

Assumption Catholic Church

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Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 7, 2021



{ The Widow's Mite }

May You Find Christ Here...May You Bring Christ to the World!

Mass Schedule:

Saturday, 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, 8:30 a.m.

Wednesday, 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, 12 noon

Friday, 9:00 a.m.

Confessions:

Saturdays, 3:00-3:45 p.m.

Weekdays, 30 mins. prior to Mass

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Bulletin Deadline:

Wednesday, 12 noon

Sunday Reflection: Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

What is true religion and devotion to God? Jesus warns his disciples against the wrong kind of religion. True religion is relating rightly to God and to one's neighbor with love, honor, and respect. The Lord puts his Holy Spirit within us that we may be filled with the joy of his presence, the joy of true worship, and the joy of selfless giving and love for others. True reverence for God frees the heart to give liberally, both to God and to neighbor.

Jesus taught his disciples a dramatic lesson in generous giving with love and devotion. Love doesn't calculate - it spends lavishly! Jesus drove this point home to his disciples while sitting in the temple and observing people offering their tithes. Jesus praised a poor widow who gave the smallest of coins in contrast with the rich who gave greater sums. How can someone in poverty give more than someone who has ample means? Jesus' answer is very simple - love is more precious than gold! Jesus taught that real giving must come from the heart. The poor widow could have kept one of her coins, but instead she recklessly gave away all she had! Jesus praised someone who gave barely a penny - how insignificant a sum - because it was everything she had, her whole living. What we have to offer may look very small and not worth much, but if we put all we have at the Lord's disposal, no matter how insignificant it may seem, then God can do with it and with us what is beyond our reckoning. Let us pray today: Lord Jesus, all that I have is yours. Take my life, my possessions, my time and all that I have and use them as you desire for your glory.

Readings for next Sunday,

November 14, 2021

Daniel 12:1-3

Hebrews 10:11-14,18

Mark 13:24-32



Saint of the Week ... St. Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr

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Josaphat was born John Kuncevic about 1580 in Vladimir (what is now Ukraine). When John was just a child, his mother explained the icons in church. Years later he told a friend that he felt a spark of fire leave the wounded side of Jesus and enter his own heart, which was filled with joy. This event influenced the rest of his life. Within him grew the desire to suffer poverty and death for his Savior.

In 1595, the Orthodox bishop of Brest-Litovsk in present-day Belarus and five other bishops representing millions of Ruthenians, sought reunion with Rome. John Kunsevich—who took the name Josaphat in religious life—was influenced by clergy adhering to the 1596 Union of Brest. He became a Basilian monk, then a priest, and soon was well known as a preacher and an ascetic.

He became bishop of Vitebsk at a relatively young age, and faced a difficult situation. Most monks, fearing interference in liturgy and customs, did not want union with Rome. By synods, catechetical instruction, reform of the clergy, and personal example, however, Josaphat was successful in winning the greater part of the Orthodox in that area to the union. But the next year a dissident hierarchy was set up, and his opposite number spread the accusation that Josaphat had "gone Latin" and that all his people would have to do the same. He was not enthusiastically supported by the Latin bishops of Poland.

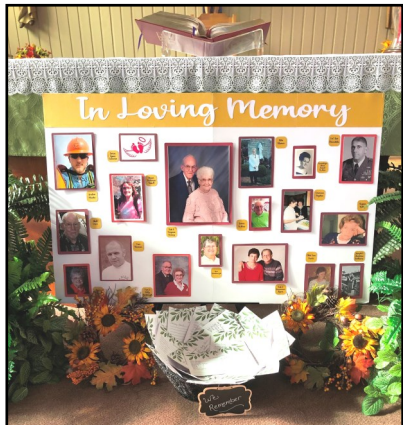
Despite warnings, he went to Vitebsk, still a hotbed of trouble. Attempts were made to foment trouble and drive him from the diocese: A priest was sent to shout insults to him from his own courtyard. When Josaphat had him removed and shut up in his house, the opposition rang the town hall bell, and a mob assembled. The priest was released, but members of the mob broke into the bishop's home. Josaphat was struck with a halberd, then shot, and his body thrown into the river. It was later recovered and is now buried in St. Peter's Basilica in Rome. St. Josaphat was the first saint of the Eastern Church to be canonized by Rome.



Feast Day:
November 12

Memorial Mass Well Attended

More than 40 people gathered at our church on November 1 to celebrate All Souls Day. Photos of



loved ones were on display with a basket of our remembrance forms, 30 memorial candles were lit, and our cantors sang a beautiful meditation hymn following Holy Communion. Thanks to all those who attended, and a special

thanks to members of the Ladies Guild who hosted the reception following Mass.

Those of you who purchased Memorial Candles may pick them up in the Sacristy after any Mass.

K of C Donation



Kenny Brant (right), Grand Knight of Council 10545, is shown here making a donation on behalf of the Knights to the Stagers Recovery House. Located in Keyser, this organization is part of Burlington United Methodist Family Services, Inc. and serves women in recovery. Accepting the donation is Michael Imperio, Planned Giving Coordinator.



Mass Schedule and Intentions

Date	Time	Intention	Offered by
Saturday, November 6	4:00 p.m.	Souls of Anna & Wilbur Myers.....	Virginia Collins
		Soul of Elaine Miller.....	Margaret McGee
Sunday, November 7	8:30 a.m.	Soul of Helen House	Joe House
Monday, November 8	No Mass		
Tuesday, November 9	No Mass		
Wednesday, November 10	6:00 p.m.	Souls of Joe & Jean Quinn.....	Marg Quinn
		Soul of Ron Chiccehitto	Mary Shannon
Thursday, November 11	12 noon	Soul of Herman Wise	Jean Harber
		Soul of Regina Kelley & Deceased Members of the Kelley Family	The Kelley Family
Friday, November 12	9:00 a.m.	Intentions of Elizabeth Marshall & Triston Marshall	Kathleen Gibson
Saturday, November 13	4:00 p.m.	Souls of John & Hazel Coffman.....	Cindy & Jim Alt
		Souls of Tom & Betty Harbaugh	Angela & David Bowers
Sunday, November 14	8:30 a.m.	Soul of Donald Wagoner.....	Mary Wagoner



Parish Prayer List

Please pray for: Patricia Ansel, Jennifer Boling, Bobby Dorsey, Barbara Gratto, Beth Grayson, Sue Greco, Barbara Grubbs*, Eddie Halterman, Larry Hinkle*, Helen Holder*, Pam Launi, Paul Miller, Kyeran Leigh Nelson, Esther Shockey, Sue Spotts, Bill Stine, Scott Tasker and Maleigha Taylor.

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Assumption Parish



Thank you to all those who have already contributed! Remember, since we are past the 50% mark, all dollars now received come back to our parish!

www.csa.dwcministries.org/donate

Collections & Attendance October 30-31, 2021

Offertory

Offertory Envelopes.....	\$2,205
Loose Donations.....	\$722
Repairs & Maintenance.....	\$20
Total	\$2,947

Attendance

Saturday 10/30.....	49
Sunday 10/31.....	101
Total	150

Diocesan Collection

A Diocesan collection is taking place this weekend for the Archdiocese for the Military Services. A separate basket is available for this appeal.

K of C Projects Continue

Operation Christmas Child

As a reminder, Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes are due by next Sunday, November 14. Our supply of OCC boxes are gone, but any average-sized shoebox can be filled. Your filled boxes can be returned to Church, the Parish Office, or by contacting Michael Stanislawczyk (304.813.3426).

Warm the Children

New and unused winter clothing items for children ages newborn through 18 will be collected through early December. These donations can also be dropped off at the Church, the Parish Office, or by contacting Michael Stanislawczyk at 304.813.3426.



NATIONAL VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK

National Vocation Awareness Week is celebrated November 7-13, 2021. Please ask Our Lord for more dedicated, holy priests, deacons, and consecrated men and women. May they be inspired by Jesus and respond generously to God's gift of vocation.



The Ladies Guild will meet on Wednesday, November 10, at noon in St. Mary's Hall. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend and to bring a lunch.

Liturgical Minister Schedule

Saturday, November 13

Lector: Sue Harber
Servers: James & Tess Maybury
EM: Alan Taylor
Cantor: Anita Tetreault
Greeters: Kelli & Kerri Wittman

Sunday, November 14

Lector: John Bogdan
Servers: Mike & Rosie Landis, Nick McKenzie
EM: Mike Landis
Cantor: Julie Alt
Greeters: Tina Stephen & Melissa Stanislawczyk

Saturday, November 20

Lector: Doug Minnich
Servers: Alan Taylor & Sue Harber
EM: Jean Harber
Cantor: Linda Marsh
Greeters: Tom & Kathy Finnell

Sunday, November 21

Lector: Kelley Kuhn
Servers: Abby & Libby DelSignore
EM: Rosie Landis
Cantor: Nancy Starcher
Greeters: Doug & Jane Placka