



# THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## November 4, 2018

You shall love the LORD, your God, with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength.  
— Deuteronomy 6:5

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### Mass Intentions:

November 4th: Parishioners of St Andrew and St Regina  
November 8th: Harold Segerson + by Khuyen Segerson  
November 10th 4:30 PM: Parishioners of St Andrew and St Regina  
November 11th: Captain Gerald Kirkpatrick + by Kathleen Kirkpatrick

### WEEKLY OFFERING

Oct 28st  
Budget \$2300  
Actual \$1526.66  
Short \$773.56

November 11, 2018

**Lectors** — Kathleen Kirkpatrick

**Gift Bearers** — Mr & Mrs Johnny Wall

**Eucharistic Ministers** — Don Carlson, Christine Carlson, Kathleen Kirkpatrick

**Servers** — Jordan Olivio, Zerena Durrenberger

**Sacristans** — Don & Christine Carlson

**Altar Linens** — Anabell Gonzales, Susan Plascencia

**Ushers**—Men of the Parish



### GOD'S LAWS

God's laws are not intended to burden or torment us. Instead they are guideposts that point us in the direction of good living. Accordingly, good living requires loving God and loving one another. We should not follow God's laws out of fear of what might happen if we don't, but rather view them as a foundation for building relationships and trust with one another and with God.

The *Shema* prayer of Orthodox Jews is based on the reading from Deuteronomy today, "Hear, O Israel." Every morning people recite the prayer as a profession of their love for God and pledge their obedience to God throughout the day. They pass on their love of God to their children, from one generation to the next.

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### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Just two years ago, we engaged in one of the core activities of our democratic system: a presidential election. Actually, the institution of election can be traced to traditions in the Church, and although bishops are no longer chosen in this way, abbots and abbesses (heads of monastic communities) have almost always been elected by full voting members of their communities. The lifetime appointment begins when the monks or nuns are gathered in "chapter" at the death or resignation of the abbot, and fortunately for all involved, campaigning is not allowed! The members of the community discern, with prayer to the Holy Spirit, who among them is the best suited for leadership. Once chosen, the new leader requests the blessing of the local bishop, who usually presides at a ceremony of consecration or investiture. The ballots are always secret, and a simple majority must be achieved.

In our American system the Electoral College is the determining voice in the presidential election, not the popular election on a November Tuesday, just as the monastic chapter is the electorate. Today, most religious orders elect general superiors in "chapter" by delegates of the professed members, and usually for a term of six years. A few, like the Jesuits, elect for life. At least we don't have that weight on our shoulders when we choose a president. Four years at a time will do!

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### PRAY FOR THE DEAD

Let us not hesitate to help those who have died and offer our prayers for them.

—St. John Chrysostom

### TODAY'S READINGS FOR CYCLE B

**First Reading** — The LORD, the God of your fathers, will give you a land flowing with milk and honey (Deuteronomy 6:2-6).

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

**Second Reading** — Jesus is always able to save those who approach God through him (Hebrews 7:23-28).

**Gospel** — To love God with all your heart and to love your neighbor as yourself is worth more than all burnt offerings and sacrifices (Mark 12:28b-34).

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### REMEMBER IN PRAYER

#### Parishioners

Grant Adams, Jody Adams, Mark Green, Ethel Huffman, Jacob Palomino, Khuyen Segerson, Ted & Jeanette Thiele, Joe & Stella York

#### Relatives

Thomas & Kelli Blankenship, Zula Doyle, Nancy Gambino, Fiona Green, Christine Hart and the twin boys Benjamin and Theodore, Lisa Michelle Kirkpatrick, Nickolas Kirkpatrick, Asa McCarty, Paul Montgomery, Andrew Morlan, Emily Ernst Royal, Richard Scran, Kevin Young

#### Friends

Susi Bickerstaff, Emma Cupples, Frank DeLuca, Emily Evans, Eddie Michaels, The Jeff Melton Family, Joseph Smile, Dr. Laurie Pearlman, Fr Robert Ponticello

### Special Collection

Catholic Campaign for Human Development  
November 18th

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time; National Vocation Awareness Week; Daylight Saving Time ends

Tuesday: Election Day  
Friday: The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Saturday: St. Leo the Great

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Phil 2:1-4; Ps 131:1bcde-3; Lk 14:12-14  
Tuesday: Phil 2:5-11; Ps 22:26b-30ab, 30e, 31-32; Lk 14:15-24  
Wednesday: Phil 2:12-18; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Lk 14:25-33  
Thursday: Phil 3:3-8a; Ps 105:2-7; Lk 15:1-10  
Friday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22  
Saturday: Phil 4:10-19; Ps 112:1b-2, 5-6, 8a, 9; 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 Schedule

Thursday: 9:00 am  
Friday: 11:30 am  
Saturday Vigil: 4:30 pm  
Sunday: 9:00 am

### Comin Events

November 5th-7th: Father Anthony will be out of the office for Priest's Study Days. If you have an emergency and are in need of a priest, please call St Mary's at 731-668-2596.

November 5th-15th: The office will be closed.

### NEITHER DESPAIR NOR PRESUME

Two criminals were crucified with Christ. One was saved; do not despair. One was not; do not presume.

—St. Augustine



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