

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time | October 30, 2022
Saint Theresa of the Child Jesus Catholic Church

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE UPCOMING WEEK

November 1st 12:00pm – Bobbye Weaver (RIP)

6:00pm- Carolyn Sue Madigan (RIP)

November 2nd 12:00pm – Joe Shirley (RIP)

November 3rd 12:00pm – Christine White (SI)

November 4th 12:00pm – Mugs Giasomo (RIP)

November 5th 12:00pm – Gary Cote (RIP)

4:00pm – Marcie Goforth (RIP)

November 6th 8:00am – Frank Spando (RIP)

10:30am – Soul that has been in Purgatory the longest

PLEASE REMEMBER:

Jesus is truly present at every moment in the tabernacle. Please maintain a prayerful silence in the church at all times. Additionally, please turn off all cell phones that could cause a disruption during the liturgy. Finally, we remind you that the Sacrifice of the Mass is a representation of Our Lord at Calvary. Dress should be modest and uplift our eyes to God. Please dress accordingly. Shoulders, chests and backs should all be covered. Tight pants, shorts, and dresses above the knee are inappropriate. This should be done out of respect and reverence for God, and in order not to be a distraction to others during the Mass. Thank you!

HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS: Tuesday-Friday, 12:00pm | Saturday, 12:00pm, 4:00pm
Sunday, 8:00am, 10:30am, 2:00pm (Spanish)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Tuesday-Saturday 11:15am | Sunday 9:00am | Wednesday 5:30pm

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Following Mass for 30 minutes: Tuesday-Friday | Wednesday at 5:30pm

HOLY ROSARY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY: Weekdays: Tues-Friday 11:20am | Weekends: Saturday and Sunday, 30 minutes prior | 20 Decade Rosary: Wednesday 10:00am

FAITH FORMATION FOR CHILDREN & ADULTS: Sundays at 9:00am in the Parish Life Center

LEGION OF MARY: 10:00am in Parish Life Center Library every Tuesday

FATHER BEAN'S BOOK CLUB: 10:00am in Martin Hall every Thursday

FLAME OF LOVE PRAYER CENACLE: 1:30pm every Tuesday, following Mass and Adoration

DEAD THEOLOGIAN'S SOCIETY: Every other Wednesday at 6:00pm. Schedule on the back of the bulletin!

ASK A CATHOLIC

Q: Why does the priest say Mass facing the tabernacle, instead of facing the congregation?

A: (Part 3 of 3) Finally, there are several examples in the General Instruction of the Roman Rite that direct the priest to face the congregation. But why tell him to face the people if he should already be facing them? This is because the assumption was that, during the Liturgy of the Eucharist, the priest would be facing East toward Jerusalem and the toward the Lord.

146. Upon returning to the middle of the altar, the priest, facing the people and extending and then joining his hands, invites the people to pray, saying, Orate, fratres (Pray, brethren)

154...After this prayer is concluded, extending and then joining his hands, he gives the greeting of peace while facing the people and saying, Pax Domini sit semper vobiscum (The peace of the Lord be with you always)

157...When the prayer is concluded, the priest genuflects, takes the host consecrated in the same Mass, and, holding it slightly raised above the paten or above the chalice, while facing the people, says, Ecce Agnus Dei (This is the Lamb of God). (GIRM)

Why keep telling and reminding the priest over and over again to face the people if he should already be facing them? It is because he's not supposed to be facing the people during the entire Liturgy of the Eucharist. He is supposed to be facing Ad Orientem. Lex Orandi, Lex Credendi: To conclude, Mass should always be offered Ad Orientem to some degree and at the very least during the Liturgy of the Eucharist. If the Holy sacrifice of the Mass is to be offered to God in accordance with Ancient Jewish tradition, the Old Covenant, ancient Catholic tradition, Sacrosanctum Concilium, and the General Instruction of the Roman Missal, then it must be encouraged that Mass be offered Ad Orientem. Finally, with so many Catholics who do not even believe in the Real Presence, it's more important than ever that the Mass reflects the reality of what is transpiring in front of us. This means reverently offering the Mass in the light of tradition. The phrase "Lex Orandi, Lex Credendi" has been making a comeback recently and the truth it speaks aligns perfectly with the reason Ad Orientem is so important. "As we pray, so we believe"
-Fr. Bean

All Saints Day | All Souls Day

All Saints Day, November 1st (Holy Day of Obligation) | Mass: 12:00pm, 6:00pm.
Confessions: 11:15am

All Souls Day, November 2nd | Mass: 12:00pm. Confessions: 11:15am

1. A *plenary indulgence*, applicable only to the souls in purgatory, is granted to the faithful who,
 - on any and each day from November 1 to 8, devoutly visit a cemetery and pray for the departed;
 - on All Souls' Day devoutly visit a church or an oratory and recite an Our Father and the Creed.
2. A *partial indulgence*, applicable only to the souls in purgatory, is granted to the faithful who,
 - devoutly visit a cemetery and at least mentally pray for the dead;
 - devoutly recite lauds or vespers from the Office of the Dead or the prayer *Requiem aeternam* (Eternal rest).

To gain a **Plenary Indulgence** (only one per day), the faithful must be in the state of grace and the following conditions must accompany the prescribed act: Have the interior disposition of complete detachment from sin, even venial sin; receive the **sacrament of confession**, receive the **Holy Eucharist** (it is certainly better to receive it while participating in Holy Mass, but for the indulgence only Holy Communion is required) and recite **prayers for the intentions of the Holy Father** (one Our Father and one Hail Mary is suggested as a minimum, but any other additional prayers may be added). All attachment to sin, even venial sin, must be absent.

HOLY LAND GIFTS

Holy Land Gifts, represented by the Rashmawi Family who are volunteer members from the Roman Catholic Church in Bethlehem, will be visiting our Parish the weekend of November 12/13 to sell their olive wood gifts to help relieve the dire Christian situation in the Holy Land.

DEAD THEOLOGIAN'S SOCIETY

DTS is for high schoolers and young adults. Meetings will be every other Wednesday at 6:00pm. Meet in the church for Eucharistic Adoration, and opportunity for confession, then convene in Martin Hall for a social gathering, meal, and lecture.

November 2nd | Venerable Matt Talbot -The Fall of Man

November 16th | Saint Therese of Lisieux -The Incarnation