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**Ordinary Time  
October 31, 2021 &  
November 7, 2021**

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# Mass Intentions

## 33rd Week of Ordinary Time November 14 - November 20, 2021

- Saturday November 13th  
4:00 pm Mary Schmidt
- Sunday November 14th  
8:00 am Elizabeth & Alfonso Pirozzoli  
10:00am Angie Izhar & Juanito DeLeon  
12:00nn Otilia & Lola Esteves
- Monday November 15th  
8:00 am People of the Parish  
12:05 pm Joseph C. Guzzi
- Tuesday November 16th  
8:00 am David Roome Copp  
12:05 pm Mildred Brown
- Wednesday November 17th  
8:00 am Mary Vollendorf  
12:05 pm Enrique Aquino Limon  
Catherine Talbot (7th Anniv)  
William Lake
- Thursday November 18th  
8:00 am David Roome Copp  
12:05 pm Alexandria & Joseph Sadowski
- Friday November 19th  
8:00 am David Roome Copp  
12:05 pm Tom O'Brien
- Saturday November 20th  
12:05 pm Rosemary Bejgrowicz  
David Roome Copp

## 34th Week of Ordinary Time November 21 - 27, 2021

- Saturday November 20th  
4:00 pm Elizabeth Marangella
- Sunday November 21st  
8:00 am David Roome Copp  
10:00 am Donald "Don" Vilchinsky  
12:00nn Terry "Noviello" Harris
- Monday November 22nd  
8:00 am People of the Parish  
12:05 pm David Roome Copp
- Tuesday November 23rd  
8:00 am David Roome Copp  
12:05 pm Nathalie Monahan
- Wednesday November 24th  
8:00 am David Roome Copp  
12:05 pm Al & Marie Cammarata
- Thursday November 25th (Thanksgiving)  
10:00 am Raymond Downey  
David Roome Copp
- Friday November 26th  
8:00 am David Roome Copp  
12:05 pm Francisco & Eulalia Talosig
- Saturday November 27th  
12:05 pm Rufino & Victoria Savellano  
Michael Banna

## Memorials



### Week of November 14, 2021

**Altar Candles**  
Robert K. Quinn

### Week of November 21, 2021

**Altar Candles**  
Mary & Frank Klett Sr.

**Sanctuary Lamp**  
Katherine Nadaskay

**Altar Bread**  
Sr. Evelyn Francis, O.P.

**Altar Wine**  
John & Mary Orak

## Financial News

### Offertory Collections

October 24th Deposit/Donations	\$ 3,475.40
October 31st Deposit/Donations	\$ 4,013.94
<i>Weekly Amount Needed to Stay on Budget</i>	<i>\$ 4,150.00</i>

### Restricted Donations from Weekly Envelopes

Offset Heating Expense	\$ 1,392.00
All Saints	\$ 222.00

### Online, E-Giving Donations through “We Share”

Our online giving platform: <https://sainteonline.weshareonline.org/>

## Parish News



## Next Monthly Family Faith Formation Sunday, November 21st after the 10:00 am Mass

We are no longer doing a weekly CCD classroom model of Religious Education. Instead the whole family comes together after Sunday Mass from 11am to 1pm to learn about our Catholic faith. They join with other families to break open God’s Word and then to learn this month, about Gratitude/Thanksgiving and the upcoming season of Advent. Each age group goes into an age appropriate break out session and comes back together to share pizza and conclude out learning.

This is now one process for First Communion Prep, Confirmation Prep and annual religious education.

What happens to our faith in the home matters!

## November Coat Drive for the Poor

St. Elizabeth of Hungary Parish will be conducting its annual coat drive beginning November 6th and continuing through Thanksgiving.

Collection boxes will be in the back of church and you can drop off any used, but in good condition, winter coats, hats, scarfs and gloves in the boxes. Servant of God, Dorothy Day, is quoted as saying, “the coat you’re not wearing in your closet belongs to the poor!”

We ask for your generous support of this program as you have done in the past.  
God Bless.

- Deacon John and the committee.

## Parish Christmas Giving Tress

The Giving Tree tags will be available before and after mass on the weekends beginning with Thanksgiving weekend, November 27-28. Only gift cards, toys and crafts (new and unopened are requested.) As always, we thank you for your past generosity and your help this year in making the Christmas season happier for those in need.



## Annual Wreath and Grave Blanket Sale

*2 weekends - November 27th & 28th and December 4th & 5th*

Wreaths & grave blankets will again be sold to benefit our parish Family Faith Formation process BEFORE & AFTER all the Masses on November 28 & December 5.

Christmas wreaths	\$25
Small Grave blankets	\$25.00
Large Grave blankets	\$50.00

## Parish Annual Financial Report 2020-2021



A copy of the Parish Annual Report is available this weekend next to the bulletins. Please take a copy home and if you have any questions please contact Dennis in the parish office.



# GOSPEL MEDITATIONS

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time  
November 14, 2021

Feast of Christ the King  
November 21, 2021

“And then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in the clouds’ with great power and glory.” Take a moment to ponder these words from today’s Gospel. How does this image make you feel? For people to truly understand the significance of this message, something profound has to happen within. If we find ourselves reacting with a sense of dread or fear, we have to step back and ask why. Our answer will reveal a great deal about our relationship with God. It’s hard to fall in love with a God of whom we are afraid. God does not want us to be afraid. Nor does He want us to align our wills to His in order to avoid some kind of horrendous eternal consequence. That sounds like too much of a superficial power play on the part of God who continues to seek out His children in love.

In order for these words to carry any type of significant meaning for us, they have to resonate with and touch us on a deeper level. They have to be able to connect some dots and have meaning for us in order for this promise to change our lives. Sometimes we get preoccupied with the uncertainty of our deaths. Not knowing when or how we will eventually die can be unsettling. But, more so than needing an answer to the “when” of death, the “what” of death answer we provide has more significance. What happens to us when we die? Whether we die during the natural course of our lives or when Christ comes again, the experience is the same. If we believe that we are meant to live in union with God eternally and that death completes and does not diminish us, then it is worth our time and effort to wait in vigilant hope of the Lord’s coming in glory. Our journey back to God is something beautiful to be desired, not dreaded or feared.

Sadly, many folks believe that life is no more than a random occurrence without any purposeful direction or meaning. Death is simply death and nothing more. For them, the Second Coming of Christ and God’s eternal promise have no meaning. When we understand the truth about who we are, it changes things up. We then can see ourselves as works in progress who have the choice to either resist the inspirations of the Divine Artist or give into the wonderful creativity of His will. Life awaiting the fullness of Christ to come becomes an unfolding of Divine surprises and abundant joy. God is eternally merciful, forgiving, and welcoming. It is only when we directly reject this gift and turn our backs on Love itself that we have anything to fear.

We often come to life expecting all of the pieces of the puzzle to nicely fit together. We want and expect harmony, order, and fairness, the achievement of rewards for good behavior, good health, and happiness. We can more easily accept death when it comes naturally after a good long life, but have a real difficulty comprehending the meaning of it all when it is cut short. Willing to put in a good measure of effort, we desire positive results. When things go wrong and life gets hurtful, unjust, and downright ugly, we become unsettled and can quickly fall into despair. This is especially true if we are people of faith who believe in a God who sees things on our terms and works in favor of our life agenda. What happens to our faith when we find ourselves sitting in a mess?

Does it help to know that God understands and that hardship, failure, disappointment, injustice, confusion, and all of life’s ugliness do not make faith irrelevant or irrational? God is wonderfully and surprising creative! He turns the tables on not only our understanding of life, but of what it means to be a king. God sends us a king who is not exempt from life’s ills but embraces them. The king that God gives to us knows what it means to be poor, suffer insults, be ridiculed, face rejection, endure suffering, be betrayed, and face a most unjust and horrific death. This is our king. Jesus is not a king of prestige or grandeur but a king who brings light to darkness, hope to despair, sinners to mercy, and new life out of death. Christ dances before us pleading with us to hold on, cling to love, avoid being negative, stop feeling cheated, and be strong in faith! There may be hardship and disappointment now but there are more surprises to come.

Once we understand this truth, we will also understand that we are on a most incredible and awesome universal journey to Christ and becoming one in Christ. We all carry within us the image of God, the image of our suffering king. The One who lives in us also lives in all of our brothers and sisters. Failing to see this universal Divine Presence in all is one of the greatest mistakes we can make, for we also fail to see God, our king, as well. There are many things that can bring hardship to life. If we keep our head about us and do not lose hope, we can persevere and strive for the greatest degree of justice possible. Even though there are ample things that can challenge our faith, we also know that our deepest joy comes from union with God and our brothers and sisters. One day, the fullness of that joy will be ours to have when we are all eternally one with Christ our King forever.



**Cardinal Joseph William Tobin, C.S.S.R.**  
By the Grace of God and the Favor of the Apostolic See  
Archbishop of Newark

October 11, 2021

**TO THE PEOPLE OF GOD IN THE ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ!

This past weekend Pope Francis launched a two-year “synod on synodality,” a call to all the members of the Catholic Church across the world to enter a process of listening to the Holy Spirit and to each other in order to discern the path we must walk together. Yesterday, Pope Francis celebrated the Eucharist in St. Peter’s Square as the first solemn act of the Synod. Next Sunday, October 17 in dioceses across the world, bishops will celebrate the opening of the synodal process in their respective dioceses. On that day, I will preside at the Eucharist in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart at 12 Noon and would be delighted if you might join us.

The word “synod” traces its roots to the first centuries of the Church. Coming from Greek words meaning the “same road,” synod and synodality are expressions of the fundamental mystery of the Church: people who are gathered from every corner of the earth to be “a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people of his own, so that you may announce the praises” of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light (1 Peter 2,9).

While the Synod of Bishops has taken place up until now as a gathering of bishops with and under the authority of the Pope, the Church increasingly realizes that synodality is the path for the entire People of God. That means making pastoral decisions “that reflect the will of God as closely as possible, grounding them in the living voice of the People of God.”

The present synod will take place in three stages. From now until next April, every diocese in the world is expected to promote a special time of prayer, listening, dialogue and recommendations. After April, this dialogue will continue at national and continental assemblies of Catholics. Finally, in October 2023, bishops and others will gather in Roma with the Holy Father to chart the future of our Church.

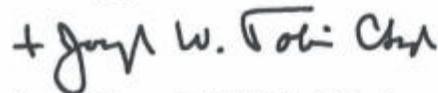
Who can participate in this synod? Is this just for the clergy? No. All of us baptized are invited. Pope Francis never tires of reminding us that the participation of all must be an undeniable commitment of the whole Church.

Sister Donna Ciangio, OP, the Chancellor of the Archdiocese, and Father Bismarck Chau, the rector of the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, have agreed to coordinate the synodal process throughout our Archdiocese. Together with their team, they will ensure that every parish will have the opportunity to participate in this important moment in the history of the Church. But they will also be concerned with voices from the “periphery,” voices that are easily and often overlooked in Catholic discussions. The Holy Spirit is moving throughout the Church and we need to listen.

As a result of the diocesan consultation, a report will be written that will collect our voices. But the most important thing will not be answering a questionnaire or attending a meeting, but living synodality, that is, experiencing Church as walking with others. Each fellow pilgrim has received a call and gifts given by the Holy Spirit for the good of the Church. Through this blessed time, the Holy Spirit will enrich the magnificent mosaic that is the People of God, making us a gift for the life of the world.

Let us begin a time of prayer and listening. A time in which all – bishops, priests, deacons, men and women religious and laity – will try to answer two fundamental questions: How are we living this “walking together” in our Archdiocese and what steps does the Spirit invite us to take in order to grow?

Sincerely yours in Christ the Redeemer,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joseph W. Tobin" with a cross at the beginning.

Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin, C.Ss.R.  
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