

32nd Sunday In Ordinary Time

November 12, 2017

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PRESIDER:	Father Ron Prechtl
Today's Mass Intention:	Parishioners and Families
Last Week's Offerings	Regular: \$416.00 All Saints Day: \$ 40.00 Second: \$ 66.00 — Archdiocese for Military Services

Thank you for your gifts of time, talent, and treasure.

- **Second Collection:** Today's collection is for parish maintenance. Next week's collection will be for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. Over 46 million people in the U.S. live in poverty. This collection supports programs to empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face as they work to lift themselves out of poverty. By supporting this collection you give people a hand up, not a hand out.

- **Friday Mass:** There will be Mass at Christ Our Hope on November 17th, 9:00 a.m.

- **Christ Our Hope Parish to Mission:** Next week's bulletin will be the last one prepared for COH only. Thereafter, we will share the bulletin from St. John Church. Send announcements to Angie Moretto by noon on Wednesdays (stjohnsm@suddenlinkmail.com; 304-684-7669).

Masses for Holy Days of Obligation will be celebrated at St. John Church only, unless they fall on a Sunday, such as Easter. Faith Formation rites will be performed at St. John only.

Weddings and funerals will be celebrated at COH as needed.

Programs with the day's music selections will continue, possibly including late-breaking news items.

All of us must register as parishioners. Please complete the form found on the table in the foyer.

Some of you have stopped attending COH, and we need to know if you have registered with another church, or if you wish to be considered a parishioner here. Please reply to Georgie: healybg@hotmail.com, 304-477-3301. We call on all of you who have left to come back!!! You are greatly missed!

- **Month of the Holy Souls:** The Catholic Church dedicates the entire month of November to praying in a special way for the Holy Souls in Purgatory. The Holy Souls (also called the Faithful Departed) are members of the Church who await the purification of their souls before joining the saints in heaven for all eternity. Specifically, they are called the Church Suffering (the saints in heaven are the Church Triumphant, and the saints on earth are the Church Militant). The poor souls in purgatory cannot pray for themselves or do anything to hasten their entrance into heaven, but we can pray for them as an act of charity. The feast of the Holy Souls is November 2nd.

- **Prayer List:** Michael Velemirovich, Kelly Yeager, Flynn and Pennell families, Ruth (Janie) Snyder, Robert Wheeler, Richard Stroomer, Mary Ann Schoeny, all men and women in the military, Mark D'Anna, Margaret Hunter and her sister Rosie, Georgie's sisters, Mary Kiedaisch, Sister Maureen, and Pat Bail. Please remember shut-ins with cards and visits. Pat Bail, Clarksburg Nursing & Rehab, Rm. A10, 801 Davisson Run Rd., Clarksburg, 26301. Sister Maureen Mylott, Sisters of Charity, PO Box 476, Convent Station, NJ 07961-0476.

- **November Celebrations: Birthdays:** Gary Hunter 2nd, Kristy Hunter 6th, Danielle Demora 8th, Norma Hilvers 29th. **Anniversaries:** Gary and Margaret Hunter 9th.

- **Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults:** Please continue to pray for our catechumen Kristy Hunter and encourage her on this journey to full initiation through the sacraments.

- **Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking: November Alert** - The observance of Thanksgiving is often over-shadowed by Black Friday, a marketing sensation. Every day is a marketing opportunity for predators who shop globally on the internet. GATHER a group to study about internet exploitation of men, women, and children. See sistersagainstrafficking.org.

- **Family Perspective:** The bridesmaids in today's gospel were considered 'foolish' because they let their lamps go out. Don't be foolish. Pay attention to the small acts necessary to keep the flame alive in all your relationships. —Bud Ozar

- **Bible Study:** The Monday bible study has been suspended until after the holidays.

- **Pray for Those in the Military:** Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. And give us peace. I ask this in the name of Jesus, Our Lord and Savior. Amen

- **The Angels Have Arrived!** The Ministerial Association, sponsor of the Angel Tree Program, has supplied us with five angels to delight at Christmas. Please take an Angel and buy six gifts to put under their tree this year. The Angels and information are on the table in the foyer. Thanks very much for your participation this year and previous years. Remember, you are giving to God! See Georgie if you have questions.

ALL CREATION IS GROANING

Look carefully at the reality of the world into which we are sent, with all its hopes and fears, joys and sorrows. Have the courage to ask why its brokenness is so pervasive, why its beauty is so rarely seen. Ready yourself to be changed, converted, to find God as you are called and respond to new vocations. Tune your soul to God's song in creation. The groaning of creation in our times is in tune with the rhythm of God's call. Listening to the cry of the earth sharpens our capacity to hear God's voice. God is calling—through a broken and hungry world, through the beauty or the cry of creation. Listen! Catch the rhythm of God's voice. Do you hear?

—Marie Dennis: *Diversity of Vocations*