SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2021

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, November 14th: Thirty-Third Ordinary Sunday

Private (SA) Dr. Debra Mary Monde by Sr. Barbara Ann 8:30 am (SC) Confessions

9:00 am (SC) *Latin Mass* ~ Ann S. Wilczewski by Brother Paul Wilson

10:30 am (SC) Confessions

11:00 am (SC) Joan Ropelewski, Anniversary by Sisters

Monday, November 15th: Saint Albert the Great

(SC) No Public Mass or Confessions

11:30am (SA) Confessions

12:05pm (SA) Msgr. Gerald Orbanek by Tracy and Steve Balczon

<u>Tuesday, November 16th: Saint Margaret of Scotland</u> and Saint Gertrude

(SC) No Public Mass or Confessions

11:30am (SA) Confessions

12:05pm (SA) In Memory of Mary Lou Wieczorek by Rosemary Ritter

Wednesday, November 17th: St. Elizabeth of Hungary

(SC) No Public Mass or Confessions

11:30am (SA) Confessions

12:05pm (SA) Zofia Pawlowska Rudnicka, Anniversary by Mark and Diane Olszewski

→5:30pm (SC) Latin Mass: NO MASS

Thursday, November 18th: The Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter and Paul and Saint Rose Phiippine Duchesne

(SC) No Public Mass or Confessions

11:30am (SA) Confessions

12:05pm (SA) Joseph M. Krkoska by Judy and Don Halcom

Friday, November 19th: Weekday

(SC) No Public Mass or Confessions

11:30am (SA) Confessions

12:05pm (SA) Agnes Ruza Priscaro by Frank and James Burik

Saturday, November 20th: Weekday

Private (SA) Anna L. Winschel by Ed & Sue Winschel (SC) No Public Saturday Vigil Mass or Confessions

Sunday, November 21st: Our Lord Jesus Christ,

King of the Universe

Second Collection for Campaign for Human Development Private (SA) Leonard Kowalski by Friend

8:30 am (SC) Confessions

9:00 am (SC) *Latin Mass* ~ Mary Weschler, Birthday by Mr. and Mrs. Vic Kowalski

10:30 am (SC) Confessions

11:00 am (SC) Halina Roman by Michael and Jean Boston

THE SANCTUARY LIGHTS

Holy Family

- 1) Galla & Walach Families by Paul & Lisa Galla
- 2) Rev. James T. O'Hara by Parishioners

Our Mother of Sorrows: Robert Merski, Sr. and Mildred Merski by The Merski Family

St. Ann's

- 1) Our wounded Military Veterans
- 2) All Non-Military Victims of all Wars

St. Casimir's

- 1) Richard Burke by Dave & Colleen Dombkowski
- 2) Fr. Daniel Prez by Barb and Dave Danylko

FINANCIAL REPORT

Offertory November 7, 2021: \$6,279.85

CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

2021 Goal: \$20,164.00

Pledged:\$13,546.00 Paid:\$12,496.00

Please note: The cut off date for the Christmas Flower donation list is Sunday, December 5, 2021.

Please get your Christmas Flower Envelopes in early!

Looking Ahead...

Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 25, 2021 we will have one Mass at 10:00AM at Saint Ann's Church.

Diocesan Second Collection, Sunday, November 21, 2021 for Campaign for Human Development.

First Day of Advent is Sunday, November 28, 2021.

Immaculate Conception, A Holy Day of Obligations—Mass Schedule: Vigil Mass 4PM, Dec. 7th (SC), and on Dec. 8th the 12:05PM (SA) and the 5:30PM Latin Mass (SC).

The information in this bulletin is Accurate as of the Publication Date, Saturday, November 13, 2021

From the Desk of Deacon Jerry

Thirty-Third Sunday Ordinary Time – Resumed Sixth Sunday after Epiphany in Latin Mass

On Tuesday (Nov. 9, 2021) the Presbyteral Council approved the following changes to our **diocesan COVID-19 protocols** for the celebration of Mass, effective immediately: The use of hymnals is now permitted. Additionally, having ushers take up the collection using baskets with long handles is now permitted. The use of collection baskets without handles – such that they must be passed from person to person along the pew – is to be avoided. The following restrictions remain in place: no holy water in the fonts, no offertory processions, and no distribution of the Precious Blood. Those distributing Communion should continue to be vaccinated, wear a mask, and sanitize their hands.

The **Pastoral Planning** process has resumed in the Diocese of Erie and several parishes in select Deaneries are underway. We recently kicked off the process in the entire East Erie Deanery and it is described in the letter to you that is attached to this week's bulletin. This letter was put together in collaboration with all of the Pastors of the East Erie Deanery, and has been addressed to you so that you may have the opportunity to participate in this important planning process as we shape our future together. Please take time to complete the survey that is online or with this bulletin. While it is preferred the survey is completed online, you are also welcome to complete the hard copy and place it in the collection basket. You may also mail or drop it in the mail slot the parish office at 913 Fulton Ave. The success of this initiative is dependent on your participation and I have assembled a group to participate in the process and to keep you updated on the progress. The members of our committee are Karen and Bob Mazur, Helen Gangemi, Michael Kuzma Sr., Fr. Jerry Priscaro, Rod Showers, Tim Clint, and Bob Merski. Please pray for our parish and our diocese.

Timeframe for All Souls Plenary Indulgence Extended: The Vatican has extended the availability of the indulgence for the souls in Purgatory, throughout the entire month of November 2021. This was done amid concerns about avoiding large gatherings of people in churches or cemeteries and including those confined to home due to the pandemic. The indulgence is granted when you visit a cemetery to pray for the dead, go to confession, attend Mass and receives the Eucharist and pray for the intentions of the pope. The Vatican decree also allows those who are unable to leave their home, such as the sick or elderly, to still obtain a plenary indulgence by reciting prayers for the dead before an image of Jesus or the Blessed Mother. Examples of prayers homebound Catholics can pray include the rosary, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, lauds or vespers of the Office for the Dead, or by performing a work of mercy by offering their pain to God.

The **Parish Harvest Dance** held last Saturday in the Holy Family gym was a huge success. All who attended enjoyed an evening of music, dancing, food and community spirit. A very huge Thank You to all who helped organize this event.

Next Sunday, November 21, a second collection will be taken up for the **Catholic Campaign for Human Development** (CCHD). The CCHD is the national anti-poverty program of the U.S. Catholic Bishops which works to break the cycle of poverty by helping people with low income participate in decisions that affect their lives, families, and communities. Half of the funds from this collection remain in the Diocese of Erie to fight poverty in our local communities.

Be Prepared!

As we near the end of the current year our readings turn to the end times and the Second Coming of Christ. Over the years many "Doomsday Prophets" have taken these Scripture readings literally and attempted to predict what they believe will be the exact time of the end. Some of these predictions were curiously interesting, some hysterically absurd, but all were wrong.

Exactly when these events will occur is shrouded in mystery; no one but the Father knows. This has been proven time and time again over the years. What Jesus wants to make sure his apostles, as well as all of us understand is that his second coming will occur, and he wants to prepare us – not scare us. He wants us to think hard about how we spend the time that we have.

It is very tempting to think we always have more time to prepare, and to get caught up in our daily to-do lists that we lose sight of the big picture altogether – why are we here, what is our purpose and final destiny? Jesus knows that losing sight of our destiny and not being prepared to meet him is the worst thing for our happiness, now and forever. That is why he reminds us to keep the end in sight, not that we live in constant fear or paranoia but that

we put everything else in its right perspective.

Beginning today let's take time to examine our lives and make the needed changes so that when the end times come, we will find our names written in the book, and we will enjoy the promise of eternal life with God. While we may not know the day or the hour, we do know who is coming for us. Let us be prepared!



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