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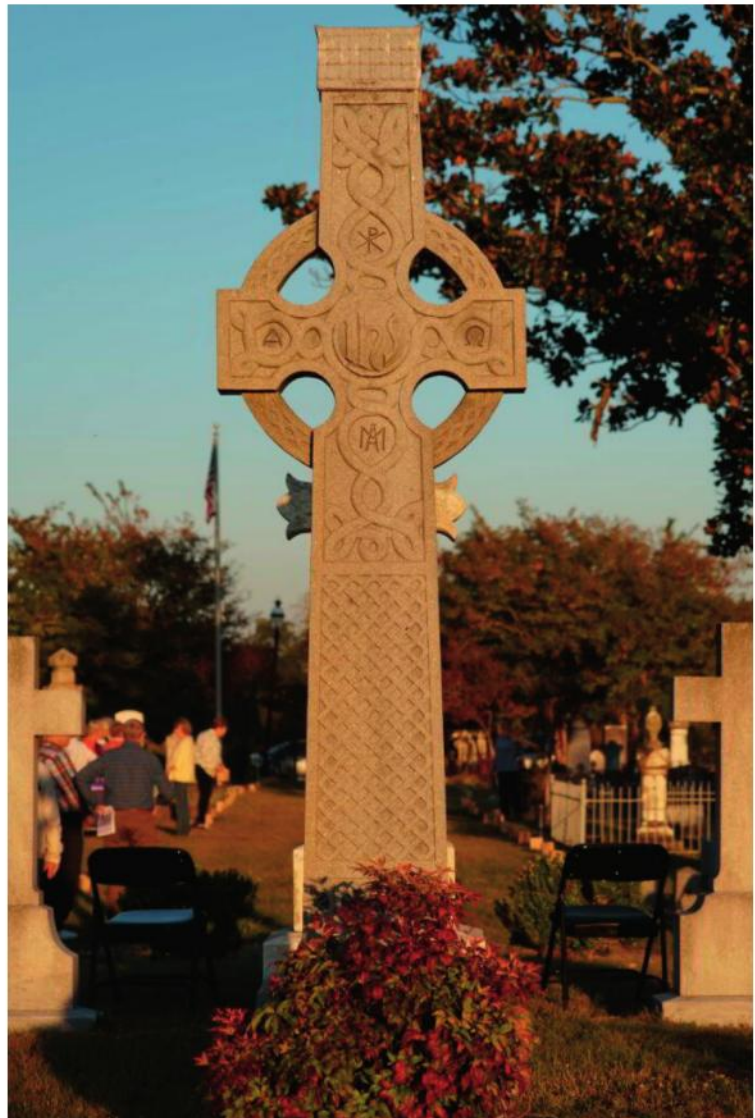
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**Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**October 27, 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 October 27, 2024**

10/27 Sun.	<b>30th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
9am	For the People of the Basilica
11am	Beverly Milsted (+)
10/28 Mon.	Sophie Pociask (+)
	<i>Sts. Simon &amp; Jude, Apostles</i>
10/29 Tue.	Stuart H. Pratt, Jr. (+)
10/30 Wed.	Lawrence Lingner, Jr.
10/31 Thur.	John Myrick (+)
11/1 Fri.	<b>All Saints Day (Holy Day)</b>
12:10pm	For the People of the Basilica
6pm	Mike McCracken

**This Week at the Basilica**

10/27 Sun.	♦ Coffee Hour, 10 a.m.
10/30 Wed.	♦ Women's Study Group, 9 a.m.
	♦ Gifts & Fruits of the Holy Spirit, 6 p.m.
	♦ Choir Practice, 7 p.m.
11/1 Fri.	♦ Holy Hour for Life, 11 a.m.
	♦ Rosary for Life, 11:30 a.m.
11/2 Sat.	♦ All Souls Day Prayer Service, 6 p.m. (St. Michael's Cemetery)

**Holy Day of Obligation**

This Friday is a Holy Day of Obligation in commemoration of All Saints Day. Masses are at 12:10 p.m. and 6 p.m.

**CSA 2024**

**Updated as of October 18, 2024**

Benchmark .....	\$140,000
Amount Given.....	\$114,628
Households Participating.....	156

**Stewardship of Treasure for Oct. 13, 2024**

In-Church Offering.....	\$7,963.00
Online Offering.....	\$2,620.28
<b>Total Offertory .....</b>	<b>\$10,583.28</b>

**Stewardship of Treasure for Oct. 20, 2024**

In-Church Offering.....	\$5,162.00
Online Offering.....	\$4,213.99
<b>Total Offertory .....</b>	<b>\$9,375.99</b>

"May the Lord reward your generosity with abundant blessings."

**FROM FR. JOE**

My dear friends, we have a beautiful invitation from God in the readings this Sunday. The Lord promises to bring His people home through the prophet Jeremiah. He reminds us that He understands our life and circumstances in the Letter to the Hebrews. God's love shines through in both of these passages. He wants us to be with Him. He wants us to know how much He understands our life. But it is in the Gospel that we see the powerful invitation to action.

Jesus calls the blind Bartimaeus, or rather He instructs His disciples to call Him. What a powerful image of the Church at work! In fact, when they speak to Bartimaeus, they encourage Him with the fact that Jesus is calling him, but He is calling Bartimaeus through the ministry of the disciples. Really, this Gospel passage is a twofold call to action. On the one hand, Jesus is calling us to receive His grace, to rise up out of the malaise of our sometimes slothful inactivity and to go to Him. On the other hand, He is sending us out to those whom He is calling to be His messengers and to encourage them to take heart in the call they receive.

Either way, what a grace! Of course, we cannot be disciples of Jesus without first going to Him as the fount of grace for our own salvation and spiritual wellbeing. As disciples, redeemed by His love, how can we ignore the call to ministry and service, recognizing the vast number of people in need of God's grace and the message of His love?

We can always ask why God uses His disciples rather than choosing to act on His own, alone, but the plain fact of the matter is that, again and again, consistently, Jesus empowers us with His grace and calls us to act. Why take the extra step of telling His disciples, "Call him."? But this is how God works. What happens to Bartimaeus should the disciples fail to obey the call of Christ? What happens to Bartimaeus without the encouragement of others in his life who motivate him to respond?

The disciples, more than any others could, recognize the crossroads of the moment of encounter with Christ. I think all of us can look back to decision points in our lives in which we had the chance to say "yes" or "no" to Jesus calling us. I would imagine that we look at the "no" moments with regret and the "yes" moments with gratitude. That is certainly my experience. When we see someone at that point in their lives, who better to encourage them than someone who knows, experientially, the joy of saying "yes" to Jesus and the ultimate disappointment of allowing those opportunities to pass by with a "no" or simply a lack of response altogether.

These readings are an opportunity for us to reflect on the invitation at work in our lives now, at this moment. How is God calling you to respond to the invitation of grace? How is He calling you to encourage those people in your lives who need it the most? Consider this prayerfully on this, the Lord's Day, and be sure that your response to both of those calls is a resounding and joyful "yes"!

God bless you all.

Fr. Joe Fowler  
Rector & Pastor





**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, November 15, at 12:10 p.m.

**Honoring Life Team**

Fridays for Life at the Basilica: Join us as we pray a Rosary for Life at 11:30 a.m., **every** Friday until the November 5 election. Adoration and Confessions begin at 11 a.m. each Friday. 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).


**All Soul's Day Candlelight Prayer Service**  
**Saturday, November 2, 6 p.m.**

St. Michael's Cemetery (6 North Alcaniz St., Pensacola) annual All Souls' Day Ecumenical Candlelight Prayer Service, a cherished tradition in our community that traces its roots back to the 18th century, will take place on Saturday, November 2, 2024, at 6:00 pm, right within the peaceful surroundings of the cemetery. In the event of rain, the service will be held at the Basilica of St. Michael the Archangel.

**Military Outreach Veteran's Day Celebration**

The Veronica Guild's Military Outreach Team invite all parishioners to join them on Sunday, November 10, in the Parish Hall to honor our Veterans and Active Duty Military members. We will serve breakfast items following the 9 a.m. Mass and lunch items following the 11 a.m. Mass.

Did you know there is a beautiful prayer titled, 'For Our Veterans' on page 271 of the Heritage Missal that we should all pray. We are all blessed by the sacrifice of our military families.

**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, Jim Lee, Mary Ann Long, Karen Longhurst, Shaylee Lowery, Tom Marsh, Larry May, Christine McGowan, Charlotte McKinney, Dagen McVoy, Vann McVoy, Laurie Murdock, Martha Nealy, Tom & Donna Notaro, Denise Pfender, Casen Roberts, Morgan Rosser, Mercedes See, Lori Shipman, Lurleyne Terry, Kim Thompson, Paul Ungerland, Joyce Vignolo, Pat Watkins.

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


**Knights of Columbus**  
**Baby Bottle Drive**  
**October 6—October 27, 2024**

This is the final weekend for the Knights of Columbus, Council 8589, Baby Bottle Drive. Please return all bottles or baby items to the Baby Bottle Table no later than October 27.

**BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK**

**10/27**—Cara Tokorcheck; **10/28**—Eddie Scholls, Dcn. John Canning, Judy Wengierski; **10/30**—Victor Latham; **11/1**—Stephanie Johnson.



The flowers on the main altar are given for the Holy Souls in Purgatory; the flowers on the side altars are given in memory of Harriet Copeland; the flowers by St. Michael are given for protection & peace in our country.

**BASILICA ALTAR FLOWERS**

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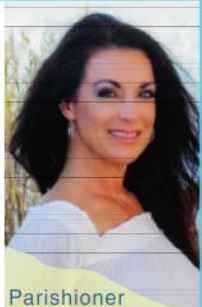
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