

*Adoration* Monday ~ 6:00 p.m. ~ 7:00 p.m.

Sacrament of Baptism Baptismal instruction offered at 7:00 p.m. on the third Tuesday of every month. Call the office to register.

Sacrament of Reconciliation Friday ~ 5:00 ~ 6:00 p.m. Saturday ~ 3:00 ~ 3:30 p.m. Anytime by appointment.

Sacrament of Marriage Arranged at least six months in advance

Pastoral Care of the Sick Notify the parish office whenever someone ill, hospitalized, or homebound wishes to receive Communion.

> *RCIA* Mondays ~ 7:00 p.m.

Parish Membership New parishioners are always welcome Please call the parish office to register.

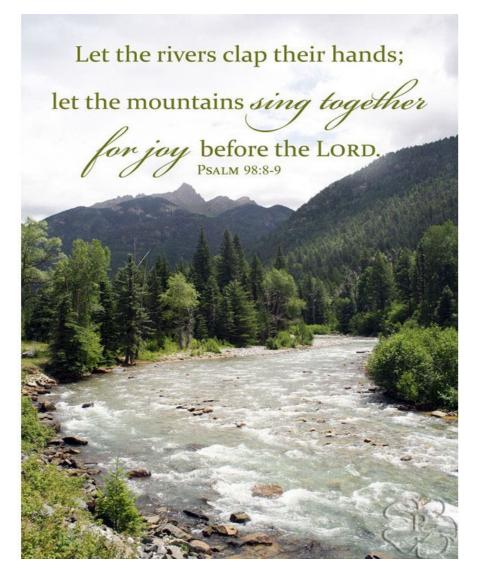
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# **Our Lady of Lourdes Parish** Reverend Michael S. McCormick, Pastor

# Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time November 13, 2022

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## **Mission Statement**

We are a Christian Community rooted in Word and Sacrament striving to fulfill our Baptismal commitment by following the example and teaching of Christ. Empowered by the Holy Spirit, we endeavor to pass on our faith, through the Roman Catholic Tradition, to the next generation for the greater glory of God.

# From the Pastor's Desk

# "Today" is the Day: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



It is the age between our Lord's first coming and His last. We live in the new world begun by His Life, Death, Resurrection, and Ascension, by the sending of His Spirit upon the Church. But we await the day when He will come again in glory.

"Lo, the day is coming," Malachi warns in today's First Reading. The prophets taught Israel to look for the Day of the Lord, when He would gather the nations for judgment (see <u>Zephaniah 3:8</u>; <u>Isaiah 3:9</u>; <u>2 Peter 3:7</u>).

Jesus anticipates this day in today's Gospel. He cautions us not to be deceived by those claiming "the time has come." Such deception is the background also for today's Epistle (see <u>2 Thessalonians 2:1–3</u>).

The signs Jesus gives His Apostles seem to already have come to pass in the New Testament. In Acts, the Epistles, and Revelation, we read of famines, earthquakes, and the Temple's desolation. We read of persecutions—believers imprisoned and put to death, testifying to their faith with wisdom in the Spirit.

These "signs," then, show us the pattern for the Church's life—both in the New Testament and today.

We, too, live in a world of nations and kingdoms at war. And we should take the Apostles as our "models," as today's Epistle counsels. Like them we must persevere in the face of unbelieving relatives, friends, forces, and authorities hostile to God.

As we do in today's Psalm, we should sing His praises and joyfully proclaim His coming as Lord and King. The Day of the Lord is always a day that has already come and a day still yet to come. It is the "today" of our Liturgy.

The Apostles prayed *marana tha*—"O Lord come!" (see <u>1 Corinthians 16:22</u>; <u>Revelation 22:20</u>). In the Eucharist He answers, coming again as the Lord of Hosts and the Sun of Justice with its healing rays. It is a mighty sign—and a pledge of that Day to come.

Yours in Christ,

Scott Hahn Founder and President

# November is dedicated to the Holy Souls in Purgatory



The **Diocesan Office of Communication** utilizes all forms of media to spread the Good News of the Catholic Church. Using the internet, Catholic Television, *The Catholic Light* newspaper, radio and social media, the office seeks to reach out to all people to evangelize and generate a greater understanding of church teaching.

## GIFTS OF ALL SIZES ARE NEEDED AND APPRECIATED





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St. Nicholas Party

Saturday, December 3 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. PK and older



A fun afternoon for kids to prepare for the birth of Jesus! There will be games, crafts, snacks and more.

This is a great opportunity for parents to do some Christmas shopping or enjoy a quiet afternoon together! Please contact Jackie Baylor at 267-236-2310, the parish office at 570-368-8598, or the parish email at parishoffice@ourladyoflourdesrcc.org, to make a reservation.

This activity is sponsored by OLOL Teens.

## <u>Altar Server Training</u>

There will be an altar server training session on Sunday, December 4, at 9:15 a.m. Please call the church office for information or to sign up for the training.

## Love Never Ends

The next meeting of *Love Never Ends*, our grief support group, will be on Friday, December 9, at noon, in the parish hall. This will be our Christmas Party. Please call Curt Fink at 570-490-8230 for information or to sign up for this event.

## John Bower Basketball

There is still time to sign up for John Bower Basketball. For more information, please call John Arrigonie at 570-660-9371.

# Advent Make Me Ready, Lord!

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Sunday, November 20 9:00 a.m. or 11:30 a.m. Parish Hall This activity is intergenerational (All Ages Welcome) Cost: \$25 per family

Sign-up sheets are at the entrances to the church or call the parish office at 570-368-8598 by November 16 to sign up for this fun annual event.

> Fun, interactive and easy!! Light breakfast or lunch will be served Special Kids' Corner for younger children

Sponsored by: Our Lady of Lourdes Family Outreach Ministry

# Community

## This Week at Our Lady of Lourdes

~Sunday, November 13 Religious Ed ~ 9:00 a.m. ~ grades 1-8 Confirmation Rite of Enrollment ~ 10:30 a.m. Mass Confirmation Parent/Student meeting ~ 11:30 a.m.

- ~ Monday, November 14 Holy Hour ~ 6:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, November 15
  Mass at Valley View ~ 1:30 p.m.
  Wednesday, November 16
- SJNRA School Mass ~ 10:00 a.m. Bible Study ~ 7:00 p.m.
- **~Thursday, November 17** Choir Practice ~ 6:30 p.m.
- ~ Friday, November 18 Confessions ~ 5:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.
- Sunday, November 20
  Advent Wreath Project ~ 9:00 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.

## Immaculate Conception Holy Name Pancake Breakfast

The Holy Name Society of Immaculate Conception Church will sponsor a Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, November 13, from 8:00 am until noon in the Immaculate Conception Parish Hall. The cost is \$9/adult (children 10yrs and under \$4). Menu: Pancakes, sausage patties, sausage gravy, biscuits, liver pudding, OJ, coffee, tea & coffeecake.

## St. Boniface Turkey Raffle

St. Boniface Church is holding their annual Turkey Raffle on Friday, November 18, at 7:00 p.m., in the St. Boniface Cafeteria. Each ticket is \$1 and entitles you to be entered into a drawing for one of the thirty gift certificates from Tony's Deli. Also, the ticket stub can be used to enter the event where free food and drink will be served. Big Six, Instant Bingo, Regular Bingo, etc., will be available to purchase. Tickets are available in the parish office or at the door. Come enjoy a night of fun, food, and fellowship! Bring a friend and enjoy the party!

## Vocation Discernment Weekend

Are you a single Catholic woman between the age of 16-40 who is feeling called to follow Christ as a religious Sister? If so, the Sisters of Christian Charity Order is inviting you to join them for a "Come and See" discernment retreat at their Motherhouse in Mendham, NJ, on the weekend of Nov. 18-20, 2022. We would love to meet you! Please register at: <u>tinyurl.com/novemberSCC</u>

## <u>The Chosen, Season 3</u>

Episodes 1 & 2 of season 3 of the series "The Chosen" will be shown at AMC Williamsport from November 18-22 at 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

#### Ministry Corner Prayer

By Deb Steinbacher

November is the month that we devote to praying for the souls of our dearly departed loved ones, something that we should do this month and every month. In addition, we should also consider praying for those who are still among us, but who have placed their souls in jeopardy by the choices that they have made. We speak to those choices that involve pregnancy. We need to pray in earnest for those who are lapsed Catholics and for those who promote the culture of death. We also need to pray for those who counter that culture with action, that they are not in danger of arrest, lawsuit, or violence. Please pray for a change of heart for those who recite the Creed every weekend, but choose to believe only what they want to believe. Please pray for those individuals and companies who support the culture of death with their funds to transport women to abortion clinics in states where abortion is legal (our state being one of those destination states). Please pray for a change of heart for all who truly believe we are doing what is best when we support any policy that is contrary to Church teaching, including pro-abortion policies. Please pray for the safety of those who staff crisis pregnancy centers, pray at abortion clinics, and strive to end the culture of death. Most importantly, please pray for all who are in danger of losing their lives to abortion, euthanasia, and physicianassisted suicide. Oh Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee!

## Dan Schutte Concert & Workshop Retreat

St. Joseph Marello and St. John the Evangelist Parishes in Pittston are proud to announce a **concert** performance by renowned composer Dan Schutte at St. Joseph Marello Parish, 237 William Street in Pittston, PA. The concert will be held on Friday, December 2 at 7:00 P.M. Dan is the writer of countless beloved and cherished hymns, including "Here I Am, Lord," "City of God," "Sing a New Song," and the popular Mass Setting Mass of Christ the Savior. This will be a special Advent event, including additional selections to help us as we prepare our hearts for the coming of Christ at His birth. Dan will also present a Workshop Retreat for interested individuals on Saturday, December 3 from 9:00AM to approximately Noon at St. Joseph Marello Parish. This is an inspiring morning of reflection led by Dan, with reflection and unique music focused on a morning of prayer. All are welcome to participate in this event and must register in advance. Concert tickets will cost \$15 and are available by calling the St. Joseph Marello Parish Office at 570-654-6902, emailing bradon@simparish.org, or filling out the online form. Tickets can be picked up from the Parish Office prior to the event or can be mailed to recipients. Workshop reservations are also \$15 per person, with light breakfast refreshments upon sign in. Your reservation for the workshop can also be made through the above contact information.

# Worship and Service

# **MASS INTENTIONS**

### Saturday, November 12

St. Josaphat, Bishop & Martyr Vigil of the Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time 4:00 p.m. Margaret Mondell & deceased members of the Mondell Family (*Dave & Joanne Mondell*) 3 Jn 5-8; Ps 112:1-6; Lk 18:1-8

## Sunday, November 13

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:00 a.m. Mary Ann Bamonte (*Lee Family*) 10:30 a.m. People of the Parish *Mal 3:19-20; Ps 98:5-9; 2 Thes 3:7-12;Lk 21:5-19* 

### Monday, November 14

9:00 a.m. Holy Souls in Purgatory (Romey Fagnano) Rev 1:1-5, 2:1-5;Ps 1:1-6; Lk 18:35-43

### <u>Tuesday, November 15</u>

St. Albert the Great 9:00 a.m. Mary Lou O'Neill (Cindy & Chuck Moyer) 1:30 p.m. Louise Patterson (Bob & Chris Pulizzi) Rev 3:1-22; Ps 15:2-5; Lk 19:1-10

### Wednesday, November 16

St. Margaret of Scotland; St. Gertrude, Virgin 9:00 a.m. Molly Kelly (*The Kelly Family*) 10:00 a.m. Harold Adams (*Dennis & Christine Quinn*) *Rev 4:1-11; Ps 150:1-6; Lk 19:11-28* 

### Thursday, November 17

St. Elizbeth of Hungary NO MASS Rv 5:1-10: Ps 149:1-9: Lk 19:41-44

### Friday, November 18

Dedication of the Basilica of SS Peter & Paul 9:00 a.m. Annika Steinbacher (Grammy & Grampy) Rev 10:8-11; Ps 119:14-131; Lk 19:45-48

### Saturday, November 19

Vigil of the Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe (Christ the King) 4:00 p.m. H. Michael Hayes (*Rich & Kay Weilminster*) *Rev 11:4-12; Ps 144:1-10; Lk 20:27-40* 

### Sunday, November 20

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (Christ the King) 8:00 a.m. Tim Dunlap (By Family) 10:30 a.m. People of the Parish 2 Sam 5:1-3; Ps 122:1-5; Col 1:12-20; Lk 23:35-43

Eternal Rest grant unto them, O Lord, And may Your Perpetual Light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen

#### <u>Offertory Collections</u> (Includes on-line contribution)

11/5-6/2022		
Loose	\$	663.00
Collection	\$ (	5,495.00
Maintenance	\$	54.00
Fuel	\$	4.00
Votives	\$	211.00
<b>Religious Education</b>	\$	2.00
Christmas	\$	1.00
All Saints	\$	702.00
Collection Total	\$ 8	8,152.00
Weekly Amount Budgeted	\$8	3,850.00
<b>Diocesan Collections</b>		
Care & Education of the Priests	\$	137.00
Catholic Relief	\$	10.00
Human Development	\$	1.00
Diocesan Collections	\$	153.00

### **Collection Counters Schedule**

 November 14—Group 1—Darl Simms, Mary Ann Hollenbach, Wendy Marshalek
 November 21—Group 2—Glenda Farrington, Mary McNamara, Carol Everett

## Faith in Action

We will be collecting hats and mittens of all sizes through the month of December. Please place any donations in the bins at the church entrances.





We continue to collect <u>**16** ounce jars of</u> <u>**peanut butter**</u> to help support the Montoursville Area School District Backpack Program. Please help us feed the hungry. Drop off donations inside the church.

### Sponsor of the Week Williamsport West Veterinary Hospital

We want to highlight our sponsor of the week, *Williamsport West Veterinary Hospital.* We appreciate their support, and that of all our advertisers. Please support them as they do our parish.

## Prayer List for the Month of November

If you or a loved one would like to be added to our prayer list, please contact the parish office.

M.B., James Bender, Theresa Brown, Dave Bonus, Joanie Campbell, Daniel Cassidy, Jerry Dincher, Ann Marie Dorin, Grant Falls, Margie Foulds, Carisa Foulds, Geraldine Hamm, Mary Heffner, Michael Hook, Charles Gries, Cliff Hales, Mary Kranz, Chuck Ligosh, Karen Marlett, Lois O'Malley, Denise Miller, Linda Phillips, Nicole Selleck, Denise Sharar, Robert Steinbacher, Sofia Steinbacher, Carl Ulsamer, Debbie Winterer, Christine Watts Wright



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