

October 30, 2022
Thirty-first Sunday
in Ordinary Time

The Italian Catholic Community at
St. John the Baptist Church



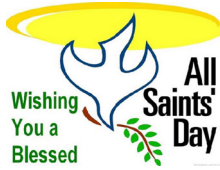
Lord

THIS IS THE PEOPLE THAT LONGS TO SEE YOUR FACE.
PSALM 24

Solemnity of All Saints
November 1

Solemnity of All Souls
November 2

**Welcome Fr. Andrew Kozminski, SAC to
St. John the Baptist Catholic Church!**



Dear friends in Christ,

In the month of **November**, just from its first **two** days, the **Church** asks us to look up to **Heaven**. **All Saints' Day** is a solemn Holy Day of the **Catholic Church** celebrated annually on **November 1**. The day is dedicated to the saints of the **Church**, that is, all those who have attained heaven.

It should not be confused with **All Souls' Day**, which is observed on **November 2**, and is dedicated to those who have died and not yet reached heaven.

Although millions, of people may already be saints, **All Saints' Day** observances tend to focus on known saints --that is those recognized in the canon of the saints by the **Catholic Church**.

All Saints' Day is a **Catholic Holy Day of Obligation**, meaning all **Catholics** are required to attend **Mass** on that day, unless they have an excellent excuse, such as serious illness.

All Saints' Day was formally started by **Pope Boniface IV**, who consecrated the **Pantheon** at **Rome** to the **Virgin Mary** and all the **Martyrs** on **May 13** in **609 AD**. **Boniface IV** also established **All Souls' Day**, which follows **All Saints**.

The Holy Day was eventually established on **November 1** by **Pope Gregory III** in the mid-eighth century as a day dedicated to the saints and their relics. The **May 13** celebration was subsequently abandoned.

I would like to invite you to celebrate this special **Holy Day** at **St. John the Baptist** on the first of **November** at **12:00 p.m.**, and at **Sacred Heart** at **10:00 a.m.** and at **6:00 p.m.**

Our ties with deceased relatives and friends do not end with their death. In **November**, the **Church** invites us to pray more insistently and offer suffrages for the souls in **Purgatory**. **Saint Catherine of Genoa** writes: *"No one is barred from heaven. Whoever wants to enter heaven may do so because God is all-merciful. Our Lord will welcome us into glory with arms wide open. The Almighty is so pure, however, that if a person is conscious of the least trace of imperfection and at the same time understands that Purgatory is ordained to do away with such impediments, the soul enters this place of purification glad to accept so great a mercy of God. The worst suffering of these souls is to have sinned against Goodness and not to have been purified in this life."* (Treatise on Purgatory).

On the **second of November**, I would like to invite all of you to celebrate **All Souls Day** at **St. John the Baptist** at **12:00 p.m.** and at **Sacred Heart** at **6:00 p.m.**

Come as one family to join our hearts in prayer with those who are already walking on the spiritual side of the journey – **Merciful God** marked for all of us.

Yours in Christ – Fr. Andrew

The Mass is available on **St. John's Facebook** page or **YouTube** channel, **Saint John the Baptist, Cbus**. Go to our **website: www.sjbitaliana.com** under **Livestream Mass**.

**Confessions heard before Mass
Sundays at 9:00 a.m.**

PARISH INFORMATION

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(before Sunday Mass or by appointment)

Sacrament of Baptism and Baptism preparation
(by appointment)

Sacrament of Matrimony *(you must be registered at Saint John at least 6 months prior to scheduling your wedding by Deacon or Priest)*

Sacrament of Confirmation and Rites of Christian Initiation for Adults

(please make an appointment with Parish Administrator)

Saint John Italian Festival

(please visit our website for more information)

Sala Hall and Marrapese Hall

(scheduled with approval of Parish Administrator)

Bulletin Deadline: Announcements must be submitted in writing by **Tuesday at Noon**.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Sunday	October 30, 2022, 9:30 a.m. Sunday
Lector 1 & 2:	Ed Pagnanelli, Nick Sciarretti
Euch. Min 1 & 2.:	Margaret Panico-Harn, Sharon D'Alberto
Sunday	November 06, 2022, 9:30 a.m. Sunday
Lector 1 & 2:	Nick D'Alberto, Antonio D'Alberto
Euch. Min 1 & 2.:	Sharon D'Alberto, Andrea Myers

MASSES AT ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

Sunday 10/30	9:30 a.m.	John Cua by Michael Cua
Tuesday 11/1	12:00 p.m.	Living & Deceased Members of St. John the Baptist
Wednesday 11/2	12:00 p.m.	Living & Deceased Members of St. John the Baptist
Sunday 11/6	9:30 a.m.	Gerardo Cugini, Cesidio & Gaetana Capoccia by Cugini & Capoccia Families
Monday 11/7	9:00 a.m.	Bonnie Agriesti by Stella Renzetti O'Donnell
Tuesday 11/8	9:00 a.m.	Nestor & Rose Susi by Michael & Kerree Susi

Mass Schedule for All Saints' and All Souls' Day

November 1	Sacred Heart	10:00 a.m.
November 1	Sacred Heart	6:00 p.m.
November 2	Sacred Heart	6:00 p.m.
November 1 and November 2	St. John the Baptist	12:00 p.m.

NEIGHBORHOOD PARISH REGULAR
MASS SCHEDULE

Catholic Churches	Saturday	Sunday
St. Patrick	7:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.	7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12:00 p.m.
Sacred Heart Church	4:00 p.m.	11:00 a.m.
St. Joseph Cathedral	5:15 p.m.	8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 5:15 p.m.
St. Mary Mother of God GV	4:00 p.m.	9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.
St. Francis of Assisi	No Mass	9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

AROUND US

Liturgical Calendar: With the exception of the last three days, the entire month of **November** falls during the liturgical season of **Ordinary Time**, which is represented by the color green. The last **Sunday**, which marks the beginning of **Advent**, the liturgical color changes to purple, representing a time of penance.

The Holy Father's Intentions for the Month of November 2022: *We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection.*

November 1: Solemnity of All Saints: This is a **Holy Day of Obligation** celebrating all the saints: canonized or beatified, and the multitude of those who are in heaven enjoying the beatific vision that are only known to **God**.

St. Charles Open House for Prospective Students on November 6: You are invited to see our campus and learn about the school during the **St. Charles Open House** program taking place on **Sunday, November 6** at **1:00 p.m.** Included is a presentation by **Principal Jim Lower**, a **Q & A** session with current parents and faculty members, tours of campus, and opportunities to learn about and speak to members of our many teams, clubs, and organizations. Register for the open house today at <https://www.stcharlesprep.org/open-house-2022/>.

Month of Holy Souls: The month of **November** is dedicated to the **Holy Souls in Purgatory**. The **Church** commemorates all her faithful children who have departed from this life but have not yet attained the joys of heaven. **St. Paul** warns us that we must not be ignorant concerning the dead, nor sorrowful, **"even as others who have no hope ... For the Lord Himself shall come down from heaven ... and the dead who are in Christ shall rise."** The **Church** has always taught us to pray for those who have gone into eternity. Throughout **November**, a book will be available for **Sacred Heart Parishioners** to list the names of deceased loved ones. These names will be prayed for during this month.

Marian Dinner: Wednesday, November 9 at 6:00 p.m. at the Nugent Hall at Saint Andrew Parish. This is an event for young ladies to promote religious vocations, and they will have the opportunity to meet religious sisters who are working in the **Diocese**. Please RSVP before **Friday, November 4, 2022**, to **Yvette Reategui** by phone, **614-224-2251**, or email, yreategui@columbuscatholic.org.

11th Annual Sacred Heart Congress: St. Paul the Apostle is hosting the **11th Annual Sacred Heart Congress Saturday, November 5, 2022**, from **8:30 a.m. to Noon**. Doors open at **7:30 a.m.**, with the **Rosary** at **8:00 a.m.** The purpose of the **Congress** is to gather in unity and prayer to grow closer to the loving and perfect **Heart of Jesus**. Register and learn more at www.Welcomehisheart.com. **\$15.00/individual** and **\$25.00/family** and scholarships are available and free to stream online.

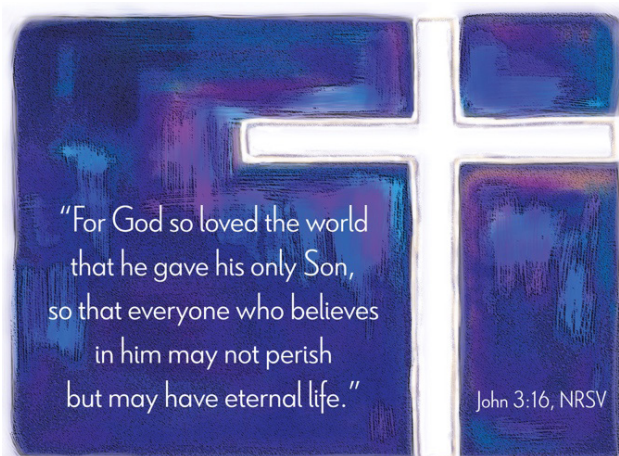
Diocesan Holy Hour for Vocations led by Bishop Fernandes: Sunday, November 6 (the beginning of **National Vocations Awareness Week**)

St. Joseph Cathedral
4:00-5:00 p.m.

Join **Bishop Fernandes** and **Catholics** from around the **Diocese** as we pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

Josephinum Come and See: Please encourage young men (high school juniors and seniors and college-age) in your parish to consider attending, the **Come and See Weekend** at the **Josephinum, November 10-13**. Your parish office will be receiving a bulletin announcement for the same from the **Vocations Office**. If you have a young man interested in attending, please email the **Vocations Office** at vocations@columbuscatholic.org or call **614-221-5565**, and we will help get him registered.

Today's Gospel: The **Gospel** is from **St. Luke 19:1-10. Zacchaeus'** interest in seeing what **Jesus** was like was caused by something more than idle curiosity. Unknown to him, the grace of **God** was working within him. He thought that he just wanted to see what **Jesus** was like. **Jesus** knew already what **Zacchaeus** was like and intended to see him and save him from his downward rush after earthly wealth. This is exactly what happened. **Jesus** entered the home and heart of **Zacchaeus** that day, and not only the home and heart of **Zacchaeus**, but of his whole household. From that day, **Jesus** had devoted followers in **Jericho, and Christianity** had a strong foothold in that ancient city. The story of the conversion of **Zacchaeus** is put before us today, not as a matter of historical interest, but as a matter of vital spiritual interest. We are all sinners to a greater or lesser degree. **Jesus** is approaching each one of us today by means of this very lesson which we have read. Let each one of us try to see what **Jesus** is like. **He** is a loving brother who died that we might live, a fellow man who suffered tortures that we might have eternal joy. **He** was also the **Son of God**, the **God** of infinite love. At the same time, let **Jesus** see us as we really are. Let us expose and confess to Him all our earthly weaknesses and injustices against **God** and neighbor. **He** will find a remedy for us. **He** will put us back once more on the straight road to heaven. Today, salvation will come to us and to our house. We will become again true sons of **Abraham**, true heirs to heaven.



Sunday, Oct 30, 2022**Small is beautiful**

"I am only one person," we hear people say. "I'm nobody special. I don't have any power over what happens." We can all summon up plenty of reasons why our contribution to creating a more just global society is withheld. Mother Teresa of Calcutta had a different perspective. "There are no great things, only small things with great love," she said. "Happy are those." A little man named Zacchaeus once climbed a tree to catch a glimpse of Jesus. Take the small step of lifting your vision just a little higher today and you may encounter love.

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

TODAY'S READINGS: Wisdom 11:22—12:2; 2 Thessalonians 1:11—2:2; Luke 19:1-10 (153). "*Zacchaeus, come down quickly, for today I must stay at your house.*"

Monday, Oct 31, 2022**Hallowed be the Eve**

Given its association with witches, goblins, and the like, it might seem strange that Halloween is actually a Catholic holiday. Halloween, or Hallowe'en, is an abbreviation for "All Hallows Eve," a celebration the night before All Saints' and All Souls' Days (November 1 and 2). Just like on the night before Christmas or before Ash Wednesday, people make merry on October 31—with costumes and parties for kids and adults alike—before the more solemn days to come. Take a cue this week from Mexican culture's festive *Día de los Muertos* (Day of the Dead) to pay respects with a joyful heart to those who have gone before us.

TODAY'S READINGS: Philippians 2:1-4; Luke 14:12-14 (485). "*When you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you.*"

Tuesday, Nov 01, 2022**It's the company you keep**

"It is the example of the righteous that we must make our own," instructed Pope Clement of Rome. "Seek the company of the saints, for those who seek their company shall be sanctified." Catholics believe in the communion of saints: all who have attained a place at the heavenly banquet—and from whom we seek inspiration, example, and intercession. They include Saint Francis as well as someone's Uncle Frank, Saint Gertrude the Great along with a great many grandmas. Images of both famous and ordinary saints informed the work of artist John Nava for the stunning Communion of Saints tapestries at the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels in Los Angeles; let them grace your prayer today.

SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS

TODAY'S READINGS: Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14; 1 John 3:1-3; Matthew 5:1-12a (667). "*Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven.*"

Wednesday, Nov 02, 2022**Dressing for the dearly departed**

All Souls' Day is celebrated in many different ways, depending on one's culture. Some celebrate the season by dressing up. Others honor *Día de los Muertos* by having feasts at cemeteries, where stories are told and gifts are offered to the ancestors. Some spend

the day with doors and windows wide open as a symbol of welcoming the dearly departed. In all different ways, life is celebrated, the life we shared with loved ones who have died, and the life we continue to share with them and one another in new ways. What will be your All Souls' Day custom today?

COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED (ALL SOULS' DAY)

TODAY'S READINGS: Wisdom 3:1-9; Romans 5:5-11 or Romans 6:3-9; John 6:37-40 (668). "*The souls of the just are in the hand of God.*"

Thursday, Nov 03, 2022**The struggle for racial justice continues**

In 1947, the Catholic Interracial Council of Los Angeles sued the state of California to challenge the law that prohibited interracial marriages. At the time laws in 30 states made interracial marriages illegal. The challenge cited Catholic teaching to argue that racism is inherently evil and irrational. The lawsuit succeeded, a step along the long road to racial justice. Peruvian Saint Martin de Porres, born out of wedlock in 1579 to a Spanish nobleman and a formerly enslaved African woman, is patron of mixed-race people and all those seeking racial harmony. Ask Saint Martin to help us keep up the fight for racial justice.

MEMORIAL OF MARTIN DE PORRES, DOMINICAN BROTHER

TODAY'S READINGS: Philippians 3:3-8a; Luke 15:1-10 (488). "*He, the LORD, is our God; throughout the earth his judgments prevail.*"

Friday, Nov 04, 2022**An inspiration in trying times**

Many lessons can be drawn from our experience these difficult years of the epidemic. Foremost among them is that we have to be there for each other. During the 1576-78 Plague of Milan, when many city officials fled the scene, Archbishop Borromeo stayed the course, not only organizing a wide-ranging clerical response to the temporal and spiritual needs of the people, but even selling his own possessions and borrowing funds to care for the many hungry, homeless, and dying souls. Dismissing concerns over infection, he made visitations across the diocese and personally ministered to the sick. What can we do today to honor his memory and serve those in need?

MEMORIAL OF CHARLES BORROMEIO, BISHOP

TODAY'S READINGS: Philippians 3:17—4:1; Luke 16:1-8 (489). "*Prepare a full account of your stewardship.*"

Saturday, Nov 05, 2022**Loosen that grip**

Imagine going through an entire day having left your wallet or purse at home, carrying no money of any kind (cash, credit card, or otherwise). Now imagine going through your entire life that way! More than likely, that's how Jesus lived. He had a lot to say about money, especially our relationship to it, but we never read of Jesus carrying any himself. When he's challenged about paying taxes, he asks to be shown a coin in order to respond, so he likely wasn't carrying any of his own. While Jesus did not command us to live without money, he cautioned us to use it ethically and to be careful how tightly we hold it in our hands—and our hearts.

TODAY'S READINGS: Philippians 4:10-19; Luke 16:9-15 (490). "*If, therefore, you are not trustworthy with dishonest wealth, who will trust you with true wealth?*"

Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow—a day at a time



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