, and we can be certain that the Lord will encourage, strengthen, and save us—both now and at the last. The astonishing story of the Maccabees invigorates our faith as we behold an entire family willing to die rather than deny the Law of Moses. The psalm response echoes the faithful cries of the Maccabees: "I call upon you, for you will answer me, O God." That same confidence appears in Saint Paul's letter to the Thessalonians. "The Lord is faithful," he testifies; "he will strengthen you and guard you from the evil one." In the Gospel, Jesus explains just how long God's protection will endure. The children of God whom God guards, Jesus says, will live forever like angels.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The King of the world will raise us up to live again forever (2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14).

Psalm — Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full (Psalm 17).

Second Reading — May the Lord encourage and strengthen your hearts (2 Thessalonians 2:16 — 3:5).

SPECIAL PRAYER LIST

Edith Bolder Homesdale Care Center
Jeanette Hamilton Evans Home
Eddie Jennings, V.A. Rehab Cameron
Inell Hunter Home
Margaret G. Jones Research Hospital
Martha Melton Addington House Ctr
Marcheita Bush Home
Carlos Nix Home
Lavel McCullough Home
Rosa Birch Home
Sandra Cloyd Home
Kevin Brown Home
Jackie Countee Home
Sharon Shackelford-Allen Home
Earnestine Nard Home
Mable Parson Home
Earl Greene Home
Michael Mize Home
Chaunceyette Mize Home
Hargett Hayes Research Hospital #7338

FAMILY MEMBERS

Please inform Father Leonard, when a loved-one has become homebound, or has been hospitalized. Call, 816-471-3696, or email: leombuthia@yahoo.com

NOVEMBER 17^R ASSIGNMENTS

SERVERS Coordinator: V. Ammons*
All Servers

LECTORS Coordinator, Rose Palmer*

8:00 a.m. Lawrence Blankinship,
Ken Bacchus

10:00 a.m. Elton Lombard,
Phaedra Lombard

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Coordinator, Dianna Miller*

8:00 a.m. Crystal Miller, Dianna Miller,
Julia Price, Rita Womack

10:00 a.m. Kirk Thaw, Shirley Thaw,
Deborah Buckley, Terese Chambers,
Diane Charity, Jenise Comer,
Bernadette Cook, Angela Curry, Mary
Ann Grayson, Pamela Green

USHERS Coordinators, Kim Urenda,
Mary Pearson *

8:00 a.m. Elaine Johnson,
Lawrence Blankinship

10:00 a.m. **Team B:**

Mary Alexander, Phaedra Lombard,
Chaunceyette Mize, Chilon Spencer,
Don Williams, Stephanie Broils

WELCOME: Chidera Okafor

3RD SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP

HOSTS: Altar / Rosary Society

COUNTERS: TEAM #3

Janice Smith, Team Leader

MEETINGS / DATES / TIMES

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Meetings are held on Sunday,
following the 10 a.m. mass



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SUNDAY SCHOOL

**K-5th Grade Classes meet on
the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Sundays.**

1ST COMMUNITON CLASS

Meetings: 2nd, 3rd, & 4th Sundays
Ramonda Doakes, Director

JUNIOR YOUTH GROUP

Meetings: 2nd and 4th Sundays,
Church Hall, Lower Level,
Coordinators: John & Debra Johnson

SENIOR YOUTH GROUP

Meetings will be held in the
Administration Building, **St. Monica
Room, Every 1st and 3rd Sunday.**
Coordinators: Eric & Burnetta Burtin, Elton
& Phaedra Lombard

RCIA —

**Rite of Christian Initiation for
Adults.** Meetings are held on
Sundays, in the Small Chapel,
Deacon Ken Greene, Instructor.

KNIGHTS OF PETER CLAVER

3 rd Degree Knights	1 st Sat 1:00 p.m.
4 th Degree Knights	1 st Sat. 1:45 p.m.
Fr. Constantine Ct.	1 st Sun. 9:00 a.m.
Ladies of Grace	4 th Sun. 2:00 p.m.
Jr. Daughters	2 nd Sat. 2:00 p.m.
Jr. Knights	1 st Sun. 4:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

9:00 a.m. Mass
6:00 p.m. Prayer Service

SATURDAY

Breakfast / Bible Study Classes
New members are always welcome.
Meetings are held in the Administration
Building / St. Monica Room.
8:00 a.m. Men's Class:

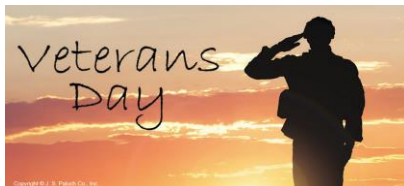
9:30 a.m. Women's Class:
No meeting on Saturday,
November 16th

GOSPEL — Those who are deemed worthy of the coming age can no longer die (Luke 20:27-38 [27, 34-38]).



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday:** Wis 1:1-7; Ps 139:1b-10; Lk 17:1-6
- Tuesday:** Wis 2:23 — 3:9; Ps 34:2-3, 16-19; Lk 17:7-10
- Wednesday:** Wis 6:1-11; Ps 82:3-4, 6-7; Lk 17:11-19
- Thursday:** Wis 7:22b — 8:1; Ps 119:89-91, 130, 135, 175; Lk 17:20-25
- Friday:** Wis 13:1-9; Ps 19:2-5ab; Lk 17:26-37
- Saturday:** Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43; Lk 18:1-8
- Sunday:** Mal 3:19-20a; Ps 98:5-9; 2 Thes 3:7-12; Lk 21:5-19



SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday:** Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Monday:** St. Martin of Tours; Veterans Day
- Tuesday:** St. Josaphat
- Wednesday:** St. Frances Xavier Cabrini
- Friday:** St. Albert the Great
- Saturday:** St. Margaret of Scotland; St. Gertrude; Blessed Virgin Mary

PERSPECTIVE

We must often draw the comparison of time and eternity. This is the remedy of all our troubles. How small will the present moment appear when we enter that great ocean !—St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

ALL SOULS ~

During the month of November, we will pray for the faithful departed. Those who have preceded us in death. We will in a particular way, pray for our family members and friends during the month.

There will be a box in the gathering space, where you can place the names of your loved ones, and we will mention them by name during one of our Sunday Masses in November.



TREASURES

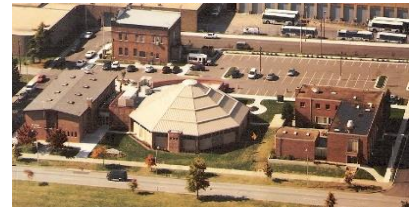
~ *From Our Tradition*

In the seventeenth century, English Catholics, many of them wealthy and well educated, looked to the American colonies as a place to regain a measure of religious freedom. In Ireland, the so-called penal laws were even harsher than in England, as a minority Parliament tried to force the conversion of the population by denying the majority political and economic power. Beginning in 1691, laws were passed that punished dissenters, principally Catholics, but also causing hardship for Jews, Quakers, and others. There were acts forbidding “mixed marriage” or sending children “beyond the seas” for schooling. Catholics were taxed at double the common rate, barred from the legal professions and from university, and not allowed to build churches or own a decent horse.

In 1793 the situation began to change, as it became clear that the economic persecution would not drive the majority away from Catholicism. Gradually, laws were repealed until by 1829 freedom was won, although Catholics at university were ineligible for honors, and until the 1920s when the Republic was formed, the Church of Ireland was the state church, funded by the taxes of all citizens.

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FORWARD IN FAITH CAMPAIGN



Thanks to everyone who participated in our “Forward in Faith” Campaign. The campaign is to take care of our accumulated diocesan assessment arrears, and build reserves for our parish. Thanks to many of you, who took time to fill in pledge cards. More pledge cards are available in the pews. Please take time to fill one out, and drop it in the collection basket. If you have any question, please don’t hesitate to approach one of our Stewardship Committee members, for clarification. In coming weeks, you will be receiving your annual tithing envelopes, together with “Forward in Faith” Envelopes. Please use the Forward in Faith envelopes toward the campaign. Our goal is, to raise \$150,000 by October 2020. So far, we have received \$11,600, and \$138,400 still to go. The goal is huge but God is faithful. God bless you all.

Fr. Leonard



CATHOLIC CHARITIES

of Kansas City-St. Joseph is recruiting angels to help provide Christmas gifts for clients and families in need throughout our various programs. We are in need, specifically, of sponsors for children from birth to teen. Please consider sharing your time and treasure this Christmas season by adopting one of our children to shop for and share the magic of Christmas.

For more information or to select a child, contact Linda Hopkins, Volunteer Coordinator at lhopkins@ccharities.com or 816-659-8205.

Happy Thanksgiving

ST. MONICA 'S ANNUAL THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

BEGINS NOVEMBER 3, 2019

THIS IS A CHURCH FAMILY PROJECT

OUR GOAL THIS YEAR IS TO PROVIDE 50 BASKETS TO 50 FAMILIES

THE ITEMS REQUESTED FOR DONATION WILL PROVIDE A THANKSGIVING DINNER AND OTHER STAPLES A FAMILY NEEDS DURING THIS SEASON.

IF YOU KNOW OF A FAMILY IN NEED PLEASE CONTACT FOOD PANTRY OFFICE

AT 816 842-1877 ON MONDAY, WEDNESDAY OR THURSDAY FROM 10:30A-2PM

PLEASE BRING YOUR DONATED FOOD ITEMS AND PLACE THEM ON TABLES IN

FERGUSON HALL ON : SUNDAYS, NOV 3, NOV 10, NOV 17

WEEKDAYS ANY MON, WED, THURS. FROM 10:30A-2:00P

VOLUNTEERS WILL BE NEEDED:

TO ASSEMBLE BASKETS ON SATURDAY, NOV 23 FROM 10A UNTIL,

NEED A DRIVER TO HELP PICK UP TURKEYS ON SAT NOV 23

BASKETS GIVEN AWAY ON SUNDAY, NOV 24

SEE FOOD DONATION LIST ON BACK---

IN LIEU OF FOOD DONATIONS, WE WILL ALSO ACCEPT MONEY OR A TURKEY

(12-15 LBS.) TO FILL A BASKET A DONATION OF \$60 IS NEEDED.

IF YOU WANT TO DO MORE OR HAVE SUGGESTIONS--PLEASE CALL ME AT THE PANTRY OFFICE 816 842-1877---MON. WED. FROM 10:30A-2PM

SUNDAY NOV 3

CANNED GOODS

GREEN BEANS
CANNED SWEET POTATOES
WHOLE KERNAL CORN
SLICED PEACHES
FRUIT COCKTAIL
CHICKEN NOODLE SOUP
VEGETABLE SOUP
PORK & BEANS
CRANBERRY SAUCE

SUNDAY NOV 10

DRY GOODS

HAMBURGER HELPER
MACARONI CHEESE
PINTO BEANS
RICE
CRACKERS
INSTANT POTATOES
EGGS
PEANUT BUTTER
JELLY

SUNDAY NOV 17

WEEKDAY---- NOV 18-23

BOXED ITEMS

STUFFING MIX
CAKE MIX
ICING
FLOUR
SUGAR
BREAD
MARGARINE/BUTTER
APPLES
ORANGES

ALL ITEMS

SATURDAY NOV 23

ALL ITEMS

***** PLEASE PAY ATTENTION TO EXPIRATION DATES ON CANNED GOOD ITEMS
WE DO NOT WANT TO GIVE AWAY UNHEALTHY ITEMS

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combatting sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you observe or suspect sexual abuse:

1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and
2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and
3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected *sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult* to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Joe Crayon, at: 816.812.2500, or crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org, if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph.

The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact the Victim Advocate, Kathleen Chastain, at 816.392.0011 or chastain@diocesekcsj.org for more information.