

October 31, 2021

Thirty First Sunday In Ordinary Time

Collection October 24, 2021

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November 7, 2021

Lector: Terrie Hancock

Commentator: Guenter Schlottmann

Usher: Klima/Stanley

<u>Please be respectful and quiet for those praying before Mass</u> as you enter the sanctuary.

Readings for November 7, 2021

Reading 1: 1 kings 17:10-16 Reading 2: Hebrews 9:24-28 Gospel: Mark 12:38-44

<u>Information about St. Edward</u>- Daily readings, the bulletin, homilies, and other information can be found on our webpage at: https://stedwardpulaski.org

<u>Donations-</u>, please mail your regular donations to St. Edward's Catholic Church, PO Box 1670, Pulaski, VA 24301, if you are not attending Mass.

<u>Prayer List</u>- Mike Malloy, Tim Kimbleton, Carol Luttrell, Brenda Lee, John Balconi, Joan Jennings, Jody Riffey, Stephen Petrowski, Christine Scarpinato, John McNair, Michael Linkous, Megan Talbert, and Father Bernie. (Please contact Stan Stanley if you have additions or deletions)

<u>Pastoral Council</u>- Next meeting is next Sunday November 7, 2021 directly after Mass. We have not met as a group since before Covid 19 restrictions were put in place. Members of the Pastoral Council are: Sally Warburton, Mickey Balconi, Carol Brandau, Donna Hathaway, Patty Williams, Terri Hancock, Chad Owens, and Caleb Harriman. Standing Committee chairs are: Dan Grubb-Finance, Stan Stanley- Hospitality & Maintenance, Debbie Grubb-Worship/Liturgy, and Gaby Stanley- Religious Education.

Holy Days - By the decision of the United States Catholic Bishops Conference and confirmed by the Holy See, whenever the Solemnities of Mary, Mother of God (January 1), the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (August 15), or All Saints (November 1) fall on a Saturday or a Monday, the obligation to attend mass is lifted. Therefore, there will be no Mass here at St. Edward's on Monday November 1, 2021.

In addition on Wednesday December 8, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, and a holiday of obligation, Father Boat will celebrate Mass at St. Edward's at 10:00 am and a noon Mass at St. Mary's.

November Birthdays

Tim Taylor Carol Brandau Thomas Tedesco Melinda Epperley Leigh Ann Owen Megan Talbert Bob Strenz Marty White	Nov. 1 Nov. 8 Nov. 11 Nov. 12 Nov. 13 Nov. 19 Nov. 20 Nov. 28
Haley Rakes	Nov. 28

November Anniversaries

Danny & Michele Coalson Nov. 25

Getting vaccinated is an "act of love" - Pope Francis

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Daily Prayer This Week

This week guides us deep into our faith in several ways. With the Solemnity of All Saints, we are reminded of all the women and men whose faithful living of the Gospel is so clear that we are sure we can imitate their lives. These are all the named saints. It would be great to name the saints whose example we desire to shape our lives. All Souls day gives us the opportunity to remember and pray for all our brothers and sisters who have died. We confidently hope and pray that they may be embraced by the love and mercy of God, poured forth in the life giving death and resurrection of Jesus. This is a wonderful day to name all those we want to pray for, and to include in our prayer those who have no one to pray for them.

As we go about our very busy lives this week, we can continue to practice focusing our attention on an ongoing conversation with our Lord throughout the day. Our desires - for union with our Lord, to know God's love for us, to become more aware of our failings, to become more generous with our family and friends, to be more patient and forgiving, to love as we have been loved - can be expressed in these simple expressions. These expressed desires will naturally interact with the real events of our day.

The gospels this week will draw us into desiring to be more merciful and to not let money or pride dominate our behavior. We won't be "unprepared" if we keep making openings for our Lord to enter the ordinary moments of our days. In repeated momenets, we can simply open our hearts and ask God for the desire to have our lives focus on God's desires for us, rather than what our culture wants us to focus on so constantly.

Each night, let's look back over the day briefly, and give thanks for a God who listens to our desires.

All Saints and All Souls Day

All Souls' Day falls on November 2. The day provides a continuation of the spirit of All Saints' Day, and is an opportunity for Catholics and Anglican churches to commemorate believers who have died. They remember and pray for the souls of people who are in purgatory. In Catholic theology, purgatory is a place (or state) in which the souls of believers who have died atone for their sins before being allowed to enter heaven. While different Christian denominations have divergent beliefs about how believers enter heaven, most Christians believe that heaven is a transcendent place where believers will spend eternity in the company of God. Heaven is considered a place of unparalleled beauty where there is no pain, suffering, or sin.

INVITATION

JOIN US TO CELEBRATE THE LIVES OF

Pete and Betty Capaldini

On Nov. 13, 2021 from 3:00-5:00pm

Snacks & Spirits & Recollections

Water's Edge

Claytor Lake State Park

6620 Ben H. Bolen Dr. Dubin, VA

RSVP to Sharon at soldham@comcast.net

When entering the State Park, please say you are Attending the Capaldini Celebration of Life at the Water's Edge