

Church of the Ascension

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Masses

Saturday

9:00 a.m. (in the church)
5:00 p.m. (drive-in)

Sunday

7:00 a.m. (all Sunday
9:00 a.m. Masses are
11:00 a.m. inside the
5:00 p.m. church)

Weekday

*M—F 8:00 a.m. (in the church)

Holy Days

Mass times as announced

Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00 pm—4:45 pm
In Room A (facing synagogue).
Enter through exterior door.

Marriage

Arrangements made SIX
MONTHS in advance. Please
telephone the parish office to
make an appointment with the
pastor.

Baptism

Baptisms are held the First
Sunday of each month at 12
noon. (Preparation seminar is
required). Please contact the
parish office at least ONE month
in advance.

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REMEMBERING ALL SOULS AND SAINTS

Welcome: We extend our hearts and hands in Christian fellowship to you here celebrating with us, whether long-time residents or newly arrived in the parish. We thank God that you are with us. If any of the following in the apply to you, please fill out the form below and place it in the collection basket or mail it to the parish office.

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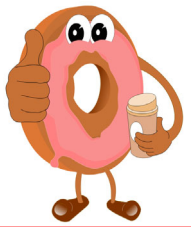
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**THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
OCTOBER 31, 2021**

THE POPE'S INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER**Universal: People who suffer from depression**

We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.

**THE FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH****November 7th—9:00 am Mass****is FAMILY MASS****—followed by coffee and donuts****MONTH OF NOVEMBER**

November 2, the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed, commonly known as All Souls Day, starts the traditional prayer for those who have gone before us throughout November. Prayers for the dead are recommended in the Old Testament (2 Maccabees 12:46)

This duty is expressed in public and private prayers but especially in the offering of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass for the repose of souls.

The month of November, especially on "All Saints Day" and "All Souls Day," is also the traditional time for visiting graves, as is the anniversary of death.

MASS SCHEDULE ON ALL SAINTS & ALL SOULS DAYS**November 1: 8:00 am & 7:00 pm****November 2: 8:00 am & 7:00 pm**

(remembering those who died during the pandemic)

Please come to celebrate the saints and pray for all the faithful departed.

ALL SOULS DAY MASSES**CALVARY CEMETERY & GATE OF HEAVEN CEMETERY****NOVEMBER 2ND | 11:00 AM****cfcs**

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A MINISTRY OF THE
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OCTOBER 31, 2021**

Which is the first of all the commandments?

Jesus said, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

—Mark 12:28-34

LOVE GOD

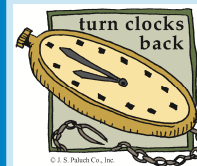
As we near the end of the liturgical year we listen to Gospel readings from the final stage of Jesus' ministry—his teaching in Jerusalem. This Sunday Jesus is in conversation with one of the scribes of the temple. In a rare occurrence Jesus and the scribe agree on the two greatest commandments—to love God with all your being and to love your neighbor as yourself.

In today's selection from Deuteronomy Moses gives this teaching to the Israelites as the core of their life of faith and prayer, and Psalm 18 echoes this prayer with the words, "I love you, O LORD, my strength" (Psalm 18:2). Jews and Christians agree that our greatest responsibility is to love the one and only God, and that we cannot claim to love God without loving our neighbor as ourselves.

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Follow the saints because those who follow them will become saints.

—St. Clement I



We "fall" back one hour next Saturday so please adjust your clocks.

All things are possible for one who believes, more to one who hopes, even more to one who loves.

—St. Lawrence

MEN'S CLUB IN-PERSON MEETING

Friday, November 12th, 6:00 p.m.

Worner Hall/Lounge Room

Forgiveness is the fragrance a violet sheds on the heel that has crushed it.

—Mark Twain

Liturgy Notes

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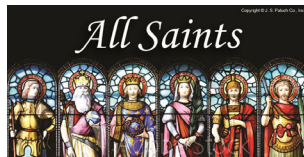
Remembering

Monday begins November, the month of remembrance, the time of year when we remember and pray for those who have died and gone before us. Even as grief overwhelms, belief in the afterlife and hope in the resurrection gives the greatest consolation. The preface of the Mass of Christian burial reminds us: "...for your faithful people, life is changed, not ended. When the body of our earthly dwelling lies in death, we gain an everlasting dwelling place in heaven."

Our tradition begins with **All Saints Day (November 1st)**

when we honor all the noble souls that reside in heaven, the Saints, our heroes and models of lives lived in

holiness. Originally a feast in the Eastern Church for all martyrs, it was extended to the whole Roman Church in the ninth century as a feast including non-martyrs as well.



Since the early Church, Christians have prayed for the dead. By the fourteenth century the tradition of praying for all the deceased was universally accepted in

the Latin Church. On **All Souls Day (November 2nd)** tradition invites us to remember our loved ones in our Masses and prayers.

"Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen."

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Monday	All Saints Day
Tuesday	Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day) (a commemoration of all who have died since the beginning of the world; an opportunity to pray for all souls, especially one's relatives and souls in purgatory)
Wednesday	St. Martin de Porres (17th cent. Peruvian lay Dominican brother; patron of mixed-race people, barbers, innkeepers)
Thursday	St. Charles Borromeo (16th cent. Italian cardinal; patron against intestinal disorders)
Friday	First Friday
Saturday	First Saturday

THANK YOU		
Oct. 24, 2021	Our Weekly Offering	Date
NEEDED		
COLLECTED		N/A
TOTAL	\$	N/A



**I love you,
Lord,
my strength.**
— Psalm 18

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday:** Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24:1-6; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a
- Tuesday:** Wis 3:1-9; Ps 23:1-6; Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40,
- Wednesday:** Rom 13:8-10; Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9; Lk 14:25-33
- Thursday:** Rom 14:7-12; Ps 27:1bcde, 4, 13-14; Lk 15:1-10
- Friday:** Rom 15:14-21; Ps 98:1-4; Lk 16:1-8
- Saturday:** Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Ps 145:2-5, 10-11; Lk 16:9-15
- Sunday:** 1 Kgs 17:10-16; Ps 146:7-10; Heb 9:24-28; Mk 12:38-44 [41-44]

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Oct 30	Sat	9 a.m.	Joan Vanderhorst (L)
		5 p.m.	The Diem Family
Oct 31	Sun	7 a.m.	All Parishioners
		9 a.m.	All Parishioners
		11 a.m.	The Nora Family
		5 p.m.	Danny & Scholastica Lobo (L)
Nov 01	Mon	8 a.m.	All Parishioners
		7 p.m.	All Parishioners
Nov 02	Tue	8 a.m.	All Souls
		7 p.m.	All Souls
Nov 03	Wed	8 a.m.	Evelyn Tanner (L)
Nov 04	Thu	8 a.m.	All Souls
Nov 05	Fri	8 a.m.	All Souls
Nov 06	Sat	9 a.m.	Sofia Laguisma +
		5 p.m.	Joseph Stolz (L)
Nov 07	Sun	7 a.m.	All Souls
		9 a.m.	Kimberley Williams (L)
		11 a.m.	Burnie Stolzman +
		5 p.m.	Marie Firato (L)

EVENTS

The Little Ones

Jim Burrows



Jesus answered, "The foremost commandment is, 'Hear, O Israel! The Lord our God is one Lord; and you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.' The second is this, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.'" Mk 12:29-31

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A Candle Light Evening Prayer: Remembering our Loved Ones who died of Covid-19

November 3: 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Join Bishop Oscar Cantú in an outdoor candlelight prayer service at the **Shrine of Our Lady of Peace** honoring all of the loved ones that we have lost to or have been impacted by COVID-9. You are invited to submit names of your lost loved ones on the Diocesan website (dsj.org)



The evening's prayer service will also be live-streamed on the Diocese's Facebook page.

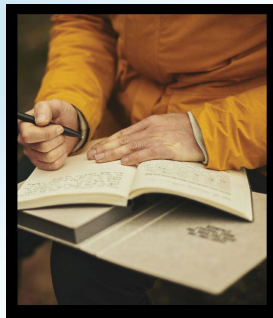
SPIRITUAL AUTOBIOGRAPHY Writing Your Journey of Faith

November 7th: 10:30 am OR 4:30 pm

Fr. Thomas Scirghi of Fordham University will show how the spiritual autobiography can be used as a literary form to help you explore your personal journey of faith.

Much of the discussion of faith concerns what we believe, but through the spiritual autobiography, he will help us see why we believe and how God has called us on this journey.

Webinar Registration Required
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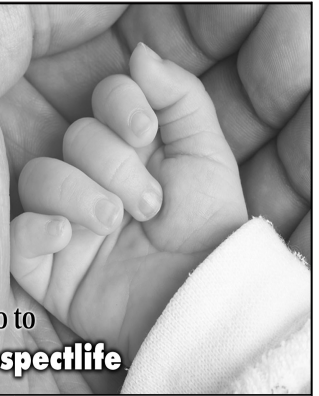
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