

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time November 7, 2021

Wed. Nov. 10th 11:30am St.John

Thur. Nov. 11th 7:00pm St. Columbkille

Fri. Nov. 12th 9:00am St. John

(Adoration following Mass until 11:00am)

Sat. Nov. 13th 4:00pm St. John

Sun. Nov. 14th 8:30am St. Joseph

Sun. Nov. 14th 10:30am St. Columbkille

Confessions for this Week

Wednesdays 11:00-11:25am St. John Thursdays after 7pm Mass St Columbkille Saturday 3:15pm before Mass St. John's

Readings for the Week

Monday, Nov. 8th

Wisdom 1:1-7 Luke 17: 1-6

Tuesday, Nov. 9th

Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12 John 2:13-22

1 Corinthians 3:9-11, 16-17

Wednesday, Nov. 10th

Wisdom 6:1-11 Luke 17:11-19

Thursday, Nov. 11th

Wisdom 7:22b, 8:1 Luke 17:20-25

Friday, Nov. 12th

Wisdom 13:1-9 Luke 17:26-37

Saturday, Nov. 13th

Wisdom 18:14-16 19:6-9 Luke 18:1-8

Sunday, Nov. 14th

Daniel 12:1-3 Hebrews 10:11-14, 18

Mark 13:24-32

Christ Mission Appeal 2021

Our Parish is conducting our annual Christ Mission Appeal. Your gift to CMA is used for educational, vocational, and Christian Service outreach. Thousands of people depend on your generosity. Our target goal is \$52,460 and pledged to date is \$16,005.

Thanks to all that have pledged so far.

Let Us Give Thanks!

Weekend Collection - \$3600.00 Loose - \$214.93 Building Fund - \$70.00 650 Parish Families (297 Family envelope holders) 112 Envelopes used

Donations:

In loving memory of Melvin Osentoski by Loreane Holz & Family

Mass Intentions for the of Week:

November 1 & 7

Friday St. John: Tony Verellen Saturday St. John: + Gladys Briolat Sunday St. Joseph: Good Shepherd Parishioners Sunday St. Columbkille: + Mark Robert Sweeney

Mass Intentions for the of Week: November 8-14

Friday St. John: Zackery Verellen
Saturday St. John: + Christopher Franzel
Sunday St. Joseph: + June Burns
Sunday St. Columbkille: Good Shepherd Parishioners

In This Sunday Readings:

"Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury. For they all contributed from their surplus wealth; but she, from her poverty, has contributed all she had, her whole livelihood." -- Mark 12:43-44 Jesus reminds us about giving of our "first fruits." There are several references to giving from our "first fruits" - rather than from our surplus - in the Old Testament, and Jesus uses the widow's offering as a tangible example of that giving. No gift is too small or insignificant. We are called by our faith to support the mission of our local church, and our diocese, through prayer, participation in ministries and financial support.

Thumb Veterans Organization Post #1

Pancake Breakfast at the TVO Hall, Ubly on Nov. 7th

serving from 8am - 12:00pm. The cost is adults \$8.00,
children (6-12) \$4.00 and free for 5 and under. Take
outs are available - Call Steve 989-315-1226
Proceeds to support area veterans!!

Faith Formation

Please pray for all who come together on Tuesday, Wednesdays and Sunday.

Kindergarten through 6th grade Argyle: 6-7:30pm (Nov. 9, 16, 23) Ubly: 6-7:30pm (Nov. 10, 17)

Sheridan Corners: 6-7:30pm (Nov. 10, 17)

YOUTH GROUP

Youth group next meeting is Sunday Nov. 21st and Dec. 12th at 5pm. until 8pm. at the parish center. Youth group is for all 7-12 grades



Here in November, we look forward to the fulfillment that God has promised us through Jesus, our Risen brother. With the feasts of All Saints' Day and All Souls Day, with our parish memorials for those who have died, we focus on the future fulfillment that God offers to each of us when our earthly lives come to an end.

Wallace Brown, Joeva Bukoski, John Cieslinski, Donald Glaza, Donald Grifka, Catherine Melink-Heck, Willard Kroetsch, Donald McIntrye, Lloyd Messing, Elmer Micklash, Glenn Peruski, Gladys Pickering, Linda Pionk, Earl Roberts, Charlotte Romzek, Joseph Rudy, Louise Stierman, Robert Sutton, Ronald Sweeney, Donald Vatter, Marcella Vatter, and Marie Wasierski

Knights of Columbus

Ubly/Sheridan Council #12850

Next Meeting: Wednesday 11/10/21 we will meet at 7:30pm at the Parish Center. We are always looking for New Members - call Jeff Maurer @ 989-553-4224. Our food pantry is available for anyone in need, located in Ubly. This is completely confidential and anonymous - call Jerry @989-550-9664. Jeff Maurer Grand Knight of Ubly/Sheridan Council-12850

VOLUNTEERS SCHEDULE:

Counters:

Nov. 8: Geraldine Peruski, Kay Peruski, Evelyn Peruski Nov. 15: Judy Messing, Shirley Piontkowski, Rose

Maikrzek

Nov. 22: Jeanene Schmidt, Carol Beaudin, Charlotte

Baker

5:00pm Saturday Nov. 13th St. John

Lector: Del Czewski EMHC: Del Czewski Altar Server: Utah Gusa

Ushers: Jim Czewski, Jim Osentoski, Whitey Pawlosky,

Allen Peruski

8:30am Sunday Nov. 14th St. Joseph

Lector: Denise Kubacki EMHC: Denise Kubacki Greeter: Jo Izydorek

Ushers: Gordon Farrelly, Kevin Hessling, Chuck

Izydorek

10:30am Sunday Nov. 14th St Columbkille

Lector: Patricia McCoy

EMHC: Karen Pichla, Dana Irion

Altar Servers: Myah & Broden Peruski Greeters: Diane Leppek, Colleen Sweeney Gift Bearers: Joel & Kenley McDonald

Ushers: Ronnie & Kendall Irion, Don McDonald

Thank you so much to all who helped make the first shipment if shorts and sundresses for Haiti. The need is great this year, and because many generously donated thread, fabric, pocket toys, rosaries, and money for elastics, we are going to hold another sewing session and make more dresses and shorts. Anyone who would like to help, sew, iron, or match pockets for clothing, please join us at the parish center starting Monday Nov 8 at 9 am. Bring sewing scissors, a sack lunch, and any friends you think would like to join us. We will be working all week, come when it is convenient.

Thanks, Diane

RCIA MEETINGS FOR CHILDREN

"Christian Initiation RCIA Meetings will be held on Sunday, Nov. 14 and Sunday, Nov. 28 at 4:00 pm at St. Columbkille church in the gathering room. If you have any questions, please call Dana Irion at 9895530585 or Fr. Nate at 9896588145."

Jesus Thirsts for Your Love!

Will you quench His thirst? --- Fr. Nate's Update

Dear Reader, fellow **Saint-in-the-Making**, Happy **NOVEMBER**, the month of the **HOLY SOULS**,

(Pictures from the all Souls Day Mass and Procession with prayers for our beloved deceased at St. John Cemetery. Pictures of beloved deceased were placed in front of the altar. Thank you to all who made this evening possible)

First, some holy humor: "After the revivals had concluded, the three pastors were discussing the results with one another.

The Methodist minister said, "The revival worked out great for us! We gained four new members."

The Baptist preacher said, "We did better than that! We gained six new members."

The Presbyterian pastor said, "Well, we did even better than that! We got rid of our ten biggest troublemakers!"

Praise Report: A couple who just decided to foster a child happened to visit Mass at St. Joseph Church recently. They were visiting from another parish. They told me after Mass that hearing Dawn Foust from Sanilac County DHHS talk about foster care was a confirmation from God that they had discerned correctly that God was calling them to become foster parents!

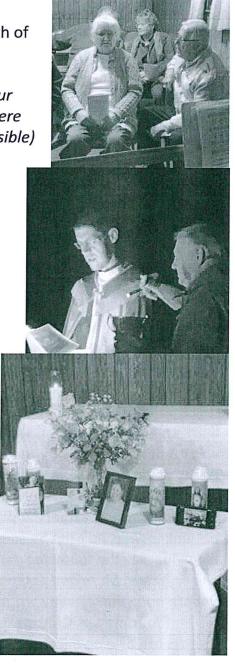
The Greatest Commandments: The previous Sunday Gospel invites us to ask, do I strive to love Jesus every day, with all my heart, mind, and strength? Do I love Him as MORE than just a teacher, but as my Lord and my God? Do I realize that when I die, I will meet Him face to face, for my judgment? Do I realize that I will be judged on my self-sacrificing love for God and for my neighbor?

Do I love Jesus with all my heart... By telling Him I love Him? By spending time with Him in prayer each day? By telling Him I'm sorry when I sin, in my heart, and in the sacrament of Reconciliation on a regular basis?

Do I love Jesus with all of my mind... By learning more about Him and His teachings every day? By reading or listening to the bible every day? By learning my Catholic faith, including the WHYs behind the WHATS, the reasons WHY the Catholic Church teaches what she teaches?

And do I love Jesus with all of my strength... By serving my neighbor with self-sacrificing love? By keeping the commandments, and the moral teachings of the Church?

Latin Mass: Every Sunday at 3pm, rotating priests offer the Traditional Latin Mass at the beautiful "Church of the Holy Family" in Saginaw, with the permission of Bishop Gruss. You are always welcome



to experience this Mass which has nourished the faith of Christians and saints for centuries. I usually offer this Mass there on the 2nd Sunday of the month. There are booklets there to help follow along.

Ask Padre: Who decides what readings we hear at Mass? Why do we hear many of the same readings over the years without exploring other books in the Bible?

Rev. Dr Chris Monaghan CP writes, "The Second Vatican Council [which ended in 1965, stated:] 'The treasures of the Bible are to be opened up more lavishly, so that richer fare may be provided for the faithful at the table of God's word' (Sacrosanctum Concilium §51).

So, biblical scholars went to work on a new lectionary of readings for Mass. "...Prior to the Second Vatican Council the percentage of the Old Testament used in the liturgy, excluding the psalms, was only one percent (255 verses) and this was greatly expanded [in the new lectionary] to 13.5 percent..." "...In the pre-Vatican II Missal only 16.5 per cent of the New Testament (1309 verses) was used... As far as the gospels were concerned, not much more than thirty percent of Matthew and John were used, three percent of Mark, and sixteen percent of Luke. The revised lectionary faced this challenge head on with the result that 71.5 percent of the New Testament (5689 verses) was now incorporated. The new three-year cycle ensured that no New Testament writing was omitted and at least 85 percent of each gospel would now be proclaimed."

From Religion News Service: "In the early 1980s, ecumenical efforts by a band of American and Canadian Protestant churches produced the Common Lectionary. An updated version appeared 1992, and that Revised Common Lectionary is now used by more than a dozen denominations ranging from the American Baptist Churches in the USA to the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) to the United Church of Canada. The Revised Common Lectionary follows the Catholic Sunday lectionary closely..."

Spiritual Adoption of an Unborn Child: From <u>spiritualadoption.org</u>: "Over 30 years ago a court decision was rendered which legalized abortion throughout the entire nine months of pregnancy. This decision, Roe v. Wade, is the reason over 1 million abortions have been committed in the U.S. each year.

"To help stop the anti-life push around the world, [Venerable] Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen encouraged the spiritual adoption of an unborn child. This is done by praying that the one particular but unknown child's life be spared abortion and be allowed to continue to live. [It is] recommended an individual say the following daily prayer for a period of nine months [by Venerable Fulton Sheen]:

"Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of [baby's name] the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion."

"Your prayers CAN make a difference between whether a baby will be born...or aborted. Our prayers can also be a form of spiritual support for both of the parents. Please share the love of life given to you by the Lord of all life and join in spiritually adopting a baby."

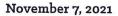
Let Us Pray: (Pope's NOVEMBER Intention): "We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life"

(Ven. Fulton Sheen's Prayer): "Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of [baby's name] the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion."

God loves you, I love you, I pray for you, please pray for me! -Fr. Nate Harburg

¹ https://www.cam1.org.au/evangelisation/News/NewsView/Article/21629/The-Revision-of-the-Lectionary

² https://religionnews.com/2003/01/01/news-feature-forty-years-after-vatican-ii-revised-lectionary-an-ecumenical/



Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Kgs 17:10-16 | Heb 9:24-28 | Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44

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

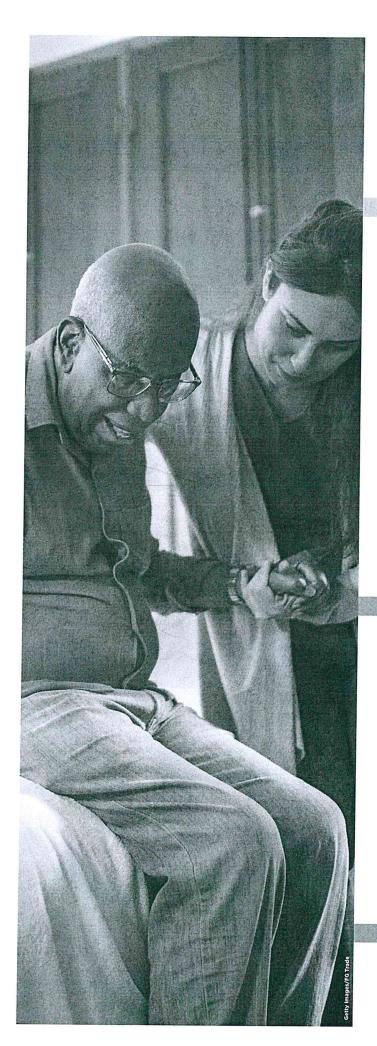
When it comes to money, I'm a worrier. Just ask my husband how I reacted when he had the audacity to pay for shipping! I shop carefully, armed with coupons. I've always been a saver, making sure to contribute to retirement, life insurance, and the "what-if-the-roof-comes-down" fund. Being fiscally responsible is a good thing, but the quest for financial security as the ultimate good is a fool's errand. God is the true provider of all that we need, and what we have finds its fulfillment in service to him. The widows in today's readings knew that too well. In the first reading, a mother and son are down to their last bites of food, facing starvation and death. Yet she gives her last morsels to the prophet Elijah. In the Gospel, the widow gives generously, not of her surplus, but of her entire livelihood. Both women exhibit utter and complete trust in God, and a generosity that knows no bounds. As we study today's Scripture, they teach the worriers among us that God will and does provide, and that the more we give away, the greater our reward in this life and the next.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Do you ever get that knock on the door from a Cub Scout selling popcorn just when you're about to put dinner on the table or run out to a ballgame? Or perhaps you already have a full calendar and suddenly a neighbor really needs your help with an errand or a household emergency – and there goes a whole afternoon! Today's readings invite us to set aside whatever "sticks we are gathering" and welcome the "Elijah moments." They encourage us to give a bit of ourselves away, whether it's time, money, or attention. In doing so, we give witness to the paradox of the Christian life – that the more we give away the more we are rewarded. We also set a positive example for our children and others, who will see our generosity in action.

ahead at your budget. In addition to regular expenditures and giving, look at something you can sacrifice – a meal out, a new sweater, a movie night – and decide as a family how you would like to use the extra money and/or time to help others.



The MAN of the SHROUD

Who is this Man of the Shroud? Come decide for yourself...

Hosted by Ubly/Sheridan Knights of Columbus Council #12850

SHROUD OF TURIN EXHIBIT TOUR 2021

A CRITICAL SUMMARY OF OBSERVATIONS, DATA AND HYPOTHESIS

You're invited to an up-close experience of the most studied artifact of all time - The Shroud of Turin. Witness this powerful display of the history, science, and mystery behind what many believe to be the authentic burial cloth of Jesus Christ. Then, you can ask YOURSELF - who is this Man of the Shroud?

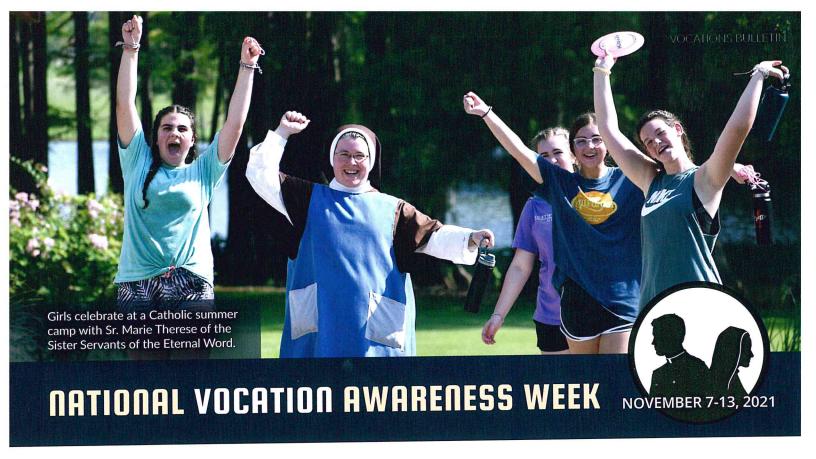
COST? Free!

INFO? goodshepherd48475@gmail.com or 989-658-8824

WHERE? Good Shepherd Parish Center, 1935 Hamilton St., Ubly, behind St. John Church parking lot WHEN? Saturday, November 27, 5pm-7pm Sunday, November 28, 4pm-8pm

Monday, November 29, 4pm-8pm

Tuesday, November 30, 4pm-6:30pm



WORLDWIDE CHANGE

VATICAN TO REQUIRE NEW 'PRE-SEMINARY' PERIOD

A seismic change is coming that will affect every diocese in the world. Men who feel called to the priesthood—even those who have been fully vetted by their bishops—will not be starting seminary right away. Rather, the Vatican will soon require a "propaedeutic phase" that lasts one to two years before seminary.

Why the change? According to Bishop Thomas Daly of Spokane, who served for years on the U.S. Bishops' committee for vocations, it's because the cultural climate has shifted: "Many men aren't coming from intact families or Catholic environments as they did in the past," said

Bishop Daly. "As a result, these well-intentioned men are often lacking in basic Christian values and knowledge. Before they start studying for the priesthood, we need to fill in the gaps."

The new propaedeutic phase, which is envisioned as separate and distinct from seminary proper, will focus on forming mature Christian men who have a firm grasp on prayer, scripture, and Church teaching.

While some observers have worried about further lengthening the 6-9 years of formation, others view it as necessary. "Simply put: my guys need it," said one vocation director. "I want to ensure they have solid foundation before jumping into the intensity of seminary life."

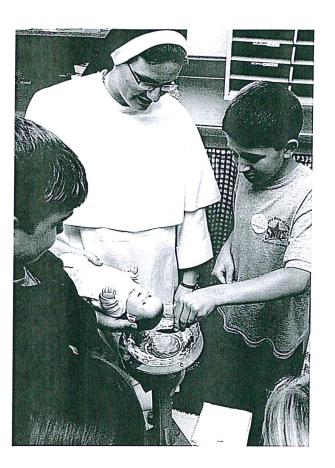


TRANSFORMATIVE JOY

"Each of you has a personal vocation which He has given you for your own joy and sanctity. When a person is conquered by the fire of His gaze, no sacrifice seems too great to follow Him and give Him the best of ourselves. This is what the saints have always done, spreading the light of the Lord... and transforming the world into a welcoming home for everyone."

~Pope Benedict XVI

Bishop White Seminary



LET THE CHILDREN COME TO ME

HOW YOUNG IS TOO YOUNG?



How young is too young to think about priesthood or religious life? It depends on the person, of course, but most teenagers are constantly thinking about what they're going to do with their lives: "Who am I going to marry?" "What college will I attend?" "What kind of career will I have?"

The numbers prove the point: by age 17, sixty-one percent of diocesan priests and forty-nine percent of religious sisters first considered their vocations. There are historical precedents, too. St. Therese entered Carmel when she was 15. Mother Teresa entered religious life at age 18. St. Maximilian Kolbe took

final vows when he was just 20, which means he was just 16 when he entered.

Left: Boys imagine what it would be like to baptize a baby. Teaching the class is a sister from the Nashville Dominicans, one of the fastest-growing religious communities in the U.S. Their average age of entry to the convent is 23.

But is "choosing young" a relic of a different era? Perhaps not. Consider that today, even middle schoolers are expected to be thinking about their college major, so they can take the right high school classes and thus enter a good university. Given this reality, encouraging young Catholics to think about the path to priesthood or religious life makes a lot of sense.



PRAYER LEADING TO ACTION

Mused to pray that God would feed the hungry, but now I pray that he will guide me to do whatever I'm supposed to do... Prayer changes us and we change things." The same applies to praying for vocations. Many of us are also called to work for vocations: to talk to kids, reach out to youth, and guide our own children. What work is on your heart to do?

THE NEXT GENERATION BY FR. GARRETT MCINTRYE

After graduating high school in 2003, I entered college seminary to discern a call to the priesthood. When I left, my pastor held a reception and presented me with this San Damiano crucifix. He said he had it hanging in his office and promised to give it to the first man to enter the seminary from a parish where he was pastor. He was celebrating his tenth anniversary as a priest that year. He told me that if I became a priest, I had to do the same.

"I'm happy to say that this year, during my own tenth year of priestly service, I was able to give the cross to Nico Broussard, who was born the year I received it, and who will be entering seminary this fall. I pray that it



Fr. McIntyre (right) presents a cross to a new seminarian from his parish.

will be a source of inspiration for him as it was for me. And ultimately I pray that he will be able to give it away to some future seminarian at his own parish."



2021: THE BRIGHT SIDE

Despite pandemic disruptions, several religious communities experienced very large classes of new novices, such as the Dominican Province of Saint Joseph, which welcomed 14 young men into formation in Washington, D.C.