

# Mass Intentions for the Week

Sun., Nov. 13 - Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Mal 3:19-20a/2 Thes 3:7-12/Lk 21:5-19  
9:30am - John Bragg by Alice Bragg

Mon. Nov. 14  
Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5/Lk 18:35-43

Tue., Nov. 15 - St. Albert the Great, Bishop & Doctor of the Church  
Rv 3:1-6, 14-22/Lk 19:1-10

Wed., Nov. 16 - St. Margaret of Scotland;  
Rv 4:1-11/Lk 19:11-28

Thur., Nov. 17 - St. Elizabeth of Hungary,  
Rv 5:1-10/Lk 19:41-44

Fri., Nov. 18  
Rv 10:8-11/Lk 19:45-48

Sat., Nov. 19  
Rv 11:4-12/Lk 20:27-40

Sun. Nov. 20 - Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe  
2 Sm 5:1-3/Col 1:12-20/Lk 23:35-43  
9:30am - William Brown by the Brown Family

## Sunday Mass Intentions

We have been advised by the Diocese to not accept Mass Stipends for 2023 at this time. Any stipends which have already been scheduled for January 2023 will be honored if possible.

During the month of November, we remember our Faithful Departed.

The Book of Remembrance is located in the front of the church near the Baptismal Fount

## Lector Schedule for November

8:00am Mass - Lectionary Readings  
& Prayer of the Faithful

11/13 - Pat Howling

11/20 - Barbara Smith

11/27 - Steve Williams

9:30am Mass - Lectionary Readings

11-13 - Carol Cole

11/20 - Lurita Boyd

11/27 - Maureen Satchell



## Fr. Joe's Corner

*"Everybody look around, cause there's a reason to rejoice you see ... and let's commence to singing joyfully. Everybody look up and feel the hope that we've been waiting for"*

Greetings to my dear St. Martin de Porres family,

*As we approach the Thanksgiving season, I want you to know that you are all at the top of my list of thanks to God Almighty. In the very difficult year of transition, you have been my guiding light. I often marvel at how God works through us, and with us, and for us. More reason to give him thanks and praise!*

*Nothing too new on the Road to Renewal front. It looks as if we will begin the planning phase for our Central city parishes in mid-January. The time frame for planning is approximately six months. It will include condensing the Mass schedule for the four parishes, sacramental life, administration, faith formation. There have been no announcements in terms of pastors, but I'm still in the running! I continue to hope and pray that we will be able to continue our journey together if I am appointed pastor of our family, which includes, Saint Lawrence, Blessed Trinity and Saints Columba-Brigid parishes.*

*I think I mentioned last weekend at masses that Thanksgiving is not only my favorite holiday, but it is my favorite time of year. I have scheduled a Mass on Thanksgiving Eve at 7PM for us. I truly hope that many of you will consider coming to church that night that we may together give thanks to Almighty God for all the blessings he has given us. Following Mass, pizza, wings, beer, wine, and soft drinks will be served. My Thanksgiving gift to you.*

*Sadly, we say goodbye to our beloved Lanette Jennings for a few months. She does so much for our parish. Wishing her Godspeed and an enjoyable time in the warmer weather for the winter.*

*I think that's it for now. See you in my prayers. God's love and mine ... Father Joe*

**Special Intentions Prayer for Our Parish**

- ◆ Our Deceased Members
- ◆ Our 1st Responders, Health Care Workers
- ◆ Our Military Personnel
- ◆ All those in need of our prayers especially our sick & shut-ins :

Roland Autry, Denise Dickinson, Richard Ersing, Lottie Goins, Sal & Sarah Howard, Susan Hutchins, LaEster Jones, Janice Kyle, Karl Magby, Mary Magby, Jewel Marshall, Daysi McGill Crespo, Thomasina McDougald, Renee Mills, Ernestine Morrell, Kayla Morrell, Vanessa Newton, Louise Nolley, Michelle O'Neil, Dorene Perry, Monica White, and Josephine Williams.

**Diocesan & Parish Family Events**

Alpha meets on Tuesdays at 5:30pm through December 6th at Blessed Trinity.

**Wed., Nov. 23 - St. Martin de Porres - Thanksgiving Eve Mass at 7pm. It is our tradition to donate bread to the Little Portion Friary. The bread will be collection at the Thanksgiving Eve Mass. We appreciate this gift of your** 

Thurs., Nov. 24 to Nov. 28 - Church office will be closed, Office will reopen on Tuesday, Nov. 29.

Wed., Nov. 30 - Advent Penance Service @ Blessed Trinity at 7pm.

Sun., Dec. 4 - "Do You Hear What I Hear?" a Christmas Program at Blessed Trinity at 2pm

Sat., Dec. 24 - Christmas Eve Mass at St. Martin de Porres at 4pm.

Sun., Dec. 25 - There will be no 8am Mass. The only Christmas Day Mass at St. Martin de Porres will be at 9:30am

Sun., Jan. 1 - There will be no 8am Mass. The only New Year's Day Mass at St. Martin de Porres will be at 9:30am

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**VOCATION BLURB**

"The day is coming" scripture says. The world will not last forever. Let's live for the Kingdom! What is Jesus calling you to do so that His kingdom may come? If you are ready to answer this call, contact Fr. Dave Baker



**The Adult Choir and the Youth Choir are looking for new members to join them to help give God the Praise. If you are interested in joining the choirs please see Carol Cole for the Adult Choir or Shelby Thompson for the Youth Choir. Rehearsals are on Wednesdays at 6:00pm**



**GOSPEL MEDITATION  
ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE**

November 13, 2022 - 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Many make it their life's ambition to determine precisely when the world will end. By reading the signs of the times, consulting scripture, or looking to prophetic predictions that are sometimes centuries old, they claim a certain credibility in being able to do so. Is all that necessary to know? Even when his disciples pointedly ask him this question, Jesus does not directly answer. While the end will inevitably come, Jesus points out that there is a lot we need to do first: remain faithful, face persecution, endure suffering, face wars and insurrections, and give testimony. Human beings tend to focus their energies on the wrong kingdom. Consumed with all of the things we have built and seeking to preserve them, we forget that we belong to a different kingdom, the Kingdom of God.

All of the "stuff" we have constructed will be taken away. All that will remain is God's kingdom. Which kingdom do we prefer? We answer that question by honestly looking at where we invest most of our time and energy. What matters to us as we embrace a new moment or day in our lives? If our relationship with God, the strength and integrity of our souls, and the steadfastness of our character are of utmost importance, then it matters little when the physical end will come. We will have what we need to persevere, endure, and confront whatever comes our way. Jesus cautions that we do not allow ourselves to be overwhelmed or overly terrified by the agonies and disappointments of the world. Although we may be apprehensive and uncertain when faced with complex challenges, God is with us. We will receive the inspiration we need to forge ahead.

God is a God of salvation and new beginnings. Whether we consider the daily unfolding of our earthly lives or our eternal ones to come, God never leaves us with dead ends. There is always hope, and there is always something new to come. As Julian of Norwich reminds us, "God made us, God loves us and God keeps us." This wisdom holds true whether life is stable and profitable or challenging and uncertain. If we remember this simple truth, we will be ready regardless of the day or the hour.

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Attention: All Ministries of St. Martin de Porres.

If you would like to hi-light the activities of your ministry, please advise the office so that your information can be added to the bulletin.

Also, information for the bulletin should be given to the office by the Wednesday prior to that Sunday's bulletin.

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The church office will be closed Thursday, November 24th through Monday, November 28th. The office will reopen at the regular time on Tuesday, November 29th.

All Mass and Bulletin information must be into the office by Wednesday, November 23rd by 12noon