

THE SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS

NOVEMBER 1, 2020

“See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God.”

— 1 John 3:1

OUR HOPE AND GOD’S PROMISE

The Church uses these waning November days and darker skies as the season to remind us of the last things. Today’s feast, the Solemnity of All Saints, is the centerpiece of three days that point to doctrines we proclaim each time we say the Apostles’ Creed: “We believe in the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting.” And while the days and our hearts may be dark, the readings today are bright with the light of faith. John’s vision in the book of Revelation reveals dazzling angels and white-robed saints gathered in triumph around the throne of God. In the responsorial psalm we sing our longing to see God’s face, and in the second reading John writes that we are God’s children and will, in fact, see God “as he is” (1 John 3:2). This is our hope. This is God’s promise. Today we celebrate the triumph of those who already gaze on the face of God. Tomorrow we cry out for mercy with those in purgatory, who, like us on earth, still long to see God’s face.

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TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — John’s vision of a vast throng from every nation and people, whose robes had been made white in the blood of the Lamb (Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14).

Psalm — Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face (Psalm 24).

Second Reading — By God’s love, we may be called God’s children (1 John 3:1-3).

Gospel — The Beatitudes: your reward will be great in heaven (Matthew 5:1-12a).

OUR GIFTS RECORD

	Offertory	Development
Last Week’s Collection	\$4,674.00	\$3,505.00
Number of Families contributing	102	85
Total Pledge for 2020	\$167,031.00	\$162,928.00
Pledged to Date (40 Weeks)	\$134,263.00	\$135,368.00
Received to Date	\$154,237.00	\$118,605.00
Envelopes Outstanding	(\$19,974.00)	\$16,763.00

LADIES OFFERTORY RECORD

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2020
\$328.00	\$16,895.00

Twenty-three ladies made a contribution last week.

PARISH LIFE CENTER HALL FUND WEEKLY REPORT

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2020
\$11,256.00	\$31,080.00

Five people made a P.L.C. contribution last week.

BICENTENNIAL CAMPAIGN

GOAL	\$165,000.00
Total Pledged	\$210,300.00
Total Received	\$43,642.00

POOR BOX \$44.00.

BAA totaled \$125.00.

18 **CHILDREN** contributed \$174.00.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

There was a farmer who sold a pound of butter to a baker. One day the baker decided to weigh the butter to see if he was getting the right amount, which he wasn’t. Angry about this, he took the farmer to court.

The judge asked the farmer if he was using any measure to weigh the butter. The farmer replied, “Your Honor, I’m primitive. I don’t have a proper measure, but do have a scale.”

The judge asked, “Then how do you weight the butter?”

The farmer replied, “Your Honor, long before the baker started buying butter from me, I have been buying a pound loaf of bread from him. Every day when the baker brings the bread, I put it on the scale and give him the same weight in butter. If anyone is to be blamed, it is the baker.”

In life, you get what you give.

Don’t try to cheat others.

FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH ARE OFFERED BY:

1. The Family of Saint in thanks for him on his 2nd Birthday and in loving memory of Eddie O. on his 66th Birthday;
2. Mary O’Hara in loving memory of Johnny Howard on the 15th Anniversary of his death;
3. and a Parish Member in thanks to St. Expedite.

ST. EDWARD HALLOWEEN GET-TO-GETHER will be held this Saturday, October 31st at 7:30 P.M. in the Parish Hall. The Young Girls Organization is organizing the event.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ends this Sunday, November 1st at 2:00 a.m. Please remember to set your clocks back by one hour on Saturday night, October 31st.

ROSARY AT THE CEMETERY The *Rosary at the Cemetery* for our Parish Family members who have gone to eternal rest will be held this **Sunday, November 1st at 3:00 P.M. at Pineview Memorial Gardens.**

2020-2021 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES will begin this Monday, November 2nd. Classes will be on **Monday and Thursday ONLY**. The classes will be as follows:

MONDAY – 5th, 6th, 7th & 8th Grades

THURSDAY – 1st, 2nd, 3rd, & 4th Grades

FEAST OF ST. EDWARD: OUR PARISH PATRON will be celebrated this Thursday, November 5th at 10:00 A.M. To prepare ourselves for the feast, we began Triduum Prayer on November 2nd. The Society of Mary Immaculate will organize the celebration.

SPECIAL COLLECTION The special collection this weekend is for the *Peter’s Pence Collection* and next weekend is for the *Guatemalan Mission*. Please be generous in these collections.

7:00 P.M SATURDAY MASS will resume next Saturday, November 7th.

TOUCHING SAFETY PROGRAM St. Edward Catholic Church Religious Education will present a sexual abuse prevention program, the Touching Safety Program, to students November 16th and November 19th class with a makeup date of November 30th. This program is provided to us by the Diocese of Charleston and is part of our ongoing effort to help create and maintain a safe environment for children and youth in our care.

The scheduled lesson is being offered to all students of the St. Edward Catholic Church Religious Education Program. As parents you have the right to choose whether your child participates in the program. Opt-out forms will be available to parents on the day your child has Religious Education class. If you don't want your child to participate in this program, please contact Sandra for a form.

THANK YOU to a member for a donation in thanks to St. Mother Teresa and St. Raphael; a member for a donation in thanks to the Holy Spirit, Sacred Heart, Precious Blood, and St. Expedite; a member for donation in honor of the Holy Spirit for a special intention; a member for a donation in honor of St. Michael; a member for a donation in honor of St. Joseph the Worker for a special intention; a member for a donation in thanks to St. Anthony; a member for a donation in thanks to St. Joseph and St. Expedite for the needy; and also to two members in thanks to St. Expedite.

JOKE OF THE WEEK

During a quarrel with her husband a wife harked back to a matter which he thought had been thrashed out ages ago.

"But I understood you had forgiven me for that and had promised to forget it," he replied.

"Yes," she snapped. "I did. But I didn't promise to let you forget I'd forgiven it."

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: All Saints; Daylight Saving Time ends; National Vocation Awareness Week
Monday: Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)
Tuesday: St. Martin de Porres; Election Day
Wednesday: St. Charles Borromeo
Friday: First Friday
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday: Funeral.
Tuesday: For Maverick Sherlock on his 14th Birthday.
Wednesday: For Paco's Pete on his Birthday.
Thursday: For all souls.
Friday: In thanks for Dean Carroll on his 7th Birthday.

DON'T PASS ME BY

***Don't pass me by Jesus,
 My soul must not be lost.
 My heart must be unfettered,
 No spirit tempest tossed.
 Stay at my side, my Jesus,
 Please guide me on my way.
 Throughout the narrow passage
 Protect me from the fray.***

READERS

Sat. Oct. 31st, 4:00 P.M. Christina & Natalie
Sun. Nov. 1st, 10:00 A.M. Jersey & Jimmy Joseph

Sat. Nov. 7th, 4:00 P.M. Leah & Dayna
Sun. Nov. 8th, 10:00 A.M. Jersey & Jimmy Joseph

READERS – WEEKDAYS

Monday - Taneil
Tuesday - Fallon
Wednesday - Cathy Lisa
Thursday - Dayna
Friday - Christina

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - WEEKDAY

Monday - Cathy Pole
Tuesday - Kim Gallon
Wednesday - Rosie Cat
Thursday - Mary Cat
Friday - Rose Marie

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – WEEKEND

Saturday 4:00 P.M. **October 31st**
 Front Mary Margaret
 Right Cathy Pole
 Left Kim Gallon

Sunday 10:00 A.M.

November 1st **November 8th**
 Rose Marie Rose Marie
 Mary Cat Mary Cat

FUNNY DEFINITIONS

Loneliness – A prison that can be opened only from the inside.

Linguist – A man who masters every tongue but his wife's

SAINTS AND SINNERS

The only difference between the saint and the sinner is that every saint has a past, and every sinner has a future.

A NEW DAY

Nothing makes a new day more beautiful and promising than having:

- **the right heart,**
- **the right spirit,**
- **the right mind**
- **the right strength.**

~~~~~PRAYER CORNER~~~~~

PRAYER FOR THE DECEASED

In your hands, O God our Father, we humbly entrust our brothers and sisters. In this life you embraced them with your tender love; deliver them now from every evil and bid them eternal rest. The old order has passed away. welcome them into paradise, where there will be no sorrow, no weeping or pain, but fullness of peace and joy with Your Son and the Holy Spirit forever. Amen.