



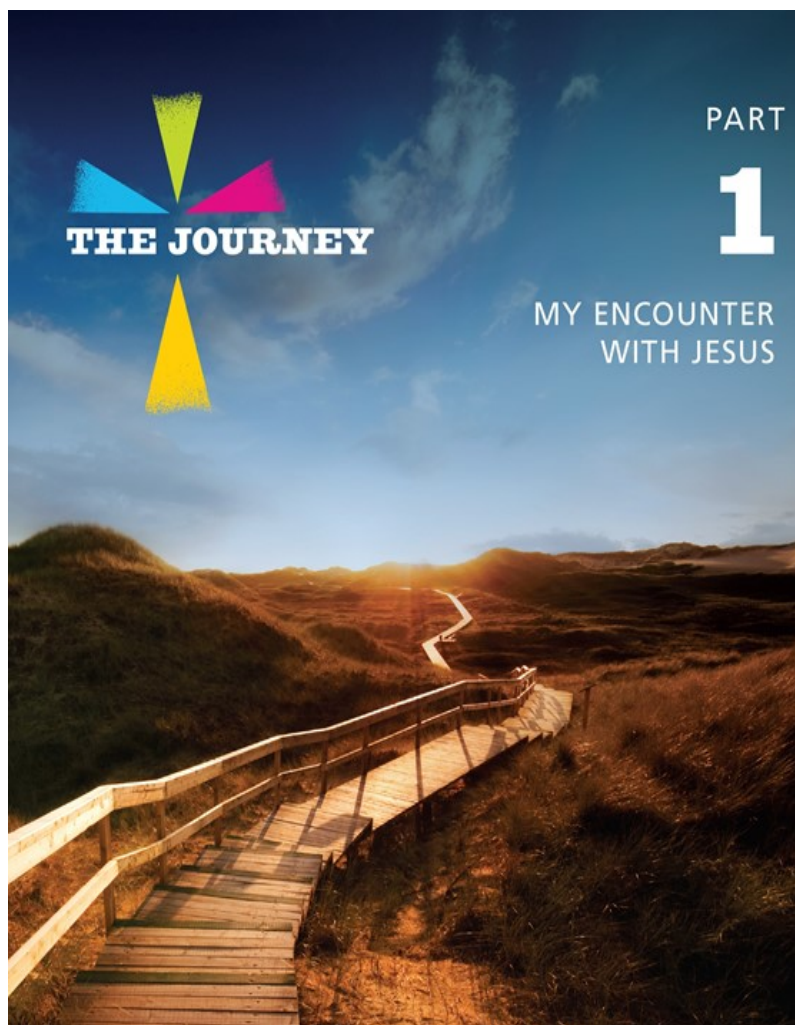
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Served by The Blessed Sacrament Congregation
Living the Eucharist in Loving Service

30th Sunday—October 25, 2020

Masses Sat. 4:00 pm, Sunday, 7:30, 10:00, 11:30

Sun. 8:30 Vietnamese—Livestream Sat. 4 pm Mass



Mass Intentions for the Week

Thank you for worshipping with us.

Sanctuary Candle: Deceased members of the Rosso, Mucha & Minnech families (Richard Mucha)

Sunday	October 25, 2020
7:30am	Angelo Grammatas Jr. + (The Family)
8:30am	Faith, Hope and Courage Intentions
10:00am	Sara Ann Parsons+ (John Finegan-brother)
11:30am	John Willey+ (Waldhauser Family)
Monday	October 26, 2020
8:30am	Blessed Sacrament Congregation
Tuesday	October 27, 2020
8:30am	Cecelia Dunlap+ (Bernadette Dickau)
Tuesday	October 28, 2020
8:30am	James Hagers-Healing (Ray & Margaret Flanders)
Thursday	October 29, 2020
8:30am	Robert & Judy Knox (Richard Knox)
Friday	October 30, 2020
8:30am	Richard Kraemer+ (Mary Galowitsch)
Saturday	October 31, 2020
8:30am	Parish Family
4:00pm	Elaine Skerry + (Cathy & John Wolosin) Jose Miceli+ (Mena Miceli)

SCRIPTURE READING

Readings for the Week of October 25, 2020

Sunday Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ex 22:20-26; 1 Thes 1:5-10; Mt 22:34-40

Monday Eph 4:32—5:8; Lk 13:10-17

Tuesday Eph 5:21-33; Lk 13:18-21

Wednesday Feast of Saints Simon and Jude,

Eph 2:19-22; Lk 6:12-16

Thursday Eph 6:10-20; Lk 13:31-35

Friday Phil 1:1-11; Lk 14:1-6

Saturday Phil 1:18-26; Lk 14:1, 7-11

Sunday Solemnity of All Saints

Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12

All are invited to take part in our parish Fall Festival today. Enjoy the season in giving thanks for the harvest. Families are invited to "Trunk and Treat" along with our parish ministries outside in the Parking Lot after classes at 12:30. Decorate the trunk of your car and greet the children with a treat for them to enjoy. Food will be served in Father Farrell Hall and games in the classrooms to allow for social distancing. A sign up sheet is available in the Hall during our gathering before class at 11 so that we know you're coming and we can save a space for you. All is free so come and join the fun!



Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Entrance Hymn: Gather Your People

Refrain:

Gather your people, O Lord. Gather your people, O Lord.
One bread, one body, one spirit of love.
Gather your people, O Lord.

Verse:

Draw us forth to the table of life: brothers and sisters,
each of us called to walk in your light.

Presentation Hymn: In Every Age

Verse:

Long before the mountains came to be
and the land and sea and stars of the night,
Through the endless seasons of all time,
you have always been, you will always be.

Refrain:

In every age, O God, you have been our refuge.
In every age, O God, you have been our hope.

Communion Hymn: The Cry of the Poor

Refrain:

The Lord hears the cry of the poor.
Blessed be the Lord.

Verse:

I will bless the Lord at all times,
with praise ever in my mouth.
Let my soul glory in the Lord,
who will hear the cry of the poor. (to Refrain)

Sending Forth Hymn: City of God

Verse:

Awake from your slumber! Arise from your sleep!
A new day is dawning for all those who weep.
The people in darkness have seen a great light.
The Lord of our longing has conquered the night.

Refrain:

Let us build the city of God. May our tears be turned into
dancing, For the Lord, our light and our love, has turned
the night into day!

Love Your Neighbor



"You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself." - Matthew 22:37-39

People are fascinated with top 10 lists. David Letterman, the former late night host, was famous for his top 10 lists. Today we pay great attention to the college football rankings. What are the top 5 greatest vacation destinations? What's the top-rated restaurant in the area? Everyone wants to know what is considered the best.

A "greatest" question is posed to our Lord in this Gospel from Saint Matthew. One of the Pharisees asks Jesus, "which commandment in the law is the greatest?" We remember that God gave Moses a top 10 list in the form of the Ten Commandments, yet here is Jesus being tested again on His opinion of which one is number one.

Jesus deviates a bit from the 10 by saying, "You shall love the Lord with all your heart, with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the greatest and first commandment." He rephrased it differently than the traditional "you shall have no other gods." He goes on, "The second is like it: you shall love your neighbor as yourself. The whole law and prophets depend on these two commandments."

Jesus understands the human condition that we are often selfish creatures - putting our needs above those of others. Yet, here He is saying, love your neighbor and put his needs on the same level as your own.

You've heard the saying, "there is no greater love than to give one's life for one's friends." This is what we are called to do. This is the pure sacrificial love. But, you cannot attain that kind of love without loving God with all your mind, heart and soul.

God sacrificed His son for you and me out of His great love for us. But, do we have the courage to stand up for the neighbor who is weak, who is pushed aside by society, who is forgotten, who is persecuted, who is different than you or I? The foundation of our personal faith is based on these two commandments, to love God with our whole being and to love our neighbor as we love ourselves. Do you have a strong foundation of faith in your life? If you don't, find strength in the Lord. **Bishop Gregory Parkes**

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Parish Giving

Parish Mass Offering October 18, 2020

Sunday Offertory—\$5,065.00—Mass Count 467

Last year Offertory—\$5,708—Mass Count 626

Online Giving, / Candle Money \$105./Needy \$250.50

World Mission Sunday \$1188.00

A number of parishioners are following the Mass on Facebook streaming the Sat. 4:00 Mass and available Sunday.

Thank you for generous support. We are here for you. The work of the parish continues, so call or stop in 9:00 to 2:00.

Visit www.svdpfl.com to sign up for online giving!

Consider coming to weekday Mass at 8:30 to receive Holy Communion or spend some quiet time in prayer. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament is at 12:00, the church is open for private prayer from 8 am to 8 pm.

Finance Corner

WORD OF APPRECIATION

This past week we paid bills including: Offertory Envelopes \$342.27, Insurance and Benefits \$4,975.77, Catholic School Support \$1083, Payroll and Taxes \$17,181.01, Utilities \$334.49, Faith Formation Books and Supplies \$380.63 & Needy \$2,5356,70.

Thank you for your support to the diocese by giving to the Annual Pastoral Appeal. Our goal is \$89,275 this year and we have pledges of \$69,607. Of the pledges, \$60,461.16 have been paid. We have 611 families of which 231 have made pledges, with the average pledge being \$289.07. You enable us to continue the ministry of the parish. The offertory this week was a bit high than last years. We thank all those who cannot make it to church as yet but still send your contributions to help us to meet our expenses. Thank you and God Bless you!

THE JOURNEY .

A WAY TO DEEPEN YOUR EXPERIENCE OF JESUS

Preparations are underway to form groups in our parish to provide everyone an opportunity to sign up for *The Journey*, a six-week process of sharing, prayer, and reflection that can help everyone—active parishioner or not—grow in faith.

The Journey brings us into contact with those who knew and encountered Jesus; through videos and sharing, their experience becomes real in our day, in our personal lives, in our relationships with God and others. There is still time this week to call the parish office and get more information to join others for a personal experience of Jesus. **Sign up and see what it is all about!**



Today the parish celebrates the joy of the Holy Spirit in the Sacrament of Confirmation. We pray with Josef Cordero, Derek Dang, Maya Muzyka, Nhan Nguyen, Anthony Ryan Phi Nguyen Mia Stansell, Christopher Soltys,

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And you shall renew the face of the earth. O God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy your consolations. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



Join us in Praying the Election Novena for Our Nation

Bearing in mind our nation's challenges and the need for wise, moral, civic leadership, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) is inviting all to pray a virtual Election Novena. For nine consecutive days, Monday, October 26th through Tuesday, November 3rd, participants will be encouraged to pray one Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory Be for the day's intention. A closing prayer for elected leaders will be offered on day 10, Wednesday, November 4th.

May all people understand the moral and ethical dimensions of political decisions and decide accordingly.



Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

ON FRATERNITY AND SOCIAL FRIENDSHIP

Pope Francis' Letter—*Fratelli Tutti*.

The world is suffering and longing to discover what can be done to bring about a new and better world.



The Holy Father's new encyclical letter on human fraternity is an important contribution to the Church's rich tradition of social doctrine.

"Pope Francis' teaching here is profound and beautiful: God our Father has created every human

being with equal sanctity and dignity, equal rights and duties, and our Creator calls us to form a single human family in which we live as brothers and sisters. "God's plan for humanity, the Pope reminds us, has implications for every aspect of our lives — from how we treat one another in our personal relationships, to how we organize and operate our societies and economies.

"In analyzing conditions in the world today, the Holy Father provides us with a powerful and urgent vision for the moral renewal of politics and political and economic institutions from the local level to the global level, calling us to build a common future that truly serves the good of the human person.

"For the Church, the Pope is challenging us to overcome the individualism in our culture and to serve our neighbors in love, seeing Jesus Christ in every person, and seeking a society of justice and mercy, compassion and mutual concern.

"Catholics and all people of good will can discover in reflecting on our Holy Father's words and enter into a new commitment to seek the unity of the human family."

BRINGING YOU *Hope*

Bishop Gregory Parkes brings hope and clarity to the issues of our time through media while highlighting the beauty of our Catholic faith.

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Follow @BishopParkes on social media.

COVENANT OF ST. PETER
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Living the Gospel

Live the Gospel of *Life* | RESPECT LIFE MONTH

Election Season Reminder

During this very active election season, please pray for our nation, candidates and electorate. Help promote peaceful civility in these times of unrest. The Church is prohibited from promoting or endorsing any candidate or political party and parishioners are asked to avoid active campaigning while on church property. Our country was founded on principles of freedom, and while we may have differences of opinion, we should respect everyone's right to free speech and recognize the dignity of each person made in the image and likeness of God. As a Church, we will do our best to inform consciences on issues important to society and the common good, and then hope and pray that people will make informed decisions accordingly.

For guidance on how to become better informed, please go to the 2020 Candidate Questionnaire Project, from the Florida Conference of Catholic Bishops: www.flaccb.org. The guide includes responses of candidates to a recent questionnaire.

Remember: An informed voter is a responsible voter!

Sunday—25th

Confirmation at 10am Mass
Faith Formation Class 11 am
Fall Festival & Youth Group
at 12:30 pm

Monday—26th

Arts and Crafts 10 am
Share the Word 10 am
Ladies Aux Card Party 11 am
Divine Mercy Prayer 1 pm
Divine Will 3 pm
K of C General Meeting 7 pm

Tuesday - 27th

Wednesday—28th

Associate Cenacle 2 pm
Fellowship following 3 pm
Sacramental Prep 7 pm



Our Lady's Guild will meet on **Tuesday, November 10** from 11:30 to 2:00. Come join us! The Guild invites all Christian women and men who are looking for fellowship and to participate in a variety of activities to help raise funds for our parish family sharing the mission of the

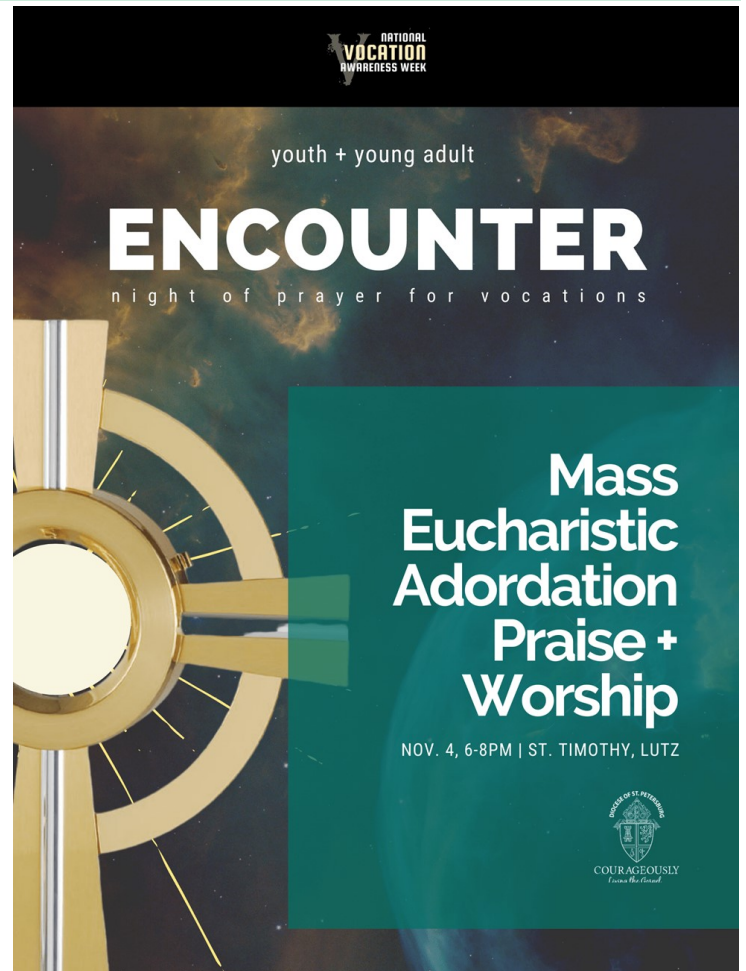
church. The cost to join is only \$5.

We are planning a **Thanksgiving Basket Raffle** in November. Raffle tickets will soon go on sale. To help us with this raffle, please donate Thanksgiving themed items in the Our Lady's Guild donation bin located in the Social Hall in back of the church. It can be napkins, candles, cans of cranberries, bags of stuffing or anything related to Thanksgiving. If enough items are donated there will be two baskets for our raffle! Thank you to those who have already donated to this cause. Stay posted for further announcements in Flocknote and the weekly bulletins.

Mark your calendars for **Our Lady's Guild Christmas "Kick off" luncheon** to be held on Tuesday, December 1 from 11:00 to 2:00. The event will be held in Father Farrell Hall. ALL are welcome! Our own Chef Mark will prepare the food (menu to be decided) and the entertainment will be by the Just Us Duo. In addition, there will be door prizes, raffles and a 50/50 drawing. Join us for fun, prizes and some great music! Reservations will be available soon!

Arts and Crafts group will now meet on **Mondays from 10:00-12:00** in the Media Room of the Education Building. Join us as we make Christmas Crafts to sell at the Arts and Crafts Sale on December 6 and 7 and at the St. Nick Shop on December 13.

Rosary Makers meets the first Wednesday of every month in the Education Building from 1:00 to 2:30. The next meeting is on Wednesday, November 4. It is easy and fun and the rosaries are sent around the world to spread the love of our Blessed Mother Mary and Jesus. Over 7,000 rosaries have been made.



REFLECTION

Take time to have a conversation with God

and some of your friends. Families will grow closer when talking with one another on these topics.

What does it mean to live out the Gospel of Life?

Why is life most vulnerable at its beginning and end?

What particularly threatens the unborn and the elderly?

What does Christ's sacrifice on the Cross reveal about the dignity of the human person?

What does Christ's Incarnation as an infant in Mary's womb reveal to us about the dignity of children who are still in their mothers' wombs?

What are some ways you can personally live out the Gospel of life? Take time to pray about these questions.

Live the Gospel of *Life*
RESPECT LIFE MONTH
October 2020

Thursday—29th

Liturgy of the Hours 9:40 am
SVdP Society Food Pantry 1 pm
Contemplative Prayer 4 pm
Confession 3 pm and 7 pm

Friday—30th

K of C Coffee Social 8 am
Friday Dinners 4:30—6:30 pm

Saturday - 31st

Chaplet of Divine Mercy 3 pm

Sunday—Nov 1st

Faith Formation Class 11 am
All Saints Parade 11:45 am

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time



The Knights of Columbus

Friday night dinners will return to Father Farrell. Hall on October 23. from 4:30 to 6:30. The Knights will have their monthly

General Meeting on Monday November 16, at 7:00pm. All the Knights are welcome and encouraged to come. Face masks will be worn and social distancing held.

The Ladies Auxiliary will have their monthly card party on Monday, October 26, from 11 to 3pm in Father Farrell Hall. There will be a hot lunch served at noon for your enjoyment. The cost for the card party is \$7.00. There will be social distancing and face mask worn for your safety. The next monthly meeting is on Monday, November 16th, at 7:00pm, in Father Farrell Hall. Ladies if you would like to come and see what we do and how we go about doing things with the Knights, you are more than welcome to come and join us. Face masks will be worn and social distancing will be in effect.



Family Faith Formation *Matthew 22:15-21*



Can you imagine the headline? "God Wins Election! Nations Erupt In Celebration!" Not likely in our lifetime, though Jesus' words about God and Caesar continue to nag at our hearts.

Who really is in charge around here, and what does it matter? Most of the time our world seems quite content to get along without a sense of God's majesty and divinity competing with the powers of our age. A sixty-something-year-old woman once told me she liked church, but she didn't really care much for God; always so dark and foreboding, always overwhelming, and overpowering. Always too big to be kept in his place.

Wouldn't it be better, sometimes, if God were less big and grand? If, perhaps, God would be there to create all things, and then again maybe to get us out of trouble when we really need it? If God would win a local election in some small church community, but wouldn't get involved in the global political scene? If God would stay in the church and Caesar could get on with business in the marketplace and governing halls?

Without the justice of God, without the norms of divine structures for creation, without the righteousness that establishes right and wrong in our consciences and in our hearts, life on Earth would become a battleground of powers without mercy and wills without restraint. Caesar never rules autonomously. When people make that assumption it is neither Caesar nor we who win the day.



Please remember in your prayers those who are homebound, in nursing homes, hospitals, or with failing health. Notify the parish office if they would like a visit from our priests for anointing or to receive Holy Communion while unable to attend Mass.

Youth Ministry News! *Youth Activity Gathering*



Our primary concern for our families is to have a safe and enjoyable place for our youth gather. We observe the requirement of social distancing, refraining from touching and wearing a face covering. There are still many ways to have fun and enjoy friendships.

Sunday, November 8th at 12:30—2:30
Pray Together Play Together



JOIN our S.V.de P. Society Wish List This Week: As the food pantry remains open during this time we need: stew, chili and peanut butter.

In this Sunday's Gospel we find the truth that loving God isn't merely a matter of fervor in our hearts, but that it must be expressed in doing good for the sake of others.

This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to show that we indeed love our neighbors by assisting 430 families, providing 11,023#s in food, \$1,781.50 for utility and rent bills, etc. Thank You!

With a growing number at our door we are in need of both cash donations and food. Cash donations can be put in an envelope marked SVDP Society and placed in the offertory basket or dropped off at the office.

Thank you for your support, the SVdP Society is made possible by your participation in serving this ministry.

Protecting Our Families Against Pornography- *Winning the Battle* is a free, one-hour, live webinar designed to help pastors, youth ministers, and parents find victory over pornography for teens and young adults. It is scheduled for **Tuesday, November 10, from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m.**


Helping families protect themselves from the evils of pornography is one of our diocesan missions, which is why we conduct *Safe Haven Sunday* each year.

The Religious Alliance Against Pornography, is offering this Webinar as a means to provide solutions to overcoming



the threat posed by pornography to families and marriages. Share the information about this webinar with other parents & parishioners, so that they can also participate. **To register, visit www.dosp.org/freedom-from-porn.**

STARTING MONDAY,
OCTOBER 26, 2020



novena
n. a nine-day period
of prayer to make
special petitions

**ELECTION NOVENA
FOR OUR NATION** organized by the USCCB

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[SAVE Moms and Babies Act \(H.R. 4399 / S. 3072\)](#)

A rising threat to the lives of unborn babies is the chemical abortion pill. The number of chemical abortions in the US has gone up dramatically, while the overall number of abortions has decreased. COVID-19 is expected to only make the problem worse, with more women (and teen girls) seeking chemical abortions at home—even illegally, by mail and without a doctor's prescription. This is especially scary because chemical abortion can be more painful, traumatic, and risky for women than surgical abortion. But there is hope: **a new bill has been introduced that could help protect mothers and babies from chemical abortion. TAKE ACTION NOW TO help protect moms and babies from chemical abortion.**