

ST. FRANCIS POLISH NATIONAL CATHOLIC CHURCH

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace! —St. Francis

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Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time - November 17, 2019



Niech Bedze pochwalony Jezus Chrystus.

R/. Na wieki, wiekow Amen.

Praised be the Lord, Jesus Christ.

R/. Now and forever. Amen.

9:30 AM - "Hymn of Faith"

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READING I - Reading 1 Mal 3:19-20a

Lo, the day is coming, blazing like an oven, when all the proud and all evildoers will be stubble, and the day that is coming will set them on fire, leaving them neither root nor branch, says the LORD of hosts. But for you who fear my name, there will arise the sun of justice with its healing rays.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM - Ps 98:5-6, 7-8, 9

R. The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.

Sing praise to the LORD with the harp, with the harp and melodious song. With trumpets and the sound of the horn sing joyfully before the King, the LORD.

R. The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.

Let the sea and what fills it resound, the world and those who dwell in it; let the rivers clap their hands, the mountains shout with them for joy.

R. The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.

Before the LORD, for he comes, for he comes to rule the earth, He will rule the world with justice and the peoples with equity.

R. The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.

READING II - 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12

Brothers and sisters: You know how one must imitate us. For we did not act in a disorderly way among you, nor did we eat food received free from anyone. On the contrary, in toil and drudgery, night and day we worked, so as not to burden any of you. Not that we do not have the right. Rather, we wanted to present ourselves as a model for you, so that you might imitate us. In fact, when we were with you, we instructed you that if anyone was unwilling to work, neither should that one eat. We hear that some are conducting themselves among you in a disorderly way, by not keeping busy but minding the business of others. Such people we instruct and urge in the Lord Jesus Christ to work quietly and to eat their own food.

Priest/Lector: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

R./ Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Priest/Lector: Stand erect and raise your heads because your redemption is at hand.

R./ Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

GOSPEL - Luke 21:5-19

While some people were speaking about how the temple was adorned with costly stones and votive offerings, Jesus said, "All that you see here-- the days will come when there will not be left a stone upon another stone that will not be thrown down."

Then they asked him, "Teacher, when will this happen? And what sign will there be when all these things are about to happen?" He answered, "See that you not be deceived, for many will come in my name, saying, 'I am he,' and 'The time has come.' Do not follow them! When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for such things must happen first, but it will not immediately be the end." Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be powerful earthquakes, famines, and plagues from place to place; and awesome sights and mighty signs will come from the sky.

"Before all this happens, however, they will seize and persecute you, they will hand you over to the synagogues and to prisons, and they will have you led before kings and governors because of my name. It will lead to your giving testimony. Remember, you are not to prepare your defense beforehand, for I myself shall give you a wisdom in speaking that all your adversaries will be powerless to resist or refute. You will even be handed over by parents, brothers, relatives, and friends, and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name, but not a hair on your head will be destroyed. By your perseverance you will secure your lives." This is the gospel of the Lord.

R/: Praise be to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

LITANY OF THE FAITHFULLY DEPARTED

OFFERTORY HYMN - "Taste and See"

COMMUNION HYMN - "One Bread, One Body"

RECESSIONAL HYMN - "Be Not Afraid"

St. Francis Weekly “Faith Renewed”

THOUGHTS ON TODAY'S READINGS...

1st Reading: The sun of justice shines with healing warmth on those who walk in the Lord, but evildoers face a blazing oven for the day of the Lord is coming.

2nd Reading: Paul urged members of the church in Thessalonica to conduct themselves in a way that befits Christ's followers. He asked them to work in the community and earn their keep.

Gospel: We hear the conclusion to the Gospel of St. Luke today. It warns us of the end times when the Lord will come to judge. Jesus urged patient endurance for his followers when they face trial or contradiction. He consoled them and calmed their worries in the midst of war, earthquake, disease and hunger.

It is also the feast of St. Cecilia, patron saint of musicians.



ST. CECILIA, November 22

St. Cecilia, according to Roman legend, was a young patrician woman of Rome who was a Christian. She was filled with love for God to whom she vowed her life and virginity. Forced into marriage by her father, she sang to God on her wedding day, praying for help. Soon after, Valerian, her husband, and Tiburtius, his brother, were miraculously converted to Christianity by a vision and gave themselves to the care of the sick and the burial of the dead.

They were martyred at Pagus Triopus, outside of Rome, along with a Roman official, Maximus, because they refused to sacrifice to the gods. Cecilia buried their bodies, and was herself brought to trial for her beliefs. So persuasive was she that her accusers converted to Christianity. Finally, the perfect, Almachius, sentenced her to be suffocated in the heated bath of her home. Despite the intense heat she was unharmed, so a soldier was sent to behead her. She was struck on the neck three times and lingered for three days before dying. A tomb marking her grave is found in the cemetery of St. Callistus in Rome. St. Cecilia is the patron of musicians.



NOVEMBER

- Tony Kuzniewski (November 5th)
- Cheryl Haase (November 7th)
- Rosemary Rosen (November 18th)
- Joni Blenn (November 18th)
- Joe Glovack (November 18th)
- Linda Frysztacki (November 28th)
- Fr. Andrew Koterba (November 29th)

Take a moment out and pray...

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Health Needs: Jesus, we ask you to bring peace and your healing touch to those who are ill, afraid or worried. Amen.

Health Needs of: Debbie Marciano, Beverly Hester, Gregory Klein, Tom Early, Jim Richards, Nancy Foley, Thomas Maloney, Nancy Fernandez Petrozza, Susan Leach, Stella Silva, Michele Feudale, Linda Maloney, Lorraine Avitabile, Matt Pokalsky, Sophia Kyriakakis, Billy Murphy, Con Boyle, MaryAnn McEvoy, Rosalie Drenckhahn, James Kostolni, Elena Guigui, Theresa Kasmark, Constance Citrola, Elizabeth Zitzmann, Anne Grusell, Teresa Kay, Sidra Lewis, Toni Panico, Nina Dobrowolski, George Heyen, Helen de la Sota, Joanne Ippolito, Jeff Curtis, Ottavia Daquino, Linda Frysztacki, Ann Klein-Siebuhr, Blanca Vasquez, Thomas Kompa, Bill Piro, Iris Cafran, Frank Kompa, John Luis Vasquez, Eileen McChesney, Mickey Gagliano, John Blenn, Carla Calabrese, Gary P. Ribis, Emma Zaradich, & for all those who care for the sick and disabled.

Requiem Intentions: Eternal rest give unto them, O Lord, and let the perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

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