

**November 7, 2021**  
**Thirty-Second Sunday of Ordinary Time**



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**Office hours: Monday-Friday 8-4**

**WEEKEND MASSES:**

**Holy Rosary:** Saturday 5:30 p.m. & Sunday 9:30 a.m.  
**St. Stephen:** Sunday 8:00 a.m.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

**Holy Rosary:** Saturday 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.  
**St. Stephen:** Sunday 7:15 a.m. – 7:45 a.m.  
 or anytime by appointment

**Mass Intentions**

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>November 6</b>
5:30 p.m.	Bertha Williams
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>November 7</b>
8:00 a.m.	Ben Smith
	Kathy Smith
9:30 a.m.	Families of Holy Rosary and St. Stephen
<b>Monday</b>	<b>November 8</b>
	No Scripture Service
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>November 9 – Manor Mass</b>
9:30 a.m.	Jerry & Totty Burditt
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>November 10</b>
7:30 a.m.	John Ivan & Ella Tewell
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>November 11</b>
7:30 a.m.	Purgatorial Society
<b>Friday</b>	<b>November 12</b>
8:20 a.m.	Tim Kendrick
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>November 13</b>
5:30 p.m.	Sr. Eileen Friel
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>November 14</b>
8:00 a.m.	Jack Quinn
9:30 a.m.	Families of Holy Rosary and St. Stephen

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 Daily Mass Servers: November 10-12  
 Bradi Keller, Bella Keller

**Your Gifts to God and Parish**

October 10	\$ 6,488.59
October 17	\$ 13,781.94
October 24	\$ 6,609.53
October 31	\$ 14,235.93

**Prayer Intentions for the month of November**

**Intention of Pope Francis:** We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.

**Intention of Bishop McKnight:** For a deeper spirituality of stewardship among all the baptized: That from our gratitude for God's many blessings we may offer our personal gifts and talents in service to the evangelizing mission of the Church.



Dear Parishioners,

As Catholics, we firmly believe that God has a plan for our lives! He calls some to marriage, some to the priesthood, and others to consecrated religious life or to live as generous single people. Fully living our own vocations—and teaching young people how to discern God's call—is a serious duty, but also a joyful one.

*“Jesus has a specific task in life for each and every one of us. Each one of us is hand-picked, called by name by Jesus! There is no one among us who does not have a divine vocation! Some are called audibly by God, but the usual kind of call is internal, through the inner working of the Spirit.”* ~Homily by Pope Saint John Paul II

In today's gospel, the widow put all the money she had in the temple treasury. It would have been easy and understandable – prudent, even – to hold back one of those two little coins. A tithe of half of all one has is no small thing! But in giving over everything that she had, “her whole livelihood”, she made a beautiful and tremendous act of faith, entrusting herself completely into God's care. This lesson extends all the way to the core of our relationship with Christ and to the heart of our vocation to follow Him as His disciples.

When He called Simon and Andrew on the shore of the Sea of Galilee, St. Mark tells us that “they abandoned their nets and followed Him” (Mk 1:18). When Jesus called James and his brother John, they did not hold back. They even “left their father Zebedee in the boat along with the hired men and followed Him” (Mk 1:20). Like the widow in our Gospel, they have given everything to follow Jesus.

Like the apostles, like the widow, **we grow in faith by making acts of faith.** This dynamic of self-gift and trust is fundamental to the life of any disciple of Christ, but it is also the way that we gain greater clarity in our particular vocation.

One of the signs of a good and authentic discernment is if we can describe our vocation in terms of a desire to give ourselves completely to God in response to an encounter with God's love. Does my entering into the seminary or the convent look like taking a step deeper into a relationship with Jesus? Can I see my preparation for marriage to my fiancée through the lens of preparing to give my life to Jesus as Christ has laid down His life for me?

Whether we are still discerning our own vocation or we are accompanying someone else in their discernment, the first and most frequently recurring step forward in moments of doubt is to seek to grow even closer to Christ, to spend more or better time with Him, and to examine our hearts to see if there is anything that we are holding back, some small coin that we have not yet put into the treasury.

During this week, please encourage the young people in your life—children, grandchildren, students, and friends—to be open if God calls them to priesthood or religious life.

Prayers & Blessings,



**Holy Rosary Parish**

Parish Goal:	\$ 24,900
Pledged:	\$ 5,139
Collected:	\$ 3,735
Diocese Goal:	\$ 2,000,000
Collected:	\$ 671,901

**Christmas is Caring** - Holy Rosary and St. Stephens are again helping with Christmas is Caring. The Hometown Volunteers take applications through NECAC from families who may need help providing Christmas presents and food for their families. **Applications are being taken Saturday, November 6; Friday, November 12; Saturday, November 13; Friday, November 19 and Saturday, November 20.** We usually help anywhere from 70-90 local families, as well as deliver fruit baskets to everyone living in senior housing. The students at Holy Rosary and the public school participate in a non-perishable food drive the week after Thanksgiving. Those items are then distributed to the families along with a turkey, potatoes, bread, laundry soap, toilet paper and other essentials. Each child in participating families receives one outfit, underwear, socks and three Christmas presents. Applicants fill out a list with sizes and requests for presents. The weekend before Thanksgiving there will be tags at the entrances to Church with gift requests for the children. These gifts can be put in the baskets at the entrances marked for "Christmas is Caring". These gifts do not need to be wrapped but **tags should be firmly attached.** All donations need to be in by December 10. Distribution will be December 18. Monetary donations can be mailed to Shannon Quinn 622 James Lane, Monroe City or dropped in the collection basket and marked Christmas is Caring. My phone number is 573-289-6894.

### MONROE CITY MANOR CARE CENTER

#### Sunday Ministerial Alliance Scripture Service

November 14 – Jim & Sheryl Underhill

November 28 – Mark & Cathy Yager

#### Rosary

November 16 – Dorothy Ritter / Marie Purol

November 30 – Deacon Mike Long / Marie Purol

#### On the Calendar...

**November 8** – Rosary at St. Stephen / 12:00 noon

**November 13** – Speech meet at Holy Rosary School

**November 22** - Community Thanksgiving dinner/service

**December 4** – 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday Rosary – 10:00

**December 10** Deadline for Christmas is Caring donations

**December 18** – Distribution of Christmas is Caring

#### Liturgical Ministries

##### November 13 - 5:30 p.m. Mass

**Rosary:** Audrey Fuemmeler

**Servers:** Naaron Hays, Camryn Hays

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Rose Ellen Mudd, Debbie Durbin, Mary Davis, Kathy Dean, Gina Carroll, Regina Miskell, Ruth Ann Lorensen

**Lector:** Dennis & Dorothy Moss

**Ushers:** Kent Bichsel, Kevin Bichsel, John Ritter

**Cross Bearer:** Wayne Carroll

**Gift Bearer:** Betty Buckman, Susie Buckman

**Greeters:** Bill & Ellie Couch

##### November 14 - 9:30 a.m. Mass

**Rosary:** Dennis Long

**Servers:** Brendan Thome, Grace Thome

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Linda Willard, David Wilson, Phil Thompson, Howard Willard, Jennifer Richardson, David Pfaff, Kay Elliott, Dennis Long, Steve DeLaporte

**Lector:** Linda Bichsel

**Ushers:** Cliff Seward, Bill Schneider, Scott Hays

**Cross Bearer:** Alston Richardson

**Gift Bearer:** Kenny St. Clair Family

**Greeters:** Janie Spalding, Dianne Kunce



*Vocation does not come from a voice out there calling me to be something I am not. It comes from a voice inside calling me to be the person I was born to be, to fulfill the original self-hood given to me at birth by God.*

~ Thomas Merton

Heavenly Father watch over our sick and grant that they may be restored to the perfect health which is yours alone to give; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### Please pray for:

Mark Leake	Caitlin Shively	Dorothy Ritter
Phyllis Campbell	Geoffrey Preckshot	Trent Zeiger
Kayla Benson McAndrews	Jeff Thomas	Phyllis Taylor
Lakian Lehenbauer	Janice Kendrick	Richard Elliott
Rusty Adam	Regina Hays	Frankie Maddox
Tim Quinn	John Kendrick	Deacon Mike Long
Hazel Smith	Sue Gilbert	Natalee Amos
Rosemary Evans	Deanna Buckman	Jackie Ryan
Logan Maher	Bonnie Ess	Barbara Kendrick
Connie Kendrick	Nick Mudd	Michael Kellerman
Bill Smith	Teresa Ritter Toland	

#### School News

- Basketball Games – Tuesday, November 9, 5:30 **AT** Mark Twain – Thursday, November 11, 5:30 **AT** South Shelby
- Speech Meet at Holy Rosary School – Saturday, November 13. Approximately sixty students from surrounding Catholic schools will present speeches. Doors open at 9:00 am. Everyone is invited to attend this event.
- Mass will be at 8:20 on Friday, November 12 and will be led by the second-grade students.

#### Readings for November 14, 2021

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading – Daniel 12:1-3** “I, Daniel, heard this word of the Lord: ‘At that time...your people shall escape.’”

**Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11**

You are my inheritance, O Lord!

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – Hebrews 10:11-14, 18** “Brothers and sisters: By one offering he has made perfect forever those who are being consecrated.”

**Gospel – Mark 13:24-32** The Son of Man will appear from heaven in power and glory. He will “gather his elect from the four winds.”

**Holy Rosary Fall Dinner** – A big **Thank You** to everyone who attended our drive-through/carry-out fall dinner last Sunday. We sold approximately 820 meals. Our winners were as follows: quilt - Kevin Bichsel, \$500 – Joe Hagan Jr., \$1,000 - Viola Lehenbauer. Join us again next year for an in-person gathering, hopefully.

#### Following God's Lead along with Donna

**Confirmation Parent Meeting **Date Change!**** – On November 14, 2021 immediately after Mass. There will be a brief mandatory meeting followed by our first annual Confirmation Scavenger Hunt designed and led by our 11/12 grade students.

**Women's Ministry Event** – We will host a Women's Ministry Brunch on November 20, 2021 from 9:00 – Noon for all women of Holy Rosary and St. Stephen's Parishes. Brunch will be provided. We will be exploring what St. John Paul II referred to as The Feminine Genius. See the home page of our parish websites to make your reservation.

**RCIA Sessions** – meet on Wednesdays at 6:30 in Holy Rosary Church basement. This week's RCIA topic is *Eschatology: the "Last Things"*.

**FORMED.org** – Would you like to know more about the Rosary? FORMEDNOW offers a series on each of the Mysteries of the Rosary. Each episode is 18-20 minutes long. Just search for “Bible Study on the Rosary” and you can start with the Mystery you want to study.

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