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**Council 15490** 

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#### Daily Mass Intentions for the Month of October 2019

October 1, 2, 3 & 4: Stefan Weber and all deceased

members of the Weber and Switzer families by Maria Switzer

October 8, 9 & 10: Elisa and Nicolas Sandoval,

Fernando, Figueroa and ken Levenson by Maria Figueroa

October 11: Anna Weber by Maria Switzer

October 15, 16 & 17: Deceased relatives and friends of

Imelda Naraval

October 18: Stefan Weber by Maria Switzer

October 22, 34, 24 & 25: Deceased relatives and Friends

by Colleen Gray

October 29: Deceased relatives and friends

by Betty Pierce

October 30: Charles Switzer by Maria Switzer

October 31: Robert Vick, Emily Voss and

Dennis Vick by Carol and Mark

Voss

#### Knights of Columbus Council 15490 information

- 1. Knights of Columbus Council 15490 will be holding a recruitment drive at each of the Masses on November 16th & 17th. They will hand out prayer cards prior to Mass, give a short presentation after Mass prior to dismissal, and will be in the church Hall following the Mass, to hand out additional information and answer any additional questions. Please think and pray about joining the Knights of Columbus. We need you.
- 2. After the Mass on Sunday November the 17th, The Knights of Columbus Council 15490 will be having free biscuits and Gravy Breakfast. Please join in this opportunity for Parish fellowship.
- 3. Council 15490 continues to collect food to feed the hungry. The food collected is being used to support two food pantries. One at St. Margret's and the other at St. Phillip Neri. Place your nonperishable items in the Blue Food Drive Box in the Parish Hall. Thank you for your past support as well as your future support.



# St. John the Baptist Parish

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### October 27, 2019: 30th Sunday of Ordinary Time

### REVEREND SHERWIN MONTERON

Pastor

Deacon Billy Graham, Secretary
Judy Poiroux, Bookkeeper
Tiffany Teofilo, CCD Director
Isabella Kotval, Youth Director

#### **Parish Council**

Bill Schaffer Jason Poiroux Jim Jackson Autumn Bowden Jack Wright Jay Graham

#### **Finance Council**

Paula Dyess Paullette Cauley
Carol Voss

#### **MASSES**

Weekdays: Tuesday 5:30 P.M
Wednesday 7:30 A.M
Thursday 7:45 A.M
Friday 7:45 A.M
Vigil Mass Saturday 5:00 P.M
SUNDAY MASS 10:00 A.M

#### **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Weekdays by Appointment Saturday 4:30 P.M Sunday 9:30 A.M

**BAPTISM:** By Appointment

**MATRIMONY:** Contact the Office 6 months before the celebration

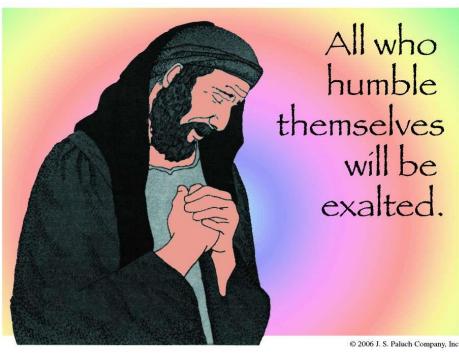
#### **ANNOINTING OF THE SICK:**

Anytime: Please call the Office

ROSARY & ADORATION: Every Wednesday at 7:30 am before Mass and every 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday at 5:30 pm

#### **Funerals**

Call the office before making plans with the funeral director.



#### **Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Today's Readings: Sirach 35:12–14, 16–18; Psalm 34:2–3, 17–19, 23; 2 Timothy 4:6–8, 16–18; Luke 18:9–14

#### **BLIND JUSTICE**

A statue of Blind Justice stands atop many courts of law in the United States. She wears a blindfold and holds the scales of justice. She represents the ideal expressed in today's reading from Sirach—that each person will be treated equally in the eyes of the law and that judges will "[judge] justly and [affirm] the right" (Sirach 35:18) based solely on the justness of each plaintiff's case. Yet we know that the wealthy can buy very good lawyers, giving them an edge in the courtroom. We know that blacks far outnumber whites on death row. We also know that high-profile defendants are often tried and convicted by the media before the judge and jury ever enter the court. However careful, no human judge or human justice system can be completely blind to factors such as race, wealth, religion, gender, age, or background.

REMEMBER PRAYERS

Andrea Graham, Robert Dixon, Amy Lacy, Ava Smith, Chip Conklin, Ida Clark, Isabel Rel, Clayton Williams,
Becky Thompson, Pat Potter, Marie Murray, Toby Robison, Linda Graham, Larry Robertson, Martha Davis, Ed Thornton,
Margaret Hampton, Frank Pigorsch, Stephanie Ray, Jerry Wigfield, Msg. Warren Wall, Houston Gunn, Tom Thornton, Mike
Knowles, Steve Sevier, Penny Dupont, Sara Thornton, Sister Luella Dominic Petry O. P., Sister Stephanie Sema-SSMI, Doug
Jones, Joe Gable, Ann Gable, Lenny Motykiewicz, Ali Stringfellow Ray, Lisa Kloechener, Valeria Wallace, Donnie Wilson,
Bobby McManus, Joe Watts, Sean Guillotte, Michelle Cook, Reggie Stewart, Nonie Reed, Betty Gunter, Tiffany Fontenot,
Jimmy Marchand, Joe Ecker, Glenn Boney, Ann Vick, Wayne Seymour, Frances Walley, H. Sanders,, Patricia Davis, Maurine
Habley, Ray Thornton, Joe Whitson, Cory Moncrief, Carolyn Collier, Vicenta Obsenares, Edgar Gunter, Victoria Porter,
Jonathan Cruz, Gennie Garret, Bob Echement, Lilly Breaux, James Wink, Mike Wilson, Roger Young, Leyah White.

#### **Known Birthdays for October**

**10/01**: Dylan Day 10/22: Matthew Adams 10/05: Steve Sema, Jr. 10/23: Michael Cook 10/08: Maria Switzer 10/24: Veronica Stewart **10/12:** Brandy Ramsay 10/26: Kathleen Sema **10/13:** Ali Stringfellow 10/27: Anna Bowden 10/14: Carey Olsen **10/27:** Lyon Graham 10/15: David Delmas 10/28: Peggy Delmas **10/17:** Ann Gable 10/28: Chain Smith 10/17: Mildred Smith **10/29:** Doris Sema **10/21:** Trey Roberts 10/30: Shirley Rasmussen

**10/21:** Bill Schaffer

#### **Known Anniversaries for September**

10/05: Kerry and Michael Ladnier
10/07: Debra and Matt Johnson
10/09: Linda and Deacon Graham
10/16: Kris and Bill Schaffer
10/27: Amanda and Jonathan Oliver

#### THE MERCY OF THE COURT

In comparison, today's scriptures depict God as "the just judge" who offers every person an equal measure of justice. Like the Pharisee in today's Gospel, we must be careful not to overestimate our own worthiness or to judge the unworthiness of others. Like the apostle Paul, we must realize that, if we are judged to be righteous in the courts of God, it will be based not on our status as Christians, or on our good deeds, or on any other factor by which we might exalt ourselves. Instead, it will be solely because we asked for and relied on God's mercy.

Sirach reminds us that God is swift to hear and respond to every person who cries out for mercy, even those whom the world despises as unworthy. "Those who [are] convinced of their own righteousness and despise everyone else" (Luke 18:9) would be well advised to humble themselves enough to beg for mercy, or they may get a surprise on judgment day!

#### **Generations of Faith Campaign Prayer**

O Loving and Gracious God, by our holy baptism, faith is Your precious gift to us. For this gift to thrive, faith must be lived and shared with each generation.

Through our support of this campaign, we will say "thank you" to our beloved retired priests who, over the years, have drawn us closer to You; we will help our seminarians as they prepare to be our future priests;

We will support our young people as they discover the beauty of the Catholic faith; and we will strengthen our parishes as beacons of mercy and love.

In this way, we will indeed endow our future with hope. We ask our Lady's intercession for a successful campaign to the honor and glory of you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

#### **Capital Campaign Update**

Campaign Goal is \$195,000.00
Pledged to date \$402,100.00
We are at 206% because of your support.

#### **CAPITAL CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE**

Chair: Fr. Sherwin Monteron
Co-Chair: Autumn Bowden

#### **COMMITTEE MEMBERS:**

Ruth Pigorsch Ann Jackson
Colleen Gray John McBride
Judy Poiroux Elsa McBride
Lynda Jones Mark Voss
Jim Jackson Carol Voss Rita Sullivan

#### Pray for the special intentions of those serving in the

<u>Armed Forces:</u> Brent Smith, Travis Wilson, SPC Jackson Triston, Jr., Captain Will Hurd, Bryant Bailey & Zachery Bailey.

Pray for the eternal repose of the souls of the most recently deceased members of the parish: Jack Forbes, Cathy Kirchoff, Frank Church, Anna Weber, Pat Borne

## Weekend of November 2 & 3 2019 MASS MINISTERS:

EMCH: Shonda Cauley Autumn Bowden
Daryl Kirchoff Matt Johnson

Lectors: Jay Graham Peggy Delmas Colleen Gray John McBride

Altar Servers: Wyatt Medders Volunteers

**Ushers:** Steve Cauley Mike Marchand Kevin Cauley Mike Courtney

Chuck Pierce Avis Garrett
Wayne Jackson Tom Thornton

#### **Altar Care & Church Cleaning**

Altar Care: November 2019
Ruth Pigorsch

Church Cleaning: November 2 & 3, 2019

Lee Ann Taylor & La Shea Payne

#### Stewardship For October 13, 2019

Regular: \$3,398.00 Building Fund: \$200.00

#### October & November 2019 CRE Schedule

**Sunday Oct. 27**th: CAPP Training for Children, Children's Mass at 10 am.

**Sunday Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>:** Class/Practice & All Saints Day Children's Mass/Parade 10 am.

**Sunday Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>:** Class/Practice for Reconciliation 2<sup>nd</sup> grade.

**Sunday Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>:** Prep/Practice during CRE/Thanks-for-Giving Dinner

**Friday-Sunday, Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup>:** Youth Search Retreat, Camp Baldwin, Elberta

Sunday, Nov. 24<sup>th</sup>: No Classes, Begin Thanksgiving Week.

#### **HOMEBOUND MASS FILMING:**

The next Homebound Mass Filming will take place November 5, 2019 and will be filmed at St. Thomas the Apostle in Chickasaw. Mass time will be 9:00 am and Father Saucier will be the Celebrant.

#### NURSING HOME OUTREACH:

Every First Friday of the Month there is a Mass celebrated at the Grand Bay Convalescent Home at 10:00 A.M. **Join US!** 

#### **HOUSE BLESSINGS**

We highly encourage **House Blessings.** Please call Father Sherwin to schedule the blessing of your home.

# Announcements for Week October 26, 2019

- 1) Second Collection this weekend will be for the Propagation of the Faith.
- 2) "All Saints Day" is November 1st and it is a Holy Day of Obligation. There will be a Mass on this day at 7:45 AM in the chapel and there will be one at 6:30 PM in the church. Father will also celebrate a Mass at the convalescent Home, in Grand Bay, at 10:00 am.
- **3)** "All Souls Day" Mass will be celebrated at St. John's on Saturday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, at 8:30 AM, in memory of our deceased family and friends. By returning your cards and envelopes you will enroll your loved ones into the daily Mass intentions through the year.
- **4) Father Sherwin** will also be celebrating Mass on "All Souls Day", November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 12:00 noon at Serenity Gardens Mausoleum.
- 5) The Golden Group is very thankful to everyone who contributed to our Christmas Box project for the Missionaries of the Poor in Haiti and the Seafarer Ministry in Mobile. Your generous support enabled us to fill 9 boxes of very needed supplies for these wonderful people, we shipped boxes to Haiti this week and the remainder will be picked up by Deacon Archer for the Seafarer ministry. "Blessed are they who come in the name of the Lord".
- **6) Our Fall Bible Study Program** continues this Monday, Oct. 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM in the Church Hall.
- 7) Our Capital Campaign now has a pledge of \$402,100.00 and is at 206% of our campaign goal.
- 8) Confirmation Class began this past Wednesday and for those who couldn't make that class, there will be another class this weekend after the 10 am Mass at 11:00 AM.
- **9)** The Knights of Columbus would like you to read their activities section on page 4 of the bulletin.
- 10) RCIA Classes, for anyone interested in joining the church or just wanting to learn more about the faith, will begin on Wednesday, October 30th, 2019 at 7:00 pm. After that classes will be on every Thursday night at 6:30 pm. Sign-up sheet is in the church hall.
- 11) Known Birthdays: 26<sup>th</sup>: Kathie Sema, 27<sup>th</sup>: Anna Bowden, Lyon Graham, 28<sup>th</sup>: Peggy Delmas, Chain Smith, 29<sup>th</sup>: Doris Sema, 30<sup>th</sup>: Shirley Rasmussen, Known Anniversaries this week: 27<sup>th</sup>: Amanda & Johnathan Oliver