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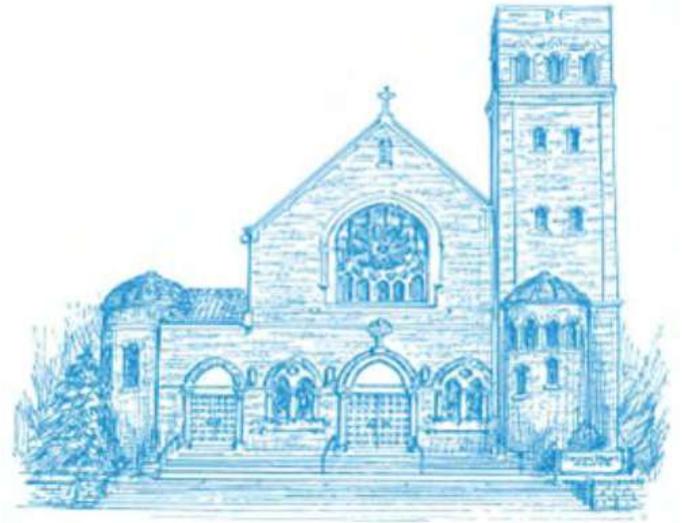
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The Lord's Day

Saturday Evening 5:00 PM

Sundays 7:00, 9:00, 11:00AM (Choir), 1:00 PM

Daily Mass 9:30 AM Monday-Saturday

Rosary 9 AM (Monday-Saturday)

Confessions

Saturdays - 4:00 to 4:45 PM, Any time upon request

Parish Registration

Please formalize your membership in our parish community by registering at the parish office. We sincerely welcome all new parishioners!

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Office Hours - Sunday 10 AM - 3PM

Monday-Friday 9 AM - 5 PM

Saturday 10 AM - 6 PM

Church open daily until 5 PM (Sundays until 3 PM)

Novena Devotions : Mon & Wed (after daily Mass)

Pro Life Rosary: Tuesday 9 AM

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Sick Calls

Anytime, please contact one of the priests at (718) 442-0058.

Baptism

Please contact the pastor for an appointment to arrange the Baptism.

Marriages

Couples should contact the rectory at least 6 months before the wedding to arrange the time, banns, and Pre-Cana Conference.

Sponsor Certificate

If you have been asked to be a godparent for a Baptism or Confirmation attend the 9 AM Mass on Sunday and see Sister Barbara immediately after in the church vestibule. Please see the parish website under the Worship/Sacraments link for godparent guidelines.

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NOVEMBER 15, 2020
THIRTY THIRD SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, Almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

READING 1 **PRV 31:10-13,**
19-20, 30-31

When one finds a worthy wife, her value is far beyond pearls. Her husband, entrusting his heart to her, has an unending prize. She brings him good, and not evil, all the days of her life. She obtains wool and flax and works with loving hands. She puts her hands to the distaff, and her fingers ply the spindle. She reaches out her hands to the poor, and extends her arms to the needy. Charm is deceptive and beauty fleeting; the woman who fears the LORD is to be praised. Give her a reward for her labors, and let her works praise her at the city gates.

Responsorial Psalm **PS 128:1-2,3,**
4-5

R. Blessed are those who fear the Lord.

Blessed are you who fear the LORD, who walk in his ways!
For you shall eat the fruit of your handiwork;
blessed shall you be, and favored.

R. Blessed are those who fear the Lord.

Your wife shall be like a fruitful vine in the recesses of your home;
Your children like olive plants around your table.

R. Blessed are those who fear the Lord.

Behold, thus is the man blessed who fears the LORD.
The LORD bless you from Zion:
may you see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days of your life.

R. Blessed are those who fear the Lord.



READING 2 **1 THES 5:1-6**

Concerning times and seasons, brothers and sisters, you have no need for anything to be written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief at night. When people are saying, "Peace and security," then sudden disaster comes upon them, like labor pains upon a pregnant woman, and they will not escape. But you, brothers and sisters, are not in darkness, for that day to overtake you like a thief. For all of you are children of the light and children of the day. We are not of the night or of darkness. Therefore, let us not sleep as the rest do, but let us stay alert and sober.

ALLELUIA **JN 15:4A, 5B**

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Remain in me as I remain in you, says the Lord. Whoever remains in me bears much fruit.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL **MT 25:14-30**

Jesus told his disciples this parable: "A man going on a journey called in his servants and entrusted his possessions to them. To one he gave five talents; to another, two; to a third, one-- to each according to his ability. Then he went away. Immediately the one who received five talents went and traded with them, and made another five. Likewise, the one who received two made another two. But the man who received one went off and dug a hole in the ground and buried his master's money.

"After a long time the master of those servants came back and settled accounts with them. The one who had received five talents came forward bringing the additional five. He said, 'Master, you gave me five talents. See, I have made five more.' His master said to him, 'Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities. Come, share your master's joy.' Then the one who had received two talents also came forward and

forward and said, 'Master, you gave me two talents. See, I have made two more.' His master said to him, 'Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities. Come, share your master's joy.' Then the one who had received the one talent came forward and said, 'Master, I knew you were a demanding person, harvesting where you did not plant and gathering where you did not scatter; so out of fear I went off and buried your talent in the ground. Here it is back.' His master said to him in reply, 'You wicked, lazy servant! So you knew that I harvest where I did not plant and gather where I did not scatter? Should you not then have put my money in the bank so that I could have got it back with interest on my return? Now then! Take the talent from him and give it to the one with ten. For to everyone who has, more will be given and he will grow rich; but from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. And throw this useless servant into the darkness outside, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth.' "

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

A Note from The Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

There is a striking episode from *The Story of a Soul*, the autobiography of St. Thérèse of Lisieux: “For a long time my place at meditation was near a Sister who fidgeted continually, either with her Rosary, or something else. Possibly, as I am very keen of hearing, I alone heard her, but I cannot tell you how much it tried me. I should have liked to turn round, and by looking at the offender, make her stop the noise, but in my heart I knew that I ought to bear it tranquilly, both for the love of God and to avoid giving pain. So I kept quiet, but the effort cost me so much that sometimes I was bathed in perspiration, and my meditation consisted merely in suffering with patience. After a time, I tried to endure it in peace and joy, at least deep down in my soul, and I strove to take actual pleasure in the disagreeable little noise. Instead of trying not to hear it, which was impossible, I set myself to listen, as though it had been some delightful music, and my meditation—which was not the ‘prayer of quiet’—was passed in offering this music to Our Lord.” (Quoted in Mathilde De Robien, “St. Thérèse of Lisieux’s Trick for Patiently Dealing with Annoying People.” *Aleteia.org*, 24 October 2020).

Perhaps Thérèse was able to muster so much patience because she frequently meditated upon the sufferings of Christ. St. Thomas Aquinas offers a Lenten meditation that manifests the connection between the sufferings of Christ and the virtue of patience. He writes, “The Apostle says: *Think diligently upon Him that endured such opposition from sinners, that you be not wearied, fainting in your minds.* (Hebrews 12:3). We are advised to think diligently, that is, to think upon Him over and over again. In all your ways, says Holy Scripture, *think upon Him.* (Proverbs 3:6).”

“The reason for doing so is that no matter what anxiety may befall us, we have a remedy in the Cross. For there we find obedience to God. *He humbled Himself by becoming obedient* says St. Paul. (Philippians 2:8). Likewise, we find a loving forethought for those related to Him, shown in the care He had on that very Cross for His Mother. We also find charity for His fellow man, for on the Cross He prayed for sinners: *Father, forgive them for they know not what they do.* (Luke 23:34). He also showed patience in

suffering: *I was dumb and was humbled, and kept silence from good things and my sorrow was renewed.* (Psalm 48:3). Finally, He showed, in all things a perseverance to the end: *Father, into Thy hands I commend My spirit.* (Luke 23:46). So on the Cross we find an example of all the virtues. As St. Augustine says, the Cross was not only the gallows where our Lord suffered in patience, it was a pulpit from which He taught mankind.”

“The Apostle says: *Think diligently upon Him that endured such opposition from sinners, that you be not wearied, fainting in your minds.* (Hebrews 12:3). But what is it that we are to think, over and over again? Three things: (1) The kind of Passion it was. He endured opposition, that is, suffering from words spoken by others. For instance, they said: *Vah, you that destroys the temple of God . . .* (Matthew 27:40). It is said in the Psalms (18:44) *You will deliver me from the contradictions of the people,* and it was foretold that our Lord should be *a sign which shall be contradicted.* (Luke 2:34). St. Paul [in the text above from Hebrews] says such *opposition*, meaning so grievous and humiliating opposition. *O all you that pass by the way, attend, and see if there be any sorrow like unto my sorrow.* (Lamentations 1:12). (2) From whom He suffered the Passion. It was from sinners, from those for whom He was suffering. *Christ died once for our sins, the just for the unjust.* (1 Peter 3:18). (3) Who it was that suffered. Before the Passion, from the beginning of the world He had suffered in His members, but in the Passion He suffered in His own person, who Himself, says St. Peter (1 Peter 2:24) *bore our sins in His body upon the tree.*”

“To think diligently upon our Lord’s Passion is a very profitable employment, which is why St. Paul adds *that you be not wearied, fainting in your minds.* The Passion of the Christ keeps us from fainting. St. Gregory [the Great] says, “If we recall the Passion of Christ, nothing seems so hard that it cannot be borne with equanimity.”

God bless you!

Father Eric

**CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART
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Saturday, November 14:

5:00 Martin & Alice Geraghty &
Souls in Purgatory

Sunday, November 15:

7:00 Al & Sue Amore &
Susan Pellecchia
9:00 People of the Parish
11:00 Michael Mustillo Jr.
1:00 Brendan Hoey & Stephen Siller

Monday, November 16:

9:30 John J. Clark

Tuesday, November 17:

9:30 John Grube

Wednesday, November 18:

9:30 Frances Frabotta

Thursday, November 19:

9:30 John Kirincich

Friday, November 20:

9:30 Deceased Members of
The Maguire Family

Saturday, November 21:

9:30 Marilyn Prisco
5:00 Patrick Jordan

Sunday, November 22:

7:00 Deceased Members of The Quinn &
McCauley Families & Souls in Purgatory
9:00 Charles Kennedy & Corinne A. O'Brien
11:00 Richard T. O'Shea
1:00 Ben Zarrelli

Saturday, November 21:

5:00 Jack Gordon

Sunday, November 22:

7:00 AM Joan Prenty
9:00 AM Sr. Jessica
11:00 AM Ken Wisniewski
1:00 PM Don Maj

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

Saturday, November 21:

5:00 Christopher Basile

Sunday, November 22:

7:00 Tara Murphy
9:00 Abigail Cruz
11:00 Sean Ahern
1:00 Kelly Shashaty

COLLECTIONS:

November 8th.....\$7,535.00
Nov. 2020 Monthly.....\$3,618.00
Building Fund.....707.00

LAST WEEK ATTENDANCE: 444

CHURCH CAPACITY: 210

St. Michael Prayer

Saint Michael The Archangel, Defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness & snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan & all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Sacred Heart Food Pantry: The food pantry is once again in need of your donations. The following items are needed: boxes of pasta, jarred or canned sauces, vegetables, fruits, beans, meats, fish, soups, peanut butter, jelly, boxes of hot/cold cereals, crackers, rice, instant potatoes, macaroni & cheese, pancake mix. Your donations are greatly appreciated.

Msgr. Farrell: The Annual Monsignor Farrell Christmas Fair and Food Truck Festival will take place on Saturday, November 21st from 9 AM-4 PM. Admission is free and there will be many tables with homemade crafted items, baked goods, raffles, toys and decorations.

Seton Sunday Raffle: If anybody is interested in purchasing raffle tickets for The Seton Sunday Raffle they can contact Stephanie at (718) 982-5084 or email her at stephanie6766@aol.com. The prize is \$5,000.

Memorial Trees: Sacred Heart is selling Memorial Christmas Trees, the fliers are located in the vestibule of the Church. The cost is \$125 for a tree which can be memorialized in memory of a lost loved one. These trees are perfect for remembering a loved one who is no longer here for the holidays. The payment along with the filled out form should be dropped off at The Rectory or dropped into the collection basket on Sunday. If you put it in the collection be sure to mark the envelope "Holiday Tree". On Saturday, December 5th, we will have our annual Holiday Tree lighting after the 5 PM Mass.

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FEAST DAY: NOVEMBER 13TH

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