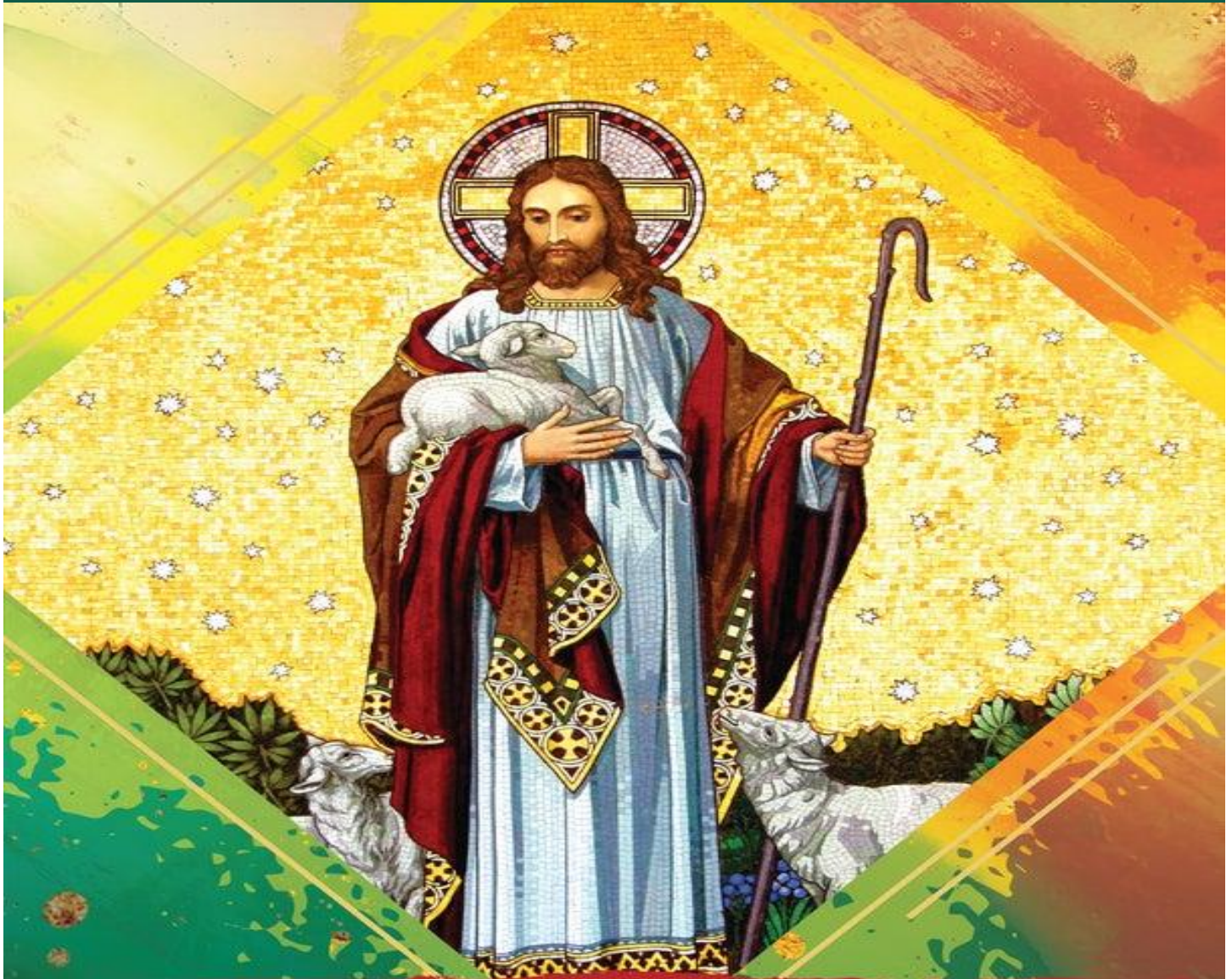


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30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil

5:00 p.m.

Sunday

Mass on the Grass

Outdoors

8:30 a.m.

Indoor Mass

10:30 a.m.

12:30 p.m.

Daily Mass (M-W)

8:00 a.m.

Reconciliation

Saturdays

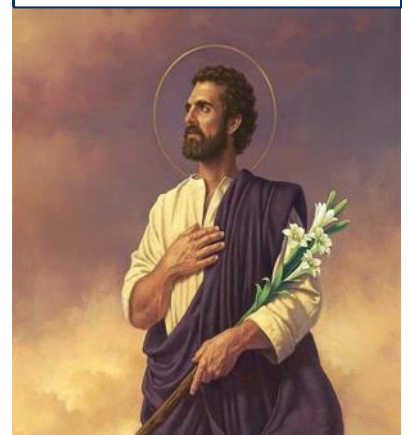
3:45-4:30 p.m.

Inside Church

Adoration

First Fridays

8:00-9:00 a.m.





Letter From Our Pastor

Dear Parish Family:

Welcome to the 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time and the last few weeks of the Church's liturgical year. This Sunday is one of the shortest and most quoted Gospels: Jesus is asked, which commandment in the law is the greatest and the Lord responds, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. The second is like it: you shall love your neighbor as yourself". This is a call to greatness, to be a champion in living out our faith! Pray for one another at this Sunday's Eucharist, for this is the great call to excellence in our spirituality and ministry of service to others!

Thank you for bringing a new blanket to the new blanket drive this weekend, which will give warmth to our families who will be served with the Thanksgiving baskets. We still need drivers, scroll down for further information.

This is a special weekend for all of us as retreat Number Two in "Welcome - Christ Renews His Parish" takes place among 25 men from our parish. Please pray for these men of God as the Lord will deeply transform their souls and spirits.

This Wednesday is the start of November and the great Solemnity of All Saints. Our Holy day schedule of Masses is as follows:

Tuesday, Oct. 31 – Vigil Mass at 7:00 PM

Wednesday, Nov. 1 – Mass at 8:00 AM and Mass at 7:00 PM.

Next Saturday, after the 5:00 pm Vigil Mass, we will have an All Souls Remembrance Prayer Service. We'll pray for parishioners who have died since Nov. 1 of last year and if you lost a relative or friend who went home to the Lord this past year, come and light a candle in their honor.

Just a timely reminder – Daylight Savings Time ends next weekend on Sunday, November 5 at 2:00 AM. Saturday night - Set your clocks back one hour before you go to sleep so you're on time for Sunday Mass and enjoy the extra hour of sleep!!

Blessings as we walk with all the Saints this week!

Msgr. Kevin

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

"You shall not wrong any widow or orphan. If ever you wrong them and they cry out to me, I will surely hear their cry. My wrath will flare up, and I will kill you with the sword; then your own wives will be widows, and your children orphans." (Ex 22:21-23)

Psalm:

I love you, Lord, my strength. (Ps 18)

Second Reading:

For they themselves openly declare about us what sort of reception we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God and to await his Son from heaven. (1 Thes 1:9-10)

Gospel:

"You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind." (Mt 22:37)

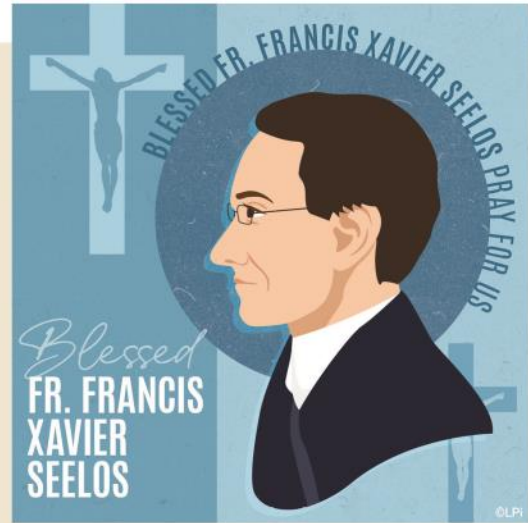
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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

God became human to show us that only love can change the world. Let's not just believe in that love — let's be that love, each and every day.

Observances for the week of October 29, 2023

- Sunday:** 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Tuesday:** All Hallow's Eve
- Wednesday:** All Saints
- Thursday:** All Souls' Day
- Friday:** St. Martin de Porres, Religious
- Saturday:** St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop
- Next Sunday:** 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time; Daylight Saving Time Ends; National Vocation Awareness Week



Saint of the week

Blessed Father Francis Xavier Seelos was a German immigrant and Redemptorist priest deeply committed to serving those marginalized in the USA during the 1800s. He was known for his gentle and compassionate nature and his tireless dedication to the poor and the sick.

Prayer

O Lord, my strength, and my Redeemer, let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing in Your sight. I offer to You the grace You have bestowed on Your humble missionary, Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos.

May I have the same joyful vigor that Blessed Seelos possessed during his earthly life to love you deeply and live faithfully your gospel. Amen.

(Prayer Source: <https://seelos.org/prayers-to-bl-seelos/>)

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of October 29, 2023

Sunday:

Ex 22:20-26/Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 (2)/
1 Thes 1:5c-10/Mt 22:34-40

Monday:

Rom 8:12-17/Ps 68:2 and 4, 6-7ab, 20-21/
Lk 13:10-17

Tuesday:

Rom 8:18-25/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5,6/
Lk 13:18-21

Wednesday:

Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/
1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a

Thursday:

Wis 4:7-14/Ps 25:6, and 7b, 17-18, 20-21/
Rom 5:17-21/Mt 11:25-30

Friday:

Rom 9:1-5/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/
Lk 14:1-6

Saturday:

Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29/Ps 94:12-13a,
14-15, 17-18/Lk 14:1, 7-11

Next Sunday:

Mal 1:14b—2:2b, 8-10/Ps 131:1, 2, 3/
1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13/Mt 23:1-12



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

In our secularized culture, we all struggle with belief in God, at least to some degree. An atheist man named Robert Bridges once wrote to his friend, the Jesuit poet Gerard Manley Hopkins, asking how he could possibly learn to believe in God. Hopkins pithily responded: “Give alms.” Would that help someone tempted by atheism today, like you and me?

I think so, and here’s why. This week Jesus speaks of love for God and neighbor. These dual commands were nothing new when Jesus used them to sum up the Jewish law. What is new is the way he links them together in mutual dependency. In Jesus, God and man have become one. Human-love and God-love are now inseparably married forever.

The newness of the God-man means that there is now a permanently counter-intuitive way into the knowledge and love of God: love of our neighbor. To experience charity is to know God. That’s what Hopkins was getting at for his friend. How we treat our fellow human beings is inseparable from faith in God. Do you want to have a stronger sense of God’s loving presence and goodness? Commit to serving someone today and this week. Love him or her. Don’t wait for love for God to appear in your heart before loving others. Jesus has united divine and human love. If you want to believe more in God, give alms.

— *Father John Muir*

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2023 | 30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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ALL SAINTS DAY * HOLY DAY

A gentle reminder that All Saints' Day is fast approaching. It's a day to honour all saints, known and unknown.

First of November 2023

Mass times

Monday Oct. 31st 7pm Vigil

Tuesday November 1st 8am & 7pm

All are welcome to join!



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Please pray for our Men's Welcome Christ Renews His Parish retreat happening this weekend. May everything go smoothly and be blessed with energy, wisdom, grace, and joyful spirits. May the men attending the retreat feel the power of the Holy Spirit and experience renewal through Christ and feel a stronger connection with one another and with St. Joseph's Parish.

**All Souls Memorial Service
Saturday November 4th**

**Join us in
remembering our
departed loved
ones.**

Please join us for a memorial service in honor of those who have gone before us. Let us come together to celebrate their lives and honor their memories.

Service will begin after the 5pm vigil mass, approximately 6pm



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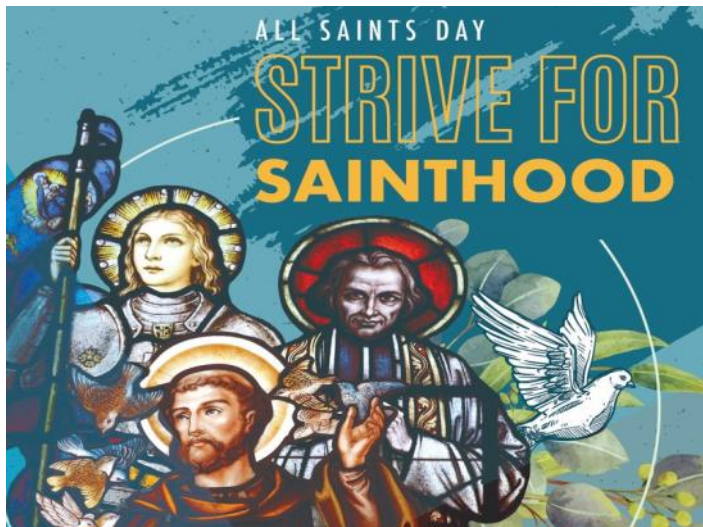
“If you want peace, work for justice.”
-Pope Paul VI

This Weekend: New Blanket Drive: Collecting new blankets for our Thanksgiving Food and Blanket Distribution.

Nov. 18 - Thanksgiving Food and Blanket Distribution: *DRIVERS NEEDED.* As a parish community, we will support 65 families for Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter. Can you help us deliver? So meaningful to kids! Please contact Jill Salinaz (562) 822-7367 or jmsalinaz@yahoo.com.

Family Adoptions: Adopt a family to support Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter? Questions? Call Donna Luciene at (562) 421-4993 or e-mail Rose Bauss cr.bauss@verizon.net.

Please call Tim Clark to learn about many opportunities to serve, (562) 431-4385 and be attentive to Skip-a-Meal donations during the



October 29, 2023



World Mission Sunday 2023
October 22nd

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In Memoriam

Patricia Crawford

Funeral Mass at St. Joseph: November 8th at 10:00 am

Paula Pettit

Funeral Mass at St. Joseph: November 13th at 10:00 am

JoAnn Koester

Funeral Mass at St. Joseph: November 16th at 10:30 am

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

~Amen~



Adoration



Come and spend an hour with our Lord Jesus Christ in the Blessed Sacrament. Experience what Catholic author Matthew Kelly calls "The Classroom of Silence," and respond to Jesus' call: "Could you not watch with me one hour?" (Matthew 26:40). Deacon Tom will lead Eucharistic Adoration this **Friday November 3rd at 8:00 am.**

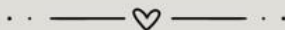


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*Dear St. Joseph Parishioners,
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Dear Church Family,
We want to express our sincere gratitude to our incredible Church Hospitality Team for their outstanding service during our youth retreat. Your warm hospitality and welcoming spirit made a huge impact. We appreciate your hard work and love for our church family.

A Special Thank You to Mrs. Anna Marie Sharkany and her husband Frank for cooking the delicious waffle breakfast!

With appreciation,
St. Joseph Faith Formation Team





Safeguard The Children



What are the rules about minors serving as volunteers?

It is the job of adults — not minors — to protect children from harm and abuse. However, many minors are also volunteers at school and at church, which sometimes makes it difficult to know what roles minors should play. Within programs or ministries, there should always be an adult in an official supervisory role. Minors should be helping, but never directly in charge of younger children. Meeting this standard can be challenging but it is important in keeping all children, including minor volunteers, safe. For more information, read the VIRTUS® article “Minors Who Are Serving or Assisting in Volunteer-Type Activities” at lacatholics.org/did-you-know.



St. Joseph Grief Support



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Two special holiday presentations upcoming for Thanksgiving and Christmas

Please join us on All Souls Day, November 4th, after 5 p.m. mass to celebrate the loss of your loved one.

Call May 562-833-6370

classes are held in the PLC building.



Seniors Group



The next meeting of the St. Joseph Senior Group will be on **Monday, November 13th** in the hall. The activities will begin at 11:00 am and will include Bingo, many kinds of card games, Mexican train, and lots of socializing. Bring your brown bag lunch, and coffee, tea, water, snacks and dessert will be provided. We look forward to seeing all our members and any new friends who would like to join us.

We are planning our **Christmas meeting** for **Monday, December 11th**, and will be taking paid reservations for lunch (\$10). The Alpha K and K classes will entertain us at the December meeting. We always look forward to that.

We are also collecting hand knit blankets for babies and other baby and small children items of new clothing or toys. These will be distributed to the Movement for a Better World families that the Parish supports during the Holidays.

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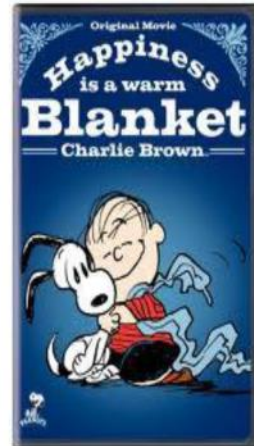
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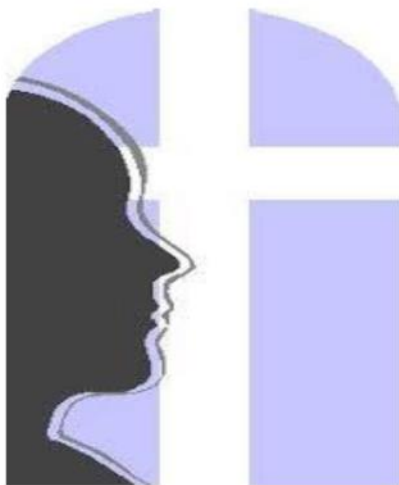
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