

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time November 16, 2008

Blessed are you who fear the LORD.



© J.S. Paluch Co., Inc. — *Psalm 128:1a*

November Rosary: For the Poor Souls in Purgatory.

Music for Nov 15 & 16

729 – All People That On Earth

Do Dwell

713 – Servant Song

Holy, Holy

Memorial Acclamation

Amen

Lamb Of God

758 - Gift of Finest Wheat

563 – For The Beauty of the Earth



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The woman who fears the LORD is to be praised (Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31).

Psalm — Blessed are those who fear the Lord (Psalm 128).

Second Reading — You are children of the light (1 Thessalonians 5:1-6).

Gospel — To all those who have, more will be given (Matthew 25:14-30 [14-15, 19-21]).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5; Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday: Rv 3:1-6, 14-22; Lk 19:1-10, or, (for the memorial of the Dedication)
Acts 28:11-16, 30-31; Mt 14:22-23

Wednesday: Rv 4:1-11; Lk 19:11-28

Thursday: Rv 5:1-10; Lk 19:41-44

Friday: Rv 10:8-11; Lk 19:45-48

Saturday: Rv 11:4-12; Lk 20:27-40

Sunday: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17; Ps 23;
1 Cor 15:20-26, 28; Mt 25:31-46

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Elizabeth of Hungary

Tuesday: The Dedication of the Basilicas of the Apostles Peter and Paul in Rome;
St. Rose Philippine Duchesne

Friday: Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Saturday: St. Cecilia

Annual Memorial Mass – OLS will celebrate its annual Memorial Mass for those who have died in the past year on Wed., Nov. 19, at 6:30 p.m. All parishioners are welcome to participate as we recall all parishioners and family members who have died since last November. Family members of the deceased will receive special invitations. Candles will be lighted for each person we remember as their names are read in Church. This is a very moving celebration. Please join us and be a support to your brothers and sisters in Christ as they enter into one of the most difficult times in their lives – the first holiday period after losing someone special to them.

Thanksgiving Day Mass – Thanksgiving is Thursday, Nov. 27. There will be only one Mass on that day at 9:00 a.m. Remember that Thanksgiving Day has its origins in our need to thank God for all the blessings we have received. The Pilgrims were thankful that God saw them through a full year in Plymouth Colony, as difficult as the year was, with the help of the native people. Please make it a point to go to Mass, the most perfect form of giving thanks to God, on this day, even if you are on the road visiting family. And, invite those visiting you to join us in our celebration of the Eucharist (it means “thanksgiving”) in the tradition of those who recognize that all good things come from God above.

Advent Begins on the Last Sunday of

November – Be sure to have your Advent supplies ready for the start of the “season of preparation” for Christmas. The Altar Guild has Advent wreaths and candles available. The “Little Blue Books” of daily prayer and reflection for the season will be available the weekend before Thanksgiving.



Advent Friends – Advent is just two weeks away! As in the past, we invite and encourage every parishioner is invited to adopt another parishioner as a special friend during the season of Advent. As a participant you promise to pray for your special friend through the season. Some friends in previous years end the season with a special card or a little gift left near the crèche on Christmas for their Advent Friend. If you would like to participate, please complete the forms on Mary’s Altar and put them in the basket. We will draw names next Sunday, Nov. 22-23.



Our Lady of Guadalupe Feast –

The Latino community will be offering a dinner for all parishioners on Saturday, Dec. 13, immediately following the 4:00 p.m. Mass to celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, the Patron Saint of the Americas and of the Pre-Born.

Advance tickets will be available beginning Thanksgiving weekend. Adults \$8, child \$5. Walk-ins will be welcome. Watch the bulletin for more details in coming weeks.

Thanksgiving Day Blessing of Food – Families are invited to bring food they are going to prepare for their Thanksgiving Day meal to the 9:00 a.m. Mass on that day so that it may be blessed during the liturgy. Families should put their food into baskets and place them on the kneeling step along the altar rail. Baskets don't have to contain all the food for the meal but representative items of what will be shared on that day in thanksgiving to God for his bounteous blessing in the past year.

ST. BENEDICT CROSSROADS CONCERT – Sun., Nov. 23, 6:30 p.m. features the Dave Lisik Jazz Quintet at SBA Performing Arts Theatre. Tickets only \$10.00, available at the door.

SCHOOL NEWS - If you have an old monitor you want to get rid of, the school is in need of monitors. Please call Lisa Petzinger at 358-7431.

Pastoral Council – The Parish Pastoral Council will meet at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 25, in Krug Hall. Since only one person came forward and offered herself as a candidate for the three Council positions up for election this year, there will be no Pastoral Council elections and Fr. Timby will appoint parish members to the positions as needed. A reminder to all committee and organization representatives: please have your reports typed up and 15 copies for distribution.

The Frayser Community Thanksgiving Meal will be at the Ed Rice Community Center on North Watkins on Sat., Nov. 22, 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Tickets are \$5.00 each. Seating is limited. If you are interested contact the Parish Office.

Attention Catholic Nurses – The Mid-South Area Association of Catholic Nurses is hosting an "Advent Gathering" on Tuesday, December 2, 6:00-8:00 p.m. The evening is being hosted by the board members. Please bring a monetary donation for the St. Vincent de Paul Society of Memphis. For location and to make reservations: call Tina Warden, 373-1237.

This Week at Our Lady of Sorrows

Saturday Nov. 15th

Mass 8:15 am
Early Church History Class 9:30-3:00 pm Krug Hall
Confession 3:00 – 3:45 pm
Mass 4:00 pm
Youth Group Bake Sale after all masses this weekend

Sunday, Nov. 16th

Mass 8:00 am & 10:30 am
Legion of Mary Meeting after 10:30 Mass cafeteria
Spanish Mass 5:00 pm ,
Bible Study Class 6:30-8:30 pm Krug Hall
Youth Group Bake Sale after all masses this weekend

Mon, Nov. 17th

Mass– 8:15 am

Tuesday, Nov. 18th

Mass– 8:15 am

Wednesday, Nov. 19th

Memorial Mass- 6:30 pm
Legion of Mary Meeting 5:15 pm Lucius Hall
RCIA after Mass in Krug Hall

Thursday, Nov. 20th

Mass- 8:15 am
Bible Study Class 9:30 – 11:30 Krug Hall
PTO Meeting 6:30 pm Cafeteria

Friday, Nov. 21st

Communion/Mass– 8:15 am

Saturday, Nov 22nd

Mass 8:15 am
Confession 3:00 – 3:30 pm
K of C M.R. Drive 4pm Mass
Mass 4:00 pm
PRE-K Bake Sale after Mass
Religious items on sale after all Masses



*****Please note the dates***
for the Minister and Altar Server Schedule
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Schedule
- for Nov. 8 & 9***

4:00 PM	8:00 AM	10:30 AM	5:00 PM
N.Vinturella	D.Bennis	H.Littleton	
C.Specht	S.O'Brien	K.Pope	
Lector			
E.Monroe	D.Gohman	L.Pope	
Altar Server			
A.Younger	G.Williams	C.Hupp	J.Rivera
	H.Williams	S.Hupp	A.Flores

***Ministers & Altar Server Schedule
- for Nov 15 & 16***

4:00 PM	8:00 AM	10:30 AM	5:00 PM
G.Hooten	D.Bennis	H.Littleton	
F.Bursi	B.Hall	L.O'Donnell	
Lector			
G.Taulman	B.Williams	T.Floyd	
Altar Server			
A.Younger	R.Martini	C.Sawicki	S.Roque
	H.Martini	E.Foote	A.Roque

Congratulations to 2 OLS Teachers – Mrs. Jeanne Littleton recently was awarded the *St. John Neumann Outstanding Service Award* for the 2008-2009 school year from the Diocese of Memphis for her accomplishments, dedication and commitment to Catholic schools. **Mrs. Carol Benzel** was recognized for her 20 years of service to Catholic education and the influence she has had on the students she has instructed during that time. Congratulations to Mrs. Littleton and Mrs. Benzel for jobs well done in the name of Jesus and for the glory of God Almighty!

In your prayers please remember: Barbara Allard, Bill & Grace Aspinall, Dewey Aureli, Theresa Baker, June Bennis, Rebecca Bethune, Julius (Sonny) Black, Louis Bompreszi, Crissy Brigance, Carole Brunner, Fred Brunner, Paula Busby, John Calipari, Keith Carpenter, Trudi Collier, Bonita Comans, Eloise Davis, Abraham Delgado, DePriest Family, James Essary, Elena Everroad, Tony Drewitz, Margaret Dries, Rena Frazier, John Paul Fields, Carolyn Fracchia, Alice Fricks, Sue Guinn, Linda Gonzales, Theresa Greco, Eileen Haklitch, Amanda Hall, Bootsie Hammett, James Humphrey, Peggy Hooten, Lynn Hupp, Michael & Donna Jackson, Margaret Jones, Robert Kuehner, Butsie Lanigan, Mildred Lewis, Bill Lindsley, Robert Lutts, Jerry Lynn, Louise Macdonald, Thomas Miller, Bill Nutt, Eudora Mays, Jackie Perfetti, Waldyr Poilis, Dr. Cheryl Pearson, Nanette Quinn, Kenneth Rainey, Louisa Reilly, James & Maureen Spain, Mona Stringfellow, Steve Stromberg, Brooklyn Swann, Florence Taulman, Fr. Bryan Timby, Keith Trenham, Carolyn Walsh, Helene Weiss, Lewis Wilkinson, Mary Wilson, and Angie Wright.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday Nov.15th 4:00 pm

Langston/Bray Families & Rachel Renee Hooten+

Sunday Nov. 16th 8:00 am

People of the Parish

Sunday Nov. 16th 10:30 am

Kathy Scola Burrow+

Sunday Nov. 16th 5:00 pm

W.J. Owens & J.O. Harley Families+

Monday Nov. 17th 8:15 am

Fr. Leonard Oglesby+

Tues. Nov. 18th 8:15 am

Adrienne Sharpi+

Wed. Nov. 19th 6:30 pm

Memorial Mass

Thur. Nov. 20th 8:15 am

Int. of Frank Lobianco

Friday Nov. 21st 8:15 am

Cafferkey Family+

Saturday Nov. 22nd 8:15 am

Cathy Van Waes+

Saturday, Nov. 22nd 4:00 pm

Fran Schmitt+

**Happy Anniversary
Geri & Bill Meadows
November 13th
43 Years**

PARISHONERS IN NURSING HOME:

**Carolyn Fracchia
St. Peter Villa, 331-A
141 North McLean
Memphis, TN 38104**

**Jackie Perfetti
St. Francis Nursing Home
5959 Park Ave, room 328
Memphis, TN 38119`**

**Helene Weiss
St. Francis Nursing Home
5959 Park Ave, room 328
Memphis, TN 38119**

**Ginger Shemwell
Luther Tower
274 S. Highland apt. 106
Memphis, TN 38111**

Visit the sick and/or send them a card to let them know they are not forgotten

New Parish Directories – The final proof of our new Parish Pictorial Directories was mailed to Olan Mills on Thursday, Nov. 6. It takes about five weeks to receive our directories, which means they should be here in time for Christmas. Every family that had a portrait taken for the directory and members who joined the parish after the last scheduled portrait sessions (July 7, 2008) will receive a complimentary directory (one per household) to be distributed at church on a weekend to be announced at a later date. A limited supply of directories will be available to all others at a cost of \$10.00/directory with a limit to one per household and can be purchased in the Parish Office the week after the scheduled distribution of directories.

A Parish Mission at St. Patrick Catholic Church led by Father Bruce Nieli, C. S. P. on the challenges of Matthew 25: 31-45 November 23 - 25, 2008 at 7:00 pm. everyone is welcome to attend.

**Financial Report for
Weekend of Nov 9th
2008**

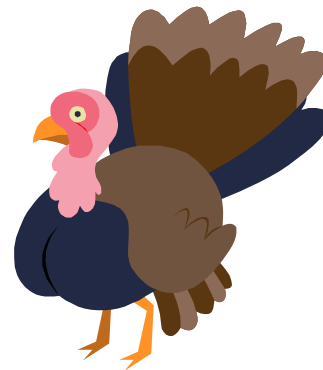
Envelopes	\$ 2,945.00
Loose Checks	445.00
Loose Currency/Coin	402.05
Improvements	100.00
Debt	247.00
All Saints	20.00

Total Collection	\$ 4,159.05
Church Budget for the Week	<u>-4,894.23</u>
Collection Diff for the Week	\$ (735.18)

Collections Revenues Y-t-D	\$74,518.91
Church Budget Y-t-D	<u>92,990.37</u>
Collections Deficit Y-t-D	\$ (18,471.46)

CLASSES IN CONVERSATIONAL SPANISH are be offered by Southwest Tennessee Community College in the Winter Semester. The cost is just \$25.00 per student. Classes will meet on Tuesday evenings. The instructor will be our own Martha Hensley. Please see Martha for more information.

We are scheduling MASS INTENTIONS for 2009. Please call the rectory for your intention.



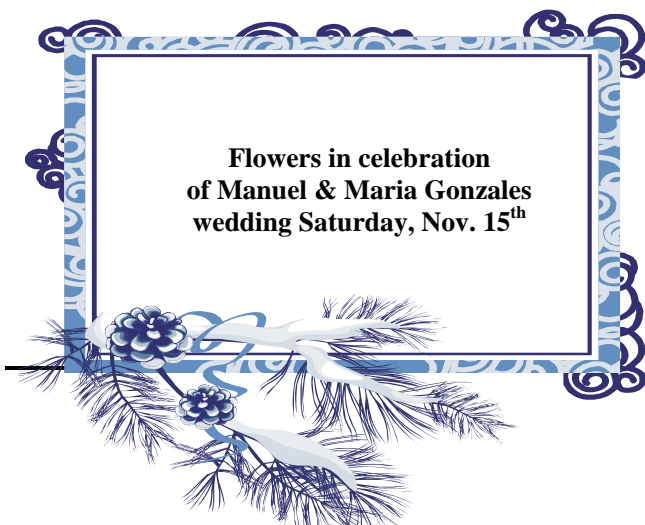
Bus Trip – The Monthly Bus Trip will be Sunday, November 23rd after 10:30 am Mass. If you are interested in going, please call Martha Hensley at 357-2459.

Advent Penance Service – Once again, Our Lady will join with several other parishes for an Advent penance Service at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception on Thursday, Dec. 11. The service begins at 7:00 p.m., and there will be at least a dozen priests available to hear confession in English, Spanish and Vietnamese.



Fr. Timby invites parishioners who attend to join him at the Spaghetti Warehouse for a “dutch” treat dinner after the conclusion of the service to continue our fellowship as penitents who rejoice in God’s mercy.

ALTAR Guild - Flowers can be put on the Altar in memory of – anniversary – birthdays and any other occasion. Please contact Frances Bursi at 357-5874 or 634-1168.



Bake Sale TODAY! – The Youth Group is having a Bake Sale today to raise funds for their adopted family this Christmas. Be sure to stop and smell the sugar in the air. But even if the autumn weather has clogged up your nose, take some baked goods home and enjoy them over the weekend.

Catholic Ministry to Prisons – Have you ever thought about the need for those in prison to receive the Good News of Jesus? Perhaps your heart is telling you that you should do something to help the imprisoned to discover, rediscover or grow the presence of Christ in their lives. The Prison Ministry of the Diocese of Memphis is seeking new members to assist with visitation, celebrating Mass, catechesis, etc. If you are interested, please take one of the brochures in the vestibule of the church or contact Deacon Bill Davis at (901) 373-1299.

Tootsie Roll Drive – The Knights of Columbus will hold their annual Tootsie Roll Drive to assist the mentally handicapped on the weekend of Nov. 22nd and 23rd. Please help them by making a donation as they approach you at church or at one of several businesses that weekend. *Whatever you do for the least of my brothers and sisters you do for me.*

Holiday Trivia Night – The theme is Advent – Christmas – New Year’s and the game is TRIVIA. Come enjoy a chili dinner after the 4:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday, Dec. 6 (the Feast of St. Nicholas), and play a friendly game of Trivia. \$10.00/person admission. Call the parish office for reservations.

PRE Spaghetti Luncheon – Help support our PRE students’ efforts to assist the poor during this holiday season by coming to their Spaghetti Luncheon immediately following the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sun., Nov. 30. You KNOW you will be tired of turkey every-which-way by then. More details in next week’s bulletin.

Traveling with Fr. Timby – Fr. Timby is willing to take a group to Nashville for an overnight trip on Dec. 9-10 to visit the Opryland Hotel and the stores at Opry Mills Mall. Departure will be following the 8:15 a.m. Mass on Tuesday with return schedule by 5:00 pm on Wednesday. Cost depends on the number of people making the lodging. Lodging will be at a LaQuinta Inn. Admission to the Hall of Trees (\$6.00) and the Treasures of Christmas Craft Show (5.00) are included. Also enjoy the 2 million lights that decorate the hotel, the Brightest Star Fountain and the Outdoor Nativity scene at no extra charge. You may hire a carriage to take you on a tour. Space is limited to 7 passengers. This is a one-time trip and the deadline for making a reservation in November 17 so a per person cost can be figured. A minimum of four passengers are required. If interested, call the Parish Office

Sunday Social for People with Disabilities & Special Needs – The monthly social will be held at St. Paul Church on Sunday, Dec. 7, 2:00-4:00 p.m. Please call Tina Warden at 373-1237 for more information.

Ladies of OLS Altar Guild,
We wish to thank all of those who came out on Sat & Sunday to help with the Ravioli Roll. It was very successful, we now have meat ravioli for sale! If interested in buying, please call Patty Bridges at 353-0316 or 283-2500.
Thank you so much, OLS Altar Guild Wome

Palestinian Christians to Visit OLS – Luai and Amani, Christians from Palestine, the land of Bethlehem, will be at OLS the weekend of Nov. 22 & 23 to ask your help for the shrinking Christian community in their homeland. There are only about 600 Christian families remaining in Palestine because of the encroachment of non-Christian people and the acts of terrorism that have destroyed families, homes and businesses. The local people have relied on selling hand-carved olive wood items to pilgrims and tourist for centuries but due to recent events in the Middle East 95% of tourists/pilgrims are not even allowed to go to Bethlehem, causing great financial strain and the emigration of most Christian families to other nations. Once Christians were a solid majority of those living in Bethlehem; now they are less than 2% of the population. By patronizing Luai and Amani during their visit to OLS you help the Christian families who remain in Palestine to provide for their families and keep their homes. Their wares will be available after all Masses and make great Christmas, birthday and wedding gifts.

Air –Conditioning Fund Report – The new air-conditioners for the church cost just over \$22,000. We borrowed \$20,000 toward that cost so cash flow in the parish would not be interrupted since the parish must pay all teachers salaries and benefits until the school is given Jubilee Initiative money and can reimburse the parish. To date, we have collected \$17, 256.38 toward the cost of the air-conditioners. Well done! Keep it up. We will continue the second tax-free second collections a long as possible to accumulate funds for a new church roof.

Listen to **The Catholic Café radio** show airing weekly on KWAM 990 AM (or FM 97.7 Supertalk in Jackson)! If you know someone who's fallen away from the Church, or if you just want to know more about the Faith, tune in Sundays at 10AM (or Saturday morning at 10:00 AM in Jackson).

This week listen as Deacon Jeff and Father William Parham discuss the topic of The number of the beast - 666. Next week will be Robert Hutton and Noreen Falcone Francine discussing the Catholic Laity and The Order of Malta.

As always, if you missed any of the live broadcasts, you may visit The Catholic Café on the Web at www.thecatholiccafe.com to listen to all the shows, set up a Podcast, or contact us with questions.

Call for Prayer – With the election of Barack Obama as our next President please remember to keep him in your prayers as well as all those who serve us in Congress. While we have no doubt regarding President-elect Obama's good intentions, we, as the Catholic Church, have many disagreements and objections to positions President-elect Obama proposes. Be prayer warriors and make your voices heard in heaven and on earth.

We Are Looking for Volunteers – Advent begins on the last Sunday of November. We are looking for families and individuals, even groups of friends to light the Advent Wreath at the beginning of every Sunday Mass (that includes 4 o'clock on Saturday!) during the season of preparation for Christmas. Please call the Parish Office to tell us what Mass you would like to light the wreath. To ease your mind, you don't have to say a word, just light the appropriate candle(s).

Asparagus Fern for Sale – Fr. Timby has potted up some of the Asparagus Fern (Sprinerei) he grew in the rectory garden this past season and is offering it to you in exchange for donations to the Air-Conditioner Fund. This fern needs to be kept moist and daily misting to raise humidity, and it needs to be sunny location but not in direct sunlight through a southern window or it will burn. The pots are new 8-inch plastic pots; some have hangers for suspension of pot. All pots have crushed gravel in the bottom, drainage holes, and are filled with fresh potting soil, perlite (aids drainage and root development, and time-release fertilizer. These plants can were grown in the rectory window boxes and can be transplanted outdoors after the danger of frost has passed in the spring. The suggested donations are \$10, \$15 and \$20. There are only eight (8) available at the present time, but there may be a couple more available next week.

ST. BENEDICT TRIVIA NIGHT, Sat., Nov. 22. Doors open at 6:30pm, Brother Ignatius Brown offers expert questions beginning at 7:30pm, \$15 per player, \$20 for gold players. Theme – Time to Talk Some Turkey. Door prizes, table decoration contest and silent auction included. Benefits senior class Project Graduation Party. For registration form, call 260-2840 or visit www.sbaeagles.org.

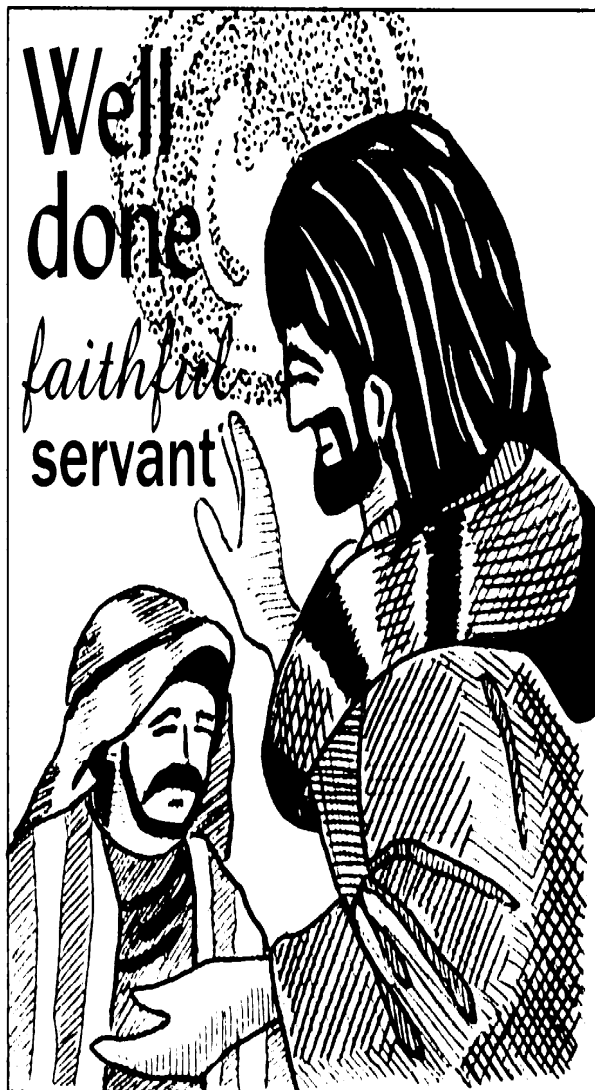
Deadline for bulletin news is on Tuesdays by 4:00 pm. Please call the office with any news.

SHARING OUR GIFTS

Autumn is the season for harvesting and sharing the fruits of our labors. This week's scriptures use images of the harvest, family life, pregnancy, and investment to describe the abundant harvest in the reign of God. We discover that sharing the gifts we have been given brings eternal rewards for everyone.

In the Gospel parable a master entrusts his possessions to three servants before going on a journey. Each is given some talents. What they do with those talents determines what the master will do with them when he returns. How about us? What are we doing with our talents? How will our Master treat us when he returns?

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Earlier this autumn, we looked at how our Eucharistic Prayers have been enriched by the approval of several new prayers to augment the old Roman Canon. For us, there are the four standard prayers, three for Masses with Children, and the most recent addition, the former Swiss Eucharistic Prayer with four alternative forms (now known as the Eucharistic Prayer for Masses for Various Needs and Occasions).

We also have two Eucharistic Prayers for Masses of Reconciliation. The source for these two prayers is the request by many bishops for a special prayer for the "Holy Year" of 1975. Originally, the committee in charge was commissioned to write a single prayer, but the theme proved so rich that it gave rise to two. The first is based on and develops biblical texts on reconciliation. The second starts with the experience of living in today's fractured world, and how the Spirit calls us to reconciliation and peace. Not everyone was happy with all this creativity, saying that if too many were published, it would be difficult for the Vatican to control further requests. Everyone thought the pope would put strict limits on the prayers, but in the end he said he was willing to open doors that had long been closed. Although he approved them for a period of only three years, they have never been formally removed from the *Sacramentary* and will be incorporated into the new Roman Missal when it is published.

—Rev. James Field, © Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.

EQUAL STEWARDSHIP

As male and female are made one in Jesus Christ, so women receive an office in the Truth as well as men, and they have a stewardship and must give an account of their stewardship as well as the men.

—Elizabeth Bathurst

Parish Census – Some long-time OLS parishioners still have not completed new census forms and may not be receiving parish mailings. If you have not or are not sure that you have completed a new census form, please call Carolyn Roberts at the Parish Office.