

33rd Sunday In Ordinary Time

As we edge closer to the closing of the liturgical year, the Church selects readings that remind us of the final close: the second coming of Christ. It's easy, perhaps, to forget that this is a dogma of our Catholic faith. We see this dramatic end times language in today's Gospel. "The sun will be darkened ... and the stars will be falling from the sky."

As Christians and as human beings, we know all things will come to an end. "But of that day or hour, no one knows." The "end of the world" and end of time at Jesus' coming is in a future unknown. But God has given us beautiful reminders of this truth. We see the signs and symbols of ending all around us -- nightfall at the end of each day; the life cycle of crops coming alive, bearing fruit, and being harvested; our own death. That, too, will come at an unknown day and hour. But that is the way of things. Even as God created in Genesis, He gave us a sense of time -- the sun rising and setting, a beginning and an end -- to mark our days. So how do we welcome these built-in forms of measurement? Do we take time to quietly recollect at the end of each day? Do we see every morning as a fresh start for mercies new? Do we observe the seasons and reflect on what they might be speaking to us of God and His glory? "Heaven and earth will pass away, but my works will not pass away." The little beginnings and little ends are opportunities to renew our faith in Jesus, if only we have the eyes to see!

Sunday Collection

Sunday Collection for weekend of November 3/4, 2018
2018 was \$3,389.00.

Town Hall Meeting

There will be a Town Hall Meeting for all Parishioners of Divine Mercy Parish,

Sunday, November 18, 2018

At 1 pm in St. Francis Auditorium.

Our accountant will be available to answer questions. All questions including pastoral and financial must be submitted in advance.

Parish Office will be closed on Thursday, November 22, and Friday, November 23, for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

33er Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Este domingo el Evangelio nos habla de la Venida del Hijo del Hombre. Pensar en la venida del Reino puede causarle temor y angustia. ¡Es todo lo contrario! Esto debe ser un mensaje lleno de esperanza. Si, el mundo llegará a su fin algún día, pero por lo pronto, el deber de los cristianos es de trabajar para que sea un lugar donde haya paz y el amor. El Señor Jesús lo dice claro, sin fantasías ni promesas falsa. "Por lo que se refiere a ese Día y cuándo vendrá, no lo sabe nadie, ni los ángeles en el Cielo, ni el Hijo, sino solamente el Padre" (Marcos 13:32). Entonces, ¿qué debemos hacer? ¿Cómo comprender la Venida del Hijo del Hombre? Bueno, está muy de moda en estos tiempos la palabra discernir.

Por ejemplo, hay que discernir los signos de los tiempos, hay discernir el sistema en que vivimos, y hay que aprender a hacerlo con honestidad. Esto implica estar atentos a saber elegir buenos caminos. Jesús nos pone como ejemplo la higuera, nos dice que por sus ramas tiernas y el brote de sus hojas se sabe que ya se acerca el verano. Lo que se nos quiere decir es que sepamos desear poco y ocupar poco. Dando siempre fruto, dejando nuestros anhelos y sueños en manos del Señor. El reto es vivir en la tierra, pensando en el futuro que es el Cielo. "El cielo y la tierra pasarán, pero mis palabras no pasarán" (Marcos 13:31). ¡Señor, ayúdanos a comprender la inmensidad y el misterio de tu Palabra, para que sepamos vivir en esperanza a pesar de las adversidades!

Readings for the Week of November 18, 2018

Sunday:	Dn 12:1-3/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Heb 10:11-14, 18/Mk 13:24-32
Monday:	Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [Rv 2:17]/Lk 18:35-43
Tuesday:	Rv 3:1-6, 14-22/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5 [Rv 3:21]/Lk 19:1-10
Wednesday:	Rv 4:1-11/Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6 [1b]/Lk 19:11-28
Thursday:	Rv 5:1-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [Rv 5:10]/Lk 19:41-44
Friday:	Rv 10:8-11/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131 [103a]/Lk 19:45-48
Saturday:	Rv 11:4-12/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10 [1b]/Lk 20:27-40
Next Sunday:	Dn 7:13-14/Ps 93:1, 1-2, 5 [1a]/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-37

A Message from Fr. Tom

This week, we remember the celebration of the first Thanksgiving that accompanied one of the first permanent settlements on the North American Continent. A group of reformed Baptists—known as Puritans—sought to practice their religion freely. And so, with the offer of land and the promise of the freedom to worship God as they saw fit, they journeyed to the uncertain shores of this country landing in the Massachusetts colony in 1620 to establish their own settlement known as Plymouth Colony. While many of the details we associate with the first Thanksgiving we may only guess at—but of one detail about which we can be sure—the great sacrifice and cost paid by these settlers. By the end of the first winter of 1621 about half of those who departed from England only a few months earlier were dead.

And so, with the first successful harvest in 1621 and the hope of better days to come, the settlers we know as the Puritans celebrated—we believe—the first thanksgiving that November. 242 years later another uncertain venture—the survival of this country was in serious doubt, this was during the time of our own American Civil War. More Americans died in that war than in any other in our nation's history. After the promising victory at Gettysburg and the hope that this nation would survive the bloodiest conflict of its history, President Abraham Lincoln enshrined Thanksgiving Day as a National Holiday with the following words:

“The year that is drawing towards its close, has been filled with the blessings of fruitful fields and healthful skies. To these bounties, which are so constantly enjoyed that we are prone to forget that source from which they come—the ever watchful providence of Almighty God. **Fr. Tom**

Celebrate Thanksgiving by Helping Someone in Need

Thanksgiving Day Feeding of the Homebound of DMP & Homeless

On the morning of Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 22nd, Divine Mercy Parish will make home visits to distribute meals to feed our homebound and also offer meals and winter clothing to the homeless of our neighborhood. If you are interested in helping, please call the rectory office to sign up (718) 387-0256.

Fr. Tom

Introduction to the Gospel of Luke—

Bible Study with Fr. Tom

Please join Father Tom for an introduction to the Gospel of Luke. The Gospel of Luke will accompany our coming Liturgical Year which begins on the First Sunday of Advent—Sunday, December 2nd. The introductory course will use the Colledgeville Study Guide and will meet on three Tuesday nights from 7:30 to 8:30 pm in St. Francis of Paola Rectory Dining Room. Our course will continue to meet in 2019. Please sign up by calling (718) 387-0256. Cost is \$15.00 for guide book we will use throughout the year.

Tuesday, November 20th

Tuesday, December 4th

Tuesday, December 18th

St. Michael the Archangel Prayer

Given the present threats to our Christian faith and our church, threats that come from within and outside our church—I am reinstating the prayer of St. Michael the Archangel in the parish of Divine Mercy at the end of each Mass to be said by the priest and all the faithful before the final blessing and dismissal.

Some history: On October 13th, 1884—exactly 33 years to day prior to the final apparition of Fatima—Pope Leo XIII after celebrating private morning Mass turned pale and collapsed as if he was dead. His assistants were able to revive him. It was no fainting spell. Pope Leo XIII had a vision. In this vision he clearly heard the voice of Satan speaking as he approached the throne of God boasting and debating with Jesus that he could destroy the Catholic Church. The Lord affirmed that the church was imperishable, and asked him what he needed to accomplish this claim. Satan said grant him 100 years of power over those who give themselves to him—the Catholic priesthood. Jesus granted him this.

When Pope Leo was brought back to consciousness, he went into his study and created the exorcism prayer to St. Michael the Archangel. This vision speaks of an attack coming from within and outside of the church in the 20th Century. The warning at Fatima, Akita & O.L. of Good Success all confirm this danger. Pope Leo required that this prayer be said at every Mass.

We need extra prayers and protection at this time. St. Michael the Archangel defend us in battle.

33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**GIFTS OF LOVE EMERGENCY FOOD PANTRY
AT DIVINE MERCY PARISH
ALL ARE WELCOME**

People sacrifice for others, and discover, as a result, more love than they know they had. When we give, it should be because we want to share our joy and happiness with others. We are grateful that many of our parishioners demonstrate their willingness to share their time, talent and treasure.

Specific items needed this week **canned fruits, coffee**
Food Pantry Coordinator and Volunteers

**St. Francis of Paola Church
Memorial Gifts – November 18, 2018**

BREAD & WINE

Kukura Family by Teresa Kukura

ST. JOSEPH CANDLES

Nicola Pressutti by Marie & Joseph Bavuso

TABERNACLE CANDLES

Anastasio Vavladelis by Melissa

Anastasio Vavladelis by Melissa

BLESSED MOTHER CANDLES

Florence & Anthony Giglio by daughter Carlotta

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The Don Bosco Columbiettes

will be sponsoring their “Annual Christmas Penny Sale” on Fri., Dec. 7, 2018 in the Auditorium of St. Francis 200 Woodpoint Road. Doors open at 6:00pm, calling starts at 7:00 pm. Admission is \$6.00 adults, \$3.00 for children 12 and under. Coffee & cake served. For reservations call Theresa Favuzza. 718-389-0799.

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

Mass Book 2019 / January to June only

The 2019 Mass book is open for intentions

The stipend for Masses is:

\$20.00 for weekend Masses

\$15.00 for weekday Masses

The 9:30 am Sunday Mass at St. Cecilia, the 10:30 am Sunday Mass at St. Nicholas and the last Sunday of the month at the 11:30 am Mass at St Francis will all be collective Masses.

**Mass Intentions for the Week
St. Francis of Paola Church**

Saturday, November 17, 2018

5:00pm Lawrence & Mary Frasca by Family

Sunday, November 18, 2018

8:00am Anthony Biondo by Pietro & Michela De Sarno

11:30am Rae & Luigi Strazzulli by Family

Monday, November 19, 2018

7:45am To Honor Rosina Zambrotta by Barbara Guidice

Tuesday, November 20, 2018

7:45am Ann Klimetz by Colon Family

Wednesday, November 21, 2018

7:45am Felicia Nicodemo by Josephine & Dominick Siano

Thursday, November 22, 2018

Thanksgiving Day

7:45am Florence & Anthony Giglio by daughter Carlotta

Friday, November 23, 2018

7:45am Linda Anacrelico by Santaromita Family

Saturday, November 24, 2018

7:45am For All the Saints by Severina Gangone

5:00pm Sarah Porcelli by Anthony Porcelli

Sunday, November 25, 2018

8:00am Anthony Biondo by Aniello Santa De Sarno

11:30am For the People of Divine Mercy Parish

Transfiguration Men's Shelter

We are once again asking for volunteers to provide a hot meal for the men of the Transfiguration men's shelter, our Parish will be serving the week of

December 9th to December 15th, 2018

For more information please contact Angela Scotti at 718-782-3881 or the Parish Office at 718-387-0256.

Following is information about reporting criminal or suspicious activity.

Call 911—Emergencies

Call 311—Quality of Life Issues

P.O. Andrea Haro Office: 718 383-3879

Cell (929)-371-4355 Cell: (929) 371-4355

NOVEMBER 18, 2018

Mass Intentions for the Week

St. Nicholas Church

Sunday, November 18, 2018

10:30am For The People of Divine Mercy Parish

Sunday, November 25, 2018

10:30am Pabon Family; Living Intention
Remembrance of Leticia Aguirre by
Sonia Rivera
Deceased Huascar Pabon, Dago Berto,
Dolores Almmonte Hernandez

Pray For the Sick: Nancy Gonzalez, Vincent Gonzalez, Jackie Elsasser, Christopher Floria, Paula Scala, John Colasanti, Lucy Corbisiero, Eliot Roldan, Rae Pacifico, Dolores Mulcahey, Jamie Castro, Cathy Leonick, Susan Gernert, Theresa Scala, Eleanor Heck, John Porcelli, Anthony DeSena

Pray For the Recently Deceased: Anthony Biondo, Fred DeLuca, Robert Schmitt, Antoinette Cardillo

Can You Help: A young family active in DMP is seeking to purchase a modestly priced house in the neighborhood to set down roots.

If you or someone you know are aware of anyone selling a property and are open to forego the current real estate market price to help them stay in the parish, call Leo Fiorica at 917-675-7461 or email LFiorica@hotmail.com

NOTICE

LACK OF HEAT IN ST. CECILIA'S—over the next few weeks the Church of St. Cecilia will be without heat. We are sorry for this inconvenience. The resolution of many code violations took longer than expected. We will keep you informed when the more precise dates of the outages is known. Bring an extra sweater to Mass.

REMEMBER—you are part of a community with three churches. You have the option of worshipping in not one but TWO church which do have heat and are a short walk away. If you are sensitive to the cold, please consider attending Mass at St. Francis or St. Nicholas.**Fr. Tom**

Mass Intentions for the Week

St. Cecilia Church

Sunday, November 18, 2018

9:30am Washack Family
John & Josephine Manzollilo
Rose Cirone
Eliot Roldan
Angel Reyes
7:00pm Rose Marie Ciorciari

Monday, November 19, 2018

8:30am Severina Tufano by Fr. Tom

Tuesday, November 20, 2018

8:30am Jane Jablonski

Wednesday, November 21, 2018

8:30am Guido Ruzza
7:00pm Traditional Latin Mass - Feast of St. Cecilia

Thursday, November 22, 2018

Thanksgiving Day

8:30am In Honor of St. Cecilia

Friday, November 23, 2018

8:30am Robert McEvoy

Saturday, November 24, 2018

8:30am Marie Louise Courant

Sunday, November 25, 2018

9:30am Benefactors and Volunteers of the Food
Pantry
Michael & Lena Tortora
Marie Ferzola
7:00pm Joseph Malkowski

Rosary Society of Divine Mercy Parish Christmas Extravaganza

Saturday, December 1, 2018

6:30 PM – St. Cecilia's Auditorium

Tickets \$25.00 dinner included

50/50, Raffles, Money & Door Prizes

Turn to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament

St. Cecilia Chapel: Open 7:00am to 3:00pm
Monday—Friday

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Monday—Thursday

St. Francis of Paola Church: Open 7:00am to 3:30pm
Monday—Friday

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RECENT PUBLIC SAFETY ISSUES

Divine Mercy Parish is deeply grateful to Captain Williams Glynn and representatives of the 94th Precinct who took the time to speak at a few concerning public safety issues. The old adage applies—If you see something, say something. Following is some information about reporting criminal or suspicious activity.

Call 911—Emergencies

Call 311—Quality of Life Issues

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Also note that a local community meeting is held on the first Wednesday of each month with local police to receive your input at 155 Milton Street, Brooklyn, NY 11222 at 7pm