



November 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		October 31 5:15 pm Vigil Mass at Newman Center for All Saints Day—A Holy Day of Obligation'	1 All Saint Day—A Holy Day of Obligation 12:15 pm Mass at Newman Center; 7 am Mass and 7 pm Mass at Saint Francis Xaier	2 5:15 pm Mass at Newman Center 7:00 pm All Souls Day Mass at Saint Francis Xavier	3 First Friday 10:30 am Mass at Prairie Living 10:30 am Church omen United World Community Day	4 Blessing of Expectant Parents at all Weekend Masses 6:00 pm Newman Gala
5 <i>Fall</i> BACK Day Lights Savings Time Ends 6:30—7:30 pm Confirmation—Year I at Newman Center	6 6:30 pm Spanish Mass Choir 7:00 pm RCIA at Newman Center	7 6:00 pm Adult Faith Formation 7:00 pm Connection to Christ at Newman Center	8 7:20 am Word/ Communion Service 8:30 am All School Mass at Saint Andrew 5:30 pm Choir 6:00 pm Women's Club Dinner & Meeting 7:00 pm K of C	9 6:00 pm Youth Ministry Commission at Saint Francis 6:30 pm Spanish Mass Choir 7:00 pm Bible Time-line	10 Office Closed for Veterans Day	11 Fr. Bob's 70th Birthday – Potluck & Celebration after 5:30 pm Mass
12 2:00 pm Cleaning of Church	13 12:15 pm Word/ Communion Service 6:30 pm Spanish Mass Choir 7:00 pm RCIA at Newman Center 7:00 pm Carbondale In Thanksgiving at Congregation Beth Jacob	14 6:00 pm Adult Faith Formation 6:00 pm Saint Andrew School Board Meeting 6:00 pm Initial Child Protection in Herrin 7:00 pm Connection to Christ at Newman Center	15 5:30 pm Choir	16 11:30 am Mass 12:00 pm Heritage Club Retreat 6:30 pm Spanish Mass Choir	17 11:00 am Mass at Integrity	18
19 6:30—7:30 pm Confirmation—Year II at Newman Center	20 6:30 pm Spanish Mass Choir 7:00 pm RCIA at Newman Center	21 10:45 am Mass at Liberty Village	22	23 THANKSGIVING DAY 9:00 AM MASS 12-2 PM Thanksgiving Day Meal at	24 Parish Office Closed 5:30 pm Word/ Communion Service	25
26	27 6:30 pm Spanish Mass Choir 7:00 pm RCIA at Newman Center	28 6:00 pm Adult Faith Formation 7:00 pm Connection to Christ at Newman Center 7:00 p, Pre Cana Team Meeting	29 7:20 am Word/ Communion Service 5:30 pm Choir	30 6:30 pm Spanish Mass Choir	December 1 First Friday	December 2

Saint Francis Xavier Catholic Church
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Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday 4:30—5:00 pm or by appointment
Regular Mass Schedule:
Monday: 12:15 pm followed by Holy Hour;
Wednesday: 7:20 am
Friday & Saturday: 5:30 pm
Sunday: 9:00 am & 12:15 pm Spanish Mass

Newman Catholic Student Center
(Partnership Relationship) email: susan@siucnewman.org
715 South Washington Street
Carbondale, IL 618-529-3311 website: www.siucnewman.org
Regular Mass Schedule:
5:15 pm Mass on Tuesdays followed by Holy Hour, and Thursdays
11:15 am Mass on Sunday
5:15 pm Mass on Sunday during school year

NOVEMBER, 2016

Liturgical Year: We complete Ordinary Time and enter Advent.

- 1 Feast of All Saints
- 2 Feast of All Souls
- 4 Charles Borromeo, Theologian, reformer
- 10 Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church
- 11 Martin of Tours, Patron of soldiers
- 13 Francis Xavier Cabrini, American saint
- 15 Albert the Great, Patron of scientists
- 22 Cecelia, patron of music
- 24 Andrew Dung-Lac, Patron of Viet Nam
- 26 Feast of Christ the King
- 30 Andrew, Apostle

WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

On the **Feast of All Souls**, Nov. 2, we pray for all who have died and affirm our solidarity with them as fellow Christians. Our parish has a beautiful custom of placing a lit candle before the altar to remember those who died this past year. In the Northern Hemisphere, as the trees are bare, the weather chillier, and the days shorter, we know that from the ground at rest will come new life in the spring. Our thoughts turn to death and resurrection.

MATTHEW, GOSPEL WRITER

Matthew wanted his Jewish audience to know that Jesus is the expected Messiah-king of Israel and the Son of God. Only this Gospel that links the birth of Jesus to his Jewish ancestors, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. This ancestry is the Gospel read at the Christmas vigil Mass. Matthew's Gospel refers often to prayers and sayings in the Hebrew Scriptures. Matthew often contrasts the teachings of Jesus with those of the Pharisees and Sadducees.

It is in Matthew that we find some of the treasured teachings – the Beatitudes in chapter 5 and the command to feed the hungry in chapter 25. Many parables (faith as a mustard seed) are in Matthew.

Matthew's Gospel was probably composed around 80-90 A.D. and drew heavily on Mark's Gospel, believed to be the first. Catholic, Anglican, Orthodox

and many Protestant congregations have been reading from Matthew all this past liturgical year.

WHO IS FRANCES XAVIER CABRINI?

Frances Cabrini (11/13), an Italian native nun, came to the U.S. to serve the marginalized. Gutsy, when told by a NY archbishop to return to Italy, she stayed and founded 67 orphanages, hospitals, and other institutions in LA, Denver, Chicago, New Orleans, and Philadelphia between 1890 and 1917. Despite ill health, Frances was said to help Italian American miners one day and pray with prisoners on another day. She became a U.S. citizen in 1909 and was the first U.S. citizen canonized a saint – she fed the hungry, cared for the ill, sheltered the orphan, visited the imprisoned, etc. Mt. 25. The Cabrini-Green homes which once stood in Chicago were named in part for Frances. She was a one-woman Catholic Charities before there was such an organization.

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

The Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) helps those without job skills prepare to become employed, carrying on the work of Cabrini and many other women religious engaged in serving those on the margins. CCHD trying to empower those in poverty to rise up. Learn more at cchd.org.

5 second prayer: Each time you see a Thanksgiving decoration, ask Jesus to help you find a way to help those in need of food.

LIVING THE FAITH AT HOME THIS MONTH

- +Pray for deceased loved ones. Share stories with your children while at Thanksgiving events.
- +Imitate Francis Cabrini through contributions to Campaign for Human Development.
- +Advocate for trade policies that help feed people.
- +Celebrate Thanksgiving in Carbondale.
- +Pray during Thanksgiving celebrations.
- +Advocate for fair wages for agricultural workers.
- +Pray for everyone at St. Andrew School.