

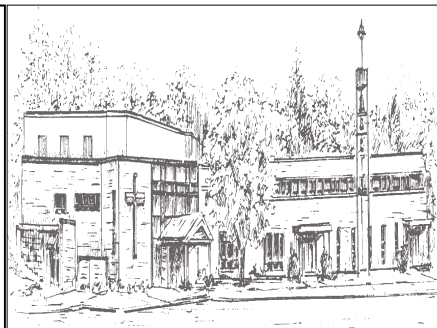
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Together—Renewing our commitment to God and our community.

Masses: Daily (Tues—Friday) 7:30am

Saturday 5pm, Sunday 8:15 & 10:30am

Confessions: Saturday 4pm, Thursday & Friday 7:00am



THIRTIETH SUNDAY ~IN~ ORDINARY TIME

ONE OF THEM, A SCHOLAR OF
THE LAW, TESTED HIM BY ASKING,
“TEACHER, WHICH
COMMANDMENT IN THE
LAW IS THE GREATEST?”
HE SAID TO HIM,
“YOU SHALL LOVE THE LORD,
YOUR GOD, WITH ALL YOUR HEART,
WITH ALL YOUR SOUL,
AND WITH ALL YOUR MIND.”

— Mt 22:35-37



FAITH

Reflections on Becoming a Servant of God

Some of you may have watched the TV show “Downton Abbey.” It was a British series that became very popular in the U.S. and ran for six seasons, from 2010 to 2015. Basically, it dealt with the members of a British aristocratic family, the Crawleys, and their lives between 1912 and 1926. One of the things that struck me about the series was the role of the servant class and especially the high degree of loyalty they displayed toward the family they served. The two characters in the series who best exemplified this loyalty were Mr. Carson, the head butler, and the head housekeeper, Mrs. Hughes. Both had large staffs that they managed and they both took great pride in their work and the work of their subordinates—and both accepted unconditionally their role as servants to the family they served.

We, of course, do not have a hereditary aristocracy of this type in our country. There are wealthy families who have maintained their wealth and influence over many generations—families like the Rockefellers and the Kennedys, for example—but they don’t have titles like “duke” and “duchess,” and they are not part of an officially-recognized aristocracy (or “peerage”) such as one finds in England. As a result, we have never really had a “servant class” similar to that found in England. There are people who work as servants here but there is a good deal of mobility out of that servant class, and it does not extend for generations like it did in England. Finally, the founders of our wealthy families, like the Kennedys for example, frequently came to this country as immigrants and gained their wealth in a far more fluid and open society than that which existed in England.

I’m not much of a believer in aristocracies and, like most Americans, I wouldn’t want to be a member of a “servant class” but I think there is a lesson to be learned from this relationship of master and servant when we consider it in a spiritual vein, in terms of our relationship with God. In “Downton Abbey,” not only were the head servants completely devoted to the individuals they served but the members of the family cared about the welfare of their servants as well, especially if they experienced illness or other difficulties in their lives. A week or so back, in a daily mass gospel, Jesus used a parable about masters and servants [Luke 12:35-38]. In it he tells his disciples that they should “*be like servants who await their master’s return from a wedding, ready to open immediately when he comes and knocks*” and, immediately following this, he adds—“*Blessed are those servants whom the master finds vigilant on his arrival.*” This strikes me as involving a very similar kind the dedication to that shown by the servants in “Downton Abbey,” but then Jesus goes on to add another dimension to the parable. He tells his disciples that if these servants are ready, the master will “*gird himself, have them [the servants] recline at table, and proceed to wait on them.*” As I said earlier, the members of the family in “Downton Abbey” displayed a real concern for the welfare of their servants, but never to the point of turning the relationship upside down and becoming their servants. But this is precisely what the master in Jesus’ parable will do for his servants if they serve him well. So who is this master in Jesus parable? We know, of course, when we think about it, that Jesus is referring to God, and the manner in which God will reward us if we serve him with complete and unqualified devotion. The parable then refers to something far greater than the relationship of master and servant in early 20th century England, but at the same time, I think, that relationship gives us something to reflect on when we consider our own relationship with God.

—Deacon Scott

FAITH & FUN



He said to him, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

— Mt 22:37-39

November 1, 2017 ~Solemnity of All Saints ~ Holy Day of Obligation

Masses will be held at 7:30am and 6:30pm

Please plan on attending one of these masses.

If you cannot work either of these options into your schedule, check out masstimes.org for the Roman Catholic Mass nearest you

Community of Saints

Regional Catholic School

Some of the service projects our students are doing include: painting pictures for Little Sisters of the Poor, cleaning and raking grounds of our local community, making cards for Meals on Wheels, writing cards and letters for A Million Thanks, making fleece blankets for the homeless, writing thank yous to Hurricane First Responders, and creating prayer cards for residence of Clues. We are so proud of our students and their passion for servicing others.

Students also continue to fundraise for student Health & Wellness. This includes tangible items to enhance and promote student activity, such as playground equipment and outdoor education resources and materials. Our goal is to raise \$10,000 by Thursday, November 16th! Contact us with any questions, service project suggestions, or if you are interested in participating. 651-457-2510 or bkramer@communityofsaints.org. Thank you!

SJV FLOOR FUND UPDATE



To date we have raised **\$35,541** dollars!

65% of our goal in 3 weekends!

Please be generous and send your donation today

Thank you!!

ATTENTION PARISHIONERS & VISITORS!

THE NOVEMBER 14TH HEALING MASS IS **CANCELLED** DUE TO THE FLOORING PROJECT



WE WILL RE-SCHEDULE FOR LENT!

WATCH THE BULLETIN FOR MORE DETAILS.

THANK YOU!

30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



FAITH

Readings for the Week of October 29, 2017

Sunday: Ex 22:20-26/Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51/1 Thes 1:5c-10/Mt 22:34-40
 Monday: Rom 8:12-17/Ps 68:2, 4, 6-7ab, 20-21/Lk 13:10-17
 Tuesday: Rom 8:18-25/Ps 126:1b-6/Lk 13:18-21
 Wednesday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a
 Thursday: Wis 3:1-9/Ps 23:1-6/Rom 5:5-11 or Rom 6:3-9/Jn 6:37-40
 Friday: Rom 9:1-5/Ps 147:12-15, 19-20/Lk 14:1-6
 Saturday: Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29/Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 17-18/Lk 14:1, 7-11

November 2nd is The Feast of All Souls ~ The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed. Please remember to pray for your departed loved ones or to have a Mass said for the repose of their soul. Contact the office for more information.

Mass Schedule & Intentions

MONDAY	OCT 30	NO MASS	
TUESDAY	OCT 31	7:30 AM	Gretchen Vujovich+
WEDNESDAY	NOV 01	7:30 AM	Katie Rosas+
		6:30 PM	Donna Ziemer
THURSDAY	NOV 02	7:30 AM	Delores Stelzner+
FRIDAY	NOV 03	7:30 AM	Christine Smeby
SATURDAY	NOV 04	5:00 PM	Willer Family+
SUNDAY	NOV 05	8:15 AM	Tony Romanowski+
		10:30 AM	Gordon Anderson+

Liturgical Minister Schedule November 4 & 5

LECTORS		
SATURDAY	Chris Walker	5:00 PM
SUNDAY	Diane Bartelt	8:15 AM
SUNDAY	Scott Swedin	10:30 AM

Ushers

SATURDAY	5:00 PM	Tom Lehmann & Mary Holzmer
SUNDAY	8:15 AM	Jay Colburn & Bill Marlow
SUNDAY	10:30 AM	Norm Methner & Doug Krech



Please pray for the sick who have asked for our prayers

<i>Karen Fritz Helfter</i>	<i>Sr. Mary Madonna Ashton, CSJ</i>
<i>Kathy Olsen-Roebke</i>	<i>Jim Bruhn</i>
<i>Kevin Conroy</i>	<i>Judy Fuglie</i>
<i>Yvonne Hain</i>	<i>Grayce Hartman</i>
<i>Bill Holzmer</i>	<i>Geri Loder</i>
<i>Randy Gillette</i>	<i>Olivia Milner</i>
<i>Ed Oster</i>	<i>Margaret Overman</i>
<i>Jim Schema</i>	<i>George Schneider</i>
<i>Tom Van Hale</i>	<i>Whitey Willer</i>
<i>Becky Thomas</i>	<i>Frank Strut</i>
<i>Barb Thompson</i>	<i>David Lencowski</i>
<i>Myrt Milner</i>	<i>Vi Stewart</i>
<i>Gloria Powers</i>	<i>Sandy Otto</i>
<i>Simon Scott</i>	<i>Mildred Hoff</i>
<i>Bob Bringgold</i>	<i>Ken Rouse</i>
<i>Marlene Brickley</i>	<i>Bill Reynolds</i>
<i>Katy~</i>	<i>Marcy Jansen</i>
<i>Patti Praml Schultz</i>	<i>Dustin Bergh</i>
<i>Cathy Derr</i>	<i>John Jablonski</i>
<i>Kathy Mooney</i>	<i>Patty O'Brien</i>
<i>Jim Glenn</i>	<i>Lyndon Baker</i>
<i>Chris Cheney</i>	<i>Terry Lawrence</i>
<i>Patti Lenzen</i>	<i>Joanie Gutzman</i>
<i>Mike Snaza</i>	<i>Linda Pelletier</i>
<i>Sandy Lotzer</i>	<i>Joan Woods</i>
<i>Karen Kapphahn</i>	<i>Bill Novotny</i>
<i>Donna Ziemer</i>	<i>Becky Rettler</i>
<i>Alice Hamilton</i>	<i>Scott Barrett</i>
<i>Marla Hawley</i>	<i>Red Bartholomew</i>
<i>Sharon Blaiser</i>	

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IRA CHARITABLE ROLLOVER: On December 18th, 2015, a law was signed that permanently makes the IRA Charitable Rollover available. This rollover does not expire & allows donors 70 ½ or older to make charitable contribution directly from their IRA. For more information, please call the office at 651-451-1863.

Have you considered your stewardship through EFT's?

EFTs are one way to make contributions consistent, no hassle with filling out a check along with saving a tree! No paper envelopes. It is very simple.

Fill out a form from the Parish Office, decide how much and when your contribution is taken from your bank account and into SJV's bank account. With a voided check, we submit the info & you are done. No worry about forgetting your envelope at home or what you wrote your check amount for, SJV's bank & yours keep track of that. Call us today, we are more than happy to help you out.

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