



Saint Vital

CATHOLIC CHURCH

November 1st, 2020

Solemnity of All Saints

Mission in 1861 - Parish in 1914

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LORD'S DAY MASS TIMES: SATURDAY AT 4:00 PM & SUNDAY AT 9:00 AM, 11:30 AM & 8:00 PM

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MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, November 2nd ALL SOULS' DAY

11:30 A.M. + *All the Faithful Departed*
Readings: Job 19.1, 23-27 / 1 Cor 15.20-23 / Jn 12.23-26

Tuesday, November 3rd 11:30 A.M.
+ *Bronislawa & Ludwik Szponarski*
req. Szponarski family

Readings: Phil 2.5-11 / Lk 14.15-24

Wednesday, November 4th 11:30 A.M.

+ *Msgr Norman Chartrand* req. Fern Marion

Readings: Phil 2.12-18 / Lk 14.25-33

Thursday, November 5th 11:30 A.M.

+ *Don Leyden* req. Mary-Ann Cairns

Readings: Phil 3.3-8a++ / Lk 15.1-10

Friday, November 6th 11:30 A.M.

+ *Cornelio Parado* req. Gregoria Parado

Readings: Phil 3.17-21; 4.1 / Lk 16.1-8

Saturday, November 7th 4:00 P.M.

+ *Rudy Dusik* req. Tim & Louise Scatliff

Sunday, November 8th

9:00 A.M. *Missa pro populo*

11:30 A.M. + *Veronika & Vladimir Hamin*
req. daughter Jasna Tralic

8:00 P.M. + *Rosario Dizon*
req. Divine Grace Rivera



"God created the world with a wide variety of flowers of all kinds of colors. Each flower has its own beauty, which is unique. Also, each one of us is beautiful in the eyes of God, and He loves us. This makes us feel the need to say to God: thank you!"
- Pope Francis

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Parish News

Reconciliation & Adoration

Sundays from
1:00 - 3:00 P.M.

Sunday Missals - Beginning next weekend, our new Sunday Missals and children's missals will be available. The missals cost \$5.00 each.

Remembrance Day: This year, Remembrance Day falls on Wednesday. We will be observing the Remembrance Day tribute beginning at **11:00 a.m.** We ask that parishioners enter in silence and remain silent prior to the 11:00 a.m. Mass.

All Saints and All Souls

We pause today and tomorrow to remember those members of our broad faith community who have run the race, who have endured to the end and now share in the promises of heaven. We think of the well-known holy ones whose stories inspire us; we think also of the saints from our own lives, real people with faults and failings as well as plenty of love and laughter, people whose lives we recall with pain and joy. We trust that these beloved children of God do indeed see him in truth, for to them have been revealed the truths that we know only in part.

In Revelation we read of a vision of the heavenly scene, a vision of salvation for members of the tribes of Israel and for multitudes from every nation. The inclusiveness of this vision results from the nature of the lives led by these holy ones; they are all those whose clothing has been washed by the blood of the Lamb. They have trusted in the saving power of Jesus' death and Resurrection, even to the point of dying during persecution for the sake of their faith. To such as these and to us are addressed Matthew's Beatitudes, words of encouragement and comfort despite the difficulties of life.

The Beatitudes of this Gospel do not have economic and social concerns as their central characteristics, as do the Beatitudes in Luke. Here the message is personal, the concerns spiritual. A person's disposition is all-important in determining who receives these blessings. They are directed at the humble ones, the "poor in spirit" and the "meek"; those loath to make demands will be recipients of both heaven and earth. Likewise the innocent, the "pure in heart," will enjoy the splendor of God's presence. Those who bestow mercy will be reciprocated. The sense of aching that comes with sorrow and mourning will be eased. And finally, those persecuted for their faith can rejoice in heavenly reward.

As we reflect on the lives of the saints, we take comfort in knowing that they enjoy peace and have truly been blessed with the fulfillment of these promises for which we yet hope. We draw inspiration from their lives of faith and love, as we ourselves continue to struggle to be faithful and loving members of the Christian family.

ALL SOULS' DAY - We will celebrate this special day with mass on Monday, November 2nd at 11:30 a.m.

Today's Scriptures offer us beautiful imagery with which to pray and to hope on behalf of our departed loved ones. "The souls of the just are in the hand of God" -and how loving that hand is, the hand that created and formed us (Isaiah 43:1), the hand that takes us to himself (last line, second stanza of the Wisdom reading). God's hand leads us through the dark valley (in today's psalm) to streams of life-giving water, and sets before us a heavenly banquet. This is destiny for which God's hand has created us—and to which he ever faithfully leads us.

Today's Scriptures also speak of our eternal destiny as rest. The Greek noun *anapausis* (Psalm 23:3; Matthew 11:29) and its related verb *anapauo* (Matthew 11:28) mean "rest" and "repose," but also "refreshment" and "revival." Yet another image of revival and transformation occurs in today's First Reading. In verse 7, the souls of the just are said to shine and be like sparks. Similar imagery is found in Daniel 12:3, where "those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake" and the righteous will shine like stars. In Daniel 8:10, the stars are angelic beings. Daniel and the author of the book of Wisdom believe that after death, the just will be transformed into angelic beings. This same view is expressed by Jesus in the Gospels, as in Mark 12:25.

What glory awaits us! What joy and peace! Today, let us pray for those who have died. Let us ask for the intercession of those who are in the Kingdom for our faithful departed and for ourselves. May we never lose sight of our destiny.

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