



# Mother of Good Counsel Catholic Community

Catholic Church serving in Eastern Kentucky since 1913

November 14, 2021 | 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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## **Eucharistic Services:**

7:00 pm Wednesday -  
Word & Communion Service  
5:00 pm Saturday - 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, Nov 21**

Sacramental Minister : Rev. Livinus Uba

Lector : Abby Turk

## **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 draws 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 14, 2021

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

Dn 12:1-3

Heb 10:11-14, 18

Mk 13:24-32



A WORD FROM Pope Francis

Please, make the homily brief, but prepare it well. And how do we prepare a homily, dear priests, deacons, bishops? How should it be prepared? With prayer, by studying the word of God and by making a clear and brief summary; it should not last more than ten minutes, please.

GENERAL AUDIENCE, FEBRUARY 7, 2018



### **We Remember**

During the month of November we remember all of the those who have died in our Masses. The book of remembrance will be out during the entire month of November as we remember those who have died . Please add your loved ones' names.

### **Becoming Catholic**

The RCIA formation program for those becoming Catholic has begun. This week class will meet from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm in a hybrid fashion ( in person and virtually). RCIA this week will look at the topic of - Places in the Catholic Church. Please be praying for those who will participate in the Rite of Welcome/ Rite of Acceptance today , Kim Sparkman & Ryan Hollifield Sunday November 14 at Mass.

### **Teen Disciples**

Teen Disciples will meet next Sunday from 4:30 pm to 6:00pm in Hazard where we will be a gathering continuing with our theme on Purpose. All students in grades 6 to 12 are invited to join us.

### **Stockings**

Each year Mother of Good Counsel does stockings for elders through the Housing Development Association. Please sign up to bring some items enough to make 15 stockings.

### **Serve a Meal**

MGC is looking for some help with two meals for others this week. On Tuesday MGC will deliver a meal to the hospital staff at ARH floor 3 West. On Friday we will be delivering a meal to the picnic shelter downtown for those in need. Can you help deliver either of these meals? Do you want to help make the meal for Friday?

Please sign up if you are willing to help with either of these meals.

### **Hallow**

Looking for an app that will help you practice your Catholic faith and build good prayer habits. The app has daily Rosary, and Gospel readings, as well as meditations, novenas, sacred music and much more. Try out Hallow with a trial membership.

### **Diocesan Annual Appeal 2021**

The Annual Appeal for the Diocese of Lexington is in process. Our goal for Mother of Good Counsel is \$ 6,250. Currently we have raised \$6145 as a parish toward our goal. Please consider how you are able to support the annual appeal.

### **Faith that does Justice**

Are you interested in getting involved in justice ministries in our parish? There are a number of commissions that are part of the peace and justice office of the diocese including: Peace & Justice, African American Concerns, LGBTQ, Laudato Si, and Right to Life. If you would like to get involved in any of these ministries please talk with Lori to see how you can get connected.

### **Black Catholic History Month**

November is Black Catholic History Month and an important opportunity for our parishes to promote the sacredness of life in concrete ways. We will highlight one person each week who is in the cause for canonization.

Augustus was born in the U.S. to two slaves, Peter Paul Tolton and his wife Martha Jane, on April 1, 1854. With the outbreak of the Civil War, Peter Paul hoped to gain freedom for his family and escaped to the North where he served in the Union Army and was one of the 180,000 blacks who were killed in the war. His widow decided that she would see her husband's quest for freedom realized in his children. After she managed to cross the Mississippi River she made her way to Illinois and settled in the small town of Quincy. When her children attempted to attend Catholic school to be educated by the Sisters of Notre Dame, parents of the other school children were not happy. So the Sisters of Notre Dame decided to tutor the Tolton children privately.



As Augustus grew older he began to display an interest in the priesthood. His parish priests, Fathers McGuirr and Richardt, encouraged the young man in this aspiration and tried to enroll in several diocesan seminaries, but without success. They then decided to begin Augustus' education in theology themselves. Finally in 1878, the Franciscan College in Quincy accepted Augustus, and two years later he was enrolled at the college of the Propaganda Fidei in Rome.

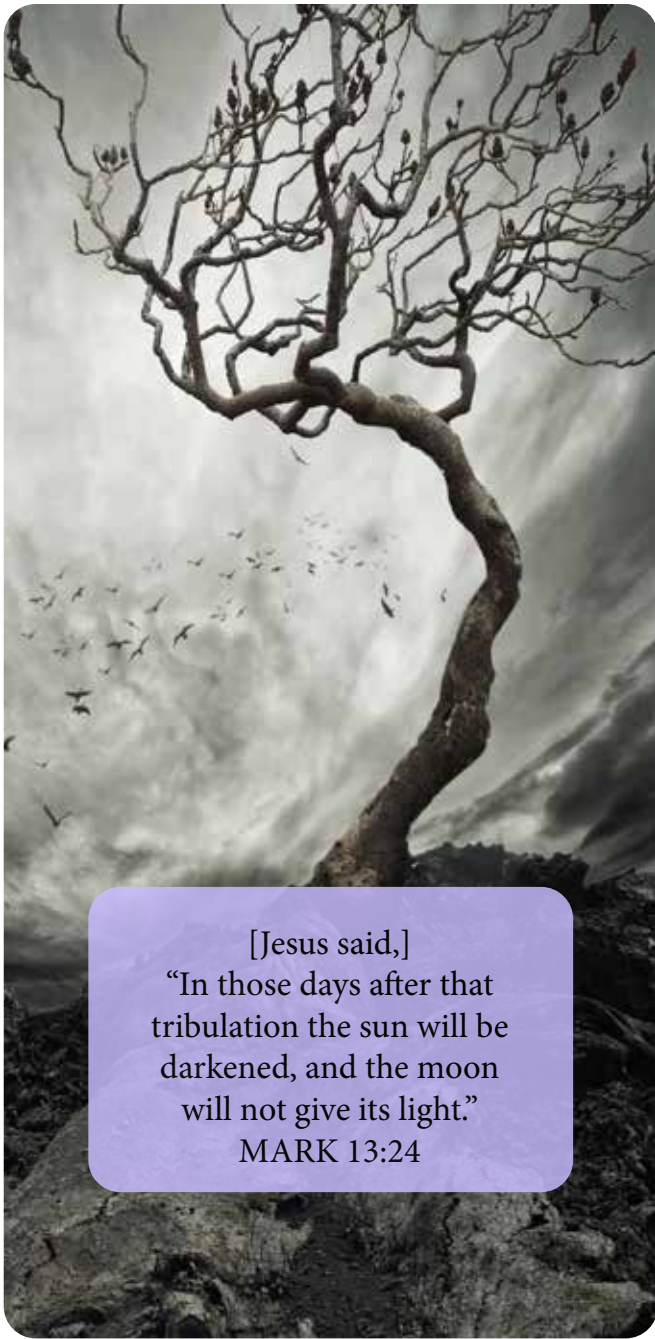
After completing his courses in Rome, Augustus Tolton was ordained on April 24, 1886. His first assignment was Saint Joseph parish in his hometown of Quincy, where he served for two years and gained enormous respect from many of the German and Irish parishioners. He was later given a parish on the south side of the city, Saint Augustine, which later became Saint Monica. This would be Fr. Tolton's parish for life, and the center from which he ministered to all the Black Catholics of Chicago. He addressed the First Catholic Colored Congress in Washington DC in 1889.

The cause for Fr. Tolton's canonization was begun in 2010. In 2015, the cause received affirmation of the juridical validity of the Archdiocesan inquiry into his life and virtues by the Congregation for Causes of Saints, and so Fr. Tolton received the distinction of Servant of God.

Website for his canonization <https://tolton.archchicago.org/the-cause>

Source: <https://nbccongress.org/noteworthy-black-catholics/>  
Portrait by Anthony VanArsdale

## In Those Days...



[Jesus said,]  
“In those days after that  
tribulation the sun will be  
darkened, and the moon  
will not give its light.”  
MARK 13:24

Suffering is a reality in every life. How do we endure it? Does it sour us, break us down? Or do we come out of it new people, more sensitive and understanding? It is up to us

.Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

### For Reflection

Pray for the strength to remain faithful, regardless of the difficulty.

How has suffering made you a better person?

This phrase is frequently found in the writings of the prophets. While it sometimes points to a future time of peace and happiness, it often portends imminent fear and trembling, as it does in today’s readings. Both Daniel and Jesus speak of the suffering that will precede the end of the world. This suffering is often called the “birth pangs of the Messiah” (Matthew 24:8; Mark 13:8; John 16:21). This apt metaphor includes both life-threatening distress and wondrous joy over new birth. Pain and subsequent happiness are both described in today’s readings.

The author of Daniel may be referring to the end of the whole world but is probably also presenting that in terms of the end of his own world, which would have included the suffering and even death of Jews who remained faithful under persecution. Some interpreters suggest Jesus is speaking similarly. That is, he is using a familiar figure of speech that characterizes suffering as birth pangs. According to this metaphor, there might be terrible suffering, but at the end there is utter happiness.

Both Daniel and Jesus seek to encourage their hearers to remain faithful even in the face of torment, for new life can come out of such suffering. This is a message we all need to hear.

### Monday

NOVEMBER 15

*Weekday*

1 Mc 1:10-15,  
41-43, 54-57,  
62-63

Lk 18:35-43

### Tuesday

NOVEMBER 16

*Weekday*

2 Mc 6:18-31

Lk 19:1-10

### Wednesday

NOVEMBER 17

*St. Elizabeth  
of Hungary,  
Religious*

2 Mc 7:1, 20-31

Lk 19:11-28

### Thursday

NOVEMBER 18

*Weekday*

1 Mc 2:15-29

Lk 19:41-44

### Friday

NOVEMBER 19

*Weekday*

1 Mc 4:36-37,  
52-59

Lk 19:45-48

### Saturday

NOVEMBER 20

*Weekday*

1 Mc 6:1-13

Lk 20:27-40

### Sunday

NOVEMBER 21

*Our Lord Jesus  
Christ, King of the  
Universe*

Dn 7:13-14

Rv 1:5-8

Jn 18:33b-37



Readings for the Week



# Dear Padre

November 14, 2021

## Is a homily necessary at every Mass?

The homily is "highly recommended" not only because it is an essential part of the liturgy but also because "it is necessary for the nurturing of the Christian life" (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, 65). "On Sundays and holy days of obligation there is to be a homily at every Mass that is celebrated with the people attending and it may not be omitted without a grave reason. On other days it is recommended, especially on the weekdays of Advent, Lent and Easter time, as well as on other festive days and occasions when the people come to church in greater numbers" (*GIRM* 66). In practice, brief homilies are usually offered on nonfestive weekday Masses during Ordinary Time, too—especially in church parishes and religious communities—even for a minimal number of people in the congregation.

"Whoever preaches, let it be with the words of God" (1 Peter 4:11). To the office of an ordained minister belongs the tremendous sacred duty to preach a homily rooted in prayer, and with an understanding of the Scriptures and the needs of the particular faith community in mind. "If the words of Scripture are divinely inspired, as we believe them to be, then divine inspiration must be at work when those words are made alive and contemporary to the believing community in and through" the ministry of preaching (*Fulfilled in Your Hearing*, U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, 1982).

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR

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## Happenings this Week

### Sunday

Teen Disciples 4:30 pm - 6 pm

### Tuesday

5:30 pm Meal delivery to ARH

7:30 pm - 9:00 pm RCIA

### Wednesday

6:40 pm Rosary & Communion Service

### Friday

3:30 pm to prepare a meal for those in need.



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## Prayer List

Joey Napier, Ray & Wanda Lindon, 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, Elizabeth Pennington, Neal Boggs, Jackson Varela, and Ron Brunty.

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.

**Prayer Family:**  
**Helen & Ron Brunty**

## Birthdays

11/16: Helen Brunty & Lori Helfrich  
11/18: Nancy Logan & gavin Napier  
11/19 : Polly Pennington

## Our Weekly Offering

for 11/7/21

Loose: \$142

Envelopes : \$650

Monthly: \$230

Online: \$75

**Total Weekly Offering: \$1097**