

MASSES FOR NOVEMBER 23 - 29

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| Monday, 23 | 8:30 am | (SF) | Paul "Butchie" Marker (<i>Mary Kay Petras</i>) Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5; Ps 24:1b-4b, 5-6; Lk 21:1-4 |
| Tuesday, 24 | 8:30 am | (SJ) | Mary Sue Hodovanic (<i>Friends at Moving On</i>) Rv 14:14-19; Ps 96:10-13; Lk 21:5-11 |
| Wednesday, 25 | 8:30 am | (SF) | For the People Rv 15:1-4; Ps 98:1-3b, 7-9; Lk 21:12-19 |
| Thursday, 26 | 8:30 am | (SJ) | No Mass Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 21:20-28 |
| Friday, 27 | 8:30 am | (SF) | No Mass Rv 20:1-4, 11-21:2; Ps 84:3-6, 8a; Lk 21:29-33 |
| Saturday, 28 | 5:00 pm | (SF) | Boyd Rawson (<i>Mary Lou</i>) Rv 22:1-7; Ps 95:1-7b; Lk 21:34-36 (Daily Readings) |
| Sunday, 29 | 9:00 am | (SJ) | James Westlake (<i>Stella & Children</i>) |
| | 11:00 am | (SF) | Ned Nale (<i>Wife & Children</i>) Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7; Ps 89:2-3, 15-16, 18-19; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Mk 13:33-37 |

THE WEEK AT A GLANCE

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| THURSDAY: | <i>Happy Thanksgiving!</i> |
| FRIDAY: | Parish Office Closed |
| SATURDAY: | No Confessions |
| SUNDAY: | Vespers and Benediction – 6:00pm (SF) |

As of 11/17/2020: Trinity West: **Barb Schroyer**; Pittsburgh: **Dee Fouts**. Please remember to pray for all our sick, shut-ins, and those in nursing homes. If you or a family member becomes hospitalized, please be sure to contact the rectory.

A Note from
The Pastor

Happy Thanksgiving: For all of us this has been a very different year. It has had its share of ups and downs and yet we come to this moment when we as a nation and individuals who have been blessed by God. However we find ourselves celebrating this Thanksgiving day let us be truly be grateful for the many blessing God has bestowed on us. May you and your families have a blessed day.

Note of Thanks: I would like to express my sincere thanks to the women of our Parish CWC. Once again we had a very successful Cabbage Roll Dinner last Sunday. It was certainly different than in past years due to the Covid 19 virus. But much to my surprise everything went very well in fact we served more meals than in the past. None of this would have been possible without that many hours of hard work from so many of the women. We could have used a little more help but under the circumstances we were able to be successful once again. We realized a profit of \$2845.00. Again many thanks to all those who gave so generously of their time and talent.



Christmas Giving Tree: The Giving Tree will be up with tags on November 28 & November 29th. Kindly, return the gifts to the church no later than December 13th. Please do not wrap them just tape the tags to package. If you have any questions, please reach out to Leah at 740-346-5626 or lperdue@diosteub.org.



Advent begins next Sunday, November 29th. **Vespers & Benediction will start at 6pm at St. Francis Church.** Please come and give yourself the gift of remembering what Christmas is all about! If changes due to the pandemic are required to be made, please make sure to either check out parish website www.sfsitoronto.com or if you have provided a current email address, the parish secretary will send an email out to notify of the changes



CHURCH SUPPORT: St. Francis: Adult: \$2,193.00; Loose: \$56.00; Candles: \$50.00. **St. Joseph:** Adult: \$822.00; Loose: \$3.00; Candles: \$52.00. May God bless you for your goodness to His Church! **Weekly Mass Attendance for November 15th:** Saturday 5:00pm: 65; Sunday: 9:00am – 64; 11:00am – 57;

MASSES: For **Theresa Demko** by CWC of Toronto; Mary (Mischik) Grooms; Jack, Michelle, & Dee Fouts; for **Mary Smurda** by CWC of Toronto.

MEMORIALS: To **St. Francis Church** in memory of **Theresa Demko** by Susan Zorbini; Vincent Exterovich; Tim & Agie Rock; Bill & Cathy Blankenship; Bob & Mary Lou Deku; Wanda Woodward; Huck & Jane Hanuscin; in memory of **Mary Smurda** by Tim & Agie Rock; in memory of **Helen Susi** by Marie Bernabei.



The Parish Secretary will be out of the office from November 22nd-30th. Please hold all calls until 9:00am on December 1st.



Andy Pieniazek, a lifelong parishioner of St. Francis/St. Joseph parishes will celebrate his 92nd Birthday on Monday, Nov. 30th. If you would like to remember him on his birthday, please send greetings to **Andy Pieniazek, 100 Wyngate Ave. Apt. 110, Weirton, WV 26062. Carl Oprisch** wishes to thank everyone who sent him birthday cards, they were greatly appreciated!

***Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
by The Faithful Disciple***

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

GROW: Today, we acknowledge and celebrate Christ the King. It's hard to put this royal image together with today's Gospel passage, where Jesus is not asking to be treated like a king, but rather instructing us to perform merciful deeds for the least of his brothers and sisters. Yet it is the perfect follow-on to the previous three Sundays' Scriptures, where Jesus tells us what it means to live a life of holiness, preparation, and faithful investment in the Kingdom. Now we see what awaits those of us who turn over our lives to him, seeing the face of Jesus in the least among us – the poor, the imprisoned, the thirsty, the stranger. "Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world."

GO EVANGELIZE | PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

GO: I confess that judgment day readings scare me a little. Some days I behave more like a "goat" than a "sheep." Side note: After a deep dive into the Internet (did you know that sheep have 54 chromosomes and goats have 60?), I've concluded that Jesus isn't talking about farm animals here. He's talking about us humans and the choices we make or don't make through sins of omission. The list seems endless if I focus on all the things I could be doing to help others each and every day. Yet, rather than getting caught up in fear or guilt, today's readings encourage me, and remind me, that Jesus has told us what we need to do to be counted as "sheep" on the last day.

ACTIONS:

- Choose one corporal work of mercy today and act on it. What does it look like to "visit the sick"? Donate blood; make food for someone who isn't feeling well; check in on an elderly neighbor.
- Do you know some "sheep" – people who radiate faith and kindness to others? Just as you might network with a professional in your field, invite that person out for coffee. Ask them about their faith and how it inspires them in their daily lives

Thought for the Week:

"The only thing we have to ask God for, in prayer, is the desire to be holy."

~Blessed Carlo Acutis