

# THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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*Thirty-Third Sunday in O. T.*  
Sing praise to the LORD with  
the harp,  
with the harp and melodious  
song.  
— Psalm 98:5

*Our Lady of Fatima*  
*Pleaded that we pray the Holy Rosary*  
*before Sunday Mass and*  
*privately from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm daily.*



**Our Lady of Fatima Parish**  
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**Rectory Office Hours:**

**Monday – Friday 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM**  
**Parish Office: 814-942-0371**

**Our Lady of Fatima Mass Schedule**  
**Sunday: 10:30 AM - Holy Days: 6:00 PM**  
**Rosary: 10:05 AM - Rosary: 5:40 PM**

**Our Lady of Fatima Parish Administrator**  
**Very Rev. Msgr. Stanley B. Carson**

**Parish Secretary**  
**Carol Z. Smith**

**Eucharist for the home bound - weekly:**  
**Patty Flanagan 942-0371 for arrangements.**

**Our Lady of Fatima Church is open**  
**Monday through Friday: 9AM - 5PM**  
**for visits before the Blessed Sacrament.**

**Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals will be held**  
**at Our Lady of Fatima.**

**Preparation for Baptism, and Weddings will be held at**  
**the Cathedral. 944-4603**

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**Parishioners wishing to receive the sacrament of**  
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**Cathedral Eucharist:**  
**Sunday: 5:00 PM (Vigil) Holy Days: 5:30 PM (Vigil) Weekdays: 6:45 AM**  
**8:00 AM 8:00 AM 12:00 Noon**  
**10:00 AM 12:00 Noon**  
**12:00 Noon 5:30 PM Saturday: 8:00 AM**  
**5:00 PM 12:00 Noon**

November 17, 2019

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

### LIFE IS HARD, BUT HAVE NO FEAR

*Today's readings take a fearless look at reality and reach a conclusion that we all know: life is hard. The prophet Malachi preaches fire and brimstone, warning us that evildoers will perish in flames. Saint Paul offers his own warning to the Thessalonians: keep busy, but never become a busybody. He reminds Christians that the apostles themselves worked in "toil and drudgery" as a model for how we ought to contribute to our community. The Gospel returns to the apocalyptic tone of Malachi, describing the utter chaos of the end-times. We will know the end is near when violence, catastrophe, and hatred dominate the earth. But we must not fear! God's saving plan brings peace to our hearts. Malachi speaks of the sun's "healing rays," and Jesus himself promises to protect every hair on our heads.*

### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

*We are faced with strong and disturbing readings today that hold a certain fascination, since they seem at first glance to be blueprints for future inevitable wars and hardship. A fundamentalist interpretation focuses on this aspect. Yet we hear them at our Sunday celebration of the Eucharist, which infuses them with hope and optimism. Rather than dreading the future, today's liturgy assures us that God is with us in all of life's inevitable trials, and that we have a role in shaping the outcome of human history. Occasionally, some Christians have attempted to decode these readings for an exact measure of the world's end, but they have thus far been disappointed.*

*"Nothing lasts forever" is a lyric from a Broadway show. Stars fall from the sky, leaves wither and fall, mountains wash into the sea, human projects and governments totter and collapse with great regularity. Today's liturgy opposes this idea as incomplete, reminding us that Christ has made a permanent change in human history, and that life in him is life forever. Rather than inviting us to throw in the towel, today's liturgy strengthens us for acts of goodness and grace in our families, communities, and world.*

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### RESEMBLANCE

*The dignity of resembling the Almighty is common to all people; we should then love them all as ourselves, as living images of the Deity. It is in this that we belong to God.*

—St. Francis de Sales

### PEACE

*First keep the peace within yourself, then you can also bring peace to others.*

—Thomas à Kempis

### PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

*Loving God, your Son, Jesus, has shown us that an open heart finds the way.  
Help me to find my way in this world.*

*Keep my heart open to following Jesus' way of serving others in love.*

*Give me the courage to accept the guidance you offer me through my family, my friends, and my parish community.*

*Through the Holy Spirit, you call me to a particular way of life.*

*If it is the way of a priest, sister, brother or deacon, then help me to walk it in joyful service to your people.*

*With you, my God, I know I can find my way. Amen.*

<p style="text-align: center;">NOVEMBER 17, 2019  <b>THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>  <b>10:30 AM</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>November 17, 2019</i>  <b>Scripture Reflections</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>OUR LADY OF FATIMA MASS INTENTIONS</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>November 17, 2019, Thirty-Third Sunday in O.T.</b>  Readings: : Mal 3:19-20; 2 Thes 3:7-12; Lk 21:5-19  <b>Today's Intention - Beverly Woodring</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>November 24, 2019, Christ the King</b>  Readings: 2 Sm 5:1-3; Col 1:12-20; Lk 23:35-43  <b>Intention: Joseph Wozniak (Barbara Wozniak)</b></p>	<p>Central to the readings are Jesus' words in the Gospel: "By your perseverance you will secure your lives." In the Gospel reading, Jesus predicts the Temple's destruction. For the Jewish people, this would be disastrous since the Temple was where God dwelt among his people and the people carried out their religious sacrifices. Yet the words of Jesus came true. In AD 70, the Roman army destroyed the Temple and Jerusalem. As Jesus said, "not a stone will be left upon another stone that will be thrown down."</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Cathedral Mass Intention</b></p> <p><b>November 18, Monday: The Dedication of the Basilicas</b>  Readings: 1 Mc 1:10-15,41-43,54-57,62-63; Lk18:35-43  6:45 AM + James Joseph Luther (Joe Plutko Family)  12:00 PM + Walter Beech Anniversay (Family)</p> <p><b>November 19, Tuesday: Weekday</b>  Readings: 2 Mc 6:18-31; Lk 19:1-10  <b>6:45 AM Good Health Susan Bauer (Children)</b>  <b>12:00 PM For Priests (Anon)</b></p> <p><b>November 20, Wednesday: Weekday</b>  Readings: 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Lk 19:11-28  6:45 AM + Bob Schraff (McNelis All Stars)  12:00 PM +Michael Dionis Birthday (Mom &amp; Dad)</p> <p><b>November 21, Thursday: Presentation of the BVM</b>  Readings: 1 Mc 2:15-29; Lk 19:41-44  6:45 AM + Irene Schlect (Janet Azales)  12:00 PM + Madeline Vogel (John &amp; Alice Joyce)</p> <p><b>November 22, Friday: Sts. Cecelia, Virgin and Martyr</b>  Readings: 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; Lk 19:45-48  6:45 AM + Poor Souls (Fred Petrunak Sr.)  12:00 PM + Mimie Ciambotti (Pat Rhoa)</p> <p><b>November 23 Saturday: Sts. Clement, Columban</b>  Readings: Wis 18:14-16;19:6-9;Lk 18:1-8  8:00 AM + Stephen Flanagan (Karen &amp; Greg Querry)  12:00 PM + Ray Plummer (Dr. Joseph &amp; Rebecca Clark)</p> <p><b>Vigil: Thirty-Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time</b>  Readings : 2 Sm 5:1-5; Col 1:12-20; Lk 23:35-43  5:00 PM + Dick, Rick &amp; Karen Dougherty (Family)</p>	<p>The Church came to interpret the destruction of the Temple as a sign that the world would come to an end. Jesus' words here are not meant to be taken literally as; though he is offering a blueprint for what will occur at the end of the world. The foundational message is that, just as God brought our world into existence, so God will bring the world as we know it to an end. Jesus warns his followers not to be afraid and not to be deceived by people who claim to read the signs of the time and foretell when the end will happen. As we experience natural disasters, deceptions, and persecution, the virtue that should be the hallmark of our lives is perseverance. Trust in the Lord's guidance and protection. In the First Reading, the prophet Malachi offers further advice regarding the end of time. When God's judgement occurs, those who are faithful and "fear the name" of the Lord will experience God's healing and salvation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Are you at all influenced by the belief that the world will come to an end?</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: right;">AT HOME with the WORD 2019, Archdiocese of Chicago: Liturgy Training Publications, pg. 143</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Jesus, Son of the Living Father,  Have Mercy on Me a Sinner.</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Please pray for all of our parishioners, especially for those who have illnesses great and small and our seniors who are lonely and need comfort and care.</i></p>

Weekly Mass at Our Catholic School Holy Trinity Catholic School regularly celebrates Mass with our children each week.

At the Altoona Campus, Mass is celebrated on Wednesday at 9:00AM at St. Therese Church.

At the Hollidaysburg Campus, Mass is celebrated on Thursday at 8:30AM at St. Michael Church.

And at the Middle School Campus, Mass is celebrated on Friday at 8:30AM at St. Rose

Church. All are welcome to join our children at Mass. This is a central and essential time that our Catholic School provides for our children each week.

OUR LADY OF FATIMA'S ARISE GROUP meets at 6:30 PM at the Rectory every Tuesday. We are collecting donated items for the Teen Shelter as our group project. An average of 180 teens come through their doors weekly. They have housed approximately 50 this year...housed means teen can stay for up to 21 days. There are boxes in the back of the Church for the non-perishable items we are collecting.

They include: CLEANING PRODUCTS, LIQUID SOAP, PAPER TOWELS/TOILET TISSUE NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS AND PERSONAL HYGIENE ITEMS. We are still in need of non-perishable food items, like canned soups with pull rings, individual nutritional snacks, cereals, juice drinks, etc. Collections will be taken up Nov 3rd, 10th, and 17th. Please help our young folks in need. They are also collecting teen jean sizes & tops.

4 left of the \$aveAround coupon books at \$20.00 each. They would make great Christmas gifts. Call the rectory to save yours. 942-0371.

#### Friar's Nook

Start off your Christmas shopping with a stop at The Friar's Nook Gift Shop Pre Black-Friday Sale, Nov. 16th -23rd! The entire store will be 20% off, with great savings on nativities, gifts, flags, cards, and much more! The shop is located at 793 Monastery Road, Hollidaysburg (on the St. Bernardine Monastery campus), and hours are Monday-Saturday 10:00AM-4:00 PM . Please call 814 - 695 - 3802 with any questions.



**OUR LADY URGES US TO PRAY THE HOLY ROSARY  
FOR  
PEACE AND OFFER  
SACRIFICES BEFORE IT IS TOO LATE!**

#### Stewardship Reflections

As stewards we are called to be responsible caretakers of the time, talent, and treasure we have been blessed with on our journey. We are asked to put God first in our lives and to give in a deeper way than we have been asked before.

Many of us need to be reminded that the concept of Christian stewardship is not new. "Christ has no body on earth but yours; no hands but yours; no feet but yours. Yours are the eyes through which He is to go about doing good; yours are the hands with which He is to bless people now." St. Theresa of Avila.

#### FIRE CLASSES for November. 2019

Sunday November 17th 6:15 PM-8:15 PM

#### November 24, 2019 Sunday 6:15-7:30 PM

Eleventh Grade Confirmation Prep Session All Catholic School, Home Schooled and Religious Ed students and sponsor (or parent).

#### Catholic Ministry Drive Goal = \$9,271.00

Report for EOM Oct. 2019. - We received \$6,255.00 in one time gifts and pledges. Still owing -\$2996.00

Weekly Collection - November 10, 2019, \$1,711.00

BIRTHDAYS: 11/22, Ceil Hennigan; 11/25, John Eckenrode; 11/26, Noreen DeCriscio;

ANNIVERSARIES: 11/25, Eileen & Bryan Starr;

#### Nocturnal Adoration

Will be held at Our Lady of Lourdes, 2716- Broad Avenue Altoona, on Friday December 6th from 8:00 PM to 11:00 PM. They are the host church for this event. Please try to visit for an hour. You may attend anytime.

#### Thanksgiving Reminder

There will only be one mass on Thanksgiving Day at 9:00 AM at the Cathedral.

#### The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

RCIA is a process (a journey) through which people enter the Catholic Church. This includes people who have not been baptized (called catechumens) and people who have been baptized in another Christian Church now seeking full Communion with the Catholic Church (referred to as candidates). If you are interested in learning more about RCIA, join us Sunday from 11:00am - Noon in the Seton Suite. Please reach out to Tammy Dattris, Director of RCIA at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament. We look forward to you joining us!

## **St. Cecilia**

**Feast Day November 22**

***St. Cecilia's family was one of the principle families of Rome. According to the cultural custom of the time, Cecilia's family betrothed her to a pagan nobleman named Valerian despite St. Cecelia's consecration to God. On their wedding night, Cecilia told Valerian that she had sworn to remain a virgin before God and that an angel guarded her body, protecting her virginity from violation. She told Valerian that he would be able to see this angel if he went to the third milestone along the Via Appia and was baptized by Pope Urban I. Valerian went to the milestone as Cecilia had instructed, and there was baptized. She later converted his brother as well.***

***During that era, it was forbidden for anyone to bury the bodies of Christians, so newly-baptized Valerian and his brother dedicated themselves to burying the bodies of all the Christians they found. For this, they were arrested and brought before a judge who ordered them to worship the Roman god Jupiter, and were martyred when they refused to deny their Christian faith. The police then came for Cecilia and strongly advised her to renounce her faith. In reply, she told them that she would prefer to die than to denounce the true faith. According to legend, upon hearing her response, they brought her to a large oven with the intention of suffocating her with the hot and toxic gasses it emitted. However, instead of choking, Cecilia began to sing. Infuriated, her persecutors attempted to behead her, but after three strokes of the sword, Cecilia was still alive and her head was not severed. The soldiers then left her covered in blood in her own home, where she remained for three days before she died.***

***The church Santa Cecilia in Trastevere was built on the site of the house where she lived. St. Cecelia is known for "singing in her heart to the Lord" upon her wedding day, despite her consecration to God. She is the patron Saint of musicians and poets because of this sentiment and her alleged singing within the oven during her martyrdom. Her fortitude may inspire the modern Catholic in the trials of life and inspire one to find God within music.***



### **PRAYER TO ST CECILIA FOR MUSICIANS**

***Dear St Cecilia, heroic martyr who stayed faithful to Jesus your divine bridegroom, intercede for us for faith to raise above our persecutors and to see in them the image of our Lord.***

***We know that you were a musician and we are told that you heard angels sing. Inspire musicians to gladden the hearts of people by filling the air with God's gift of music and reminding them of the Divine Musician who created all beauty. Amen.***



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