Our Parish COMMUNITY

November 1, 2020
All Saints (A)
Rv 7:2–4, 9–14
1 Jn 3:1–3
Mt 5:1–12a

Who Wants to Be a Saint?

This question can be understood in two very different ways. On the one hand it asks: Who might step forward to accomplish this feat? On the other hand, it wonders: Who wants to bother putting forth the effort? Perhaps we have read too many of the wrong "lives of the saints" to want to be one of them. So often those stories describe extraordinary feats of physical punishment. Anyone who thinks that such abuse is what makes a saint should listen to St. Irenaeus of Lyons. He insists, "The glory of God is man [Christ] fully alive." Sainthood is allowing the sanctifying grace of God to dwell habitually in us and make us like he who is fully alive—Jesus Christ. However, what does "fully alive" really mean?

To be fully alive means to be people of faith; to have deep principles and to live by them, regardless of the cost. It means to realize that we are part of the wondrous creation of nature, and we must respect our place in it and our responsibilities for it. It means to care for others as well as for ourselves. All of this is grounded in faith in God, who loves us enough to make us and who made us to be fully alive. However, it is not always easy to live this out. Here is where the struggle comes in. We don't have to create struggle; life will do that for us. Still, to be fully alive is well worth the price we might be asked to pay. Isn't it?

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR *Reflection*

- *What challenges do your life circumstances present to you?*
- *What prevents you from standing up for principle in those circumstances?*

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[Jesus said,] "Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."
MATTHEW 5:10

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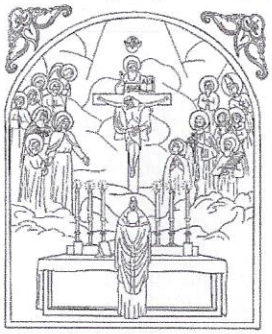
November 1, 2020

Solemnity of All Saints



"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest, says the Lord."

"Vengan a mí todos los que están fatigados y agobiados por la carga, y yo les daré alivio, dice el Señor."

PARISH SUPPORT

Offerings to God 10/25/2020

Sunday Mass Offering	1,678.00
Mass Intentions	30.00
Candles	27.72
Total	**$1,735.72**

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Durante estos momentos difíciles, sus generosas donaciones significan aún más.
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-Baptism Preparation Classes/
Clases de Preparacion de Bautismo
Please call the office/Por favor llame a la oficina

-Marriage/Bodas
Please make an appointment with Fr. Albert Ruiz at least six months in advance
Haga una cita con el Padre Albert Ruiz por lo menos seis meses de anticipación

-Quinceañera
Girls who want to have a Quinceañera please call the church office at least 6 months in advance.
Jovencitas que desean celebrar su Quince años, por favor llame a la oficina por lo menos seis meses antes.

-Reconciliation/Reconciliación (Confesiones)
Saturday/Sábado 4:00pm-4:30pm
or by appointment/o por cita

Sunday, November 1, 2020

Lectors:
8:00am Perla Reynoso & Esbeida Martinez
10:00am Mike Landsfeld & Tony Fox
12:00pm Verónica Martinez & Adaneli Martinez

Sunday, November 08, 2020

Lectors:
8:00am Rene Rodriguez & Maria Rodriguez
10:00am Jen Orr & MaryEllen Maddox
12:00pm Justina Pantoja & Rigoberto Pantoja

Information about Quinceañera

To celebrate a Quinceañera in the parish of St. Eugene, briefly the following data are important for the parents of the Quinceañera.

- Parents must be registered in the parish.
- The Quinceañera must have her sacraments of Baptism, First Communion, Penance and Confirmation. The majority of the Quinceañera are in 10th grade to receive their Confirmation. It is important that the Quinceañera is attending 9th grade or 10th grade CCE classes
- Inform the parish six months (6) to one year for the date.
- NO Quinceañeras during Lent.
- Parents and Quinceañeras have to attend an information meeting with Father Alberto.

Información sobre las Quinceañeras

Para celebrar una quinceañera en la parroquia de San Eugenio, brevemente los siguientes datos son importantes para los padres de las jóvenes.

- Padres tienen que estar registrados en la parroquia.
- La joven tiene que tener sus sacramentos de Bautismo, Primera Comunión, Penitencia y Confirmación. La mayor de las jóvenes se está preparando en el grado 10 para recibir su Confirmación. Es importante que un joven este asistiendo a las clases de doctrina en los grados nueve (9) y diez (10).
- Informar a la parroquia seis meses (6) a un año para la fecha.
- No se celebrarán quinceañeras durante la cuaresma.
- Los padres y las jóvenes tienen que asistir a una junta de información con el Padre Alberto.

Pastor: Rev. Albert Ruiz: *Tuesday—Friday / Martes—Viernes*
Secretary: Maria Ortega... *Monday—Friday / Lunes—Viernes.....8am—2pm*
Pastoral Council Chairperson: MaryEllen Maddox
Finance Council Chairman: Mario Olivarez
St. Vincent de Paul Helpline: 254-749-0982 — Mon. & Thurs. / Lunes y Jueves -- 10am—6pm (voicemail available)

This week in our Parish
Esta semana en nuestra Parroquia

Sunday, November 1
8:00am +María de la Luz Sánchez Velásquez, +Josefina Rodriguez +María Santos Cruz, +Ismael Cruz, +Rogelio Cruz, +Basilia Jaimes +Antonio Martinez, +Adolfo Martinez
10:00am +Pete A. & +Martha Martinka, +Lloyd & Annabel Luker, +Deborah Lynn Barcuch For the Unborn
12:00pm *Guadalupana Mass*
+Nico Salas, Jr., +Isabel Salas, +Isabel Hernández, +Sipriano Jaimes, +Tiburcia Rodriguez

Tuesday, November 3
5:45pm—6:45pm CCE 1st Grade Pre-First Communion
6:30pm Mass in Spanish / Misa en Español
7:00pm—8:00pm CCE 2nd Grade First Communion

Wednesday, November 4
5:45pm—6:45pm 9th Grade Pre-Confirmation
6:30pm Mass in English / Misa en Inglés
7:00pm—8:00pm 10th Grade Confirmation

Thursday, November 5
6:30pm Mass in Spanish / Misa en Español

Friday, November 6
8:30am Mass in English / Misa en Inglés;
9:00am—5:00pm Adoration / Adoración al Santísimo

Saturday, November 7
4:00pm—4:30pm Confessions / Confesiones
6:00pm Our Lady of San Juan Parish—Sunday Vigil / Vigilia Dominical

Sunday, November 8
8:00am +Josefina Rodriguez, +María Santos Cruz, +Ismael Cruz, +Rogelio Cruz, +Basilia Jaimes +Antonio Martinez, +Adolfo Martinez
10:00am +Larry Podsednik, For the Unborn
12:00pm +Nico Salas
12:30pm SSVdP Meeting

If you have a **sick family member** please call the office so we can put their name in the bulletin so the Parish can pray for them.

Si usted tiene un **familiar enfermo** por favor llame a la oficina para que podamos poner su nombre en el boletín para que la Parroquia ore por ellos.

Please remember in your prayers the sick & homebound of our parish including:

Por favor recuerden en sus oraciones a los enfermos y los que no pueden salir de sus hogares de nuestra parroquia, incluyendo:

María Magdalena Salas
Shirley Rodriguez
Camelia Ortega
Lesly Luvianos Paniagua
Familia Torres
Barbara Osweld

Catholic Social Teaching Corner

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of All Saints. The saints give us a model of holiness. God allows the saints to bring our prayers to him and in return the saints bring God's grace to us. All saints of God, pray for us!

Esquina de la Enseñanza Social Católica

Hoy celebramos la Solemnidad de Todos Los Santos. Los santos nos dan un modelo de santidad. Dios permite a los santos llevarle a Él nuestras oraciones y los santos nos traen de regreso, la gracia de Dios. Todos los santos de Dios ¡Rueguen por nosotros!

Pastoral Council Meeting on Thursday, November 12 at 7:00pm, please meet in the Parish Hall.

Junta del Consejo Pastoral el jueves 12 de noviembre a las 7:00pm, por favor reúnase en el Salón Parroquial.

Anointing of the Sick: with cold weather coming and flu season or COVID-19, Fr. Albert will be celebrating the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick on Saturday, November 14 at 10:30am. This is especially for the elderly persons who are sick. We need for you to call the office to sign up so we can have a head count.

Unción de los enfermos: con el clima frío que viene y la temporada de gripe o COVID-19, el P. Albert estará celebrando el Sacramento de la Unción de los Enfermos el sábado, 14 de noviembre a las 10:30am. Esto es especialmente para las personas mayores que están enfermas. Necesitamos que llame a la oficina para saber cuántos van a asistir.

2020 Fall Festival Raffle Winners
Ganadores de la Rifa del Festival de Otoño 2020

1st Place-Pit/Grill	Nicolas Salas
2nd Place-$500 GC	Christy Leos
3rd Place- $500 GC	Pete Martinka
4th Place-$300 GC	Troy Tucker
5th Place-$200 GC	Omar Dominguez
6th Place-$100 GC	Ronnie Riley
7th Place-50" Smart TV	Marliss Williams

Thanks to Willard & Shirley Haley for cleaning the church for October. Rosibel Lopez and family will be cleaning for the month of November.

Gracias a Willard & Shirley Haley por limpiar la iglesia en octubre. Rosibel López y su familia van a limpiar la iglesia para el mes de noviembre.

Catholic Services Appeal (CSA)

Next weekend is the Catholic Services Appeal (CSA), which gives us the opportunity to support more than 100 ministries and programs that transform thousands of lives across Central Texas each day. This year's theme is Hearts filled with gratitude, and our bishop is asking us all to prayerfully consider the most generous gift possible during this challenging time. Learn more about the CSA and make your gift today at austindiocese.org/csa.

Llamado Para Los Servicios Católicos (CSA)

La próxima semana es el Llamado Para Los Servicios Católicos (CSA), que nos da la oportunidad de apoyar a más de 100 ministerios y programas que transforman miles de vidas a lo largo del Centro de Texas cada día. El tema de este año es Corazones Llenos de Gratitud, y nuestro obispo nos está pidiendo a todos que consideremos en oración el más generoso donativo posible durante este tiempo retador. Aprenda más sobre el CSA y haga una donación hoy en austindiocese.org/csa.

All Souls Day, Remember the Souls of:
Día de los Difuntos, Recordemos los Fieles Difuntos:

- ✞ Isidro Rodriguez, Sr.
- ✞ Carmen Vázquez
- ✞ Isidro Rodriguez, Jr.
- ✞ Eusebia Arévalo
- ✞ Joel Lopez
- ✞ Lupita Rodriguez
- ✞ Oscar Virgen
- ✞ Lucita Rodriguez
- ✞ Ricardo Rodriguez
- ✞ Bobby Rodriguez
- ✞ Herminia Vargas
- ✞ José Escamilla
- ✞ Nico Salas, Jr.
- ✞ Isabel Salas
- ✞ Isabel Hernández
- ✞ Sipriano Jaimes
- ✞ Tiburcia Rodriguez
- ✞ Graciela Jaimes
- ✞ Rev. Jose Luis Azcona
- ✞ Pete A. Martinka
- ✞ Martha Martinka
- ✞ Lloyd Luker
- ✞ Annabel Luker

If anyone is interested in joining St. Vincent de Paul, our next meeting is 6 November at 12:30 in the hall.

Si alguien está interesado en unirse a San Vicente de Paúl, nuestra próxima reunión es el 6 de noviembre a las 12:30 en el salón de la iglesia.

CCE News:

- For parents and guardians who have children in sacramental classes. If your child has been exposed to COVID-19 from school or have COVID-19 symptoms please call Aurelia Montoya at (254) 652-2948 before coming to CCE class.
- CCE is still looking for assistance for the 9th grade Pre-Confirmation class. Please get in contact with Aurelia Montoya.

Noticias de Catecismo:

- Para padres que tienen hijos en clases sacramentales. Si su hijo ha estado expuesto a COVID-19 en la escuela o tiene síntomas de COVID-19, llame a Aurelia Montoya al (254) 652-2948 antes de venir a la clase de catecismo.
- Todavía estamos buscando un asistente para la clase de Pre-Confirmación del grado 9. Por favor póngase en contacto con Aurelia Montoya is está interesado.

CCCTX

Catholic Charities of Central Texas' Immigration Legal Services offers legal assistance to individuals and families eligible to apply for immigration benefits, including family reunification, humanitarian relief, Temporary Protected Status, Removal Defense, as well as services for victims of domestic violence and human trafficking. If you or someone you know needs services, call (512) 651-6125 (Austin/Marble Falls) or (979) 822-9340 (Brazos Valley).

Have you registered for the Creating Hope in Central Texas Virtual Event on November 12? Take one minute to sign up for this free event TODAY! https://globalmeet.webcasts.com/starthere.jsp?ei=1381773&tp_key=f550096a24

Los Servicios de Inmigración de Catholic Charities of Central Texas ofrecen asistencia legal a individuos y familias elegibles para aplicar por beneficios de inmigración, incluyendo reunificación familiar, ayuda humanitaria, Estatus Protegido Temporal, Defensa de la Remoción, así como servicios para víctimas de violencia doméstica y tráfico humano. Si usted o alguien que usted conoce necesita servicios, llame al (512) 65106125 (Austin/Marble Falls) o al (979) 822-9340 (Brazos Valley).

FESTIVAL REPORT

A BIG Thank YOU to the following who donated money or a prize for the Parish Festival on October 25.

Raffle Pit/Grill – Dr. Falcon

$500.00 Gift certificate – Michael Landsfeld & Pete Martinka

$500.00 Gift certificate and $300.00 Gift certificate for Total of $800.00 was donated by the following; Enrique Medina,Medina Roofing, Yosias Painting and Remodeling, Mercado's Sand & Gravel, J Ga Roofing Sys, Antonio Torres and Orlando Martinez.

$200.00 Gift certificate – Mario Olivarez

$100.00 Gift certificate – Father Albert Capello Ruiz

50"TV – Mary Leos

As of Friday, the following is the total amount that was collected.

Family $50.00 Donations	$2,135.00
Raffle Total	$4,471.00
Meal Total	$1,571.00
	$8,177.00
Expenses (printing of tickets)	- 157.00
(food trays & utensils)	-96.40
Net Profit	$7,923.60

I want to thank the Brothers of St. Eugene's and the Charismatic Group for the take-out meal. It was wonderful. If you get the opportunity, personally thank the Brothers for the coordinating of a very successful day.

A 'thank you' also to the Parish Family of St. Eugene's for supporting the event and helping the parish raise the much-needed funds for the operation of the parish.

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Dear Padre,

I exercise my civic duty to vote. How should my Catholic faith inform my voting choices?

For Catholic voters, the selection of candidates and the policies they may enact are best exercised within the sanctity of a well-formed conscience.

The Catholic approach to faithful citizenship relies on moral principles found in Scripture and on four major principles of Catholic moral and social teaching that don't "easily fit ideologies of 'right' or 'left,' 'liberal' or 'conservative,' or the platform of any political party" (*Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 55).

These four principles include the life and dignity of the human person (all human life is sacred, from conception to natural death); subsidiarity (the family as the basic unit of human society); the common good (protecting basic human rights and social conditions for all, and a duty to care for God's creation); and global solidarity (especially a preferential option for the poor).

Because the Church cannot compromise these basic principles or moral teachings, our cause is the defense of human life and dignity, and the protection of the weak and vulnerable—not a particular party or candidate (*FCFC* 58).

Moreover, the faith-filled voter is urged to choose candidates who not only integrate the tenets of Catholic social teaching, but who also reject intrinsically evil acts. According to St. John Paul II, those acts include "any kind of homicide, genocide, abortion, euthanasia and voluntary suicide; whatever violates the integrity of the human person...whatever is offensive to human dignity, such as subhuman living conditions, arbitrary imprisonment, deportation, slavery, prostitution and trafficking in women and children" (*Veritatis Splendor*, 80).

—Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR
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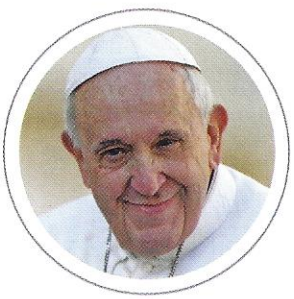

A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

Christians are called to promote political dialogue, especially where it is threatened and where conflict seems to prevail. Christians are called to restore dignity to politics and to view politics as a lofty service to the common good, not a platform for power....To be a leader demands thoughtfulness, training, and experience.

—ADDRESS TO BISHOPS' CONFERENCES OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY, OCTOBER 28, 2017

Calendar

Monday
NOVEMBER 2
All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)
Wis 3:1–9
Rom 5:5–11
Jn 6:37–40

Tuesday
NOVEMBER 3
Weekday
Phil 2:5–11
Lk 14:15–24

Wednesday
NOVEMBER 4
St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop
Phil 2:12–18
Lk 14:25–33

Thursday
NOVEMBER 5
Weekday
Phil 3:3–8a
Lk 15:1–10

Friday
NOVEMBER 6
Weekday
Phil 3:17—4:1
Lk 16:1–8

Saturday
NOVEMBER 7
Weekday
Phil 4:10–19
Lk 16:9–15

Sunday
NOVEMBER 8
Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Wis 6:12–16
1 Thes 4:13–18
or 4:13–14
Mt 25:1–13

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