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Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 16, 2025



*By your perseverance
you will secure your lives.*

LUKE 21:19

May you find Christ here...may you take Christ to the world!

Mass Schedule:

Saturday, 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, 8:30 a.m.

Wednesday, 5:00 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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Monday - Thursday

9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Bulletin Deadline

Wednesday, 10 a.m.

Sunday Reflection: Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

How would we respond if someone prophesied that our home, land, or place of worship would be destroyed? To the great consternation of the Jews, Jesus prophesied the destruction of their great temple at Jerusalem (Luke:21:5-19). The Jewish people took great pride in their temple, a marvel of the ancient world. The foretelling of this destruction was a dire warning of spiritual judgment in itself. They asked Jesus for a sign that would indicate when this disastrous event would occur. Jesus admonished them to not look for signs that would indicate the exact timing of impending destruction, but rather to pray for God's intervention of grace and mercy.

Jesus' prophecy of the destruction of the temple at Jerusalem was a two-edged sword, because it pointed not only to God's judgment, but also to his saving action and mercy. Jesus foretold the destruction of Jerusalem and the dire consequences for all who would reject him and his saving message. While the destruction of Jerusalem's temple was determined (it was razed by the Romans in 70 A.D.), there remained for its inhabitants a narrow open door leading to deliverance. Jesus said: "I am the door; whoever enters by me will be saved" (John 10:9). Jesus willingly set his face toward Jerusalem, knowing that he would meet betrayal, rejection, and death on a cross. His death on the cross, however, brought about true freedom, peace, and victory over the powers of sin, evil, and death - not only for the inhabitants of Jerusalem, but for all - both Jew and Gentile alike - who would accept Jesus as their Lord and Savior. Do we really know the peace and security of a life submitted to the lordship of Jesus Christ?

Readings for Next Sunday,

November 23, 2025

2 Samuel 5:1-3

Colossians 1:12-20

Luke 23:35-43

Saint of the Week... St. Elizabeth of Hungary

Elizabeth was born in 1207 to King Andrew II of Hungary and Gertrude of Merania. While a life of luxury could easily have been hers, Elizabeth instead chose a life of penance which endeared her in the hearts of the common people throughout Europe. When she was just 6 years old, Elizabeth's mother was murdered. This caused the young girl's perspective on life to change and she sought peace with prayer.

At the age of 14, Elizabeth was married to Louis of Thuringia, whom she deeply loved. Together they had three children. Under the spiritual direction of a Franciscan friar, she led a life of prayer, sacrifice, and service to the poor and sick. Seeking to become one with the poor, she wore simple clothing. After six years of marriage, her husband died in the Crusades, and Elizabeth was grief-stricken. She vowed to never remarry and to live a life similar to a nun.

In 1228, Elizabeth joined the Secular Franciscan Order, spending the remaining few years of her life caring for the poor in a hospital which she founded in honor of Saint Francis of Assisi. Elizabeth's health declined, and she died before her 24th birthday in 1231.

One of her greatest known miracles occurred when she was still alive: the miracle of roses. It is said that during one of her trips delivering bread to the poor in secret, Louis met with her and asked her questions to erase everyone's suspicions that she was stealing treasures from the castle. He asked her to reveal the contents under her cloak, and as she did a vision of white and red roses was seen. St. Elizabeth was canonized in 1235. She is the patron saint of Catholic Charities, bakers, beggars, brides, homeless people and widows.



Feast Day November 17

Sources: franciscanmedia.org and catholic.org



Jan Biser, Tina Blank, Jennifer Boling, Leslie Bosley, Angela Bowers, Kara Breedlove, Mickey Brooks, Darlene "Bitsy" Brown, Sue Burns, Braely Burton, Abby Clark, Raymond Clark, Hailey Claire, Linda Davis-Kyle, Gloria DeMasi, Palma Devic, Marion Dorsey, Cam Duncan, Dave & Jean Dunn, Lucas Dupuis, Scott Furey, Marilyn George, Barbara Gratto, Sue Greco, Donna Hanlin, Shawn Harbaugh, Shawn Hartman, Kathy Jenkins, Sarah Jones, Charity Jones Kasraoui, Margie Keister, Sueann Keller-Schwille, Joanne Knott*, Jeffrey Labonte, Pam Launi, Bill Lupis, Angelo Luvara, Francy Lyons, Rhonda Martin, Betty McAvoy, Cindy Mills, Steve Miner, Wanda & Randy Nairn, Debbie Pappas, Cathy Pardee, Diane Parrish, Crystal Pollet, Susie Radcliffe, Katherine Revell, Carole Rhodes, Carla Riggleman, Crystal Snitz, George Rosedale, Charlotte Sanders, Helen Shallis, Sparrow Shannon, Esther Shockey, Fran Sommers, Barbara Stanislawczyk, Melissa Stanislawczyk, John Stephen Jr., Patsy Summers, Stefanie Swanger, Maleigha Taylor, Nathaniel Taylor, Shawn Whetzel, Courtney Whiteman, Becky Whitlock*, Barbara Willis.

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Celebrating Our Veterans!



The military veterans of our parish and their families were honored with breakfast last Sunday, hosted by the Ladies Guild. Pictured in front: Denny Dolechek, Bill Poland, Jim Tetrick, Matthew Nugent, and Eric Hatfield; second row: Rudy Dolechek, Norman Launi, John Droppleman, Alisha Dupuis, and Mike Labonte.

We thank these additional veterans who were not listed in last week's bulletin. If you are a veteran but we don't have your name, please contact the Parish Office!

- ★ John Bogdan
- ★ Francis Burgess
- ★ Larry Dale
- ★ Charles Hartman
- ★ William Poland
- ★ Dennis Rochette



▲ Our own Marion Dorsey and Larry Dale are shown here at the Veterans Day program held at Keyser Primary School. Marion was honored with a standing ovation as the oldest living veteran in Mineral County at just 99 years young. Congratulations Marion!

▶ The Knights of Columbus were a sponsor of the Veterans Day program held at Keyser Primary School. Mike Landis is shown here making the donation.



Mass Schedule and Intentions

Date	Time	Intention	Offered by
Saturday, November 15	4:00 pm	Soul of Donald Wagoner	Mary Wagoner
		Soul of Steve Mehalik.....	Derek & Dawn Eberhart
		Souls of John & Hazel Coffman.....	Cindy & Jim Alt
		Intentions of Marion Dorsey.....	Bill Lupis & Mary Wagoner
Sunday, November 16	8:30 am	Soul of Doris Tetrick.....	Doug & Jane Placka
		Intentions of Linda Marsh.....	Margaret McGee
		Intentions of Jeff & Kelley Kuhn.....	Sue & Jean Harber
Monday, November 17	No Mass		
Tuesday, November 18	No Mass		
Wednesday, November 19	5:00 pm	Soul of Genevieve Bogdan	John Bogdan
Thursday, November 20	12:00 pm	Soul of Helen Fitzwater.....	Mike & Rosie Landis
		Souls of Bill & Helen Semenuk	Cathy Pardee
Friday, November 21	9:00 am	Intentions of Barbara Gratto, Sue Greco & Margaret McGee.....	Sue & Jean Harber
		Souls of Carla Clem Richard & Andrew Richard	Kelley & Jeff Kuhn
Saturday, November 22	4:00 pm	Soul of Willard Burnett.....	Linda Marsh
		Souls of Lorenzo & Barbara Grubbs.....	Karen & Howard Barrick
		Soul of Joan Roach	Linda Marsh
		Intentions of Dean & Kathy Alt	Mike & Joanne Stickley
Sunday, November 23	8:30 am	The Demasi Family.....	Sue & Jean Harber
		Souls of Robert & Kay Fazzalore.....	The Fazzalore Family
		Soul of Todd Myers	Jeff & Kelley Kuhn

Join us to pray the Rosary 30 minutes prior to each weekday Mass.

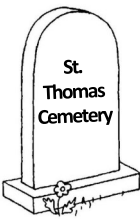


Fr. Thomas will offer the Anointing of the Sick to those dealing with chronic illness or impending surgery following both Masses next weekend.

Ladies Guild Bake Sale

The Ladies Guild will host its annual bake sale after both Masses the weekend of November 22-23. Parishioners making a donation of baked goods can drop those off at St. Mary's Hall on November 22 from 2-4.

Don't want to bake something?
Cash donations are welcome too!



Cemetery Flowers

If you have spring or summer flowers at St. Thomas Cemetery that you would like to keep, please remove them by December 1. Thank you!

Your Faithful Stewardship

November 8-9, 2025

Offertory

Offertory Envelopes.....	\$2,546
Loose Donations	\$337
Repairs & Maintenance.....	\$175
Total.....	\$3,058

Attendance

Saturday, 11/8.....	76
Sunday, 11/9.....	138
Total.....	214

Diocesan Collection

Archdiocese for Military Services	\$513
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It's Donut Sunday!

Please join us after Mass this Sunday (November 16) at St. Mary's Hall for donuts, coffee, fellowship! Thank you to the Ladies Guild for hosting this month.

Thanksgiving Meals for Homebound

The Ladies Guild will be preparing a Thanksgiving meal for the homebound people of our parish. If you or someone you know would enjoy this outreach, please contact the Parish Office by Thursday, November 20. The meals will be delivered on Tuesday, November 25.

Special Collection for the Cathedral of St. Joseph

Next weekend, our parish will take up a special collection in support of the Cathedral of St. Joseph. The Cathedral stands as the mother church of our diocese and a sign of unity for all the faithful. Your generosity helps preserve and maintain this sacred space for future generations. Special collection envelopes are available in the Vestibule.

Liturgical Minister Schedule

Saturday, November 22

Lector: Sue Harber
Servers: Tucker Newlin & Jude Barrick
EMs: Janet Corley, Sue Harber (c), Eric Hatfield (c)
Cantor: Julie Alt
Greeters: Bob & Karen Yowler

Sunday, November 23

Lector: Michael Stanislawczyk
Servers: Tina & Derek Stephen
EMs: Nancy Starcher, Mike Landis (c), Pam Williams (c)
Cantor: Mike Dupuis
Greeters: John & Debbie Krumpach

Saturday, November 29

Lector: Logan Stanislawczyk
Servers: Sue Harber & Paul Bogdan
EMs: John Gustafson, Mary Wagoner (c), Bill Lupis (c)
Cantor: Linda Marsh
Greeters: TBD

Sunday, November 30

Lector: Paul Bogdan
Servers: Celia & Evelyn Cole
EMs: Tina Stephen, Jane Placka (c), Beverley Iser (c)
Cantor: Patrick George
Greeters: Doug & Jane Placka

Keyser Healthcare Center EM

November 20 Joanne Stickley
November 27 Pam Williams