November 10, 2019 ~ Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

My steps have been steadfast in your paths, my feet have not faltered.
I call upon you, for you will answer me, O God. ~ Psalm 17:5 6a
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2 Mc 7:1-2,9-14; Ps 17:1,5-6,8,15; 2 Thes 2:16-3:5; Lk 20:27-38 or 20:27,34-38

In response to an attempt to ridicule his teaching about life after death, Jesus again proclaims a resurrection from the dead (3), that life is indeed stronger than death itself (1). This is our eternal consolation and hope (2). Then will our joy be truly fulfilled (Ps).

A Great and Glorious God

We are nearing the end of the liturgical year. Today’s readings remind us that our own lives will draw to a close one day, and we can be certain that the Lord will encourage, strengthen, and save us—both now and at the last. The astonishing story of the Maccabees invigorates our faith as we behold an entire family willing to die rather than deny the Law of Moses. The psalm response echoes the faithful cries of the Maccabees: “I call upon you, for you will answer me, O God.” That same confidence appears in Saint Paul’s letter to the Thessalonians. “The Lord is faithful,” he testifies; “he will strengthen you and guard you from the evil one.” In the Gospel, Jesus explains just how long God’s protection will endure. The children of God whom God guards, Jesus says, will live forever like angels.

Treasures From Our Tradition

In the seventeenth century, English Catholics, many of them wealthy and well educated, looked to the American colonies as a place to regain a measure of religious freedom. In Ireland, the so-called penal laws were even harsher than in England, as a minority Parliament tried to force the conversion of the population by denying the majority political and economic power. Beginning in 1691, laws were passed that punished dissenters, principally Catholics, but also causing hardship for Jews, Quakers, and others. There were acts forbidding “mixed marriage” or sending children “beyond the seas” for schooling. Catholics were taxed at double the common rate, barred from the legal professions and from university, and not allowed to build churches or own a decent horse.

In 1793 the situation began to change, as it became clear that the economic persecution would not drive the majority away from Catholicism. Gradually, laws were repealed until by 1829 freedom was won, although Catholics at university were ineligible for honors, and until the 1920s when the Republic was formed, the Church of Ireland was the state church, funded by the taxes of all citizens.

Veterans Day

We will have our regular Mass schedule at St. Patrick on Monday, November 11th, but the office will be closed all day in observance of Veterans Day.

Have a safe and blessed holiday.

Please Pray for our Holy Father’s Intention for November

Pope’s Intention: Dialogue and Reconciliation in the Near East. That a spirit of dialogue, encounter, and reconciliation emerge in the Near East, where diverse religious communities share their lives together.
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What happens after we die? Most religions and philosophies provide some notion of this, but we are confounded by the mystery of it all. Today’s readings give us a glimpse through the faith of martyrs and in the words of Jesus. In the Old Testament reading, the Maccabean brothers assert with total confidence that the God who gave them life would also raise them to eternal life. This was not universally accepted in ancient Israel. The Sadducees, who denied any resurrection of the dead, try to trap Jesus with a hypothetical riddle. Jesus, known for turning such things around, dismisses their unbelief, noting that even Moses knew that all are alive in God. Saint Paul tells the Thessalonians that we live in everlasting encouragement and hope, and Psalm 17 echoes this with words of faith that we will see God’s face, waking in God’s loving presence.

Who Wants to Live Forever?

In November, with All Hallows at the beginning of the month, our thoughts and prayers turn to those saints and souls who have gone before us. Gone where, though? Truth is, we don’t know. Scripture makes many statements about life after death, but all notions of the afterlife require faith and hope. Today’s Gospel from Luke has Jesus speaking comforting words about life after death—the righteous becoming children of God, like angels.

The hero-martyrs of our Old Testament reading about the Maccabees provide early examples of faith in the resurrection of the dead. They hold steadfast in their faith, being willing to die rather than violate their God’s law. Their frighteningly brutal story of hope might seem foolish to some, but we are all well aware of modern-day examples of men and women who have suffered rather than betray their beliefs.

We Can Only Imagine

In the days of Jesus, belief in the resurrection of the dead had not achieved universal acceptance. In fact, the Sadducees in today’s Gospel were staunch resurrection deniers and tried to trick Jesus. Turning the tables, Jesus states that Moses in the distant past believed that the God of our ancestors in faith is truly God of the living, and that all are alive to God, whether still living or dead. Death is just a phase, a doorway, maybe a tesseract. We really don’t know. Jesus reassures us that those are unnecessary concerns for the faithful, just as the specifics of worldly life will no longer be relevant. Not only will our earthly bodies be changed, but all that we knew from mortal existence—all marriage, all family, all relationships—will be transformed in ways we can’t possibly imagine. All that we have will be ours again. So we should stop worrying and live so as to be worthy of whatever comes next, for when we are embraced in the eternal love-feast of glorified existence with God, our joy will indeed be full.

Perspective

We must often draw the comparison of time and eternity. This is the remedy of all our troubles. How small will the present moment appear when we enter that great ocean!

~ St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Procrastination

Tomorrow is always the busiest day of the year. ~ Anonymous

Ministers Schedule

Nov 16 - 17, 2019
Saturday, 5:15 p.m.

Presider - Fr. Senic Cirera
Readers - Amy Mohler, Rowena Cruz Diaz
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion - Barbara Villanueva, Amy Mohler, Luzviminda Grajales, Mary Josue, Jeannette Chafe

Sunday, 7:30 a.m.

Presider - Fr. Linh Nguyen
Readers - Therese Guintu, Cathy Bohol
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion - Therese Guintu, Cathy Bohol, Julius Vedasto, Vida Ventura, Albert Chin, Tessie Gallardo

Sunday, 9:30 a.m.

Presider - Fr. Raphael Laizer
Readers - Renniel Santos, Julie Santos
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion - Ligaya Ge- mentera, Celso Mangoba, Rose Mangoba, Miguel Herrera, Ben Banatao, Malou Pulanco, Rufina Oviedo

Sunday, 12:00 p.m.

Presider - Fr. Senic Cirera
Readers - Belinda Rodrigues, Virginia Dilim
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion - Sandra Cea, Mary Josue, Fe Macatangay, Carlito Pantig, Trini Raymundo, Judy Labaria, Jeannette Bird

Sunday, 2:00 p.m. (Charismatic Mass)

Presider - Fr. Linh Nguyen
Reader - Evelyn Bird
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion - Aliw Bande- laria, Jeannette Bird, Frazier Ataide

Sunday, 5:15 p.m.

Presider - Fr. Senic Cirera
Readers - Ellen Gayapa, JM Valencia
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion - Zachary Duldulao, Teng Sullivan, Luzviminda Grajales, Mary Josue
Today's Readings

First Reading — The King of the world will raise us up to live again forever (2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14).

Psalm — Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full (Psalm 17).

Second Reading — May the Lord encourage and strengthen your hearts (2 Thessalonians 2:16 — 3:5).

Gospel — Those who are deemed worthy of the coming age can no longer die (Luke 20:27-38 [27, 34-38]).


Breaking Bread Missal 2020

On December 1st, the First Sunday of Advent, we will replace our 2019 Breaking Bread Missals with the new 2020 Missals. We would be very grateful if you could share a sacrificial gift of $100 of your hard-earned money, especially during these difficult times. As an acknowledgement of your generous $100 tax-deductible contribution, your name will be printed on a bookplate and glued to the inside front or back cover of the Missal. If $100 is not possible, any amount, no matter how small, would be greatly appreciated. Look for envelopes in the weeks to come.

Sponsors Needed for the 9-Day Misa de Gallo

December 16 - 24, 2019 at 6:00 a.m.

As the liturgical year winds down with Advent right around the corner, we are looking for kind-hearted and generous people who would like to share some of their God-given blessings by sponsoring one of the pre-dawn Misa de Gallo Masses. Donations will go toward the festive and joyful fellowship each day featuring hot refreshments. Please bring your contribution to the office or give it to one of the parish staff by Thursday, December 12th, so your donation may be acknowledged in the Misa de Gallo program. Thank you for sharing the joy of your blessings and your Christmas spirit with your fellow parishioners!!

A Child’s Gift

Give a little love to a child, and you get a great deal back.

— John Ruskin
Schedule of Sacraments

**Eucharistic Celebrations**
- Sundays ~ 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 12:00 p.m., 5:15 p.m.
- **Family Mass on 2nd Sunday at 12:00 p.m.**
- Tagalog Mass on 1st Sunday at 2:00 p.m.
- **Charismatic Mass and Healing Service on 3rd Sunday at 2:00 p.m.**
- **Monday through Friday ~ 7:30 a.m., 12:10 p.m. & 5:15 p.m.**
- **Saturdays ~ 7:30 a.m. & 12:10 p.m. ~ 5:15 p.m.**

**Sacrament of Baptism (infants and children)**
- **Baptismal Prep Class ~ Every 1st Saturday at 9:00 a.m.**
- **Sacrament of Baptism ~ Every 2nd and 4th Saturday at 10:00 a.m.**
- Please call the parish office at least two weeks before the preferred date of Baptism. All Baptisms are scheduled through the parish office and Baptismal classes are required for all first time parents and godparents.

**Sacrament of Marriage**
You must first be a registered and active parishioner for at least six months prior to arranging a marriage at St. Patrick. Arrangements for this celebration must be made at least six months in advance. No date may be reserved without first consulting with the Pastor.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)**
- **Tuesdays and First Fridays ~ 11:30 a.m. & 4:30 p.m.**

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**Parish Meeting Schedule**
- **Adult Choir**
- **Altar Servers**
- **Charismatic Prayer Group**
- **Forever Young Ministry**
- **Legion of Mary ~ Patrician Meeting**
- **Liturgical Lay Ministers**
- **Our Lady of Fatima Devotees**
- **Parish Pastoral Council**
- **Sacred Heart of Jesus Devotion**
- **St. Vincent de Paul Society**
- **Young Adult Choir (SPYCO)**
- Thursdays, 6:30 p.m.
- 3rd Sundays, 10:30 a.m.
- Sundays, 1:30 p.m.
- Sundays, 10:30 a.m.
- Sundays, 2:00 p.m.
- Last Sunday, 1:30 p.m.
- as announced
- 1st Saturday, 2:00 p.m.
- 1st Monday, 6:15 p.m.
- 1st Friday, 6:00 p.m.
- 4th Saturday, 6:30 p.m.
- Fridays, 6:00 p.m.

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**Devotions**
- **Sacred Heart** ~ Every First Friday, the Blessed Sacrament is exposed for public adoration from 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
- **Our Mother of Perpetual Help** ~ Tuesdays after the 12:10 p.m. and 5:15 p.m. Masses
- **Divine Mercy** ~ Daily at 4:45 p.m.

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**Welcome to St. Patrick!!**
Welcome to all of our out-of-town visitors, especially the delegates from **The National Association of Realtors**

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**Mass Intentions for Nov 10 - 16**

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**Not Enough**

It is not enough for me to love God if my neighbor does not love God.

— St. Vincent de Paul

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**Saints & Special Observances**
- **Monday:** Memorial ~ St. Martin of Tours, Bishop
- **Tuesday:** Memorial ~ St. Josaphat, Bishop, Martyr
- **Wednesday:** Memorial ~ St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin
- **Friday:** optional memorial ~ St. Albert the Great, Bishop, Doctor of the Church
- **Saturday:** optional memorial ~ St. Margaret of Scotland
- **optional memorial ~ St. Gertrude, Virgin**
- **THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

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**Readings for the Week**
- **Monday:** Wis 1:1-7; Lk 17:1-6
- **Tuesday:** Wis 2:23-3:9; Lk 17:7-10
- **Wednesday:** Wis 6:1-11; Lk 17:11-19
- **Thursday:** Wis 7:22b-8:1; Lk 17:20-25
- **Friday:** Wis 13:1-9; Lk 17:26-37
- **Saturday:** Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Lk 18:1-8
- **THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
  - Mal 3:19-20a; Ps 98:5-9; 2 Thes 3:7-12; Lk 21:5-19

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Thank you for worshipping with us!!