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### **Mass Schedule**

Saturday: 5:30pm  
Sunday: 10:00am, 12:30pm (Spanish)

### **Weekday Masses**

Mon., Thu., Fri. 8:00am  
Wed. 6:30pm  
First Saturday 8:30am

### **Reconciliation**

By appointment or  
Saturday 4:45pm - 5:15pm  
Sunday 9:15am - 9:45am  
Wednesday 5:15pm - 6:15pm  
First Saturday 9:15am (following Mass)

### **Eucharistic Adoration**

Mon., Thu., Fri. 1 hour following Mass  
Wed. 5:15pm - 6:15pm  
Extended adoration: First Friday—Saturday  
9:00am—8:00am

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**NOVEMBER 13, 2022 - THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



*You will even be handed over by parents, brothers, relatives, and friends, and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name, but not a hair on your head will be destroyed. By your perseverance you will secure your lives. (Lk 21:16-19)E*

### **Sacraments**

#### **Sacrament of Baptism**

Before scheduling an Infant Baptism, both parents are required to attend the Baptismal Preparation Class. Please contact the office to make arrangements.

#### **Sacrament of Matrimony**

Couples are required to contact Fr. Thomas Zahuta at least 9 months before they wish to marry, to arrange for instructions and spiritual preparation for the Sacrament.

#### **Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, Last Rites, or Viaticum**

Contact: Fr. Thomas Zahuta at ext.105  
In case of Sacramental Emergency /  
Danger of Death, After hours call  
678-523-8281

#### **Communion for the Sick**

Please advise the Parish Office of anyone admitted to the hospital or who is homebound and in need of the Ministry to the Infirm.



**Mass Intentions for the Week**  
**November 12 - 20 , 2022**

<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>November 12, 2022</b>
5:30 PM	Tom and Barbara McDevitt †
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>November 13, 2022</b>
10:00 AM	John Gwizdak †
12:30 PM	For the People of the Paris
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>November 14, 2022</b>
8:00 AM	Tom and Barbara McDevitt †
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>November 16, 2022</b>
6:30 PM	Victorio Barrios †
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>November 17, 2022</b>
8:00 AM	
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>November 18, 2022</b>
8:00 AM	
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>November 19, 2022</b>
5:30 PM	
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>November 20, 2022</b>
10:00 AM	Harry and Beatrice Shaw
12:30 PM	For the People of the Parish

**Mass Readings for the Week of November 13, 2022**

**Sunday:** Mal 3:19-20a Ps 98:5-9 2 Thes 3:7-12 Lk 21:5-19  
**Monday:** Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5 Ps 1:1-4, 6 Lk 18:35-43  
**Tuesday:** Rv 3:1-6, 14-22 Ps 15:2-4b, 5 Lk 19:1-10  
**Wednesday:** Rv 4:1-11 Ps 150:1b-6 Lk 19:11-28  
**Thursday:** Rv 5:1-10 Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b Lk 19:41-44 see 678: 1 Jn 3:14-18 Lk 6:27-38  
**Friday:** Rv 10:8-11 Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131 Lk 19:45-48  
**Saturday:** Rv 11:4-12 Ps 144:1-2, 9-10 Lk 20:27-40



*Prayer List ~ Lista de Oración*

**Pray for Vocations to the Priesthood**



**CCW Christmas Bake Sale**

**The Council of Catholic Women will be holding a Bake Sale the weekend of December 17th and 18th**

Anyone wishing to donate items for the bake sale please contact Lisa Minick. 770-584-1515 or lisajm8212@gmail.com



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**The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ,  
King of the Universe Nov. 20, 2022**

**Reading 1 — 2 Sm 5:1-3**

In those days, all the tribes of Israel came to David in Hebron and said: "Here we are, your bone and your flesh. In days past, when Saul was our king, it was you who led the Israelites out and brought them back. And the LORD said to you, 'You shall shepherd my people Israel and shall be commander of Israel.'" When all the elders of Israel came to David in Hebron, King David made an agreement with them there before the LORD, and they anointed him king of Israel.

**Responsorial Psalm — Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5**

R. (cf. 1) Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

**Reading 2 — Col 1:12-20**

Brothers and sisters: Let us give thanks to the Father, who has made you fit to share in the inheritance of the holy ones in light. He delivered us from the power of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For in him were created all things in heaven and on earth, the visible and the invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers; all things were created through him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in all things he himself might be preeminent. For in him all the fullness was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile all things for him, making peace by the blood of his cross through him, whether those on earth or those in heaven.

**Alleluia — Mk 11:9, 10**

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is to come!

**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

**Gospel — Lk 23:35-43**

The rulers sneered at Jesus and said, "He saved others, let him save himself if he is the chosen one, the Christ of God." Even the soldiers jeered at him. As they approached to offer him wine they called out, "If you are King of the Jews, save yourself." Above him there was an inscription that read, "This is the King of the Jews."

Now one of the criminals hanging there reviled Jesus, saying, "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us." The other, however, rebuking him, said in reply, "Have you no fear of God, for you are subject to the same condemnation? And indeed, we have been condemned justly, for the sentence we received corresponds to our crimes, but this man has done nothing criminal." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied to him, "Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

*Thank You!!*

**Thank you for your generosity to the Parish Charity Outreach this year. To date we have collected \$378**



### TREATING CHILDREN AS COMMODITIES

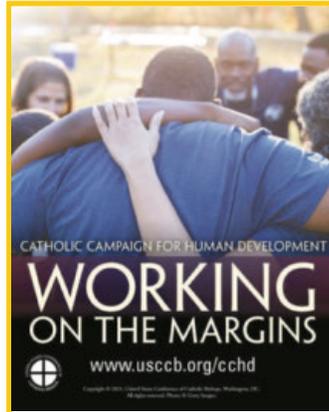
A same-sex couple in New York are now suing because their government insurance policy will not pay for infertility treatments available to other city employees. Because two males are incapable of naturally procreating, they want the city to pay \$200,000 to buy a woman's egg, fertilize that egg into an embryo, and rent a woman's womb to carry the baby to term.

While the men demand "a child that's biologically connected" to them, their baby would be related to only one of them and would likely suffer "mother hunger," the longing "to be loved by a mother even if they have two loving dads," says child welfare expert Katy Faust. Faust notes a close tie between abortion and reproductive technology: "Abortion says 'If a child is unwanted, we can violate their right to life and force

them out of existence.' And third-party reproduction says, 'If a child is very wanted, we can force them into existence even if it violates their right to be known and loved by their mother and father.'"

Not only that but treating children as commodities has resulted in widespread destruction of new lives. Only 7% of babies conceived in fertility labs are born alive, while millions of embryos are discarded like trash or "selectively reduced" through abortion after implantation. As our Catholic bishops remind us, "children are not parents' possessions to manufacture, manipulate, or design; rather, they are fellow persons with full human dignity" who "have the right to be conceived within the context of an act of marital love, not created in a laboratory by scientists."

Each embryo is considered a human person (cf. CCC no.2274).



Next week our special collection will support the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. More than 37 million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection

supports programs that empower people to identify and address the obstacle they face in bringing permanent and positive change to their communities. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at [www.usccb.org/cchd](http://www.usccb.org/cchd).

### INCOME FY 2022-2023

Weekly offertory	<i>week ending Oct. 30th</i>	\$4,700
Weekly budget		\$3,304
over/(under)		\$1,396



### CHRISTMAS CARD SALE

"Religious Christmas cards are on display in the Narthex and can be purchased after Mass from the Knights of Columbus. Any monies raised from this sale helps defray the cost of Christmas cards given to over 400 residents in surrounding nursing homes. Help "Keep Christ in Christmas" by sending religious cards."



### CCC / PART FOUR CHRISTIAN PRAYER - SECTION ONE PRAYER IN THE CHRISTIAN LIFE

2558 "Great is the mystery of the faith!" The Church professes this mystery in the Apostles' Creed (Part One) and celebrates it in the sacramental liturgy (Part Two). so that the life of the faithful may be conformed to Christ in the Holy Spirit to the glory of God the Father (Part Three). This mystery, then, requires that the faithful believe in it, that they celebrate it, and that they live from it in a vital and personal relationship with the living and true God. This relationship is prayer.

#### WHAT IS PRAYER?

For me, prayer is a surge of the heart; it is a simple look turned toward heaven, it is a cry of recognition and of love, embracing both trial and joy.<sup>1</sup>

#### Prayer as God's gift

2559 "Prayer is the raising of one's mind and heart to God or the requesting of good things from God."<sup>2</sup> But when we pray, do we speak from the height of our pride and will, or "out of the depths" of a humble and contrite heart?<sup>3</sup> He who humbles himself will be exalted;<sup>4</sup> humility is the foundation of prayer. Only when we humbly acknowledge that "we do not know how to pray as we ought,"<sup>5</sup> are we ready to receive freely the gift of prayer. "Man is a beggar before God."<sup>6</sup> (2613, 2763)

2560 "If you knew the gift of God!"<sup>7</sup> The wonder of prayer is revealed beside the well where we come seeking water: there, Christ comes to meet every human being. It is he who first seeks us and asks us for a drink. Jesus thirsts; his asking arises from the depths of God's desire for us. Whether we realize it or not, prayer is the encounter of God's thirst with ours. God thirsts that we may thirst for him.<sup>8</sup>

2561 "You would have asked him, and he would have given you living water."<sup>9</sup> Paradoxically our prayer of petition is a response to the plea of the living God: "They have forsaken me, the fountain of living waters, and hewn out cisterns for themselves, broken cisterns that can hold no water!"<sup>10</sup> Prayer is the response of faith to the free promise of salvation and also a response of love to the thirst of the only Son of God.<sup>11</sup>

#### Prayer as covenant

2562 Where does prayer come from? Whether prayer is expressed in words or gestures, it is the whole man who prays. But in naming the source of prayer, Scripture speaks sometimes of the soul or the spirit, but most often of the heart (more than a thousand times). According to Scripture, it is the heart that prays. If our heart is far from God, the words of prayer are in vain.

2563 The heart is the dwelling-place where I am, where I live; according to the Semitic or Biblical expression, the heart is the place "to which I withdraw." The heart is our hidden center, beyond the grasp of our reason and of others; only the Spirit of God can fathom the human heart and know it fully. The heart is the place of decision, deeper than our psychic drives. It is the place of truth, where we choose life or death. It is the place of encounter, because as image of God we live in relation: it is the place of covenant. (2699, 1696)

2564 Christian prayer is a covenant relationship between God and man in Christ. It is the action of God and of man, springing forth from both the Holy Spirit and ourselves, wholly directed to the Father, in union with the human will of the Son of God made man.

Footnote: 1 St. Thérèse of Lisieux, Manuscrits autobiographiques, C 25r. 2 St. John Damascene, De fide orth. 3, 24: PG 94, 1089C. 3 Ps 130:1. 4 Cf. Lk 18:9-14. 5 Rom 8:26. 6 St. Augustine, Sermo 56, 6, 9: PL 38, 381. 7 Jn 4:10. 8 Cf. St. Augustine, De diversis quaestionibus octoginta tribus 64, 4: PL 40, 56. 9 Jn 4:10. 10 Jer 2:13. 11 Cf. Jn 7:37-39; 19:28; Isa 12:3; 51:1; Zech 12:10; 13:1.

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