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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

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TODAY'S READING

First Reading — Those who lead the many to justice shall be like the stars forever (Daniel 12:1-3).

Psalm — You are my inheritance, O Lord! (Psalm 16).

Second Reading — Where there is forgiveness, there is no longer offering for sin (Hebrews 10:11-14, 18).

Gospel — Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away (Mark 13:24-32).



33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Nov.14, '21

Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. — Mark 13:31



You are my inheritance, O Lord.

From the desk of Father Sinoj

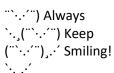


Dear Friends in Christ,

Greetings! In the gospel today, Jesus speaks of the cosmic disturbances of the sun, moon and the stars followed by own appearance in glory to establish the Reign of God. These cosmic disturbances are images traditionally associated with the manifestations of God's judgment. They will serve notice that he is the creator, God's very own son, the son of Man who is coming to earth in great power and glory.

Jesus then uses the analogy of fig tree to teach about the necessity of being prepared for the end times. We are sometimes embarrassed or saddened by the signs of our own approaching end. This image of the fig tree suggests that the end times will mean good times for Jesus' disciples, because their God will be bringing things to a triumphant end and His Truth, Love, and Justice will prevail forever.

Hence, instead of worrying about the end time events, we are asked to live every day of our lives in loving God in Himself and as living in others through our committed service. Thus, we will enter into a deeper relationship with God, which will continue when we pass through death.



God Loves you!!!

Father Sinoj, HGN

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

November is a month of remembrance for the dead, and cemeteries have long been a focus for prayer. Our tradition holds great respect for bodily remains, since the body was created and redeemed by God, was once the "dwelling place of the Holy Spirit," and has a destiny of life with God in glory. The funeral practices of the early church contrasted greatly with those of the pagans, who had a great dread of the dead body. The ancient Christian funeral liturgy ended with the relatives and friends giving a final kiss to the body. It expressed affection and showed their faith that the grave would not be the last word. This kiss horrified pagans, who thought that any contact with the dead was degrading.

Every year on their loved one's "birthday to life," the Christians would return to the place of their burial to mark their profound communion with those whose lives were hidden in Christ. Typically, they buried the dead with their faces turned toward the east, symbolizing the rising of the Sun of Justice, Christ, at the end of days. They were attracted to the catacombs or burial grounds just as we are today. They would often celebrate the Eucharist at the tomb. Before long, as soon as Christians were allowed to build places for worship, they relocated cemeteries from beyond the city walls to surround the church. This was not because the bodies of the saints hallowed the ground on which the church was built, a beautiful difference.

Please turn in raffle tickets. They are \$2 each. Each basket's value is estimated to be over \$200.



Sports Basket: Includes: UK Vest (L), sweat-shirt (L), throw, rug, Academy Sports gift card (\$40), St. Louis Cardinals: back pack, hat, seat pad, hat, bag, ornament.



Christmas Basket: Includes: Queen-size quilt and shams, ceramic lighthouse, mug, dish towels, glasses.

Drawing Nov. 28

Tax exempt EXE0000038

November Birthdays

- 1--Father John Thomas, Austin Gough
- 5--Michael Bogdan, Jamie Bisel
- 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



.Helpful Prayer Billy had been misbehaving and was sent to his room. After a while he emerged and informed his mother that he had thought it over, and then said a prayer. "Fine" said the pleased mother. "If you asked God to help you not misbehave, He will help you." "Oh, I didn't ask Him to help me not to misbehave," said Johnny, "I asked Him to help you put up with me."

Laugh of the Week

- Q. Why did the police arrest the turkey?

 A. They suspected fowl play.
- Q. What Happened when the turkey got into a fight? A. He got the stuffing knocked out of him.
- Q. What's the most musical part of a turkey? A. The drumstick.
- Q. Why did the cranberries turn red? A. Because they saw the turkey dressing.

Mass Intentions

November 7--Herbert Millay

November 14--Grace Medley Ebelhar

November 21--Donald Moorman

November 28--Patricia Lett

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: Shirley Schmidt, Carol Hatchett, Stephen Hall, Colton Braungardt, Connie Clary, Doris Smith, Debbie Bellwood, Janice Taul, Merle Griffith, Tyler Cruppi, Pam Wilson, Frank & Gloria Adams, Larry Allen, Shelby Webster, Louise Johnson, Ruth Coble, Larry Conder, Mike Coakley, Andy Evans, Gary Moorman, Rachel Mattingly, Camilla Greer, Phillip Moorman, Jr. If you know of anyone who is in need of prayer or visitation, please notify the office.

Please remember our home-bound: Ruth Coble at One Park Place and Shirley Schmidt at Hermitage. Georgia Holland lives in St. Louis 1360 Coppergate Ln., St. Louis, MO 63138 but stays active in BSC.. A card or phone call can cheer them up.

IMP—Kroger

If you do not have a community reward partner at Kroger, please designate Blessed Sacrament. Blessed Sacrament's # is WX799. Thank you. Go to *krogercommunityrewards.com* to register.

Coming Events CALENDAR



Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Nov. 21--BSC Thanksgiving Dinner for Community 12-2

Nov. 20-21 Padre Pio Relic Tour at St. Anthony Church, Utica

Nov. 28--1st Sunday of Advent

Drawing for basket winners



Nov. 7--\$1105

Weekly Budget--\$962

MTD collections--\$1105

MTD budget--\$962

YTD collection--\$20,373

YTD budget---\$18,278

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



Attitude of Gratitude

How grateful to God am I? We all struggle in various ways with gratitude and we will never really be grateful enough until we see God face to face.

Gratitude is impossible unless we see clearly all that God has done for us. It is so easy in life to focus in on all the struggles we face and, as a result, to get down, depressed, frustrated and even angry at times. The challenging thing to do is to look beyond the crosses and burdens we face each day to see the abundance of grace and mercy given to us by our Lord. Unless we see God's mercy and grace at work in our lives, we will struggle with authentic gratitude.

As we approach Thanksgiving Day, reflect upon this simple question: Do I see all God has done for me? Do I see His abundant mercy at work in my life? To do so is having an attitude of gratitude." If you can humbly and honestly admit your struggle with total gratitude, you will have taken the first step to seeing more clearly and the first step to fostering that deeper gratitude. God can change your life as He fills you with joy.

--Deacon Jay Vanhoosier

Lector

November 14: Alexis Hatchett

Kathi Skiidd

November 21: Wayne Stephens

Sarah Malone

November 28: Layson Brooks

Aubrey Ottofy

Eucharistic Minister

November 14; Rita Moorman

November 21: Cindy Clark

November 28: Misty Sanford

St. Corona Prayer

.O Saint Corona, who fearlessly gave your life to bring comfort to the suffering, we beg your intercession during this time of pandemic. By your holy martyrdom you gave us an example to follow, that we may lay down our lives for one another. May you intercede for us all, that we may imitate your compassion and courage. May Almighty God, whom you so faithfully loved and served, grant us every grace and protection from the ravages of disease. May we not give in to anxiety or fear which would cause us to lose confidence in



Congratulations to all of our parishioners who have wedding anniversaries this month--especially Joyce and Philip Moorrman --64 yrs.

Blessed by Your Generosity

Our *Time, Talent, and Treasure* renewal is underway. If you have already returned a pledge, *thank you!* If you have not yet submitted a pledge, please:

- Review the opportunities offered, then pray about how you can offer your time and talents in parish ministry. If we are all involved, even just a little, our efforts will greatly bless our parish and community. Most of you can find a ministry that fits your talents.
- Consider your blessings and pray about your appropriate level of financial support to our parish. We can all do something!

Each of us is called to recognize our blessings, care for and share them justly, and return them with increase to the Lord. Since stewardship is the responsibility of our entire parish, I am asking everyone to participate. Whether you are a longtime member, new to our parish, or new to the pledging process, please return a pledge by **Sunday (November 21).** Drop your pledge in the offertory collection at Mass or mail it to the Parish Office.

Since my arrival at Saint Stephen Cathedral in July, I continue to be humbled and amazed by your generous and continued offerings of prayer, service in ministry, and financial support. Thank you, and may God bless you abundantly!

.Praying: "Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing. In all circumstances give thanks, for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus." (1 Thess. 5:16-18)

Giving: "For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be." (Luke 12:34)

Serving: "As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another

Readings for the Week

Monday: 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57,

62-63/Ps 119:53, 61, 134,

150, 155, 158/Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday: 2 Mc 6:18-31/Ps 3:2--7 /

Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday: 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31/Ps 17:1 5-6,

8 and 15/Lk 19:11-28

Thursday: Dedication: Acts 28:11-16,

30-31/ Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42

-43/Mt 14:22-33

Friday: 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59/1

Chron 29:10-12/Lk 19:45-48

Saturday: 1 Mc 6:1-13/Ps 9:2-6, 16

and 19 /Lk 20:27-40

Observances for the Week of Nov. 14

Monday: St. Albert the Great,

Doctor of the Church

Tuesday: St. Margaret of Scotland;

St. Gertrude, Virgin

Wednesday: St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Thursday: The Dedication of the

Basilicas of Sts. Peter and

Paul, St. Rose Philippine Duchesne,

Saturday: BVM



eternal life with God.

ENCOURAGEMENT

This Sunday's Gospel is our final selec-

tion from Mark for this liturgical year. It is

taken from the end of Jesus' teaching in

Jerusalem immediately preceding the ac-

count of his arrest and passion. In it Jesus

gives his disciples hope to sustain them

through his passion and death and any

encounter after his resurrection.

persecution or suffering that they would

The words from the book of Daniel

also provided hope and encouragement to

agement in these scriptures is meant for us

the people of Daniel's time. The encour-

as well, for none of us will escape tribula-

tion in our lives. Followers of Jesus will be

able to endure suffering with joyful hope,

along the way of discipleship and give us

knowing that Christ's love will lead us

Our annual Thanksgiving dinner is just 1 week away. Please plan on assisting in whatever way you can. Our way to give to community.

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