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CLERGY MASS SCHEDULE

All Worship Services are 2:00 PM unless otherwise noted.

November 7, 2021: 32 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	+Fr. Carl
November 14, 2021: 33 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	+Fr. Bob
November 21, 2021: Solemnity of Christ the King	+Fr. Bob
November 28, 2021: First Sunday of Advent	+Fr. Bob

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Prayer Intentions

If you would like us to remember a special intention for you at Mass, please contact one of our priests.

If you or someone you know is in need of spiritual assistance (prayers, Sacrament of the Sick, etc.), please contact one of our priests.

Inquiries regarding the administration of Sacraments or services (Baptisms, First Communion, Marriages, and Funerals) are welcomed.

Scripture Reflections

November 2021

+Fr. Bob Catlett, M.Div.

November 7, 2021 – 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time: Today's readings from the First Book of Kings and the Gospel focus on the sacrifices of two widows. They remind us that our own sacrifices – if united to the once-and-for-all sacrifice of Jesus (Hebrews) – have great value before God. Do we need to reflect about this? (1 Kings 17:10-16, Hebrews 9:24-28, Mark 12:38-44)

November 14, 2021 – 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time: All three readings today refer to a future judgment where the righteous will be separated from the unrighteous. Our own concern should be the way we live now, in view of that future date. Jesus, help us to know ourselves – to see how we can better know, love and serve you. (Daniel 12:1-3, Hebrews 10:11-14,18, Mark 13:24-32)

November 21, 2021 – Solemnity of Christ the King: While today's first and second readings stress Jesus' majesty, the Gospel presents a stark contrast. Jesus is on trial before Pilate. We know the outcome, but we also know that the cross is far from being the end. Jesus, how can we lead others to understand this truth? (Daniel 7:13-14, Revelation 1:5-8, John 18:33b-37)

November 28, 2021 – First Sunday of Advent: The opening of the Advent Season continues the end-time/end-of-life theme that the liturgy has focused on in recent weeks. Christ, who came in history, a "just shoot" from the house of David, will return in majesty. Are we ready for his coming? Paul exhorts us to be "blameless in holiness." Jesus calls us to "be vigilant at all times and pray." (Jeremiah 33:14-16, 1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2, Luke 21:25-28, 34-36)

Our journey *along the way* leads us toward Jesus who said:
***I am the way,
the truth, and the life.***



As we continue our journey, it is well for us to reflect on where we are heading; following Jesus will lead us to the eternal happiness of being with God in Heaven for all eternity.

Our catholic liturgy presents the month of November as a special time to ponder where we are going -- check our lives to see if we are truly living the Christian life -- and to make improvements, correction, and enhancements, as necessary.

**November begins on the 1st with ALL SAINTS DAY;
follows on the 2nd with ALL SOULS DAY;
and ends with the MASS OF CHRIST THE KING on the last Sunday.**

So, on All Saints Day, we celebrate with joy the deceased *who are in Heaven*;
on All Soul's Day, we pray for the souls *waiting to enter into Heaven*;
and on the Solemnity of Christ the King, *we learn how we will get to Heaven.*

The Gospel¹ of the Mass of Christ the King tells us what to do *along the way.*



Jesus said to his disciples: "*When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit upon his glorious throne, and all the nations will be assembled before him. And he will separate them one from another, as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. He will place the sheep on his right and the goats on his left.*

Then the king will say to those on his right, '*Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.*

*For I was hungry and you gave me food ~~ I was thirsty and you gave me drink,
a stranger and you welcomed me ~~ naked and you clothed me,
ill and you cared for me ~~ in prison and you visited me.'*

Then the righteous will answer him and say, '*Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, **OR**, thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and welcome you, **OR**, naked and clothe you? When did we see you ill, **or** in prison, and visit you?'*

And the king will say to them in reply, ***Amen I say to you, whatever you did for one of the least of my brethren, you did for me.'***

¹See: Matthew 25: 31-46

From the Pastor's Desk
+Fr. Bob Catlett, M.Div.

Congratulations to our parishioners who have reasons to celebrate this month:

Birthdays:

Joan Schmid: 11/23

Anniversaries:

None this month!

Prayers needed:

Bishop David Kocka (Indiana) continues his recovery at home and is trying to get "back into the swing of things" at his Oratory. Please continue to pray for his return to full health.

Bishop Tom Coover (Florida) is recovering from recent surgery. Please pray for his quick and full recovery.

Congratulations!

Subdeacon Richard "Dick" Sellers, Sacred Cross Oratory in Indiana, has accepted the Call to Orders to the Sacred Order of Deacon. He will be ordained to the Diaconate on Sunday, November 7, 2021, at Sacred Cross Oratory. +Fr. Bob will travel to Indiana to assist Bishop David in this wonderful and long-awaited event. Please pray for Deacon-elect Sellers as he prepares for this very blessed day and ministry.

Thank you!

Thank you to +Fr. Carl for assisting with celebrating the liturgy with us on October 31 and November 7 so that +Fr. Bob can attend to other matters (work and church related). Also, special thanks to +Fr. Carl as he continues his insightful contributions (even in retirement) to our bulletin in his "Along the Way" column (see page 3).