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# **Blessed Sacrament**

#### **Mission Statement:**

Established in the Spirit of Jesus Christ with an Afro-centric focus, Blessed Sacrament Chapel is committed to spreading the "Word" through fellowship and good works.

#### Sunday Mass: 10:00AM

St. Stephen Cathedral Parish Office: 270-683-6525

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#### **TODAY'S READINGS**

First Reading — The woman who fears the LORD is to be praised. (Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31).

**Psalm** — Blessed are those who fear the Lord (Psalm 128).

**Second Reading** — Brothers and sisters, you are children of the light (1 Thessalonians 5:1-6).

**Gospel** — Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities (Matthew 25:14-30



33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Nov. 15, 2020

Blessed are you who fear the LORD. -----Psalm 128:1a



# All of you are children of the light, children of the day.

# From the desk of Father Sinoj



#### Dear Friends in Christ

Greetings! We are into the penultimate Sunday of the Liturgical Year. The Liturgy continues to speak of the last things and of the preparations we need to make to reach Heaven. We are invited to live in such a way that we make the best use of the talents God has given us, so that at the hour of our death Our Lord will invite us to the Eternal Joy.

We reflect on the parable of talents this Sunday. This parable challenges us to do something positive, constructive and life-affirming with our talents here and now. These talents are given in different measures. God gives each person different gifts for his or her intended uses. We are only asked to make full use of what we have been uniquely given and to use our talents for the benefit of the community as a whole.

Through the description of a lazy servant, Jesus teaches us that there is no "safe" position in our life. Christian living is strenuous business involving occasional risk-taking. God expects us to use our every talent for bearing witness to the Goodness of God to all whom we encounter. Pope St. John XXIII says, "We are not put on earth to guard a museum, but to produce new spiritual wealth from the talents God has placed under our stewardship."



God Loves You!!

Fr. Sinoj Pynadath, HGN

#### **November Birthdays**

- 1--Austin Gough
- 7--Lennox Williams
- 8--Audrey Mezur
- 11--Jeff Sanford
- 16--Joyce Moorman, Greg Gough
- 19--Ron Moorman, Barbara Bisel
- 22--Trey Hatchett
- 25--Payton Sanford
- 28--Shirley Schmidt



Never get discouraged. The good you do today will often be forgotten by tomorrow. Do good anyway. God is always at our side encouraging us.

#### **Spiritual Communion**

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen

#### Mass Intentions

November 1--Betty Clark

November 8--Fathers Carl & Jerry Glahn

November 15--David Thornton Coble

November 22--Donald Moorman

November 29--Leon Boarman

Let us remember to pray for those who have recently died or those in the process of dying. Remember to pray for the souls in purgatory, especially for those who have no one to pray for them.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the sick: Andy Evans Otha Holbrook, Jason Pierce, Ruth Coble, Gary Moorman, Pam Wilson, Frank & Gloria Adams, Larry Allen, Lius Aju, Shirley Schmidt, Carol Hatchett, Rachel Mattingly, Emma Latta, Nancy Bumm, Camilla Greer, Louise Johnson, Phillip Moorman, Jr. If you know of anyone seriously ill who is in need of prayer or visitation, please notify the office.

Please remember our home-bound: Ruth Coble and Shirley Schmidt who are at Heritage Park. Georgia Holland lives in St.. Louis but stays active in BSC happenings. Please pray also for all who, because they are vulnerable, cannot attend Mass. A card or phone call can cheer them up.

## St. Stephen Cathedral New Mass Schedule

4:30 PM Vigil on Saturday

8:30 and 11:00 on Sunday

7:00 AM and 12:05 PM Mon-Fri.

# Coming Events CALENDAR



### **Blessed Sacrament Chapel**

Nov. 15--Sign-ups for Thanksgiving Dinner and Christmas Mass

Nov. 22--Community Thanksgiving dinner
Drive-through only 12-2

#### **Diocesan Deanery Event**

Nov. 30-Dec. 2 Mission at Blessed Mother 6:30 PM (Advent preparation) Hope in the Midst of Pandemic-----Book of Revelations (Father Shonis)



November 8--\$1247

Weekly budget: \$952

MTD collection--\$3620

MTD budget--.\$1904

YTD collection--\$21,562

YTD budget-- \$18,088

Candles--\$3

May each of us give according to what the Lord has blessed us with.



# Pope Francis's Prayer to Mary During Coronavirus Pandemic

O Mary, you always shine on our path as a sign of salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm. You know what we need, and we are sure you will provide so that, as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to joy and to feasting after this time of trial. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who has taken upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows to lead us, through the cross, to the joy of the resurrection. Amen. Under your protection, we seek refuge, Holy Mother of God. Do not disdain the entreaties of we who are in trial, but deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

#### **Eight Steps to a More Satisfying Life:**

In a recent TIME, magazine sidebar, there were Eight Steps Toward a More Satisfying Life. Here are the Eight Steps: 1. Count your blessings. 2. Practice acts of kindness. 3. Savor life's joys. 4. Thank a mentor. 5. Learn to forgive. 6. Invest time and energy in friends and family. 7. Take care of your body. 8. Develop strategies for coping with stress and hardship. As we reflect on Gospels of the last couple weeks, we could add one more step, a 9th Step to the strategy: Be prepared. Be prepared to step out of life's planned paths and trust the Spirit. After all, the Spirit can appear in many guises, disguises, and surprises.

#### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5; Ps 1:1-4, 6;

Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday: Rv 3:1-6, 14-22; Ps 15:2-5;

Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday: Rv 4:1-11; Ps 150:1b-6;

Lk 19:11-28, or

Thursday: Rv 5:1-10; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b;

Lk 19:41-44

Friday: Rv 10:8-11; Ps 119:14, 24, 72,

103, 111, 131; Lk 19:45-48

Saturday: Rv 11:4-12; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10;

Lk 20:27-40

#### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCE

Sunday: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Margaret of Scotland;

St. Gertrude

Tuesday: St. Elizabeth of Hungary

Wednesday: Dedication of the Basilicas of

Ss. Peter and Paul;

St. Rose Philippine Duchesne

Saturday: The Presentation of the

Blessed Virgin Mary

#### **LIVING PRAYER**

Who prays as they ought will endeavor to live as they pray.



#### **CHANGE OUR LIVES**

The letters of Paul to the Thessalonians are among his earliest writings, and are driven by his belief and the belief of the entire early Christian community that the return of Christ was imminent, and that devoting time or attention to anything else was foolish.

As time progressed, this fervor subsided a bit. Today we may wonder, when we hear these readings about the coming end-times, if we should take them to heart, if we really believe that Christ still may come upon us as a "thief at night" (1 Thessalonians 5:2). Does this mean that we are to stop our long-range goal-setting, get rid of our yearly calendars and planners, or stop putting money in the college education fund? Of course not. What it does mean is that we need to change our lives, living like children of the light and illuminating the world around us with the light of the gospel. Then, on that day, when the details of our daily living become unimportant, we will be ready to find our peace and security in Christ Jesus.

#### REVERENDEUN.COM COPYRIGHT BIBLE GATEWAY



11-27-20

YOU DEVILS SOMETIMES MANAGE TO SCORE A POINT OR TWO AGAINST US ANGELS, BUT YOU NEVER WIN ... HAVE YOU EVER CONSIDERED THE FACT THAT YOU MAY HAVE A BAD COACH?

#### Lectors

November 15: Jacques Williams

Layson Brooks

November 22: Barbara Bisel

Kathi Skidd

November 29: Jacques Williams Sarah Malone

### **Time Savers Employment Opportunities**

If anyone is considering supplemental work, part time or full time, we would love to speak with them. Our clients' needs vary greatly, and may include light housekeeping, meal prep, laundry, transportation to doctor's appointments, stability assistance and personal care. We currently have openings for weekdays, evenings, and overnights. We have a diverse group of employees with various skills, but all with a heart to serve. We provide paid training, flexible scheduling, referral bonuses and very competitive pay. Anyone interested can call us at 270-702-7887 or apply online https://mytimesaversky.com/join-us

To remember what God has done and continues to do for me, for us, to remember the road we have traveled; this is what open our hearts to hope for the future. May we learn to remember everything that God has done in our lives. --Pope Francis

#### Stewardship: Time, Treasure, Talent

#### A Message from Father Jerry...

Although the words "disciples" and "stewards" are often used interchangeably, "disciples" can be described as those who follow the Lord, receiving and recognizing the love He freely gives. "Stewards" share that love with others by sharing their God-given gifts (and we all receive gifts). What comes to mind when you hear the words "sharing of time, talent, and treasure"? Our lives can feel so busy that living as a steward might feel like something to be postponed until "the kids are grown," or "I'm retired," or "when I get that promotion." Embracing stewardship is a way of life, an opportunity to express our gratitude for God's blessings. As disciples—as stewards—we are called

- receive God's gifts gratefully, tend them responsibly, share them justly and with love, and return them with increase to the Lord;
- share our gifts in proportion to the blessings we receive..

#### **USE YOUR TALENT**

Having only modest talent is no excuse for not using it. Think what the morning would be like if only talented birds sang!

-Anonymous

#### SAINT ROSE PHILIPPINE DUCHESNE (1769-1852) November 18

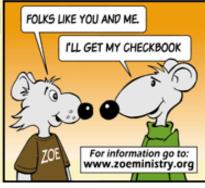
Pope Benedict once declared himself struck by how remarkably diverse our American saints are—some native born: Mother Seton, Katherine Drexel, Kateri Tekakwitha; most, like many Catholics today, immigrants: Padre Serra, Bishop Neumann, Mother Cabrini, Rose Philippine Duchesne. When the French Revolution that dispersed her convent ended. Rose joined the Religious of the Sacred Heart, volunteering for their United States mission, opening the first free school west of the Mississippi. Only after lengthy service as Superior did Rose—now seventy-one—realize her life's dream, undertaking a mission among the Potawatomi Indians. When some worried about her advanced age and failing health, the Jesuit mission leader overruled them: "She must come! She may not be able to do much work, but she'll bring the mission success by praying for us!" Frustrated by her inability to learn their languages, Rose nevertheless "spoke" to the Native Americans by her prayerful presence before the tabernacle. "Quah-kah-ka-num-ad," they named her, "Woman-Who-Prays-Always"—their way of bestowing the title the Church would later make official: saint!

## Church Mice

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