NOVEMBER 1, 2026 THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – ALL SAINTS DAY

MASSES FOR NOVEMBER 2 - 8

Monday, 2	8:30 am (SF)	**All Souls** - *Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed (All Souls Day)* Wis 3:1-9; Ps 23:1-6 Rom 5:5-11; Jn 6:37-40
Tuesday, 3	8:30 am (SJ)	**Shirley Carnahan *(Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Brem)*** Phil 2:5-11; Ps 22:26b-32; Lk 14:15-24
Wednesday, 4	8:30 am (SF)	**For the People** Phil 2:12-18; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Lk 14:25-33
Thursday, 5	8:30 am (SJ)	**All Souls** Phil 3:3-8a; Ps 105:2-7; Lk 15:1-10
Friday, 6	8:30 am (SF)	**Sr. JoAnne Lamantia, O.P. *(Jim Lamantia)*** Phil 3:17-4:1; Ps 122:1-5; Lk 16:1-8
Saturday, 7	5:00 pm (SF)	**Kathy Rawson *(Mary Ann Shuma & Family)***
Sunday, 8	9:00 am (SJ)	**Warren Hawkins *(Larry & Angie Fogle)***
	11:00 am (SF)	**Bill & Helen Sciance *(Family)*** Wis 6:12-16; Ps 63:2-8; 1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14; Mt 25:1-13

THE WEEK AT A GLANCE

TUESDAY: Nut Rolls - 9:00am (SFH)
WEDNESDAY: Parish School of Religion - 6:00pm (SJH)
THURSDAY: Choir Practice - 7:00pm (SF**)**
SATURDAY: Confessions - 10:30am (SJ)
SUNDAY: Bland Baptism - 11:00am (SF)

As of 10/27/2026: Trinity West: **Bob Grant ;** Please remember to pray for all our sick, shut-ins, and those in nursing homes. ***If a family member is admitted into a hospital, please be sure to contact the parish office so Father may go and visit them.***

Days of the Dead: Nov. 1st and 2nd are often referred to as the "days of the dead" because on those 2 days the Church remembers first the many people who by their lives should be an example to each of us how we are to live our lives as followers of Jesus. The saints who we honor were ordinary human beings like ourselves but were faithful to the Gospel way of life in spite of their own human short comings. Nov. 2nd, **the Feast of All Souls,** invites us to remember those who have died and are waiting to enter the heavenly kingdom. It is also a way of reminding each of us that this life will end and God will ask us to give an account of how we lived this gift of life we have been given.

Barbara Green, a lifelong parishioner of St. Francis/St. Joseph parishes will celebrate her 95th Birthday on ***Nov. 12th!*** If you would like to remember Barb on her birthday, please send greetings to: **Barbara Green, 1520 Madison Ave., Toronto, 43964.**

CWC News

They're available! Get your holiday nut, apricot, and poppy seed rolls early! They will be sold in the Church Halls after all weekend Masses on **Nov. 7/8, 14/15, & 21/22**. Cost is $12/each. Any questions, call Judy Wnek (537-4715).

Coffee and Donuts: The Catholic Women's Club invite all our parishioners to join us for coffee and donuts after the Sunday morning liturgies this weekend.

Volunteers Needed: The C.W.C is asking for volunteers (both male and female) to help deep clean our churches before the Advent/Christmas seasons. This will include the pews and floors under the pews and anything else that needs to be cleaned. We will provide the cleaners and the items to clean the floors. We ask if you could bring your own rag and bucket. We will clean St. Joseph Church on **Tuesday, Nov. 10 at 6pm** and St. Francis Church on **Wednesday, Nov. 11, also at 6pm**. Thank you in advance for helping out with this project.

CHURCH SUPPORT: St. Francis: Adult: $1,863.00; Loose: $222.00; Candles: $47.00; Mission Sunday: $25.00 St. Joseph: Adult: $1,470.00; Loose: $10.00; Candles: $21.00. May God bless you for your goodness to His Church! ***Weekly Mass Attendance for October 25th****: **5:00pm**: 69; **9:00am:** 74; **11:00am:** 84.*

MASSES: None

MEMORIALS: None

MINISTERS FOR NOVEMBER 7 & 8

Altar Servers:

5pm: Hank & Haley Bodnar; **9am:** Wyatt Winters, Olivia Perdue; **11am:** Sylas Trimmer & Levi Trimmer, Luca Provenzano

Lectors:

5pm: Betsy Pope; **9am:** Jennie Herrick; **11am:** Jim Lamantia

Scouting for Food: Next **Sat. Nov. 14th,** the Scouts in Toronto will be holding their annual *Scouting for Food Drive*. Residents are asked to donate non-perishable items. ***Those items should be placed in a BROWN PAPER BAG on the porch where they can be seen***. Pick up will be **9am-12pm**. All food collected goes to Toronto Food Bank.

Workbook for Lectors: Parishioners who are involved in the ministry of reading at the weekend liturgies are asked to pickup their "workbooks" which are located at the front entrance of the church for which you are a lector. The Church's liturgical year begins on the 1st Sunday of Advent which starts on **Nov. 29th this year.** We will be using the "B" cycle of readings for the Sunday liturgies.

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

Today's feast reminds us that we were not made for this world. We are destined to live with God in his heavenly kingdom. Our first reading from the Book of Revelation contains a vision John received which gives us a glimpse of what we'll see there: "a great multitude, which no one could count, from every nation, race, people, and tongue standing before the throne and before the Lamb," crying out his praise in a loud voice. For us on earth, the question is: How do we live so that one day, we will join that chorus of all the saints? The Gospel of Matthew gives us a road map to kingdom living. Those who will inherit the kingdom of heaven are those who are "poor in spirit," those "who hunger and thirst for righteousness, the merciful, the peacemakers," those "who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness," and those against whom "every kind of evil is uttered falsely because of [Christ]." With these words, we're reminded of the many faces of holiness. May we strive to pattern our lives according to the Beatitudes and so take our place among the ranks of all the saints in heaven.

GO EVANGELIZE | PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Today's responsorial psalm invites us to pray, "Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face." There are so many longings in our hearts – longings for belonging, longing for love, longing for justice. But the ultimate longing of our heart is for the Lord, even if we don't yet realize it. Part of our work in evangelization is to help awaken people's awareness of the ultimate desire of their hearts. As St. Augustine famously wrote, "You have made us for yourself, O Lord, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you." Spend some time in prayer this week asking the Lord to increase your own longing for him, as well as that of anyone you want to come to know the Lord better.

PRAY

Being a saint, perhaps, has something to do with longing for the Lord as our greatest and highest good, preferring nothing to him. As St. Thomas was praying before a crucifix toward the end of his life, the Lord said: "You have written well of me, Thomas. What reward will you receive from me for your labor?" St. Thomas Aquinas responded, "*Domine, Non Nisi Te* – Nothing but you, Lord." May we pray to desire nothing but to be counted among the children of God. For so we are.