



THE

# Benedictine



## THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SAINT BENEDICT

**NOVEMBER 8, 2020**

SAINT SCHOLASTICA



St. Scholastica Parish  
17320 Rosemont  
Detroit, Michigan 48219  
[www.scholastica.church](http://www.scholastica.church)

Fr. James W. Lowe CC, Administrator

### MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday through Friday	8:00 a.m.
Saturday	8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.
Sunday	10:00 a.m.
Holydays	8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

### MARRIAGE

Parish priest must be contacted six months prior to date of intended marriage.

**BAPTISMS**  
Contact Fr. James W. Lowe, CC

**CONFESSIONS**  
Tuesday-Saturday Mornings: Immediately Following Mass  
Saturday Evening Mass: 3:45 p.m. until 4:15 p.m.  
Sunday: 9:15 a.m. until 9:45 a.m.  
All other times - Call Parish Office For Appointment

**ROSARY**  
Sunday 9:30 a.m. in the Chapel

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**FR. JAMES W. LOWE, CC**

*Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,*

Jesus tells us in the Gospel, "stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour." This is such a true statement. I love it when I ask people here in Detroit how they are doing and they answer, "I am blessed because I woke up this morning and God gave me one more day of life". Every day of life is a blessing and a gift from God.

The scriptures we hear proclaimed this weekend are preparing us for the Solemnity of Christ the King. Jesus is challenging us to be ready to meet Him at the end of our lives. There is one truth that no one can deny. Everyone eventually faces death. The question is, are we ready? Are we ready to meet Jesus face-to-face?

There is one category of persons who were ready... the Saints! They are already in heaven. Last week we celebrated the solemnity of All Saints. This month as we celebrate Black Catholic History Month, we will be highlighting Black Catholics who lived heroic lives of virtue.

This week we celebrate Servant of God, Thea Bowman. She is a contemporary model of holiness. To be a servant of God means that the cause is underway to eventually be declared a canonized Saint in the Catholic Church.

Thea Bowman is a joyful example of contemporary sainthood. Although she is not yet a canonized saint, her life of heroic virtue sets her aside as an example of holiness. Sister Bowman was born Bertha Bowman in Mississippi in 1937. Bertha's grandfather had been a slave before the Emancipation Proclamation, but her parents were both professionals: her father was a doctor and her mother taught. Bertha was raised in a vibrantly spiritual Methodist home, and she became attracted to the life of love and service that the religious sisters in her town led. With her parents' permission, young Bertha converted to Catholicism when she was just nine. Bertha was enrolled in a Catholic School, which deepened her appreciation for the Catholic faith and for the sisters who taught her. When she was fifteen, Bertha traveled north to Wisconsin to join the order of the Franciscan Sisters of Perpetual Adoration in La Crosse. She attended college at Viterbo University in Wisconsin and then traveled to Washington D.C. to earn her master's degree and doctorate at the Catholic University of America. She finished her Ph.D. in 1972 and began to teach at CUA, then her alma mater of Viterbo, and Xavier University.

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Sister Thea, as she became known as, worked diligently not only at education but on evangelization of Black American Catholics. The Church in the South had been wounded by the history of segregation and slavery. The social structures of sin prevented the marginalized populations from feeling welcome in the Church that they saw as a Church of white people. Sister Thea worked to create a hymnal that showcased Black spirituality and culture. She traveled across the American continent and even abroad to the Caribbean Islands and Africa to spread a ministry of joy—a ministry of proclaiming the joy of each culture's unique differences yet their unity in Christ.

Friends, let us take this invitation to pray for the dead seriously. We have been given the privilege of participating in the sanctification of souls. May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen

Let us pray for Sister Thea's cause for canonization. We pray especially that her life will be an example to young children who seek to live a Christian life of virtue and follow God's will. Let us pray also that her witness of spreading the joy of the Gospel to all peoples of all cultures and ethnicities will inspire us to continue to be welcoming to all whom we encounter ourselves. Let her witness inspire us to be a joyful band of missionary disciples leading all we encounter into a life-changing encounter with Jesus Christ.

Fr. Jim Lowe, CC.



Sr. Thea Bowman

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### TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS



Wisdom 6:12-16

Psalms 63

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 or 4:13-14

Matthew 25:1-13

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**Tuesday, November 10, 2020**

8:00 a.m. † Mr. & Mrs. Vincent Calamia by Nancy Anstett

**Wednesday, November 11, 2020**

8:00 a. m. † Leatrice Robinson by Mary P. McDougall

**Thursday, November 12, 2020**

8:00 a.m.

**Friday, November 13, 2020**

8:00 a.m. † Patrick and Mary McDougall by Mary P. McDougall

**Saturday, November 14, 2020**

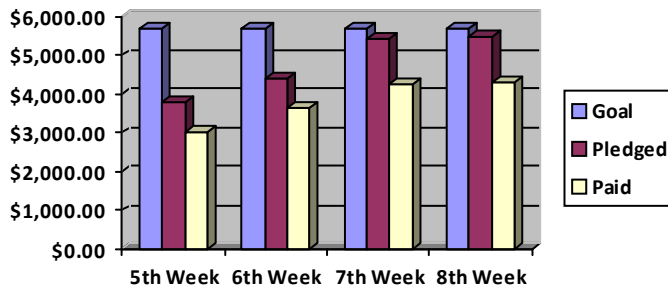
8:00 a.m. The Brennan Family by Mary P. McDougall  
4:30 p.m. † Tressie Knox by Connie Borg

**Sunday, November 15, 2020**

10:00 a.m. For Parishioners

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**CSA**



**Follow the Parish CSA Progress Here.**

Each week CSA donations will be updated in the bulletin. Please consider making your donation soon. Any funds received in excess of our target will be returned to the Parish. Your gift will be greatly appreciated. We are almost there! Let's go over the top!

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**SUNDAY MASS LIVESTREAM SCHEDULE**

To watch Sunday, Saturday, or Daily Mass from home, click the links below at the corresponding Mass times. These services are available online or televised by [Catholic Television Network of Detroit \(CTND\)](#), the Solanus Casey Center, EWTN, and Fox 2 in English and Spanish.

The Archdiocese of Detroit will broadcast a private (closed-door) Mass celebrated by Archbishop Vigneron from the Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrament at noon Sunday. The faithful can watch and participate in real time below and on the [Archdiocese of Detroit's Facebook page](#).

**THOSE REMEMBERED: IN NOVEMBER:**



Bruce Asch  
Richard Asch  
Janet S. Borg  
Essie Mae Byrd  
Charlie Clark  
Joanne Conrey  
Justin Egwunyenga  
Adonis Faigao  
Don Garrett Faigao  
David Fitzgerald  
Gilbert Gietek  
Marie Job  
Cleo Johnson  
Nannie Johnson  
Dr. Zaliat Kazi  
Kathleen Kirsch  
Tressie Knox  
Anthony Love  
Mary Madigan  
Eric Means  
Leatrice Robinson  
Ihor Shablovsky  
Andrew Stella  
Pearl Stella  
Kathy Surowiec  
Joseph Ukpebor  
Thomas Wilson  
Charles Worley  
Mary Wright  
Raymond Wright



We continue to pray for our sick and homebound parish members, Bruce Henderson, Elma Thorpe, Annie Laurie Shannan, Courtney Atlas, Eileen Clark, Sandra Moulton, Christopher Staff, Margaret Porath, Drew Lund, Roland Martin, Marian Hubbard, Jean Geran, Betty Kell, Gloria Seacord, Fermon Sanders, Diverna Stephenson, William Walker, Albert Jackson, Daisy Allen, Victoria Crowe, Dennis Lund, Matthew Onwudingo, Irma Gisstennar, Justin Doucette, Ellen Casey, Denise Goodine, Jonathan Jackson, Gwendolyn Dickerson, Yolanda Stephens, Suzanne Ross, Thomas Norfolk, Bennie Bailey, Julie Hacker, Michele Mooney, Robert Weed, Jerome Bies and Annie Stacherski.

## UNLEASH THE GOSPEL

### PRAYER for the NEXT PHASE of UNLEASH THE GOSPEL

#### HEAVENLY FATHER,

Thank you for the abundant graces of Synod 16:  
for awakening in us the vision and resolve to become  
again your Church on mission, eagerly working together  
to "make disciples of all nations," according to our  
commission from the Lord Jesus.

Pour out upon us your Holy Spirit, as a new Pentecost,  
to guide us in our next phase in our movement to Unleash  
the Gospel. By his power at work in us, transform our  
parishes into bands of joyful missionary disciples.

#### COME HOLY SPIRIT:

Set our hearts on fire to share the Good News of Jesus  
with all those who stumble in darkness, who hunger for  
hope, who thirst for eternal life. Above all, grant us the  
boldness and courage of the apostles to put the mission  
above all else, so that our community becomes the spark  
to ignite the fire of divine love that transforms this time  
and this place into the Kingdom of Heaven.

We pray through the intercession of Our Lady, Star of the  
New Evangelization, and her mother, our Patron, St. Anne;  
and in the spirit of Blessed Solanus we thank you ahead  
of time for "accomplishing in us far more  
than all we ask or imagine."

We ask all of this in the all-powerful name of the Lord  
Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns forever.

**AMEN**



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We offer these prayers from deep within our hearts,  
asking God to be present to all those in need.

That Church leaders throughout the world continue to  
call all people to holiness, we pray to the Lord...

That God's people, who proclaim that death has been  
conquered in Christ, may be active in defending His gift  
of life, we pray to the Lord...

That those who work for peace and struggle for justice  
will bring the message of salvation to our world, we  
pray to the Lord...

That we may work to save orphaned children through-  
out the world, and especially those who are abused or  
neglected, we pray to the Lord...

For our beloved dead, especially, Glen Donahue and  
those for whom we pray in November, that they rise  
with Christ to new life, we pray to the Lord...

For the Intentions of this Mass, we pray to the Lord . . .