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Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time—November 6, 2022



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Sunday Readings

First Reading

2 Maccabees 7:1-2,9-14

Jewish martyrs give witness to their faith, even unto death.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 17:1,5-6,8,15

Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full.

Second Reading

2 Thessalonians 2:16—3:5

Paul encourages the Thessalonians and asks for their prayers.

Gospel Reading

Luke 20:27-38

Jesus answers a question from some Sadducees about the resurrection of the dead.

Background on the Gospel Reading

In today's Gospel, we hear about an encounter between Jesus and some Sadducees. The Sadducees were a party of Judaism active in Jesus' time, descended from the priestly family of Zadok. They were literal interpreters of the written Law of Moses, which means that they were in disagreement with the position of the Pharisees, who offered an oral interpretation of the Law of Moses.

The Sadducees are described in this Gospel as opponents to the belief in resurrection. In the dialogue presented here, we see an example of the means of disputation that was common in first century Judaism. The Sadducees use the example of Levirate marriage, found in the Law of Moses, to disprove belief in the resurrection. According to Deuteronomy 25:5-10, if a man died without producing an heir, the man's brother should marry his wife and the offspring of this union would inherit the property and carry on the name of the man who had died. The Sadducees use this as an example to challenge belief in the resurrection.

Jesus argues from the same written Law of Moses to show that there is resurrection. Using the texts from the Book of Exodus (Chapter 3) that describe Moses' encounter with God in the burning bush, Jesus shows that God is the God of the living, not the dead. Here Jesus uses the same method and texts of the Sadducees to counter them. As the Gospel text suggests, he beat them at their own game!

More importantly, in this discourse Jesus shows the limits of our imaginations when it comes to eternal life. The Sadducees argued against resurrection because of the limits of earthly existence. They did not imagine another possibility for existence and relationship with God. Jesus proposes that the possibilities of resurrected life are beyond our imaginations. Jesus' conclusion suggests something else as well: To spend time worrying about resurrected life is to miss the point. The point is eternal relationship with God is possible, for God is the God of the living, "... for to him all are alive."

Nov. 20th JOIN US!
6pm
@ First Baptist Church
707 W8th St.

**Community Wide
Worship Service**

Reception and Fellowship to follow the service.
A love offering will be taken, all the proceeds go to the
Ministerial Alliance to provide for those in need in our
community

Guest Speaker-
Pat Bell
First United
Methodist Church

Worship-
**FBC Praise
Team**

brought to you by
The Sealy Ministerial Alliance

Mass Intentions—November 7—13, 2022

Monday	No Mass	
Tuesday (<i>Spanish</i>)	6:00 pm	† Rev. Joseph Thanh Vu
Wednesday	6:00 pm	† Deceased Members of: KC Council #3313
		† Bobby Hagen
		† Al Brown
		† Ray & Edith Fiedler
Thursday	10:00 am	† Kevin & Tracy Marvin
Friday	10:00 am	† Willie Kutra
		† Leon Brast
		† John & Alma Klecka
Saturday	5:00 pm	† Kevin Kulow
	9:00 am	Parish Family
	(<i>Spanish</i>) 12:00 pm	† Josh Lewis

Sunday Mass Livestreaming at 9:00 am

Go to icc-sealy.org

Reconciliation Schedule

Tuesdays	Confessions 5:00—5:45 pm
Wednesdays	Confessions 5:00—5:45 pm
Saturdays	Confessions 4:00—4:45 pm

November Rosary Intention

November is dedicated to the Holy Souls in purgatory. Let us pray for our deceased loved ones and all the holy souls in purgatory, especially those who have no one to pray for them.

May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

Altar Flowers

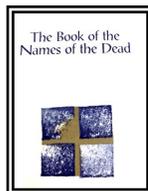
The flowers on the altar are in thanksgiving and celebration of the wedding anniversary of Ike & Camie Wozniak.

Chapel is Open for Private Prayer

Individuals are asked to contact the parish office for their security code needed to access the area.

Se les pide a las personas que se comuniquen con la oficina parroquial para obtener el código de seguridad necesario para acceder al área.

The Book of the Names of the Dead



During November, the Month of All Souls, parishes have a custom of giving a place of honor to a book in which community members and visitors write the names of their beloved dead. The Book of the Names of the Dead was inspired by the ancient practice of recording the dates of the deaths of loved ones in a necrology, a public record or registry of death. This practice provides the living with an opportunity for healing and consolation in the face of grief. The Book of the Names of the Dead will be displayed from the solemnity of All Saints until the beginning of Advent. It is left open for people to write the names of their deceased loved ones and for others to read the names, remember, and pray for the repose of their souls. Remembering all of these men and women who have gone before us, “marked with the sign of faith,” helps us better understand and appreciate our faith in Christ our risen Lord who conquers sin and death and brings new life to all. We invite you to write the names of your loved ones in this book.

Let us pray for our sick, homebound and those with special needs:

(Newly added names are in bold text and marked with an asterisk.)

Alma Avalos	Katherine Jones	Juan Salazar
Dolores Balusek	Mary Jones	Cesar Salinas
George Berckenhoff	Jeremiah Juarez	Johnnie Sliva
Diane Brown	Rufino Juárez	Pat Sliva
Amanda Cendaliski	Lauren Kainer	Frank Solis
George Castro	Raymond Kasniersky	Walter Snitkin
Robert Cook, Jr.	Bobby Koym	Vivian Snitkin
Deanna Creekmore	Don Koym	Marie Stastny
David Cryan	Andy Krampitz	Florianna Stolarski
Randy Davenport	Robert Lalonde	Tillie Stuchly
Emma Dusek	Aurora Martinez	*Albert Sustala
Martha Delmas	Albina Mitchell	Frances Swonke
Luwayne Dzierzanowski	Dorri Munoz	Joe Talas
Joyce Eckelberg	Tom Nichols	Kristian Tanksley
Mikie Ehret	Patsy Novosad	Kristle Tanksley
Julianne Eissler	Joe Pistone	Kristopher Tanksley
Margie Ellis	Angela Plattsmire	David Tinney
George Fuller	Elian Nunez Puente	David True
Bernice Futschik	Enola Provost	Juan Navarro Villegas
Cory Gagne	Bennett Pursley	David Vykoukal
Steve Gajewski	Harold Pyka	Bylie Wagner
Tambra Gomez	Maria Ramirez	Lucy Weishun
Joan Guidry	Larry Rapsilver	Louis Zapalac
Lonnie Heimann	Janet Rapsilver	Ricky Zapalac
Clemencia Hernandez	Mary Alice Ratliff	Jo Ann Zaruba
Janet Cerny Hunt	Monica Reznicek	Nursing Home Residents

Let us Pray for our Military

PVT Kristian Tanksley	Luke Griffin, SFC
MMFN John Spillars, Jr.	Corporal Dawson Fogle
PVC Harrison Brooks Whitzel	SSG Kyle M. Kiker
PFC Nathan Weber	PFC Kent Raulston
SP4 Brandon Cerny	2nd LT Daniel Jernigan
SP4 Blake Strieder	Clay Casassa, Medicman 3
LCPL Jared F. Delattre	SGT Tyler S Snyder
A1C Joseph Cevallos	Emilio E. Guerrero, Jr, CPL
PFC Tanner Kutra	Natividad Estrada, III
Joshua Janicek, Airman	PFC Meghan Raulston
E-2 Airman Pedro Rodriguez	PFC Kyle Thormaehlen
1st LT Austin Anker	USMC Sgt Tony Naranjo
Daniel Diestel	USMC Cpl Daniel Naranjo
Melinda Griffin, 1st SGT	MAJ Anthony Minderman-Nanez

Let us Pray for our Colonial Living Center Residents

Maria Delgado	Alphonse Mlcak	Beatrice Surovcak
Alice Faldyn	Theresa Nowak	Marie Stastny
Lottie Hluchan	Ludmila Palmer	Mathilda Stuchly
Emily Holub	Pedro Perez	
Charles Holub	Pastor Rosas	

Veranda House Residents

Susan Brooks	Edward Janda	Marie Courville
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DSF Report October 26, 2022

Parish Goal	\$ 46,900
Paid	\$ 29,700
Owed	\$ 17,200
Donors	134

We are only at 63% of our goal. Help us make 100% by Dec 31! Use this QR Code to make your donation on line!



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Simply aim the camera on your smart phone at this QR Code (Quick Response) to be quickly directed to our parish's online giving site. The site is secure and a safe way to schedule donations throughout the year. Forms of payment are either by credit card or checking account.

Sealy Christian Pantry Thanksgiving Boxes

Your help is needed to fill Thanksgiving boxes for those in need in our community. In the past, the Sealy Christian Pantry asks for donations of canned goods for holiday boxes. Due to the increase in clients and supply chain issues, the Pantry is asking for financial support this year to help defray the cost of goods in the boxes. Turkeys and hams have been ordered at an estimated cost of \$7,500. Canned yams and cranberries have also been ordered for over 300 families. A donation jar is available near the sacristy for donations. The yellow Community Concerns envelope in your offering set may also be used to support this cause. Donations may be made throughout the holiday season. Text Sue with any questions at 713-314-7355.



JCDA Fellowship

**Sunday, November 20th
6:30 - 7:30 pm @ the ICC Center**

Girls in 1st through 12th grade are invited to learn more about JCDA, grow in their faith, and join us for a service project while enjoying snacks and fellowship! Invite your friends. Hope to see you there!

Sunday Morning Hospitality

You are invited to grab a cup of coffee with a light breakfast snack and enjoy a time of friendly fellowship every Sunday after the 9 am Mass!

See you in the Center!

Would you like to help in this ministry one Sunday each month? Just contact Amy Cryan at 281-924-1086 to get involved!



Confirmation Class Announces:

Chicken Fried Chicken Fundraiser Dinner

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13th
10:30 am - 1:30 pm at the
Sealy Columbus Club Hall/KC Hall

\$12.00/plate—buy your ticket at the dinner

Menu: Chicken Fried Chicken Breast,
Green Beans, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy

The proceeds go towards buying Christmas gifts for the children and adults that are helped by the Dept. of Family and Protective Services.



Vote on Tuesday, November 8

7:00 am—7:00 pm

Sealy Columbus Club Hall (KC Hall)
All precincts in Sealy may vote here.

Go to www.austincounty.com for information



Sealy Christian Pantry in Need of Bags

Plastic grocery bags are needed for food distribution. These may be left in the donation box under the carport at 530 6th Street in Sealy. **Thank you!**

Christmas Shopping in November!

CDA will be selling beautiful religious items in the Narthex following all of the Masses during the first two weekends of November, November 5-6 and 12-13. Many beautiful religious items will be available—perfect for Christmas or any other special occasion!



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What should You do if You or a Loved One is

Homebound or in the Hospital and Needs to Receive Communion or an Anointing?

Suffering and illness affect us in body and spirit. If one member suffers in the Body of Christ, which is the Church, all the members suffer with that member. In times of frailty, sickness, and treatment, the parish family assures the infirmed of our care and support through our prayer, personal visits, and the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. Our intent is to make the Sacraments available to all Catholics who would like to receive, but are truly unable to attend Mass due to injury, illness, or advanced age.

The distribution of the Body of Christ to persons who are homebound, hospitalized, or in nursing homes/assisted living facilities is available for those who wish to receive it. Arrangements may also be made for the Sacraments of Anointing and Reconciliation.

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is for all who face a serious illness or who are impaired by old age. It is distinct from, though it often accompanies, the "Last Rites," or Viaticum, in which the Church offers Holy Communion as food for the journey to life eternal.

One may celebrate the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick multiple times if needed for strength and healing in mind, body, and spirit. In this sacrament of anointing, Christ strengthens our faith and bestows God's grace in a time of anxiety and pain. It also brings forgiveness of sins for those who are contrite but unable to consciously confess due to their condition.

If you know you will be hospitalized for the treatment of your illness you should contact the parish before you enter the hospital to arrange a time to celebrate the sacrament. Often the Sacrament of Anointing can be celebrated after Mass. Call the Parish Office to make an arrangement for the Sacrament.

If someone is in the hospital, simply notify the hospital and the Catholic Chaplain, and they will make arrangements for an Anointing to be offered.

If someone is being put on hospice, please alert the parish as soon as the decision is made to allow for the complete celebration of Last Rites with Viaticum before the person is fully incapacitated.

If someone is actively dying and was known to have desired the sacraments, please call the office or, if after hours, make use of the emergency option when leaving a voice message on the parish phone—979-885-3868.

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