

Pastor's NOTES

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,
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There will be three parts to this reflection: the first part will give you all an update on our parishes, the second part will be on adding a First Saturday Mass beginning December 5th at 9 a.m., and the third will be on a particular saint.

Both parishes have been power washed, re-stripped, and the trees professionally trimmed. I would like to personally thank Felix, Mario, Patrick, Mican's, Phillips family, and Don Boone for their efforts with the initial cosmetic cleaning on both parishes. I have proposed to both pastoral councils about installing three flag-poles at both parishes (United States flag, Texas flag, and Vatican flag) along with improving the signage at both parishes with a large digital sign that is clearly visible to all who pass by. If you would like to sponsor one of these items as a memorial on behalf of a loved one please let me know. I would also like to begin discussions about the possibility of offering on-line giving.

Second, I will be implementing First Saturday Mass beginning Saturday, December 5th at 9 a.m. at Saint John the Apostle. In January when we make the Saturday evening switch the First Saturday Mass will switch to OLPH. Confessions will be available from 8 - 8:45. These First Saturday morning Masses will be Ad Orientem, which is when the priest along with the congregation all face the Crucifix and/or tabernacle. Here is a good explanation on Mass being celebrated Ad Orientem:

<https://reverentcatholicmass.com/blog/biblical-explanation-ad-orientem-worship>

Finally, the saint of the week: Saint Monica. I chose to highlight her this week in light of the difficulties that parents have today with their children as far as keeping them Catholic. She was the mother to Saint Augustine who followed the ways of the world, but through her persistence and love for his eternal salvation followed him wherever he went. She was also married to a pagan husband who was very abusive, but through radical acts of charity he was baptized and received into the Catholic Church on his deathbed. "After the baptism of Augustine, Monica became a motherly figure to his disciples gathered around him for philosophical and religious discussions. By this time he understood that his mother's wisdom, far from being ridiculous, was remarkably pertinent. Just before she died at fifty-six, the mother and son had a joint mystical experience of God while overlooking the sea of Ostia. After her death, Augustine wept bitterly, thinking of all the pain he had caused her". (Treasury of Women Saints by Ronda Chervin, p. 44). Her feast day is August 27.

Please continue to pray the Rosary daily especially as a family. God bless each one of you and do not be afraid!!

Your shepherd and servant in Christ,
Father Preston Quintela



Mass Intentions

Saturday, Nov. 14

5pm OLPH † Beverly Warzecha

Sunday, Nov. 15

8:30 am OLPH † Lillian Koether

10:30 am SJA † Willie Barak

12:30 pm OLPH † Irma Moreno.; † Anita Benal

Monday, Nov. 16

No Mass

Tuesday, Nov. 17

5:00 pm SJA † Lucy Pierce

Wednesday, Nov. 18

8:30 am OLPH † Mary Weeks-recovery of Health

Adoration: 9:00 am – 11:00 am

Thurs., Nov. 19

8:30 am SJA † Libbie Amason

Adoration: 9:00 am-10:00† am

Friday, Nov. 20

8:30 am OLPH † Philip Gregurek

Saturday, Nov. 21

5pm OLPH † Rene Carreon

Sunday, Nov. 22

8:30 am OLPH † Felecitas Gutierrez

10:30 am SJA † Lucy Pierce

12:30 pm OLPH † Deceased Guadalupanas

PRAYER LIST Arthur & Rosa Ramirez, Eric Hatz, Joey & Jenni Nallie, Granny Matejka, Lloyd Lambert, Ralph Nairn, Millie Gresham, Julia Foote, Viviana Grace Salazar, Lucy Laker, Luis Covarrubias, Andrew Garza, Debra McCormac, Maria Rosas, Sofia Patino, Ruth Alford, Dana Gilson, Naomi Smith, Debbie Cole, Chrisitan Robles, Michael Rivera, Doris Grosvenor, Judy Bernard, Katherine Clay, Doris Follet, Tony Liserio, Nelda Alford, Mary Karstedt, Genevieve Buenger, Gayla Shimek, Maricela Perales, Frances Gonzalez, Ricky Bell, Brittney Billings, Linda Miska, Jason Liserio, Robert Apricio, Fatima Perez., Diana Barak, Emma Donald, Monetta Gregurek, George Gracia, Juan Martinez, Theresa Siska, Aubrey Schultz, Beth McQueen, Wayne Schmidt, Linda Coronado, Ed Klaiber, Emma Smith, Maddie Barber, Sam Hollis, Lucy Casarez, Mary Ellen Roecker, Mary Weeks, Elsie Engle, JeanMaire Pempek, Hector Silva, Diana Berlanga, Ricardo Rodriguez, Frank Matusek, Linda Stark, William Cole, Dorothy Havel, Jack Brannon, Fransisca Armendariz, , Sarah Beth Strother, Ramero Martinez, Sr., Lori Comley, Janie Ordenez, Eriverto Garcia, Marissa Miska, Myra Houston, Juanita Griffith, Joslyn Johnson, Yolanda Guerrero, Esther Martinez, John Garza, Sr., Juan Balderas, Sr., Erica Janette Reyna, Mary Miller, Roger Edgar, James Pisklak, Mary Anna Gercius, Lorraine Castro, Verenice Ferer, Richard Gunn, Larry Barak, Itzel Rodriguez, Esperansa Curiel, Rodolfo Curiel, Jim Riley, Brett Perkins, Ana Saucedo, Rebecca Rodriguez, Anna Ruth Hickey, Betsy Hutson, Alex Herrera, Brooke Bailey, Erlinda Aguilar, Leon Bertsch.

Readings for the Week of November 15, 2020

Sunday

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5;
1 Thes 5:1-6; Mt 25:14-30 or Mt 25:14-15,
19-21

Monday **Saint Margaret of Scotland; Saint Gertrude, Virgin** Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6; Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday **Memorial of Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious** Rv 3:1-6, 14-22; Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5; Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday **The Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles; Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin** Rv 4:1-11; Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6; Lk 19:11-28

Thursday Rv 5:1-10; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b; Lk 19:41-44

Friday Rv 10:8-11; Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131; Lk 19:45-48

Saturday **Memorial of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

Rv 11:4-12; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Lk 20:27-40

Sunday **Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe** Ez 34:11-12, 15-17; Ps 23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6; 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28; Mt 25:31-46

2nd Collection is for CCE.

OLPH-Nov. 8, 2020

Regular Collection	\$1,741.00
Weekly amount needed	\$2,400.00
2 nd Collection	\$607.00

SJA-Nov. 8, 2020

Regular Collection	\$1,521.00
Weekly amount needed	\$2,000.00
2 nd Collection	\$257.00

Have you signed up to receive Flock Note messages from us yet? Text OLPHSJA to 84576 or go to our website or face book page to find out more.

The November Catholic Daughters meeting has been moved to Tues., Dec. 1st at 6:30 pm at the KC Hall.

Fr. Preston will be going on a Pilgrimage for Married Couples in the Holy Land on April 5-15, 2021 for more information please see the flyer at the back of the parish, call (832)406-7050 or go to <https://nativitypilgrimage.com/rr202>

Please look over the prayer list and see if there is a name we can take off. If so please call the office. There are names that have been on this list for over 10 years and we need the space for the bulletin. If we do not get any response we will go to a new program where we will start a blank new list at the beginning of every month.



The Altar Society of OLPH has bought new Christmas ornaments for our Church tree. The white ornaments can be monogrammed with a family name or in memory of a loved one. The ladies will be on hand after masses this weekend and next to take orders. Donations can be made and the money

will go to the 2021 CoveCrest Camp Fr. Preston and our high school kids will attend this summer. For more information contact Penny Mican at 979-17-1218 or Angie Cummings at 979-548-2883.

Dates have been set for Covecrest 2021! August 2nd-7th. Mark your Calendars!!!

Rosary Leaders—Luminous

November 21	5pm	Roxann Martienz
November 22	8:30am	Laurie Kane
November 22	10:30am	Trisha Wleczyk
November 22	12:30pm	Maria Gutierrez

Please pray for our Troops including Major Stephen Koether, GY Sgt. Phillip James Sanchez III, Javier Villisana, Cpt. Mike Knight, Chris Roche, Jared Nelson, Staff Sgt. Robert Reynolds, 1st Lt. Jake Knight, Warrant Officer Dylan Diaz, Sgt. Gabriel Quinones, Pvt. Edgar Servantes, Staff Sgt. Jazmin Cisneros, D.J. Cisneros



Happy Anniversary for Nov. 1-15, 2020

William & Rhonda Minks	37 Years
Leonardo & Petra Armendariz	13 Years
Vance & Annabel Sechelski	54 Years
Ed & Joan Stavinoha	57 Years
Juan & Cynthia Martiez	18 Years

IN SYMPATHY Mike Klesel, father of parishioners Chris & Lisa Klesel & Robin & Jared Pavlovsky passed away recently. May God grant repose to his soul and comfort to his loved ones.

Mark Your Calendar!

- *Ad Orientum Mass at 9am at SJA on Sat., Dec. 5th
- *Children's Christmas Pageant is Sun., Dec. 6 at 6pm at SJA
- *Combined CCE Christmas Party from 5:30 to 7:30pm at OLPH on Wednesday, Dec. 16th.
- *Combined Christmas Party for the Parish Council, Finance Council, Maint. Committee and their spouses at 6:30pm on Friday, December 18th at OLPH.

Join the Altar Society