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Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 17, 2024



MASS SCHEDULE

Sundays 9:00 am & 11:00 am

WEEKDAY MASS

Mon.—Fri. 12:10 pm

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

12:10 pm and 6:00 pm

Basilica Open For Visitation

Sat.—10:00 am– 1:00 pm

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Mon.—Fri. 11:00 am—11:45 am

See usher for directions.

EUCCHARISTIC EXPOSITION

Mon.—Fri. 11:00 am—12:00 pm

OFFICE HOURS

Mon.—Wed., Fri.

9:00 am—2:00 pm

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SOCIAL MEDIA



Liturgies & Mass Intentions for the Week of November 17, 2024

- 11/17 Sun. **33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**
9am Susan Louy (+)
11am For the People of the Basilica
- 11/18 Mon. Grace Gilliam
- 11/19 Tue. Eugene & Maggie Smith
- 11/20 Wed. Patrick McDonald
- 11/21 Thur. Carolyn Hinton (+)
The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- 11/22 Fri. John O’Conner & Cynthia Ann Hughes (+)
St. Cecilia

This Week at the Basilica

- 11/17 Sun. ♦ Coffee Hour, 10 a.m.
♦ Global Learning Academy/
Pajama Party Promo Videos,
10:15 a.m.
- 11/18 Mon. ♦ A.W.C. Pack Lunches, 8 a.m.
- 11/20 Wed. ♦ Women’s Study Group, 9 a.m.
♦ Choir Practice, 7 p.m.
- 11/22 Fri. ♦ Holy Hour for Life, 11 a.m.

Outreach to the Poor Pajama Party, December 15, 2024

The Outreach to the Poor team members will be taking sign ups for the upcoming Pajama Party after each Mass in front of the Basilica and in the Parish Hall during the Coffee Hour beginning November 17. Don’t miss this fun event!



Knights of Columbus Assembly 156 2024 Fall Raffle

TODAY during the Coffee Hour is the final opportunity to get your ticket for a chance to win a \$500 cash card. The drawing will occur on November 18 at 7 p.m. at the Assembly meeting. You need not be present to win.

CSA 2024

Updated as of November 8, 2024

Benchmark	\$140,000
Amount Given.....	\$121,324
Households Participating.....	159

Stewardship of Treasure for November 10, 2024 will be reported next week due to the bank holiday.

FROM FR. JOE

My dear friends, I have shared with you many times before that I am a movie person. I have a huge collection of movies. People ask me all the time, especially because they know how much I am into movies, what my favorite movie is. That’s almost an impossible question to answer. I usually respond with “Casablanca” because it is certainly one of my favorites and probably top of the list. But it is so hard to commit to a favorite at the expense of all the others!

I think what I like most is the constant momentum of creativity. I am so excited to see something that I haven’t seen before, a story that has never been told. Think of your favorite song. For most of you, I would bet that the song was written sometime in the last fifty years... maybe seventy. Even if the song is one hundred years old, have you ever thought about the fact that before it was written, nobody in the universe had ever heard it before?

Inevitably, though, with most movies, even many of my favorites, there is a consistent pattern to the drama. The film opens by setting the scene, introducing the characters and the dilemma(s) they face. Then comes the darkness. Something evil, or tragic, unfair or unjust, surfaces. Maybe you saw it coming, maybe you didn’t. That’s the drama, though. Will the protagonist come through or will the darkness consume them? Some movies keep you on the edge of your seat in suspense of resolving this question. The final answer is up to the filmmakers.

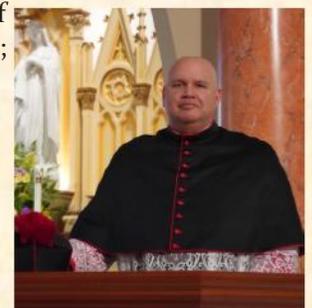
This is the great drama of our faith. “The Greatest Story Ever Told” as it were has all of these elements. While you might think the protagonist is Jesus, I think the protagonist is you! We know how the story ends for Jesus. Spoiler alert! - He dies brutally on the Cross but rises from the dead and opens the way to salvation for all who will follow Him. But what about you? The first reading and the Gospel today both tell us that there is a darkness that we must face. Daniel describes it as a time “unsurpassed in distress” and the Jesus tells us in the Gospel that “the sun will be darkened and the moon will not give its light”.

But then Jesus comes with the invitation for us to be transported with Him out of the darkness into His glorious light. Daniel talks about the dead, those who “sleep in the dust of the earth” and that some will awaken to live forever, but “others shall be an everlasting horror and disgrace”. In my opinion the best movies portray a protagonist who is weak, but overcomes the weaknesses and deficiencies of life to heroically embrace what is right and true and good. This is the hope of the drama of our life in Christ! Will we turn away from the darkness of sin? Will we take the hand that Jesus extends to us? Will we accept His rescue and His redemption?

The only difference is that the final scenes of your very-real-drama are not up to filmmakers; they are up to you.

God bless you all.

Fr. Joe Fowler
Rector & Pastor



Do You Have Questions About the Catholic Faith???

Please visit the Basilica’s website at (stmichaelbasilica.com). There you will find “Becoming Catholic” under the “Membership” menu for additional information about Catholicism, or to sign-up for classes.

Basilica of St. Michael Veronica Guild

Bereavement Team

The Bereavement Team is hosting Masses for our deceased loved ones on the 3rd Friday of the month. The names of loved ones who have died will be voiced aloud as we pray for them and the comfort of those who mourn their loss. If you know of someone from the Basilica of St. Michael who has passed away, please notify the office so we can pray for them. The next Bereavement Mass is Friday, December 20, at 12:10 p.m.

Honoring Life Team

Fridays for Life at the Basilica: Join us as we pray the Rosary at 11:30, the last Friday of each month for the protection and honoring of Life. Every Friday, Adoration and Confessions begin at 11 a.m. All are invited and welcome to “Fridays for Life.”

Military Outreach Team

If you are or have been in military service, join us for cookouts and other activities for our military parishioners and friends. Make sure you pick up a **Welcome Aboard** letter in the church!

Outreach to the Poor Team

Please consider an offering to the Basilica’s poor boxes or online. These funds are used to support local outreach to the poor including Catholic Charities, the St. Vincent de Paul food pantry, the Alfred Washburn Center, the St. Joseph Medical Clinic and the Alpha Center.

Parishioners at Home Team

If you or someone you know would benefit from receiving a phone call, card, or visit from one of the members of our Parishioners@Home team, please contact Mary Kay Bianchi (mkb2375@gmail.com).

Prison Ministry Team

The Prison Ministry Team is trained to provide in-person visits, video visits, letter writing, and spiritual retreats for inmates of local facilities. If you would like to be a part of this ministry, contact Bob Beargie (robertbeargie@yahoo.com) or Morgan Rosas (morganrosas@icloud.com).

IN OUR CHARITY WE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Kay Andrews, Alexander Buchanan, Kenneth Burke, Margaret Burke, Candace Caprara, Mike Chuites, Brandon Del Castillo, Bob & Dennis DeVries, Greg Dziadon, Rene & Dion Edwards, Mary Jane Elliott, Scott Epley, Jane Felix, Ron Fromm, Michelle Garton, Catherine Hajcak, Diane Havard, Frank Hendrickson, Phyllis Hill, Jessica Hutchinson, Luke Karkheck, Matthew Johnson, Tony & Brenda King, Kim LaFlamme, Jim Lee, Ron Livorno, Mary Ann Long, Karen Longhurst, Shaylee Lowery, Tom Marsh, Larry May, Christine McGowan, Dagen McVoy, Vann McVoy, Laurie Murdock, Martha Nealy, Tom & Donna Notaro, Denise Pfender, Casen Roberts, Morgan Rosser, Susan & Jay Sandlin, Mercedes See, Lori Shipman, Lurleyne Terry, Paul Ungerland, Joyce Vignolo, Pat Watkins.

Please contact Dennis Wren at 850-438-4985 to add or remove someone from the prayer list.

Holy Father’s Prayer Intention for November 2024

FOR ANYONE WHO HAS LOST A CHILD

We pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and receive peace and consolation from the Holy Spirit.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

11/17—Arlene Hornilla, Daniel Salvaggio, Micah Miller, Eugene Smith, Jr.; **11/18**—Julian Tokorcheck, Rick Boyd; **11/20**—Fran Kulbacki; **11/22**—Keith Eubanks, Chloe Fox-Edele, Tony Reeves; **11/23**—Maggie Miller.



The flowers in the church are given in memory of Paul Duffy, Sr.

BASILICA ALTAR FLOWERS

As we approach the Christmas Season, please consider donating any amount to the Basilica’s Flower Fund so we are able to make the Basilica beautiful for the Christ Child.



Our Lady’s Sodality Giving Tree Project
November 17—December 8, 2024

The Giving Tree Project sponsored by Our Lady’s Sodality provides Christmas gifts to those in need. Beginning Sunday, November 17, the tree is located in the vestibule of the church. Volunteers will be available to assist you in selecting a gift for a child or an adult. Donation envelopes will also be available in the vestibule and the Parish Hall for those whom shopping is not convenient.



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