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**November 2019 Parish Bulletin**

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### **CLERGY MASS SCHEDULE**

**All Mass Times 2:00 PM unless otherwise noted**

November 3, 2019: 31 <sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time	Bishop Carl
November 10, 2019: 32 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time	Fr. Bill
November 17, 2019: 33 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time	Bishop Robert
November 24, 2019: Solemnity of Christ the King	Fr. Bill

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## **Prayer Intentions**

If you would like us to remember a special intention for you at Mass, please contact one of our priests.

If you or someone you know is in need of spiritual assistance (prayers, Sacrament of the Sick, etc.), please contact one of our priests.

Inquiries regarding the administration of Sacraments or services (Baptisms, First Communion, Marriages, and Funerals) are welcomed.

## **Gospel Reflections**

**November 2019**

Fr. Bill LaGrand, M.A.

**November 1, 2019 – Feast of All Saints:** In the Gospel, Jesus proclaims through a series of beatitudes how justice prevails in the kingdom of God. (Matthew 5: 1-12a)

**November 3, 2019 – 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time:** God does not often call us when it is convenient. Rather, in the middle of our busy lives, God calls us to deepen our vocation and follow him more fully. (Luke 19: 1-10)

**November 10, 2019 – 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time:** It is very easy to distort the teaching of Jesus about the coming reign of God. Jesus rebukes the Sadducees for their seemingly deliberate misunderstanding of his words. (Luke 20: 27-28)

**November 17, 2019 – 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time:** Life as we know it will not last forever. With the end of the liturgical year only two weeks away, our readings focus on living a just life. (Luke 21: 5-19)

**November 24, 2019 – Solemnity of Christ the King:** Our feast today points to the end of time when the fullness of Christ's kingdom will reign to all the ends of the earth. (Luke 23: 35-43)



***Ponder: A Gentle Reminder from Pope Francis***

*This life will go by fast.*

**Don't fight with people,** don't criticize your body so much, -- don't complain so much.

**Don't lose sleep over your bills.** Look for the person that makes you happy. If you make a mistake, let it go and keep seeking your happiness.



**Never stop being a good parent.** Don't worry so much about buying luxuries and comforts for your home, and don't kill yourself trying to leave an inheritance for your family. Those benefits should be earned by each person, so don't dedicate yourself to accumulating money.

**Enjoy, travel, enjoy your journeys, see new places, give yourself the pleasures you deserve.** Allow dogs to get closer. Don't put away the fine glassware. Utilize the new dinnerware; don't save your favorite perfume, use it to go out with yourself; wear out your favorite sport shoes; repeat your favorite clothes.

***So what? That's not bad. Why not now?*** Why not pray now instead of waiting until before you sleep? Why not call now? Why not forgive now? We wait so long for Christmas; for Friday; for Reunions; for another year; for when I have money; for love to come; when everything is perfect...look...

↳ ***Everything perfect doesn't exist.*** Human beings can't accomplish this because it simply was not intended to be completed here. Here is an opportunity to learn.

***So, take this challenge that is life and do it now...love more, forgive more, embrace more, love more intensely and leave the rest in God's hands. Amen.***

Francis (Jorge Mario Bergoglio) became Bishop of Rome on March 13, 2013.

**From the Pastor's Desk**  
+Fr. Bob Catlett, M.Div.

**Congratulations to our parishioners who have reasons to celebrate this month:**

**Birthdays:**

Joan Schmid: 11/23

**Anniversaries:**

None this month!

**2019 Synod:** I would like to thank our parishioners, Barbara Butchart, Erlaine Eltomi, Marie Harbers, Mary Ann Howard, Rudy and Joan Schmid, and Rosann Swaringim, who participated in this year's Synod at Mercy Center here in St. Louis, Missouri. Your presence means so much to our clergy. The Council of Bishops also appreciates your participation at our Annual Synods.

**Mass Time Change:** With the change of time from Daylight Saving Time to Central Standard Time, our mass times will also change. Beginning Sunday, November 3, 2019, our mass times will move to 2:00 PM.

**Mass Intentions:** On Sunday, October 13, 2019, Bishop Carl offered mass for the repose of the soul of Jackie Swope. If you would like us to remember a special intention for you at Mass, please contact one of our priests.

**Wedding Banns:** On Saturday, October 12, 2019, Fr. Bill officiated the wedding ceremony of Jack Cancila and Erica Leisse at Faust Park in Chesterfield, Missouri.