

**SUNDAY COLLECTIONS**

Oct 29	\$1,010
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**MASS SCHEDULE**

(L=Living, †=Deceased)

*THE 31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME*

Sat. Nov. 4	5:00 PM	For †Rosemary Celichowski
Sun. Nov. 5	9:00 AM	For the Living and Deceased People of the Parish
Mon. Nov. 6	8:00 AM	For †Heather Adamkiewicz & Holy Souls
Tue. Nov. 7	8:00 AM	For †Roman & Florence Enzweiler
Wed. Nov. 8	8:00 AM	For the Ehlman Family (L & †)
Thur. Nov. 9	8:00 AM	For †Debby Hughes Kreinborg [Adoration & Confessions 6-7PM]
Fri. Nov. 10	8:00 AM	For John Jackson (L)

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Sat. Nov. 11	5:00 PM	For †George Bach
Sun. Nov. 12	9:00 AM	For the Living and Deceased People of the Parish

**PRAYER LIST**—Jerry & Eileen Ehlman, Verna Payne, Pam Babbington, Dave Kordenbrock, Kate & Colton Sherold, Karen Reilly, Emmitt Thomas, Jeff suffering from Meniere’s disease, Tony Bach, Mike and Bill Lemming, Dave Neuspickel, Bonita & Jim Happe, Andy Sper, Billie Huffman, Larry Slusher, Roger High, Cheryl Miller, Sherry Jackson, Sarah Gripshover, Jeanne Eanes, Bill Schneider (Dominion Assisted Living 4009 Siegalman Dr. Florence, KY. 41042 Room 215), Ree Wagner, Randy Goodhew, Patty Neuspickel’s son Jim, Alan Fields, Imogene Fisk, Larry Cappel, Sean Timmerding, Rodney Gurren (2 years old), Maverick Orth and Bill Edelbroich.

**BIRTHDAYS**— Oct. 29-Shelli Schroder, Nov. 3-Adam Bacht, Nov. 5-John Bergman, Nov. 10-Dina Ryan, Nov. 11– Lindsay Rawe, Nov. 16-Jason Feinauer, Nov. 17-JoAnn Schlachter, Nov. 19-Frank Huffman, Nov. 20-Joseph Schmiade, Nov. 21-Allen Lyle, Nov. 21-Ava Mae Hummel, Nov. 23-Sr. Georgia Marie Messenschlager, Nov. 23-Katherine Broering, Nov. 25-Richard Broering

**ANNIVERSARY**– Nov. 27-Bill and Nancy Schneider

**ANNIVERSARY**– *Please send any requests for prayers or memorials to the parish email or call to make a request. If you birthday or anniversary is not listed, let Linda know.*



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Saturdays – 5:00 PM

Sundays – 9:00 AM

Weekdays – 8:00 AM

Eucharistic Adoration: Thursdays 6-7:00 PM

Confession Times:

Saturdays – 4:00-4:50 PM

Sundays – 8:00-8:50 AM

Thursdays—6:00-6:50 PM

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## THE 31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

NOVEMBER 4, 2023

**DPAA—We have achieved our goal!!** Thanks to everyone who has given this year. Now, any DPAA donation given after meeting the goal comes directly back to St. Matthew and we do not have to pay the diocesan tax on it. If you have not yet donated or wish to increase your offering, now is the time to do so.

**INDULGENCES**—The first week of November sees many opportunities to earn indulgences for the faithful departed. On each day of this week (Nov. 1-8), any prayer for the dead souls prayed in a cemetery can earn a plenary indulgence under the usual conditions (Communion day of, prayer for pope's intentions, and recent confession). Remember to pray for your dead!

**CEMETERY VISIT**—Fr. Straub will have a prayer service at Saint Mary Cemetery on Sunday, Nov. 12, at noon. Please join us and pray for our beloved dead as well as all those buried from our parish and in our cemetery.

**ST VINCENT DEPAUL COLLECTION**—SVDP will be collecting food for their Thanksgiving collection all this month. We will have collection baskets out and available for whatever you can provide. Please remember the poor as the weather gets worse this season.

**LECTOR**— Nov. 5-Bernie Rawe, Nov. 12-Lisa Cooper

### REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR THE HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY!

They're praying for you



## FROM THE PASTOR— POLITICS & VOTING

With Election Day in our state approaching, we ought to reflect on some of the basic principles of our participation in politics as Catholics. Though our election is not as impactful as the national election, it is still important. In fact, an argument could be made that local elections are more important for they have a more immediate impact on our lives than the national elections.

What is our part to play in politics as Catholics? We cannot remain on the sidelines but must be active in converting the world, and that includes nations. Traditionally we sought the conversion of kings as a means of converting entire peoples, but now we must seek to work within current political systems to help Christ reign supreme. We have a duty to promote and elect leaders whose policies are consistent with our Catholic faith. No Catholic may openly support a candidate or politician with anti-Catholic positions such as abortion, contraception and the alphabet agenda, nor should Catholics support politicians who do not remain true to their campaign promises.

However, it is very frustrating to see that very little seems to change in Washington or Frankfort. We seem to be only capable of choosing Republicans as Democrats increase their drive for an anti-life, anti-marriage, and anti-family agenda, yet too often these Republicans fail us. We can also be fed up with so many remaining in office for so long and being more concerned with their own welfare rather than their constituents. It is of course a sign of the decline of our age that our governments fail and there seems nowhere to turn in these dark days, but we must not lose hope in God.

While we can exercise a right to vote in this country, we should try to exercise it with prudence and in accord with our Catholic faith. Reiterating the principle that we cannot support candidates who support moral evils, we are permitted to excuse ourselves from voting in certain races because we do not trust any of the candidates. One should never vote because one needs to, but because one has the moral certitude that the candidate chosen is most consistent with our beliefs. Besides, these state races should see more of an investment of our time and energy into deciding than only the federal races. Be informed and vote for the best candidate there as well as the major races.

While we will probably not fix everything with this election, we have an opportunity to influence our government in favor of Christ and His Church. Let us pray for the upcoming election and for the good of our state no matter the result. May God help our state and our country to become more united to Him and ruled by Him each day so that all may flourish under the kingship of Christ in this life and in eternal life.

*Fr. Jacob Straub*