



Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 12 / 13, 2022

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MASS SCHEDULE

St. Boniface:

Saturday

5:00 pm

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Sunday:

8:00 am-8:45 am Rosary

8:30 am Confession

9:00 am Mass

Tuesday & Thursday:

5:30 pm

Bible Study

Thursday 8:00 pm

Mission Statement: We are a welcoming parish of Roman Catholic Christians with diverse roots deep in Appalachia and beyond. We are committed to growing in our faith and community through our worship and celebrations, with particular attention to the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and The Holy Eucharist. We are a community gathered together by the Holy Spirit, filled with hope, to love and serve God and neighbor in the name of Jesus Christ; and through our sharing of Good News in word and deed, we seek to live and reveal to all the grace and peace of Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the unity of the Holy Spirit.



November 13, 2022

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Mal 3:19–20a

2 Thes 3:7–12

Lk 21:5–19

The Day Is Coming

Who does not get excited when they know that the day is coming? Which day? A wedding day, the birth of a child, the last day of school, the first day of retirement. We all look forward to special days.

Ancient Israel looked forward to the day of the Lord, that day when everything would be set right. Enemies would be scattered, the sick would be healed, the poor would know comfort, and all people would experience peace. Even though Israel had suffered terribly, God had made promises to their ancestors, and God always keeps promises. Initially, they expected that day to be one of punishment and retribution for their enemies, while they would enjoy vindication and blessing. Today's first reading asserts that Israel will enjoy no preference. If they sin, they also will face the righteous anger of God.

In the Gospel passage, Jesus describes the terrifying events that will precede the destruction of the temple. This was probably less a prophecy of a future event than it was a warning of the suffering they might have to endure as his followers. Such suffering would pave the way for the fearful day of the Lord. If they persevere, such affliction would be purifying for them rather than punishing. Though the reading does not include mention of the day of the Lord, it would have been in the minds of those who heard Jesus' words. Many would believe that God's ancient promises were about to be fulfilled.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

[Jesus said,] "When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for such things must happen first, but it will not immediately be the end."

LUKE 21:9

FOR Reflection

- ✦ *God works through people to set things straight. How might God be working through you?*
- ✦ *Reflect on this verse: "By your perseverance you will secure your lives."*



MARTINUS CATCHER/SHUTTERSTOCK

<i>Date</i>	<i>OLPH</i>	<i>Saint Boniface</i>
<i>Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	8:00 – 8:45 am Adoration & Rosary 8:30 am ~ Confession 9:00 am ~ Mass	5:00 pm ~ Mass
<i>Tuesday</i>	5:30 pm ~ Mass	
<i>Thursday</i>	5:30 pm ~ Mass 8:00 pm ~ Bible Study	
<i>Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe</i>	8:00 – 8:45 am Adoration & Rosary 8:30 am ~ Confession 9:00 am ~ Mass	5:00 pm ~ Mass

	<i>OLPH Mass 9:00 am</i>		<i>ST. BONIFACE Mass 5:00 pm</i>	
Date	November 13	November 20	November 12	November 19
Lector	Creed Farthing	Mandy Hall	Jerry Nowak	Mary Jo Leygraaf
Server	Joe McNaughton	Norma Jones		

Mass Intentions	OLPH	St. Boniface
November 12 / 13	Matthew Joseph Bayens	† Doris Symack
November 19 / 20	Intentions of Parishioners	Intentions of Elmer Smyack

Our Gifts	OLPH	St. Boniface
November 5 / 6		\$550.00

*May God bless you for your generous contributions
to our Church.*

*Please join us for refreshments in the
Parish Hall immediately after Mass.*

Reading 1

Mal 3:19-20a

Lo, the day is coming, blazing like an oven,
when all the proud and all evildoers will be stubble,
and the day that is coming will set them on fire,
leaving them neither root nor branch,
says the LORD of hosts.
But for you who fear my name, there will arise
the sun of justice with its healing rays.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 98:5-6, 7-8, 9

The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.

Sing praise to the LORD with the harp,
with the harp and melodious song.
With trumpets and the sound of the horn
sing joyfully before the King, the LORD.

The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.

Let the sea and what fills it resound,
the world and those who dwell in it;
let the rivers clap their hands,
the mountains shout with them for joy.

The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.

Before the LORD, for he comes,
for he comes to rule the earth,
he will rule the world with justice
and the peoples with equity.

The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.

Reading 2

2 Thes 3:7-12

Brothers and sisters:

You know how one must imitate us.

For we did not act in a disorderly way among you,
nor did we eat food received free from anyone.

On the contrary, in toil and drudgery, night and day
we worked, so as not to burden any of you.

Not that we do not have the right.

Rather, we wanted to present ourselves as a model for you,
so that you might imitate us.

In fact, when we were with you,
we instructed you that if anyone was unwilling to work,
neither should that one eat.

We hear that some are conducting themselves among you in a
disorderly way,

by not keeping busy but minding the business of others.

Such people we instruct and urge in the Lord Jesus Christ to work quietly
and to eat their own food.

Alleluia

Lk 21:28

Alleluia, alleluia.

Stand erect and raise your heads
because your redemption is at hand.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

Lk 21:5-19

While some people were speaking about
how the temple was adorned with costly stones and votive offerings,
Jesus said, "All that you see here--
the days will come when there will not be left
a stone upon another stone that will not be thrown down."

Then they asked him,
"Teacher, when will this happen?
And what sign will there be when all these things are about to happen?"
He answered,
"See that you not be deceived,
for many will come in my name, saying,
'I am he,' and 'The time has come.'
Do not follow them!
When you hear of wars and insurrections,
do not be terrified; for such things must happen first,
but it will not immediately be the end."
Then he said to them,
"Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom.
There will be powerful earthquakes, famines, and plagues
from place to place;
and awesome sights and mighty signs will come from the sky.

"Before all this happens, however,
they will seize and persecute you,
they will hand you over to the synagogues and to prisons,
and they will have you led before kings and governors
because of my name.
It will lead to your giving testimony.
Remember, you are not to prepare your defense beforehand,
for I myself shall give you a wisdom in speaking
that all your adversaries will be powerless to resist or refute.
You will even be handed over by parents, brothers, relatives, and friends,
and they will put some of you to death.
You will be hated by all because of my name,

but not a hair on your head will be destroyed.
By your perseverance you will secure your lives."

REFLECTION

The central theme of today's readings is "The Day of the Lord" or the "Second Coming" of Jesus in glory, as Judge, at the end of the world. The readings warn us about the final days of the world, our own death, and the final judgment. Although St. Paul expected that Jesus would return during his lifetime, he cautions the Thessalonians, in the second reading, against idleness in anticipating the end of the world. Paul advises the Thessalonians that the best preparation for welcoming Jesus in his "Second Coming" is to keep working and doing one's duties faithfully, as he did. Today's Gospel passage underlines the truth that the date of the end of the world is uncertain. Signs and portents will precede the end, and the Christians will be called upon to testify before kings and governors. The Good News is that those who persevere in faithfulness to the Lord will save their souls and enter God's eternal kingdom. Christ's Second Coming is something to celebrate because he is going to present all creation to his Heavenly Father. That is why we say at Mass, "We proclaim Your death, O Lord, and profess Your Resurrection, until You come again." Since Luke's community had experienced much persecution, today's Gospel would have given them a cheering reminder: "Don't give up because God is always with us!" Jesus' promise of the protective power of a providing God was meant to encourage His disciples to persevere in their Faith and its practice. Jesus later adds the signs for the coming destruction of Jerusalem and the end of the world to prepare His disciples and to remind them to rely upon him for Salvation, not their own power.

We must be prepared daily for our death and private judgment. We make this preparation by trying to do God's will every day, leading holy lives of selfless love, trust in God, mercy, compassion, and unconditional forgiveness. In order to do this, we must recharge our spiritual batteries every day by personal prayer, that is, by talking to God, and by listening to Him through reading the Bible. Daily examination of our conscience at bedtime and asking God's pardon and forgiveness for the sins of the day will also prepare us to face God any time to give Him an account of our lives. 2) We need to attain permanence in a passing world by leading exemplary lives. We must remember that our

homes, our Churches, and even our own lives are temporary. Our greatness is judged by God, not on our worldly achievements, but on our fidelity to our Faith, and our practice of that Faith in loving service of others. How our faithfulness is expressed each day is the most important thing. We are to persevere in our Faith in spite of worldly temptations, attacks on our religion and moral values by the atheistic or agnostic media, threats of social isolation, and direct or indirect persecution because of our religious beliefs. Let us conclude this Church year by praying for the grace to endure patiently all our trials, for they are essential to our affirmation of Jesus as our Lord and Savior.

UPCOMING SAINTS AND FEASTS

Saint Albert the Great, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

November 15

Saint Margaret of Scotland; Saint Gertrude, Virgin

November 16

Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious ~ Memorial

November 17

*The Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter and Paul,
Apostles; USA: Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin*

November 18

BVM

November 19

UPCOMING EVENTS AT OLPH

Thanksgiving Dinner

November 24

(Time to be determined)

SIGN UP SHEET IN THE PARISH HALL

CHRISTMAS PARTY
December 4 @ 5:00 pm
SIGN UP SHEET IN THE PARISH HALL

If you wish to receive ***text messages*** from the
Parish Office, please provide your name and phone number.
Sign up sheet in the Parish Hall

PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray to end Abortion, Russell Brooks, Cassie & Clifton Centers, Maere Tekanene, Bill Moses, Jerry Roberts, Donna Blevins, Norma Wilson, Dennis Parks & Family, Erica Davis, Chris & Amanda Decker, Marian Colette, Debbie Moses Haggins, Rose Grant, Sandy Hurts, Dominic Cureton, Todd Morris, Alex Woods, Christopher Braden, Bonnie (Warfield) Bishop, Sister Alice, Curt and LeeAnn Hall, Jay Baird, Gail Willis, Mr. & Mrs. Bill Bisceglia, loved ones who are ill, Brody Beavers and family, Shawn Lee Day, Geneva Couch, Judy Delisle, Dal Macon, Linda Mills, Judy Patrick, Bob and Marie Alvaro, JoAnn Brown, Cathy Sims, Eric Vore, Robert Moses, Kristina Neitsch, Danny Ezell, Sharon Nowak, Jean Sharp and Iva Lee Hamblin.

Dear Padre,

I was taught that when we die, we will spend some time in purgatory and then go on to heaven. I notice some of our hymns say we will be raised on the last day. I'm confused.

It is not surprising that there is confusion about the issue. There is a difference between judgment and resurrection, even though they are obviously connected. Some people think of these two things occurring at the same time. Our Catholic teaching separates them, to some extent.

The teaching says there are two kinds of judgment. The first is that which occurs at our death and is called "the particular judgment." In this judgment

we may go to heaven, hell, or purgatory. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* puts it this way: "Each man receives his eternal retribution in his immortal soul at the very moment of his death, in a particular judgment that refers his life to Christ" (CCC 1022).

The second judgment is the general judgment that occurs at the end of the world. The resurrection of the body will take place at this judgment when our particular judgment is confirmed and our soul and body are reunited. The hymns that say we will be raised on the last day refer to the general judgment, as do most of the Scripture passages about judgment.

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A WORD FROM Pope Francis

How is Jesus' voice discerned? "Many will come in my name," the Lord says, but they are not to be followed: wearing the label 'Christian' or 'Catholic' is not enough to belong to Jesus. We need to speak the same language as Jesus: that of love, the language of the you.

HOMILY, VATICAN BASILICA, NOVEMBER 17, 2019



Calendar

Monday

NOVEMBER 14

Weekday

Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5

Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday

NOVEMBER 15

Weekday

Rv 3:1-6, 14-22

Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday

NOVEMBER 16

Weekday

Rv 4:1-11

Lk 19:11-28

Thursday

NOVEMBER 17

St. Elizabeth of Hungary,

Religious

Rv 5:1-10

Lk 19:41-44

Friday

NOVEMBER 18

Weekday

Rv 10:8-11

Lk 19:45-48

Saturday

NOVEMBER 19

Weekday

Rv 11:4-12

Lk 20:27-40

Sunday

NOVEMBER 20

Our Lord Jesus Christ,

King of the Universe

2 Sm 5:1-3

Col 1:12-20

Lk 23:35-43

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