



# Mother of Good Counsel Catholic Community

Catholic Church serving in Eastern Kentucky since 1913

November 6th | 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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## **Eucharistic Services:**

7:00 pm Wednesday - Word & Communion Service

5:00 pm Saturday - Holy Cross in Jackson, Vigil Mass

11:30 am Sunday - Mass

## **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Sunday after Mass; other times by appointment.

**Office Hours: Wed - Friday 10 am to 5 pm**

**Ministers for next Sunday, November 13, 2022**

Sacramental Minister : Rev. Bob Damron

Lector :

## **Ministers at MGC**

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## **Mother of Good Counsel Prayer by B.J. Ewen**

Holy Mary, our heavenly mother,  
keep us in your care.

Give us your good counsel

as we strive to be disciples of your son Jesus  
and help us to grow in faith and in our love for God.

Bless our parish which is named in your honor.

Help us in our lives as we humbly pray and help  
us be attentive to the needs of our families and our  
community.

Amen

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## **Parish Mission Statement**

Inspired and sustained in our Catholic faith through life-giving worship, we Mother of Good Counsel Catholic Community, have as our mission to bring Christ and the teachings of the Catholic faith to one another and the larger community in a ways that draw us together as a supportive family, yet reaches out with a genuine concern for all people, so that we can be authentic witnesses in an area where Catholics are few in number.

November 6, 2022

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14

2 Thes 2:16-3:5

Lk 20:27-38 or Lk 20:27, 34-38



A WORD FROM Pope Francis

Even if we know that we cannot always guarantee healing or a cure, we can and must always care for the living, without ourselves shortening their life, but also without futilely resisting their death. This approach is reflected in palliative care, which...opposes what makes death most terrifying and unwelcome—pain and loneliness.

MESSAGE TO WORLD MEDICAL ASSOCIATION, NOVEMBER 7, 2017



### **Pig Roast**

Thank you to all who helped with the Pig Roast this week, it was a wonderful success and we raised \$1200 to be split between the parish and our flood outreach ministry. If you wish to purchase a 1lb of pork roast for \$20 talk with Lori after Mass. A special thanks to Dan Helfrich and Frank Morris for cooking our pig.

### **Altar and Book of Remembrance**

During the month of November we honor and remember those who have died. If you wish to bring a picture or memento of a loved one for our altar of remembrance please drop your pictures and items off at Mother of Good Counsel. Please add the names of loved ones to our book of remembrance and the parish will be praying for them during the month of November.



### **Diocesan Annual Appeal**

The Diocesan Annual Appeal 2022 - Providing for Our Presence. Please consider how you are able to help our parish meet our goal. Our goal for the parish is \$6250. Currently our parish is 78% of the way to our goal with \$4925 in donations.



### **Water with Blessings**

Water with Blessings is an ecumenical organization out of Louisville, Kentucky that works all over the world to get water filters to communities where people need clean drinking water. As part of a pilot program with a partnership with the Diocese of Lexington parishes and Water with Blessings Mother of Good Counsel will begin doing trainings and filter distribution to people in the local community. We can still get you trained to help distribute water filters with Water with Blessings. Contact Lori if you would like to learn more.

### **Long term Recovery Committee**

The next Perry County Disaster Recovery Group meeting will take place Thursday November 10 at 6 pm at LKLP at 412 Roy Campbell Drive, all people in the community are invited to attend. If you are interested in working part time as a Case Manager you can apply to work upto 20 hours a week. Contact Ciny Gross in HR with LKLP at 606.436.8853. If you are interested in being involved in the Long Term Recovery Committees for Letcher, Knott, Perry, or Breathitt County. Please let Lori know and she will connect you to the right group.

### **Teen Disciples**

Students in grades 7-12 will be meeting tonight for Teen Disciples from 5 to 6:30 pm. We will be beginning our series on the Beattitudes.

### **Parish Planners**

Planners will meet next Sunday November 13 following Mass to discuss parish happenings and finance.

### **Angel Tree**

Next Sunday November 13 angle tree ornaments, will be available for Christmas. Presents for these children will need to be returned by Sunday December 11.

### **Military Collection**

This week our parish will take a collection to benefit the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA (AMS), a collection approved by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops to be taken every three years. The AMS is the Archdiocese for the Military Services, not of the Military Services. This is an important distinction because the AMS receives no funding from the U.S. Government or U.S. Military and has no parishes from which to receive a weekly assessment.

Instead, it must rely on the generosity of those whose values and priorities align with its mission, programs, and services, to meet its costs. Please prayerfully consider a contribution to this special collection to support active-duty military men and women, and their families – including those from our own parish. Please give generously.

### **Election Day Tuesday November 8, 2022**

With election day approaching this Tuesday here are a few resources to help you prepare as we navigate faith and our civic duty. Remember to vote at your respesptive polling places.

### **Resources**

[Bishop John Stowe on Catholic Voting](#)

[United States Conference of Catholic Bishops publishes a guide called "Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship" – a teaching document on the political responsibilities of Catholics that offers insights on issues important to the Church.](#)

"We need to participate for the common good. Sometimes we hear: a good Catholic is not interested in politics. This is not true: good Catholics immerse themselves in politics by offering the best of themselves so that the leader can govern." - Pope Francis, 9/16/13



That the dead will rise even Moses made known...  
(for our God) is not God of the dead,  
but of the living, for to him all are alive.  
LUKE 20:37-38



## I Believe in the Resurrection of the Dead

We say this every time we pray the Creed. It is such a familiar statement that we might fail to be astounded.

The ancient Israelites did not think that death was the ultimate end. They believed the dead went to a place called Sheol. This was a place just for the dead; there was neither reward nor punishment. Some scholars think that it was only much later, when Israel encountered Greek culture, that we see a more developed teaching on the afterlife. We hear that teaching in the first reading. Facing martyrdom for his faith, one of the brothers insisted, "The King of the universe will raise us up to live again forever" (2 Maccabees 7:9). His faith was based on his assurance that his covenant bond with God would not be severed, even by death.

In the Gospel, the Sadducees are trying to make Jesus look ridiculous. There was a custom that if a man died without an heir, his brother was to have relations with the widow. The child born of that union was considered the legal heir of the deceased man. This custom was meant to ensure that the inheritance remained within the family. The Sadducees, who do not believe in resurrection, are mocking Jesus with their question. Jesus, aware of their intention, does not fall into their trap. Instead, he replies that in the coming age, marriage will not be necessary because resurrected life will not end. Finally, if God is a God of the living and not the dead, as Moses declared, then all are somehow resurrected.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

### For Reflection

- Read the first reading slowly and thoughtfully.
- What new thinking does it suggest for you?

- Think of how dependent you are on earth, water, air, and plants, for example, and give thanks.



## Readings for the Week

**Monday**  
NOVEMBER 7  
*Weekday*

Ti 1:1-9  
Lk 17:1-6

**Tuesday**  
NOVEMBER 8  
*Weekday*

Ti 2:1-8, 11-14  
Lk 17:7-10

**Wednesday**  
NOVEMBER 9  
*Dedication of the  
Lateran Basilica  
(Rome)*

Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12  
1 Cor 3:9c-11,  
16-17  
Jn 2:13-22

**Thursday**  
NOVEMBER 10  
*St. Leo the Great,  
Pope and Doctor  
of the Church*  
Phmn 7-20  
Lk 17:20-25

**Friday**  
NOVEMBER 11  
*St. Martin of Tours,  
Bishop*  
2 Jn 4-9  
Lk 17:26-37

**Saturday**  
NOVEMBER 12  
*St. Josaphat,  
Bishop and Martyr*  
3 Jn 5-8  
Lk 18:1-8

**Sunday**  
NOVEMBER 13  
*Thirty-third Sunday  
in Ordinary Time*  
Mal 3:19-20a  
2 Thes 3:7-12  
Lk 21:5-19



# Dear Padre

November 6, 2022

**What is the purpose of confession if we're punished anyway when we die?**

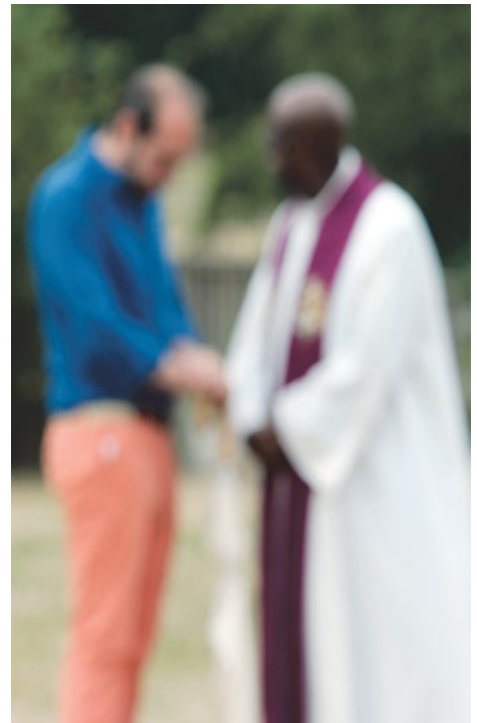
According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church, sin has a double consequence: eternal punishment and temporal punishment. "Grave sin deprives us of communion with God and therefore makes us incapable of eternal life." This consequence is called the "eternal punishment" of sin. "On the other hand, every sin, even venial...must be purified either here on earth, or after death in the state called Purgatory. This purification frees one from what is called the 'temporal punishment' of sin" (CCC 1472). Thus, with the remission of the eternal punishment incurred by mortal sins, and the remission—at least in part—of the temporal punishments resulting from sin, the sacrament of penance allows penitents to attain complete purification "in such a way that no punishment would remain" (CCC 1472).

Because our relationship with God was ruptured by sin, Christ instituted the sacrament of penance so that our friendship and communion with God can be restored, including our unity with his body on earth, the Church. In fact, "reconciliation with the Church is inseparable from reconciliation with God" (CCC 1445). The words of absolution in the sacrament attest to this reality: "Through the ministry of the Church, may God give you pardon and peace."

God is loving and merciful, not vindictive and unforgiving. Our Creator, who made us to be with him for eternity, doesn't desire an eternal punishment that prevents the very purpose for which we were created!

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR / [Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org](mailto:Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org)

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## Our Weekly Offering

for 10/30/2022

Loose: \$35

Envelopes : \$235

All Saints: \$25

Online: \$790

Total Weekly Offering: \$1085

### Birthday

11/11 : Cindy Cory & Larry Joe Loga  
11/13: Sally Duke

### Prayer Family

**Tim & Cindy Cory**

### Upcoming Events

11/6 & 13 - Teen Disciples 5-6:30  
11/8 - Election Day  
Becoming Catholic 7-9 pm  
11/9 - Rosary(6:40pm), Communion  
Service & Scriptrue Study  
7:30 - 9 pm  
11/13 - Parish Planners



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### Prayer List

Joey Napier, John Meehan, Roy Varghese, Brian Campbell, Matt Tuttle, Willie Gomez, Joe Fehribach, Louise Ayres, Marjorie Hommertzhaim, Charles McDaniel, Jon Latunik, Deb Night, Harvey Richardson, Delois McIntosh, Karen Davis, Zachary Hollan, Bob Rogers, Deedee Wells, Sherrian Noble, Stephanie Welch, David Napier, Martha Huggins, Willie Wagers, Christina Askew, Charles Brotherton, Willow Brockman, Tina Dawhare Fields, Valarie Maggard Dye, Marleen Combs, Robert Caldwell, Mike Caldwell, Monica Spare, The Rice Family, Renee Messer, Maria Hall, Neal Boggs, Jackson Varela, Cecilia & Lucia Cory, Julie And Jonah Spencer, Jace Combs, Mandi Dishner, Brandon Robinson, Michael Whitaker and Abby Turk.

If you know of someone who needs a pastoral visit or is in the hospital and would appreciate a visit contact the parish and let Lori know about the request.

### Pope Francis Prayer Intention

Intentions for November  
Children Who Suffer

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.