



Mother of Good Counsel Catholic Community

**Our Parish
COMMUNITY**

November 3, 2024

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

Deuteronomy 6:2-6 / Hebrews 7:23-28 / Mark 12:28b-34



Catholic Church serving in Eastern Kentucky since 1913

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,

Sacramental Minister Rev. Bob Damron

Lector : Cindy Combs

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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

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.

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Becoming Catholic

The parish will continue our Becoming Catholic classes that will journey with those going through the Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA). All people are welcome to come to this faith formation class. Classes will be held on Tuesday evenings from 7 to 9 pm. This Tuesday, October 29, 2024 the topic will be The Mass.

Pig Roast- Friday November 8

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 8

LUNCHTIME PIG ROAST
11 AM TO 2 PM

Get lunch of roast pig, sides and dessert at Farmer's Market Pavilion at the Triangle Park.
Adults \$15
Children 6-12 \$8
Children under 6 eat free with the purchase of an adult meal.
All proceeds go to support Mother of Good Counsel Catholic Church and our outreach program.

Mother of Good Counsel Catholic Church

One in Christ 2024

With your prayers and contribution to the Diocesan Annual Appeal this year, we are able to support your neighbors in need. Lives will be changed and those most in need will know God's grace in a very special way. We are grateful for your faithful stewardship each Fall. The DAA ends on Nov 30th Please be generous Our parish benefits greatly from this appeal. Our goal for 2024 is \$9500 and 58 families. Currently we have raised \$2998, which is 32 % of our total goal coming from 23 donors which is 40% of our participation goal. Please consider how you can support these goals, all donations are welcome.

YOUR SUPPORT MAKES IT POSSIBLE!

ONE IN CHRIST
2024 DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

Catholic Diocese of Lexington

"Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you."
- 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

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Month of Remembrance

During the month of November Mother of Good Counsel and the entire Catholic Church remembers those who have died. We will have an altar of remembrance again this year. If you would like to bring in pictures of your loved ones who have died, please drop them off at the parish. Also the book of the dead, where we remember those who have died will be out, you can add your loved ones names to the book and the parish will keep them in prayer during this month.

iGiveCatholic – Mother of Good Counsel will participate in iGiveCatholic again this year. Giving Tuesday is on December 3, 2024. If you have friends, family or people who may wish to help support Mother of Good Counsel outside the Diocese of Lexington this is the perfect online giving opportunity. More information coming soon.

Prayer Before Elections

Lord God,
as the election approaches,
we seek to better understand the issues and concerns that confront our city, state, and country and how the Gospel complements our response as faithful citizens in our community. We ask for eyes that are free from blindness so that we might see each other as brothers and sisters, one and equal in dignity, especially those who are victims of abuse and violence, deceit and poverty.
We ask for ears that will hear the cries of children unborn, and those abandoned, men and women oppressed because of race, or creed, religion or gender.
We ask for minds and hearts that are open to hearing the voice of leaders who will bring us closer to your Kingdom. We pray for discernment so that we may choose leaders who hear your Word, live your love, and keep in the ways of your truth as they follow in the steps of Jesus and his Apostles and guide us to your Kingdom of justice and peace.
Amen.

Silence Before Mass

Parishioners are asked to keep a silent atmosphere in the church before Mass so that people are able to reflect and pray. If you wish to talk, please come out to the gathering space. Thank you for offering this continued space of prayer and reflection.

A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

It is necessary that...the "great commandment," [love God and our neighbor] resound in us, that it be assimilated, that it become the voice of our conscience. This way, it does not remain a dead letter, in the drawer of the heart, because the Holy Spirit makes the seed of that Word germinate in us.

ANGELUS, ROME, OCTOBER 31, 2021



[The scribe said to Jesus,] "To love your neighbor as yourself" is worth more than all burnt offerings and sacrifices."

MARK 12:33

Liking Versus Loving

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

"I never met a man I didn't like." Will Rogers said that. I can believe he said it, but I have a more difficult time believing he meant it. I don't think he lied. I just find it hard to believe there could be a person who never disliked anyone.

Loving is something different, although there are many people who talk as if liking and loving are interchangeable. They love ice cream or country music, and they like their friends. One can love, that is, behave in a loving manner, without positive feelings. You couldn't say that about liking, but about loving you can. Some folks say one of the reasons you should love others and do good for people is because of the good feeling you get when you help someone. The problem

with this is that when you no longer get a good feeling, you stop doing the good things. But as disciples of Jesus, love we must. It's different than liking.

It seems to me the most difficult people to love today are the anonymous souls, the people we don't know—the immigrant coming to our land, the person of another religion who prays differently, or those living a lifestyle foreign to us. Jesus didn't have a problem with loving people like them. ●

Reflect

Who has loved you and who do you find most difficult to love?

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MONDAY
 November 4
 St. Charles
 Borromeo, Bishop
 Phil 2:1-4
 Lk 14:12-14

TUESDAY
 November 5
 Monday
 Phil 2:5-11
 Lk 14:15-24

WEDNESDAY
 November 6
 Monday
 Phil 2:12-18
 Lk 14:25-33

THURSDAY
 November 7
 Monday
 Phil 3:3-16a
 Lk 15:1-10

FRIDAY
 November 8
 Monday
 Phil 3:17-4:1
 Lk 16:1-8

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

SUNDAY
 November 10
 Thirty-second Sunday
 in Ordinary Time
 1 Egs 17:10-16
 Heb 9:24-28
 Mk 12:38-44
 or 12:41-44



Dear Padre,

Do saints ever smile? That question comes to me every year on the feast of All Saints (November 1) as I look at the pictures and statues in church. The faces are so somber and serious. What are the saints really like?

Artists through the centuries may have portrayed sanctity in very subdued tones. The saints, however, and their biographers tell a different story. The holy men and women who make up the communion of saints are an incredibly fascinating array of diverse personalities. The feast of All Saints celebrates our universal call to holiness. Our challenge is to imitate the characteristics these unique individuals have in common.

Saint Irenaeus (125–202) said that the glory of God is the human fully alive which reflects Jesus' own words, "I came so that they may have life; and have it more abundantly" (John 10:10). Saints enjoy life! The nearsighted St. Alphonsus Liguori (1696–1787), founder of the Redemptorists, sat in the back row of the Naples theater with his glasses off so he could enjoy the music he loved without the distraction of the half-naked chorus line. Saint Teresa of Ávila (1515–1582), caught devouring partridge in the convent kitchen, said, "When I pray, I pray; when I eat partridge, I eat partridge!" Saint Joan of Arc (1412–1431) loved horses, and St. Charles Borromeo (1538–1584) loved chess. Indeed, saints do smile. They even laugh. ●



Sculpture of a smiling Pope St. John Paul II outside the Saint John the Baptist Cathedral in Trnava, Slovakia.

Our Weekly Offering

10/27/2024

Loose: \$65.58

Envelopes : \$800

World Missions: \$35

Votive Candles : \$200

Online : \$200

All Saints: \$86

Total Weekly Offering: \$1392.58



Prayer List

Joey Napier, John Meehan, Roy Varghese, Brian Campbell, Matt Tuttle, Willie Gomez, Joe Fehribach, Charles McDaniel, Jon Latunik, Deb Night, Harvey Richardson, Delois McIntosh, Karen Davis, Zachary Hollan, Deedee Wells, Sherrian & Amose Noble, Stephanie Welch, David Napier, Martha Huggins, Roger Noyes, Willow Brockman, Tina Dawhare Fields, Mark Fields, Valarie Maggard Dye, Marleen Combs, Robert Caldwell, Don Davis, The Rice Family, Neal Boggs, Jackson Varela, Julie and Jonah Spencer, Jace Combs, Mandi Dishner, Brandon Robinson, Michael Whitaker, Thomas Stidham, Roy Pulliam Quentin Davis, Nancy Kelly, Bobby Muncy, Grayson & Kaitlin Baker, Chuck Brunty, Al Pratt, Joe Vogel Sr., Margie Fields, Cordis Bishop, Randy Damron, Myla Atienza, Sandy & Phillip Craft Jaranda Brunty, 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.

Birthdays

11/4: Tom Teague & Harold Steinberg

Pope Francis Prayer Intention

November. We pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and receive peace and consolation from the Holy Spirit.

Upcoming Events

11/5: Becoming Catholic 7-9 pm

11/6: Rosary and Communion

Service Adoration

11/8: Noontime Pig Roast

11/17 : Synod Listening Session

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Prayer Family
Tom Teague