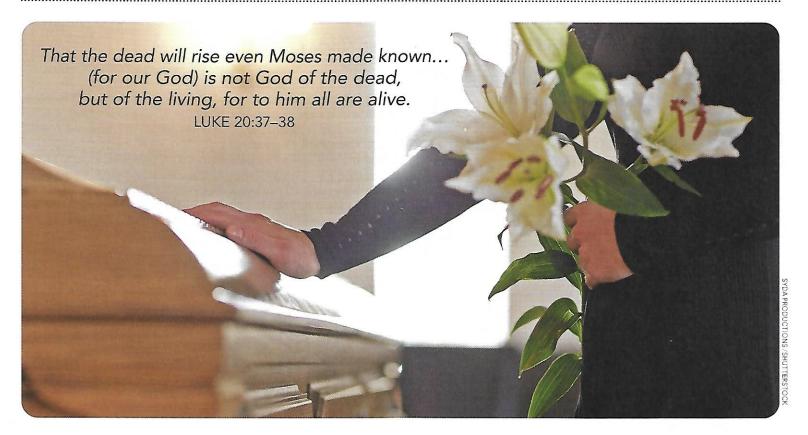


November 6, 2022

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



I Believe in the Resurrection of the Dead

W e 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

- * Reflect on the implications in your life of this teaching on the resurrection of the dead.
- * How prepared are you for the inevitable reality of death?

Dear Padre,

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

coording 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



A WORD FROM Pope Francis

It is of great comfort and hope to listen to this simple and clear word of Jesus about life beyond death; we need it very much especially in our time, so rich in knowledge about the universe but so lacking in wisdom about eternal life.

ANGELUS, NOVEMBER 10, 2019

Calendar

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

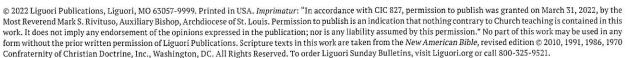
NOVEMBER 11 St. Martin of Tours, Bishop 2 Jn 4–9 Lk 17:26–37

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







Immaculate Conception Parish Family

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Family

NOVEMBER 6, 2022 - THIRTY- SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass Intentions

No Mass - Montgomery City

6:30 PM Mass - Wellsville

Monday, November 7th Tuesday, November 8th Wednesday, November 9th No Mass - Jonesburg Thursday, November 10th

Friday, November 11th Saturday, November 12th

Sunday, November 13th

5:00 PM Mass - Mont. City - Our Parish

8:00 AM Mass - Jonesburg 10:00 AM Mass - Mont. City +Ralph & Earline

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8:00 AM Mass - Mont. City +Lorraine Brower

8:00 AM Mass - Mont. City +August & Joan

July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023

Expenses

Difference

-\$18,472.76

-\$ 4,167.38

Church & School Financial Report: Income September 2022 \$64,914.32 \$83,387.08 \$191,812.60 \$195,979.98

Fiscal Year July-June 2022-23 Needed Weekly - \$ 13.232.95

October 2nd - \$ 8,488.71-Church; \$9,724.00-ICS/Daycare; \$18,212.71 Total Bloebaum October 9th - \$ 2,545.00-Church; \$3,894.00-ICS/Daycare; \$ 6,439.00 Total October 16th - \$10.567.16-Church: \$4.094.00-ICS/Davcare: \$14.661.16 Total October 23rd - \$ 8,697.00-Church; \$7,447.00-ICS/Daycare; \$16,144.00 Total October 30th - \$ 3,834.23-Church; \$8,344.50-ICS/Daycare; \$12,178.73 Total

Last Week's Envelopes: 52

Thank you!! With God all things are possible!

(No Mass if there is a funeral at any of the three parishes)

Parish Membership: Call the parish office to register.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays 4:15 PM - 4:45 PM, or by appointment.

Sacrament of Baptism: Call the parish office to set up an appointment.

Sacrament of Marriage: Call the office at least six months prior to the date you would like to get married to make arrangements and set a date.

To Become a Catholic: Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults begins in the Fall and sacramental initiation normally occurs at the Easter Vigil. Call for details.

Immaculate Conception Parish Mission

To proclaim the good news of the Gospel; to build community among the parishioners that we may journey in our faith together, giving witness to love and unity; to serve the needs of others in whatever form they may exit in our midst and to celebrate the realities of our faith together.

Who is an Active Parishioner?

- Registered in the parish
- Regularly participates in Mass and the sacraments
- Supports the parish financially
- Annually completes a stewardship of Time, Talent, and Treasure form and fulfills that commitment

Liturgical Ministers for November 12th & 13th				
Ministries	Saturday, 5:00 PM	Sunday, 10:00 AM		
Lector	Landon Pottebaum	Michael Smith		
Children's Liturgy	Not during Saturday Evening Mass	Bonnie Walker		
Communion Minister	Gary Hoette	Jacob Lotton		
Ministers of Hospitality	Ty & Courtney Cothren Family	Dana Schneider & Brady Craven Ron & Dianne Talley		
Servers	Reed Pottebaum Malorie Schulte	Noah & Zander Beck		
Gift Bearers	Hospitality Ministers	Hospitality Ministers		
Money Counters	Rae Jean & Daryl Rhoads	Dottie Brueggen Elaine Winford		

Bishop McKnight's November prayer intention for our **Local Church is:**

Recognizing the many blessings God has bestowed upon us, may we embrace the spirituality of stewardship and avoid any sense of entitlement in our relationship with God. We pray to the Lord.

Weekly Mass Schedule

Upcoming Events & Announcements

Monday, November 7th	No MASS - Montgomery City	Monday, November 7th	7:00 PM - St. Vincent dePaul Mtg.
Tuesday, November 8th	6:30 PM Mass - Wellsville	Tuesday, November 8th	6:00 AM - 5:00 PM - Adoration 1:00 PM - KofC Ladies Aux. Mtg.
Wednesday, November 9th	NO Mass - Jonesburg	Wednesday, November 9th	6:30 PM - Catholic Education Mtg.
Thursday, November 10th	8:00 AM Mass - Montgomery City	Thursday, November 10th	10:00 AM-Ministerial Alliance Mtg
Friday, November 11th	8:00 AM Mass - Montgomery City	Friday, November 11th	
Saturday, November 12th	5:00 PM Mass - Montgomery City	Saturday, November 12th	9:00 AM - Women's Retreat @
Sunday, November 13th	8:00 AM Mass - Jonesburg 10:00 AM Mass - Montgomery City (Rosary @ 9:30 AM)	Sunday, November 13th	Starkenburg



Wedding Anniversary

Congratulations to the following couple(s) as they celebrate their special day!

There are no anniversaries this coming week.

Additional Financial Information

Capital Improvements/Maintenance	\$ 25.00
All Saints/All Souls Days	\$ 150.00
Christmas Flowers	\$ 50.00
Human Development	\$ 25.00
World Mission Sunday	\$ 25.00

(This is NOT included in Page 1 totals)

Ladies Retreat - Come and Hear Fr. Ernest Speak!

Ladies, come and hear Fr. Ernest speak at the Ladies' Retreat in Starkenburg on November 12th! The day of reflection will start at 9:00 AM. If you would like to carpool, please be at the church parking lot by 8:15 AM. Remember to bring your sack lunch. Water and coffee will be provided.

Pictorial Directory Update



Thank you for signing up! We still have some slots available on Nov. 15, Nov. 22 and Nov. 23. Our phone call campaign has begun and we will be contacting you if you haven't already registered. Online sched-

uling is still available: website: ucdir.com; church code: mo216; password: photos. Also, we need volunteers to be hosts and hospitality for the photo sessions at the Knights of Columbus Hall. There is a sign-up sheet in the back of church or contact Pat Korman at 573-564-2312.

Penance Service

Penance Services for the Christmas Season (yes, it's just around the corner!) are as follows:

December 15th - Immaculate Conception at 7:00 PM December 21st - Jonesburg at 6:00 PM

Fr. Greg Oligschlaeger, Fr. Henry Ussher, and Fr. Joseph Abah will be assisting.

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

As days grow shorter, leaves fall from trees, and the last of the year's crops are harvested, the Church calls to mind those who have died and of Jesus' promise of eternal life. Earlier this week we honored the saints on All Saints and remembered our beloved dead on All Souls Day. Today we hear Jesus affirm the resurrection of the dead when faced with a group of religious authorities who refuse to accept it. May our faith in Jesus, who is the resurrection and the life, give us hope during these dark days.

Question of the Week

To what must I die in order to fully live in the way God calls me?

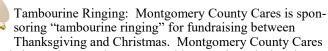
All Souls

In the month of November, we remember those who have passed away in the past year:



Diane Happe, Jim Walker, James Cochran, Sr., Lorraine (Punky) Boes, Fr. Paul Hartley, Ignatius Busken, Douglas Zerr, Jane Dorlac, and Valerie Readey Neudecker.

Tambourine Ringing



help people in need across the county. This event is replacing the Salvation Army Bell Ringing that we have helped with in the past. Immaculate Conception Parish will be in charge of ringing the tambourine on Saturday, December 10 at Bratcher's Market from 9-4. We would appreciate it if you could sign up for 1 hour. The sign-up list is in the back of church. Any help would be appreciated. If you have any questions, please call Beth Roesner at 314-974-1087.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO NOT PARK IN THE STREET FACING THE MFA GRAVEL LOT ANYTIME DURING HARVEST SEASON. *Thank you!*

Immaculate Conception School News



November 4th - Trivia Night @ KC Hall at 7:00 PM. Please come and support the ICS Home and School!

November 9th - Dr. Erin Vader, Superintendent of Schools will visit From 8:30 AM to 11:00 AM

November 9th - ICS Picture Day

November 11th - 8:00 AM Mass with Veteran's Day Program follow ing Mass in ICS cafeteria

On December 1, 2022 Prayer Partner Mass will be held at 10:00 AM. ICS Home and School will provide lunch for the ICS students and their prayer partners directly after Mass.

HELP WANTED

ICS will be going through the Self Study process during this school year. We will be hosting the visiting team on April 26-28, 2023. We are needing accommodations for 4 adults. We would love to hear recommendations on how to make their stay more economically friendly, comfortable and enjoyable. Please call the school office if you have any suggestions. Thank you!

IC Scrip Program



Whenever you purchase a gift card from the IC School Scrip Program, the school receives a percentage of the purchase price. The percentage will vary from one com-

pany to another but there is no extra charge to you. A \$25 card costs you \$25. Why not let some of your money that you would spend anyway go to a good cause? There are a few ways to obtain the cards. You may purchase physical cards at the school or after Masses on the first full weekend of the month. You may also go online to www.RaiseRight.com to create an account to purchase e-cards, reload select cards, or place a large order for physical cards. If you have any questions, call Gina Smith, coordinator, 573-289-8635.



2022 No Hunger Holiday **Montgomery City Knights of Columbus**

Tuesday, November 22, the 32nd annual No Hunger Holiday event will take place. This is an all-volunteer effort with many Montgomery charitable organizations involved. Please help someone less fortunate be thankful this year.

Turkeys can be dropped off at the Bainbridge Insurance Office Thursday, November 10th thru Monday, November 21st.

We appreciate all cash donations! A \$40.00 cash donation provides dinner for a family of four, \$80.00 a family of 2, \$120.00 a family of three and so on. No donation is too small or large!

More information may by found on: www.nohungerholiday.com or www.Facebook.com/NoHungerHoliday.

Catholic Campaign for Human Development

Next week our special collection will support the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. More than 37 million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs that empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face in bringing permanent and positive change to their communities. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at www.usccb.org/cchd.

Events Around the Community (See Flyers if available in the church vestibule.)

November 6th - Church of the Risen Savior Fall Dinner at Valentine Hall in Starkenburg from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Fried Chicken or Whole Hog Sausage. Dine in or

November 11th - Martinsburg Famous Fried Chicken Dinner - 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM. Dine in, drive thru, or carry out.

November 13th - St. Joseph "All You Can Eat" Breakfast from 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM at the Martinsburg KC Hall.

November 19th - Middletown Lions Club Fried Chicken Dinner -5:00PM-8:00 PM @ Middletown Community Center

Head Count for October

We want to let you know the weekly head count for each month of the year. Starting in September this count will be listed in the bulletin with a grand total at the end of each month.

October 1st - 68	October 2nd - 111
October 8th - 76	October 9th - 110
October 15th - 101	October 16th - 117
October 22nd - 57	October 23rd - 136
October 29th - 71	October 30th - 99

Grand Total for October = 946

Catholic Stewardship Appeal



We thank all who have given generously to the annual Catholic Stewardship Appeal. As we look at our lives and the many blessings God has given us, let us give a STEWARDSHIP APPEAL potion to the CSA as a way of saying thank you to the Lord. Through the CSA, we make known the Kingdom of God by helping each other to live our faith and share our Gospel belief. Our gifts to the CSA and ministries it supports are our grateful offerings

Thank You!

The guest bathroom in the rectory has gone thru some much needed repairs and renovations. We want to thank the Seedbearers for taking on this project, to Mike Taylor & Jeff Turner of Brandkamp Cabinets for donating the vanity and countertop, and to the "angels" who donated their time, talent, and treasure! God bless you all!!

Please Keep in your prayers the following people:

Residents of St. Andrews New Florence Nursing & Care Center, Hwy 19 & Picnic Road, New Florence, MO 63363 - Dorothy Bowman, Mary Pettig, and Susie Ryan

Contact the parish office to have someone added!



Please pray for: Pat Klein, Nick Schneider, Lucille & Marvin Griesbauer, Pat Merz, Parker Calbreath (son of Chris & Stacy Calbreath), Al & Christine Barger, Marla Daniels, John Rybacki (father of Sue Beck), Kim Dryden, Christine Welter (niece of Kathy Holtz), and Matt Brumagin.

Contact the parish office to have someone added!



Please pray for all our men and women serving in the armed forces. Corey Stulce, Tanner Cobb, Steve (Hip) Hill, Noah Richard, Dylan Willis, and Daniel Lohmann.

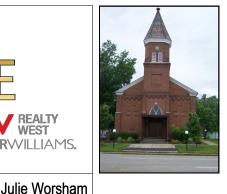
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Remember our Parish in your will!

"Finally, brothers and sisters, rejoice! **Strive** for full restoration, encourage one another, be of one mind, live in peace. And the God of love and peace will be with you."

2 Corinthians 11



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I should no longer say that I have neighbors to help, but that I must myself be a neighbor to others.

-Pope Francis, Fratelli Tutti, no. 81

or more than 50 years, the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) has supported organizations that combat poverty and improve the lives of people in communities across the United States. From empowering immigrants in towns along the southern border to advocating for improved housing and educational opportunities in northern and midwestern cities, CCHD-funded groups tackle a wide range of economic and social justice challenges that affect local communities in rural and urban areas.

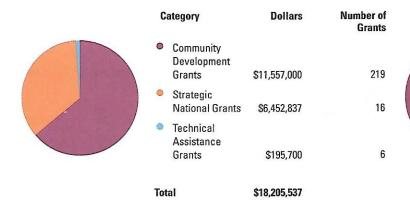
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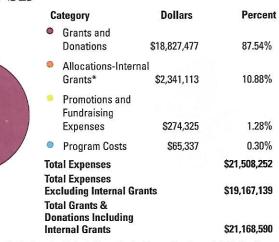
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