

Thirty-First Sunday of Ordinary Time

November 5, 2017



**First Reading: Malachi 1:14b-2:2b, 8-10; Responsorial Psalm 131:1-3;
Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 2:7b-9, 13; Gospel: Matthew 23:1-12**

"Whoever humbles himself will be exalted."

Jesus is our model of humility. The focus of his life was to do his Father's will in everything. As he denounces the Pharisees and scribes, Jesus calls us to follow and imitate him by humbly serving God and neighbor. We don't follow Jesus by looking for recognition or places of honor, but rather by humbly serving the needs of our parish community and God's people—especially those most in need of our care and protection.

It is especially appropriate that on this first Sunday of November, a month dedicated to our call to faithful stewardship, that we recognize how deeply blessed we are as children of God. Our hearts of gratitude are to guide us as stewards of God's love. As St. Paul tells us this Sunday: "And for this reason we too give thanks to God unceasingly..." The work of stewardship means that we share our gifts, our very life—our time, talent and treasure—for the service of God's Reign of love and peace. Stewardship is truly heart work! It calls us to trust God completely and follow the cross of discipleship. Like Jesus, let us be humble and grateful stewards of God's will.

Stewardship Prayer

Almighty God,
We thank you for all the gifts you have given us: our lives, our loved ones, all that we have and all that we are. Most of all, we thank you for Jesus, your Son and our Redeemer, who came among us to show us the way to eternal life. Jesus was the perfect steward of your gifts, showing that complete trust in you is necessary, and that giving of self is a most important part of following him. May the offering of our time, our talents, and our material resources be made in the same spirit of sacrifice that Jesus taught us by his life and death for us. May our faithful stewardship bear witness to the love of Christ in our lives. We pray this with grateful hearts in Jesus' name. Amen.



St. Ignatius of Loyola on Stewardship

Take, Lord, and receive all my liberty,
My memory, my understanding, and my entire will.
All I have and call my own.
You have given all to me.
To you, Lord, I return it.
Everything is yours; do with it what you will.
Give me only your love and your grace.
That is enough for me. Amen.

Our Special Thanksgiving Morning

Please plan ahead and join us!

Thursday, November 23 at 9 am

for our special bilingual Thanksgiving Eucharist in gratitude for God's many blessings.

You are invited to bring bread or other items to be shared at your Thanksgiving meal to be blessed.



Rather than a monetary collection, you are invited to bring non-perishable food items to assist our sisters and brothers in need through our Hope's Pantry and Manna Ministry.

Food Bank Annual Food Drive

We are very grateful for the support that our Hope's Pantry and Manna Ministry receive weekly from the County Food Bank. We will be participating this year in the Food Bank's Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive. A Food Bank barrel will be at the entrance of the Church for the next two weekends. Any non-perishable food items will be appreciated.



“To be grateful is to recognize the Love of God in everything He has given us—and God has given us everything. Every breath we draw is a gift of His love, every moment of existence is a grace, for it brings with it immense graces from Him. Gratitude therefore takes nothing for granted, is never unresponsive, is constantly awakening to new wonder and to praise the goodness of God.”

—Thomas Merton

11:15 am Choir



Our OLMC choir invites you to join them. The choir rehearses on Thursday evenings from 7:30 to 8:30 pm, and sings at the 11:15 Mass on Sundays, as well as special liturgies throughout the Church Year. You are always welcome!

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Worldwide Marriage Encounter



Married couples are invited participate in a Marriage Encounter Weekend to nourish your marriage. Call Mary Jo and Rich Costello at 831-200-3780 or visit online at centralcawwme.org.

Communion for the Sick and Homebound

Please contact the Parish Office if you have a homebound family member who would like to receive weekly the Holy Eucharist.

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2nd Collection

This Sunday:
Grounds and Building Maintenance

Offertory Report 10/29/17

Plate \$3,220; 2nd Coll. \$647; Building Fund \$255; Hope’s Pantry \$455; Other \$327; Total: \$4,904.

Mass Intentions Nov. 4-10, 2017



Sat	4:30 pm	+Aileen Kelly
Sun	9:00 am	Frank & Dorothy Broad
Sun	11:15 am	Doris Desmond
Sun	5:00 pm	Niños y jóvenes de la comunidad
Wed	7:00 am	+Scott Campbell
Thu	7:00 am	Sick and homebound of the parish
Fri	7:00 am	Victims of the terrorist attack in NY

NOTICIAS ESPECIALES

Misa en Español - Cada domingo a las 5:00 pm.

Bautismos, Bodas, Quinceañeras -
Favor de hablar con P. Dennis.

Confesiones - Cada sábado, 3:30 pm y por cita.



Ser un Administrador Cristiano

Carta Pastoral de los Obispos de los E.E.U.

“Que cada uno ponga al servicio de los demás el carisma que ha recibido, y de este modo serán buenos administradores de los diversos dones de Dios.” —1 Pedro 4:10

¿Qué identifica un administrador? El cuidado de los recursos humanos y el uso responsable y generoso **del tiempo, talento, y tesoro** que uno tiene. Ser administrador Cristiano significa mas. Como administradores Cristianos, recibimos con gratitud—en acción de gracias a Dios—los dones y regalos que vienen de Dios. Los cultivamos responsablemente y los compartimos amorosamente y justamente. Como administradores Cristianos volvemos a Dios los dones y regalos que Dios nos da para el servicio de Dios y Su Reino. Vivimos de esta manera como fieles servidores y discípulos del Señor de la Vida. Reconocemos que todo lo que somos y todo lo que tenemos viene de nuestro amoroso y bondadoso Creador. Que seamos buenos administradores para el servicio de Su Reino.

Youth Corner (Matthew 23:1-12)

How important our relationship with God is! It humbles us and reminds us that titles or status are not important. What’s important is to follow Jesus with kindness and compassion, and to love and serve God and others, especially those in need.

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Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 9 am, 11:15 am, 5 pm (Spanish)

Weekday Masses:
Wednesday through Friday 7 am

Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30 pm and by appointment

Office Hours

Wednesday through Friday
9 am – 12 pm; 2 – 4 pm

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