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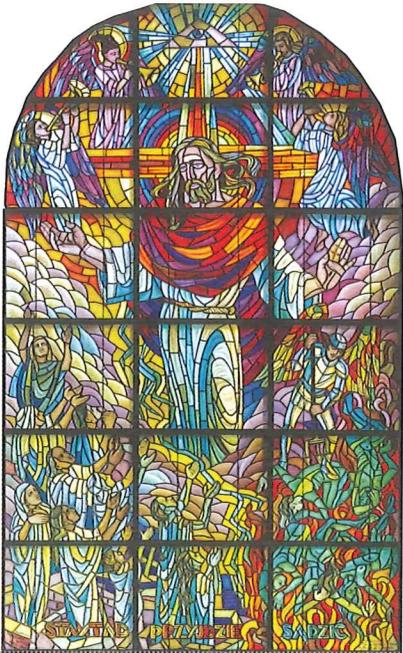
I was taught that when we die, we will spend some time in purgatory and then go on to heaven. I notice some of our hymns say we will be raised on the last day. I'm confused.

It is not surprising that there is confusion about the issue. There is a difference between judgment and resurrection, even though they are obviously connected. Some people think of these two things occurring at the same time. Our Catholic teaching separates them, to some extent.

The teaching says there are two kinds of judgment. The first is that which occurs at our death and is called "the particular judgment." In this judgment we may go to heaven, hell, or purgatory. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* puts it this way: "Each man receives his eternal retribution in his immortal soul at the very moment of his death, in a particular judgment that refers his life to Christ" (CCC 1022).

The second judgment is the general judgment that occurs at the end of the world. The resurrection of the body will take place at this judgment when our particular judgment is confirmed and our soul and body are reunited. The hymns that say we will be raised on the last day refer to the general judgment, as do most of the Scripture passages about judgment.

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A WORD FROM Pope Francis

How is Jesus' voice discerned? "Many will come in my name," the Lord says, but they are not to be followed: wearing the label 'Christian' or 'Catholic' is not enough to belong to Jesus. We need to speak the same language as Jesus: that of love, the language of the you.

HOMILY, VATICAN BASILICA, NOVEMBER 17, 2019

Calendar

Monday
NOVEMBER 14
Weekday

Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5
Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday
NOVEMBER 15
Weekday

Rv 3:1-6, 14-22
Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday
NOVEMBER 16
Weekday

Rv 4:1-11
Lk 19:11-28

Thursday
NOVEMBER 17
St. Elizabeth of Hungary,
Religious

Rv 5:1-10
Lk 19:41-44

Friday
NOVEMBER 18
Weekday

Rv 10:8-11
Lk 19:45-48

Saturday
NOVEMBER 19
Weekday

Rv 11:4-12
Lk 20:27-40

Sunday
NOVEMBER 20
Our Lord Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe

2 Sm 5:1-3
Col 1:12-20
Lk 23:35-43

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Our Parish COMMUNITY

November 13, 2022

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Mal 3:19-20a

2 Thes 3:7-12

Lk 21:5-19

The Day Is Coming

Who does not get excited when they know that the day is coming? Which day? A wedding day, the birth of a child, the last day of school, the first day of retirement. We all look forward to special days.

Ancient Israel looked forward to the day of the Lord, that day when everything would be set right. Enemies would be scattered, the sick would be healed, the poor would know comfort, and all people would experience peace. Even though Israel had suffered terribly, God had made promises to their ancestors, and God always keeps promises. Initially, they expected that day to be one of punishment and retribution for their enemies, while they would enjoy vindication and blessing. Today's first reading asserts that Israel will enjoy no preference. If they sin, they also will face the righteous anger of God.

In the Gospel passage, Jesus describes the terrifying events that will precede the destruction of the temple. This was probably less a prophecy of a future event than it was a warning of the suffering they might have to endure as his followers. Such suffering would pave the way for the fearful day of the Lord. If they persevere, such affliction would be purifying for them rather than punishing. Though the reading does not include mention of the day of the Lord, it would have been in the minds of those who heard Jesus' words. Many would believe that God's ancient promises were about to be fulfilled.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

[Jesus said,] "When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for such things must happen first, but it will not immediately be the end."
LUKE 21:9



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FOR Reflection

- * *God works through people to set things straight. How might God be working through you?*
- * *Reflect on this verse: "By your perseverance you will secure your lives."*



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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, Nov. 12 4:00 p.m. For Rain
Sunday, Nov. 13 9:00 a.m. Kathi Sullivan
Monday, Nov. 14 8:30 a.m. Charles & Eileen Hoff
Tuesday, Nov. 15 8:30 a.m. Charles & Eileen Hoff
Thursday, Nov. 17 8:30 a.m. Ron Kaiser
Friday, Nov. 18 8:30 a.m. Sp. Int. Powers Family
Saturday, Nov. 19 4:00 p.m. For the People
Sunday, Nov. 20 9:00 a.m. Rosie Perez

**33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 (color: Green)**

11/12/2022 - Saturday, 4: 00 p.m.
Servers: Lucy Gannett, Jonathan Gannett,
 Nathan Gannett

Reader: Tom Bachman

11/13/2022—Sunday, 9:00 a.m.
Servers: Kingston Guerrero, Cade Berning,
 Jace Berning

Reader: Kyle Berning

CHRIST THE KING)(color: Red)

11/19/2022- Saturday, 4: 00 p.m.
Servers: Volunteer, Jason Velasco, Ryann
 Bamberger

Reader: Debbie Frederick

11/20/2022—Sunday, 9:00 a.m.

Servers: Volunteers

Reader: Mike Broeckelman

Reconciliation: Confessions will be heard every Saturday at 3:00 p.m. and every Sunday at 8:00 a.m. or by appointment.

Baptism: Parents who have children to be baptized must be registered. Godparents must be 16 years of age or older and have received Confirmation and Eucharist. Please call the parish office for an appointment.

Marriage: Please contact parish priest at least four to six months before the wedding.

Anointing of the Sick: Celebrated anytime by calling a priest.

33TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME –NOVEMBER 13, 2022

GOD IS LOVE

My Friends, our God is a God not of the dead, but of the living. The salvation won for us is not just so that we can be with God when our earthly lives have ended. No, the salvation won for each of us through the saving love of Jesus is one in which we become new creations, one in which we become infused with the Spirit of the living God, one in which each of us has the potential to become “fully alive” in ways that were never before possible. That’s the victory that has been won --- a fullness of life that begins now and lives on into eternity. Our incredible God is a life-giver, a life-sustainer, a life-transformer. And as disciples of his Son, we are called to be precisely the same thing.

And so, that can be a powerful measure of how we are doing in this life, how we are or aren’t fulfilling our sacred calling as children of God. And so we must ask ourselves:

Am I the sort of person who tears people down or builds them up?

Am I the sort of person who spreads cynicism rather than hope?

Am I the sort of person who has to win every argument, always be right?

Am I the sort of person who makes sure others know that I’m smarter than them?

Am I the sort of person who mocks and ridicules rather than affirms and encourages?

The moral life is more than just following rules. It’s about receiving the fullness of life God offers and sharing that same fullness of life with everyone we meet. Only then can we be confident that we are on the right path, the path to a life in God for all eternity. Fr. Peter

COLLECTION for November 6, 2022: Envelopes: \$610; Loose: \$436; Online Giving: \$1153.02; Total \$2199.02; Average Weekly Expense: \$1,761.17. Income over/under + 437.85

CHURCH PROJECT GOAL \$52000—Building Fund To Date: \$18227.27

Thank you so much for your love for our parish church and your faithful stewards.

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE During the month of November we hold in prayer all who have passed away in our parish in the past years. Located in our church vestibule is a Book of Reembrance to which parishioners may add lists of names of deceased friends and loved ones. All names will be remembered at our upcoming Masses in NOV.

PARISH BREAKFAST - SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20—RIGHT AFTER MASS You are invited to join us for food & fellowship on November 20th served by our K of C council. Also as we offered “Food from Heaven” or raffle tickets with grocery gift cards through the generosity of our Knights last year, our Knights will offer it again this year, starting this weekend Masses. We are so grateful to the Knights’ generosity and hospitality! May the Loving God pour down His many blessings upon them.

UPCOMING MEETINGS: The Knights of Columbus will have their meeting on November 30 at 7:30 p.m. The Finance Council will have their meeting on December 1st at 5:30 p.m.

ALTAR SOCIETY - BAKE SALE Altar Society will be having a bake sale at the Holly & Iuy holiday event December 3rd outside the Memorial Building. All ladies of the parish are asked to bring baked or food items to this event. Mark you calendars please.

MEN’S ACTS RETREAT JANUARY 19-22, 2023 “The retreat’s goals are to become a disciple of Christ, deepening your relationship with Jesus Christ, renew your spirituality, give new meaning to your prayer life and to Sunday Liturgy, and build lasting friendships.” If you have questions, please contact Paula Brozek at 620-793-8172. Please complete or pick up a brochure/registration form at our parish.

VOCATION VIEW Patient endurance will see you through to the end. God will give you the wisdom and the words to speak. Don’t let anything hold you back from a wholehearted “yes.” (Luke 21:5-19)

STEWARDSHIP Today’s readings paint a somewhat frightening picture of the end of time. But the Gospel ends with the assurance to faithful stewards that those who persevere will be saved.

PRAYER OF THE WEEK (adapted from Healing Prayers by the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate) Lord, you have been by my side whenever I needed you. Even when I wasn’t aware of your presence, you were there protecting me and guiding me. In the years ahead, Lord, I want to continue to walk with you and be strengthened by you. I can’t see the future, so I don’t know what you will ask of me. There will be some doubt and uncertainty, some loss and grief, some trying times. With your love and guidance, Lord, let me do your will always. Amen.

UNDERSTANDING THE GOSPEL OF THE WEEK - (Luke 21:5-19)

Reliable words In Luke 21 Jesus speaks about future events. 1. the persecution of Christians (vv.12-19) 2. the destruction of Jerusalem and the Temple (vv.5-11 and 20-24) 3. the return of Christ (vv.25-28) The first two events had occurred by the time this Gospel was written. Luke refers to them in order to assure Christians that the third event will also happen. If Jesus was right about the first two things, then he will come again as he said he would.

Stone upon stone (vv.5-6) The Jerusalem temple was a magnificent structure. Jesus warns that it isn’t impenetrable, however, and he was right. After the Jews rebelled against Rome, the Romans retaliated by invading Jerusalem and destroying the temple (66-70 AD).

False alarms (vv.7-9) Jesus’ followers want to know when these devastating events will happen. Jesus warns them not to go running around in fear or excitement. They must remain steadfast, come what may.

Scary signs (vv.9-11) When the Jews fought the Romans, famine and disease eventually broke out in Jerusalem because the Romans trapped the inhabitants inside. Food and clean water became scarce. Jesus also refers to natural phenomena. In his day people believed that phenomena like earthquakes and eclipses mirrored the drama of human events.

Following Jesus (vv.12-19) The author of this Gospel also wrote Acts of the Apostles. In Acts the disciples are treated exactly as Jesus described in the Gospel. They also speak boldly about their faith, as Jesus said they would.

Wisdom in speaking (vv.14-15) When Jesus promises that he will be the mouth through which his followers speak, he reassures those who don’t think they’re very good speakers. He also cautions those who pride themselves on their speaking abilities. (www.oursundayreadings)

UNDERSTANDING THE FIRST READING (Malachi 3:19-20a)

Malachi Malachi isn’t a proper name; it means messenger. We don’t know who first spoke or wrote these prophetic words. Because the prophet declares that a messenger will prepare people for the Lord’s arrival (3:1), this collection of prophetic statements came to be called Malachi. The prophet lived in the late sixth to mid fifth centuries BC.

Impunity This passage is part of a larger one in which we hear that the wicked have stopped following God because God doesn’t seem to punish people who sin. Evildoers are even thriving. There no longer seems to be any reason to uphold God’s law (vv.14-15).

A blazing day In response to those who still want to live as God intends, God declares that a time is coming when he will make a very clear distinction between the just and the wicked (vv.16, 18). The LORD of hosts, which means LORD of armies, will come as fire to burn away even the tiniest bit of evil. The LORD’s day will also bring a new era for those who remain faithful to God. After the wicked are burned away to nothing, the just will enjoy peace at last. Notice that while God refers to the wicked, he talks directly to the just. The wicked aren’t listening anymore, but the righteous are attentive and responsive.

Grand Knight Comments—November 2022

The year is blazing by, hard to believe it's November. It's tough to think that October is gone as the weather hasn't really felt much like fall. I'm certain that will change shortly.

I hope you have taken advantage of one of the breakfasts the Knights have been sponsoring. Biscuits and gravy are on the menu for this month. These breakfasts after Mass are for the parish members to come over and enjoy the food and fellowship. Please plan to attend the next breakfast on November 20th after Mass.

November starts the Holiday season, parties, gatherings, food and presents. But it's much more than that, the start of the new Church year. Advent will soon be upon us and then Christmas....Of course the retail stores have been blasting us with Christmas decorations since August.

The "Tootsie Roll" program was a huge success. As most of you know, the Tootsie roll program aids our intellectually disabled citizens. This year our funds have again been earmarked for our local Special Education classes. The funds may be used as they need, no strings attached. The knights were out pedaling Tootsie Rolls and the 20 cases we ordered disappeared quite quickly. Looks like we need to order more for next year.

This year, like last, the Knights are sponsoring drawings for \$50 Bob's certificates after weekend Masses. We started November 5 and will run through December 11. Each family receives 1 ticket as they enter church BEFORE Mass begins, and the winning ticket will be drawn after Mass ends. So don't leave early, as you MUST be present to win.

Last month, our Knight of the month went to Mike Broeckelman. Mike works tirelessly on the prayer garden and was one of those men who worked all summer making sure the Church, Hall and Garden grounds were kept up and looking good. Thank you, Mike, for your hard work and dedication.

I hope you have marked your calendar for BEIROCKS! The plans for our annual bierock fundraiser are progressing. December 4th is the target date. A signup sheet will be placed at the back of the church. Due to all the ingredient prices rising, we again must raise the price of those tasty treats. This year the price will be \$36/dozen. Well, you should be thinking about those delicious munchies and getting your orders ready.

Whether you are going to be with family, or just having a small, intimate gathering later this month, don't forget to give thanks for all you have received from our Lord. If you have any comments or suggestions for the Knights of Columbus, please contact any member, or me personally.

Tom Bachman

THIRTY– THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME **Apocalypse soon?**

The approaching end of the church year brings a cascade of dreadful-sounding biblical images in many of the scripture readings. Should we be packing our bags for a mad dash to the end-times? As Malachi says, "Lo, the day is coming"—and of course it is. Time forecloses both personally and cosmically. This is why we're regularly reminded to stay "sober and alert," "awake," and "watchful." The threats are real: climate change, global disease, catastrophes, and random violence, not to mention the genetic time bomb that is our bodies. Live each day with purpose. Meet each moment with love. (Prepare the Word)

TRIGÉSIMO TERCER DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO **¿Apocalipsis pronto?**

El final del año eclesialístico se aproxima con una cascada de imágenes bíblicas que suenan a terror en muchos textos de las Escrituras. ¿Deberíamos hacer las maletas para una carrera loca hacia el fin de los tiempos? Como dice Malaquías, "He aquí que el día se acerca," y por supuesto que lo hace. El tiempo se cierra tanto personal como cósmicamente. Por eso se nos recuerda regularmente que debemos permanecer "sobrios y alerta," "despiertos" y "vigilantes." Las amenazas son reales: el cambio climático, las enfermedades globales, las catástrofes y la violencia fortuita, por no hablar de la bomba de tiempo genética que son nuestros cuerpos. Vive cada día con un propósito. Afronta cada momento con amor.