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Lord God, all powerful and ever-loving, we ask You on this Thanksgiving Day to give us grateful hearts. Open our hearts so that we may enjoy the gifts

You have given us and see beauty around us in all Your creation. May we give thanks for the daily gifts of food, family and friends and especially enjoy these gifts with thanksgiving.

May we never take for granted the comfort of our homes, the blessings of our family and the knowledge of Your love. And though we sometimes feel the stress of our duties and cares, thank You for the grace You give us to see them through. When we come to the end of this day and every day thereafter, may our hearts still be grateful and our prayers full of thanksgiving. Amen  
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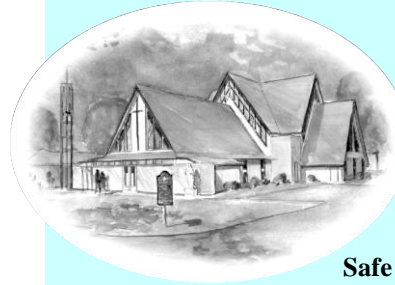
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## Good News!

November 8, 2015

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)

1 Kgs 17:10–16 / Heb 9:24–28 /

Mk 12:38–44 or 12:41–44

When my husband and I were first married, we did not have much money. I took the bus to work, and he ate peanut butter and honey sandwiches nearly every day. Chunky soup with rice was frequently on our dinner menu. Like many young couples, we struggled to make ends meet. One result of that experience was that we became very careful about how we spent money. Could we afford lunch at a restaurant once a month? How would we save for the future or budget for a growing family?

Also of concern was the amount we would donate to our Church. Clearly, large contributions were out of the question, but because income and expenses often varied, we even avoided pledging a set amount per week. Instead, we agreed to give something every week—as much as we thought we could afford. Some weeks it was a dollar; in weeks of plenty or good fortune, we gave a little more. Our children took great pride in putting whatever amount we had in the basket each Sunday.

Our finances are much less stressful these days. Our careers and income have been blessed, and we still support our Church, serve the poor, pay our ministers a living wage, and strive to make our parish a welcoming place for all. But whenever I read this Gospel passage I wonder, "Are we simply giving out of our surplus, or are we pushing ourselves to let go of some of our desires and dreams to help others in our midst?" We all should ask ourselves this question weekly, as my family did years ago.

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**Monday**  
NOVEMBER 9

The Dedication of  
the Lateran Basilica  
Ez 47:1–2, 8–9, 12  
1 Cor 3:9c–11, 16–17  
Jn 2:13–22

**Tuesday**  
NOVEMBER 10

St. Leo the Great,  
Pope and Doctor  
of the Church  
Wis 2:23–3:9  
Lk 17:7–10

**Wednesday**  
NOVEMBER 11

St. Martin of Tours,  
Bishop  
Wis 6:1–11  
Lk 17:11–19

**Thursday**  
NOVEMBER 12

St. Josephat,  
Bishop and Martyr  
Wis 7:22b–8:1  
Lk 17:20–25

**Friday**  
NOVEMBER 13

St. Frances Xavier  
Cabrin, Virgin  
Wis 13:1–9  
Lk 17:26–37

**Saturday**  
NOVEMBER 14

Weekday  
Wis 18:14–16; 19:6–9  
Lk 18:1–8

**Sunday**  
NOVEMBER 15

Thirty-third Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
Dn 12:1–3  
Heb 10:11–14, 18  
Mk 13:24–32

## dear Padre

November 8, 2015

What does *laicized*  
mean?

What does it mean when a priest or permanent deacon is *laicized*? Is that the same as being *excommunicated*?

**Short answer:** They are not the same. Once a man is ordained a priest or permanent deacon, he remains that forever. Nothing and no one can change that. However, through *laicization*, the Vatican can release him from the obligation of exercising his sacramental responsibilities. If he celebrates a sacrament anyway, it is valid, but not legal in the eyes of the Church (licit).

A priest or deacon can be laicized voluntarily or involuntarily. Regardless, he is still a member of the Catholic Church and participates fully in its sacramental life. *Excommunication*, however, is a penalty in which a person—lay, religious, or ordained—is no longer in communion with the Church or part of its hierarchy. He or she can no longer receive the Eucharist, but as a baptized Catholic (and child of God) may still attend Mass, pray for enlightenment, and seek to understand the truth of Catholic teaching. Excommunication is not a judgment made by the Vatican; it is automatic upon rejecting a fundamental doctrine of the Church. One does not "get" excommunicated; one excommunicates oneself. The Church may simply issue a statement stating that the person's actions warranted this penalty if doing so will prevent or heal any existing scandal or benefit the public.

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*November 8, 2015 – Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*



**REGULAR MASS TIMES:**  
 Saturday 6:00 p.m., Sunday 7:30 a.m., Sunday 9:00 a.m.  
**Confessions:** Saturday 4:30 – 5:15 p.m., or by Appointment  
**Daily Masses:** Tue. – Fri. 7:30 a.m.

**Mass Intentions for the Week**

Tues. – Phyllis Farley Koenning(†) John & Rhonda Griffin Sheffel  
 Wed. – Milton & Rosemary Tater (♥) Brenda Miller Family  
 Thurs. – Deckert Family (SI & †) Lena & Fred Henning  
 Fri. – Jeanette Schumann (†) Karen & Buddy Franz  
 Saturday, 6:00 p.m. – David Maraggia (†) KCs  
 Sunday, 7:30 a.m. – James Zak (†) KCs  
 Sunday, 9:00 a.m. – Steven Weaner (†) John & Donna DeBault

**Next Weekend's Ministry Schedule**

**ALTAR SERVERS**

Sat: Lacy & Cale Schulz  
 Sun. 7:30 Kolodziejczyk Brothers  
 Sun: 9:00 Jordan McGinnis, Volunteer

**CANTOR:** Brenda Warzecha

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

Sat: Ken Richter  
 Sun. 7:30: Liz Groth  
 Sun. 9:00: Duane & Dawn Martin, James Baker

**LECTORS**

Sat: Ruth Miori  
 Sun. 7:30: John Zacek  
 Sun: Marilyn Pope

**USHERS**

Sat: R. Hairell, T. Moorman, R. Stuart, Volunteers  
 Sun. 7:30: J. Koch, C. Horelka, D. Zacek  
 Sun. 9:00: G. Ramón, R. Bitterly, Lupe Solis, Volunteer

**Mass Intention Symbols**

† - In honor of deceased  
 ♥ - Anniversary/Marriage  
 ♪ - Birthday/Thanksgiving  
**SI** - Special Intentions



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**CHURCH REPORT**

**Nov 1**

Weekly Envelopes	\$1,717.00
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**Message of the Week:**

**FOR THE HEREAFTER REMEMBER; THE HERE DETERMINES THE AFTER**

[http://www.stewartsigns.com/church\\_messages.php?code=15GOOG](http://www.stewartsigns.com/church_messages.php?code=15GOOG)

**Information for the Bulletin and Announcements needs to be submitted to the office by Wednesday in order for it to be printed for that weekend. Thank you.**

Community Thanksgiving Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>, 12:30 p.m. @ the Tin Spur Ranch 2683 Old Hwy. Rd – bring a covered dish or dessert to share and enjoy the food & fellowship. Music will be provided by Milton Carroll



**Food Drive for Thanksgiving/Christmas Baskets - Please bring non-perishable food, that is not out of date, and place in box in Narthex by November 22nd.**

**Please check out our website:** <http://www.stjosephine.org/> for the bulletin, upcoming events & useful links. Ex: Catholic News Service & Word on Fire videos.

**Upcoming Events Calendar** (you may go to <http://stjosephine.org/events> for all upcoming events)

- Nov 7 & 8 – St. Joseph Parish Council Nominations** at each Mass
- Nov 8 – CCD Sunday – Safe Environment for 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>**
- Nov 8 - Knights of Columbus Meeting** – After 9:00 a.m. Mass in the Pavilion
- Nov 8 - Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Festival Turkey & Dressing** – Victoria Community Center
- Nov 11 – Altar Society Meeting** – 6:30 p.m.
- Nov 15 – Birthday/Anniversary celebration after 9:00 a.m. Mass for Oct/Nov/Dec.**
- Nov 18 – CDA Meeting** – 6:00 p.m. Parish Hall
- Nov 21 & 22 - St. Joseph Parish Council Election** at each Mass
- Nov 21 - St. Mary's annual HARVEST BAZAAR** 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. at Activity Center, 401 S. Liberty St. Holiday items all handmade. Baked goods & candies. Noon day meal, dine in or take out \$5.00.

**Finding God Newsletter** is a new feature on our website: <http://stjosephine.org/ministries>, once there, click on the Loyola Press link.

**♪ Happy Birthday ♪ & ♥ Happy Anniversary ♥**

Ben & Doris McCord	Amanda Budd	Milton & Rosemary Tater
Sandy Hammack	Maria Bueno	Emma McGinnis
Jamie Chavez	Kenedy Busselman	Roderick Nichols
Thomas & Elizabeth Liska	Cortlyn Peterek	Raquel Garcia
Brittany Noack	Richard Basaldua	Richard & Rosie Basaldua
Peyton Chavez	Shannon Chreene	Kara Howard

**Amor Meus Spirituality Center, Incarnate Word Convent upcoming events:** Overnight Retreat – Private or Directed: **Friday, Nov. 20, 5:00 pm until Sunday noon Nov. 22** Call 3 days in advance to register. Solemn Vespers - the Liturgical Evening Prayer of the Church prayed with people of all faith traditions - **Sunday, Nov. 29, Dec. 6, 13, 20, 5:00 p.m. - 5:45 p.m.** Call 361-575-7111 or go to our website - [www.amormeusspiritualitycenter.org](http://www.amormeusspiritualitycenter.org) for details.

**Diocese of Victoria Catholic Schools 5K and 1 Mile Run/Walk** – Sat., Nov. 14 @ Riverside Park in Victoria. Join all of the schools in the Diocese of Victoria for a morning of fun and faith. Entry Fee \$10 pre- registration after Oct. 30, \$15 plus can goods Forms available online at [www.victoriadiocese.org](http://www.victoriadiocese.org) or any Catholic School in the Diocese of Victoria