

MASSES AND CONFESSIONS AT ST. GERTRUDE

Monday, November 15, St. Albert the Great, O.P. (M)

7:00 a.m.	†James Heckt/The Shafer Family
8:00 a.m.	†Pat Higgins/Valerie & Steve Badinghaus
11:30 a.m.	†Deceased Members of the Dominican Order

Tuesday, November 16, St. Gertrude (S)

7:00 a.m.	†Johnny Schneider/Paula Rooks
8:00 a.m.	†Martin Hebert/The Hebert Family
11:30 a.m.	For Our Parish Community

Wednesday, November 17, St. Elizabeth of Hungary (M)

- 7:00 a.m. Chris & Kim Stoll/Mike & Beth Stoll
- 8:00 a.m. †Patti Coit/Rita Gehring
- 11:30 a.m. Lynn Lindhorst/Patty & Jack Norris

Thursday, November 18, Weekday

7:00 a.m.	†Gene Cameron/Dan Teller
8:00 a.m.	†Peggy Kindt/Patrick Kindt
11:30 a.m.	The Rosen Family/The Runk Family

Friday, November 19, Weekday

7:00 a.m.	†William J. Eisenhauer, Jr./The Chris Lohr Family
	†James Frank/Tom & Peggy Frank
11:30 a.m.	Jill James/Tom & Dianne Weidman

Saturday, November 20, Weekday

8:00 a.m. †Helen Bachman/Jim & Melody Osborne 11:30 a.m. †Virginia O. Goedde/Peter Goedde

November 20-21,

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (S) Saturday 4:30 p.m. People of St. Gertrude

Sunday	
8:00 a.m.	People of St. Gertrude
10:00 a.m.	†The Kohus & Bough Families/John & Hilda Bough
12:00 p.m.	†Jack Crowley/Peter Bertoli
6:00 p.m.	†Holy Souls in Purgatory in Honor of
*	St. Michael/Elaine & Jeff Parker

Confessions will be heard in the church Monday-Friday at 4:00 p.m., Wednesday at 7:30 p.m., and Saturday at 3:30 p.m.

Parish Office Info

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> Parish Office Hours Monday-Friday: 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. School Office Hours Monday-Friday: 7:30 a.m.-3:45 p.m. Church Hours Every day: 7:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m.



GivingTuesday November 30, 2021

There's no better time to get behind the mission of St. Gertrude Church

This GivingTuesday, you are invited to make a gift to St. Gertrude Church to support our GivingTuesday campaign, MORE FOR MISSION.

With a goal of \$150,000, this exciting effort will allow us to invest in, innovate, and invite more people to experience our childcentered, family-focused youth offerings (like Catechesis of the Good Shepherd) and invigorating adult formation initiatives (like Revitalize).

Visit <u>stgertrude.org/givingtuesday</u> to learn about MORE FOR MISSION and how to give.



One hundred percent of the donations made to St. Gertrude on GivingTuesday will go toward MORE FOR MISSION.





Next weekend, November 20-21, 2021, we will be taking up our annual collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD)—the U.S. bishops' anti-poverty, gospel justice program. The following letter from Archbishop Schnurr explains more about the CCHD collection, shares how last year's collection benefited thousands of low-income people in our archdiocese, and chal-

lenges us to consider how we are responding to the needs of the poor. Please read the letter and prayerfully discern what you are able to give next weekend

Fr. George, O.P.

My Dear Friends in Christ,

On November 14, the Universal Church will once again celebrate the World Day of the Poor. In his 2021 message for the occasion, Pope Francis directs us to reflect upon, "The poor you will always have with you" (Mk 14:7). He exclaims:

The face of God revealed by Jesus is that of a Father concerned for and close to the poor. In everything, Jesus teaches that poverty is not the result of fate, but a concrete sign pointing to his presence among us. We do not find him when and where we want, but see him in the lives of the poor, in their sufferings and needs, in the often inhuman conditions in which they are forced to live. As I never tire of repeating, the poor are true evangelizers, for they were the first to be evangelized and called to share in the Lord's joy and his kingdom (cf. Mt 5:3). (no. 2)

The poor are a sacrament of Christ, they represent his person and point to him. (no. 3)

The poor will always be with us, yet that should not make us indifferent, but summon us instead to a mutual sharing of life that does not allow proxies. The poor are not people "outside" our communities, but brothers and sisters whose sufferings we should share, in an effort to alleviate their difficulties and marginalization, restore their lost dignity and ensure their necessary social inclusion. (no. 3)

Pope Francis' challenge to us is to consider how we can respond to the needs of the poor - through direct charity, yes - but also by finding ways for them to fully participate in society. God has entrusted us, his disciples, with the responsibility for giving hope to the poor.

This is precisely what the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) is all about!

For Catholics in the United States, the weekend of November 20-21 is our annual collection for CCHD, the U.S. bishops' anti-poverty, gospel justice program. Through the grants we make to well-vetted organizations, CCHD uniquely empowers those in poverty to identify their own needs and to become their own agents of positive change.

As a result of your generosity from last year's CCHD Collection, thousands of low-income individuals in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati benefitted from the work of our funded organizations. Among them are hard-to-hire people obtaining jobs and employment skills, youth developing leadership skills, and neighborhood leaders securing decent housing and public services in their communities. In every instance, CCHD was there to hear their cries, to help them find a place at the decisionmaking tables impacting their lives, and to give them a sense of ownership over their communities. CCHD is a mandatory collection in the archdiocese, which means that every parish will be taking it up. We send two-thirds of this collection to the national CCHD offices at the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (much of which comes back to fund organizations operating in our archdiocese). The remaining one-third is granted to agencies in our own archdiocese through our local CCHD Committee and Social Action Commission. A small portion supports the U.S. bishops' Black and Indian Mission Fund, anti-poverty education efforts in our parishes and schools, and administration of these funds. It is our strict policy that organizations that receive CCHD funds must not participate in activities that promote abortion, same-sex marriage, the death penalty, affronts to human life and dignity, or any positions contrary to fundamental Church teaching.

Pope Francis asks us, "How can we give a tangible response to the millions of the poor who frequently encounter only indifference, if not resentment? What path of justice must be followed so that social inequalities can be overcome and human dignity, so often tram

Thank you in advance for your donations on CCHD Collection Weekend. You can learn more about CCHD's work in the Archdiocese at https://resources.catholicaoc.org/offices/catholicsocial-action/taskforces-committees/cchd.

With gratitude for your attentiveness to the cry of the poor, I am Sincerely yours in Christ,

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Most Reverend Dennis M. Schnurr Archbishop of Cincinnati

THE POWER OF THE ROSARY QUOTES FROM SAINTS



"The holy rosary introduces us into the very heart of faith. With our thoughts fixed on it, we greet repeatedly, joyfully, the holy Mother of God; declare blessed the Son, the sweet fruit of her womb; and invoke her motherly protection in life and in death."

– Pope St. John Paul II

COVER IMAGE: Four Last Things of judgement, heaven, purgatory, and hell. Photo by Father Lawrence Lew, O.P., used with permission. This fresco is in the Dominican priory chapel at the Angelicum in Rome.

SCHOOL NEWS

DATES TO REMEMBER

• No school Wednesday, November 23, through Friday, November 25.

MEET THE TEAM

A couple new faces have recently joined our St. Gertrude School faculty. To help you get to know them better, we're going to introduce them in the bulletin over the next two weeks.



Crista Baumer, After School Care Assistant

Crista Baumer has joined the St. Gertrude School After School Care Program. Mrs. Baumer grew up in rural Minnesota and moved to Ohio to attend college at Franciscan University of Steubenville. After graduating with a BA in Latin and Greek, she moved to Cincinnati and worked as a self-employed Latin tutor at St. Xavier High School. She met her husband at The Catholic Shop in Madeira, where they continue to enjoy poring over great books. Mrs. Baumer is excited to help students learn and grow into well-rounded disciples of Christ.

SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

School office hours for the week of November 15 are 7:30 a.m.-3:45 p.m., Monday through Friday.

WE'RE HIRING!

Do you want a fulfilling career in a supportive environment? St. Gertrude School is currently hiring two full-time positions:

- Junior High History Teacher
- School Receptionist



View the job descriptions and apply at stgertrude.org/employment.

Where students gather in Faith, are guided in Truth, and grow in Excellence.



For over 85 years, the Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia have led St. Gertrude School, providing a foundation for students in grades K-8 to flourish and lead a full life for the glory of God.

"We are building up our students in every way-teaching them to build intellectual and moral virtues so that they can go forth to build a culture of hope marked by freedom and peace that will radiate out to the whole world." - Sister Maria Christi Greve, Principal

Now enrolling for the 2022-2023 school year.

6543 Miami Ave., Madeira, OH (513) 562-8020



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ADVENT WREATH MAKING

Join us for fellowship, fun, refreshments, and activities for the children as we kick off the new liturgical season by making Advent wreaths! We provide all the materials; you bring your pruners and a tray to transport your wreath home.

> Sunday, November 28 1:00-3:30 p.m. St. Gertrude School Cafeteria \$25/Wreath Kit

Register at my.stgertrude.org/s/event-list by November 22!

For more details, contact Kristen Eggers at kristen@stgertrude.org or (513) 561-5954, ext. 2109

FALL RETREAT



WHEN: Friday, November 19, 7:00 p.m. – Sunday, November 21, 1:00 p.m.

WHERE: Woodland Lakes Christian Camp & Retreat Center 3051 Lindale Mt. Holly Road, Amelia, OH 45102

> The retreat is \$90/person. We will celebrate Mass at 8:00 a.m. on Sunday. Parents, please drop off and pick up your teen at Woodland Lakes.





For more deta kristen@stgertrud L'ALTO: HIGH SCHOOL -L L R E T





CONTACT Walter Plummer Director of Youth Formation wplummer@stgertrude.org (513) 561-8369

LET US PRAY

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

THE SICK:

Tim Brinkman, Bettie Caudill, Ann Cerone, Kylee Dawson, Triset Defonseka, Clyde Dorn, Lisa Ely, Dick Gelhaus, Bob Gerwin, Andrew Goad, Cameron Goad, Matthew Goad, Glenn Grismere, Loretta Holden, Mark Holland, Hummel Family, Megan Johnson, Rhonda Keith-Stephens, Aiko Kimura, Ed Kinney, Marianne Klekamp. Janice Koncius, Kevin Lewis, Kim McClung, Sandra Munyon, Elaine O'Connell, Gerry Patterson, Ellen Schaengold, Patricia Scherer, Pegge Schuermann, Richard Seifert, Teddie Slaper, Jack Spilker, Jim Spurgin, Patricia Strauss, Judy Sullivan, Mary Saul, Mary Valker, Bill Van Hise, and Brigitte Vielhauer

THOSE IN THE ARMED FORCES:

Samuel C. Bascom, Patrick Burke, Curtis Flores, Luis Flores, Jr., Cole and Kyle Foster, Dominic Geraci, Daniel Holian, Mike Huber, Aaron Jacobson, Jacob Kramb, John Kramb, Kelly Leugers, John Murdock, Jr., John Oscar, Sarah Ries, Kolbe Roberts, Dan Roseman, Andrew Shannon, and Ian Tester

THE RECENTLY DECEASED

Therese Kuhn – sister of Kathy Brinkman Joseph Morrison – father of Shelly Gerwel

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

Christopher & Danielle Flanagan Douglas & Sunnie Lain Thomas & Sarah Hobson Carolyn Frey Cheryl Zaidan



CATHOLIC MEN'S RETREAT

The annual Catholic Men's Advent Retreat, sponsored by the St. Gertrude Catholic Men's Fellowship, will be Friday evening, December

3, until 4:00 p.m. Saturday, December 4,

at Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Center (5440 Moeller Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45212). Father Peter John Cameron, O.P., will be the retreat master. For more information and to register, please visit <u>catholicmensretreat.org</u>.

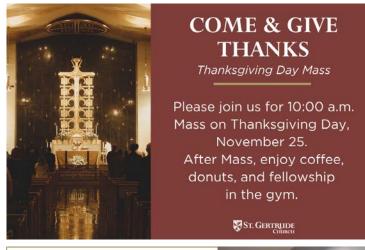


TIME IS RUNNING OUT!

The First Sunday of Advent will not only welcome the beginning of a new liturgical year but also bring the arrival of the hardcover St. Michael Hymnal, Fifth Edition, to our parish. **If you would like to purchase a St. Michael Hymnal and donate it back to St. Gertrude, you have until Monday, November 15, to submit your donor bookplate purchase form to ensure the personalized hymnal is complete by November 27. For more information and to access the purchase form, please visit <u>stgertrude.org/news/stmichaelhymnal</u>.**

ST. GERTRUDE THE GREAT CELEBRATION

Join us on Saturday, November 20, 2021, for 4:30 p.m. Mass and other festivities in honor of St. Gertrude the Great, patroness of our parish. After Mass, our celebration will continue with a torchlight procession, veneration of St. Gertrude's relics, and a party in the Parish Center with music from the Chardon Polka Band, sandwiches from Servatii's, and beer from Cartridge Brewing. We look forward to seeing you!



Increasing Adoration Hours

The Mother of Mercy Adoration Chapel is open daily from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. People are still needed during many of these hours. Nevertheless, we are taking an incremental approach to restore perpetual eucharistic adoration, starting with Wednesday and Saturday nights.

Please consider signing up to spend one hour with Our Lord. Visit <u>stgertrude.org/adoration</u>, or call or stop in the parish office.



ROSARY SOCIAL

The Knights of Columbus Archbishop Elder Council #1195 invite you to join them and their families for the rosary, refreshments and fellowship, and a special presentation from Catherine Fishlock, St. Gertrude's music director. The presentation, "Should Music at Mass Be the Music of the Masse?" will address how music influences our actions, attitudes, and prayer at Mass.

Tuesday, November 16, 2021 7:00 p.m. St. Gertrude Church / Parish Cento

6543 Miami Ave., Madeira, OH

We will pray the rosary in the church and then move to the Parish Center for the presentation and social.

12-STEP MEN'S WEEKEND RETREAT

On November 26-28, 2021, the Jesuit Spiritual Center at Milford is offering a Men's 12-Step Ignatian Weekend Retreat for those in recovery. Led by Father Jeff LaBelle, S.J., and entitled "Gratitude as Spiritual Awakening," this retreat is an opportunity to grow in your relationship with Jesus through the great treasures in the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola and will lead you to a new, inner freedom through the twelve step process. For more information and to register, call Mary Ellen at (513) 248–3500, ext. 10, or visit jesuitspiritualcenter.com/12step.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE - THANK YOU!

Thank you to all the St. Gertrude parishioners who sacrificed their time to commit to giving public witness to the sanctity of life of the unborn during the fall 40 Days for Life campaign. We hope that we were able to show Christ's love to parents considering abortion and all the abortion workers by our peaceful, prayerful presence. Let us continue to pray that expectant mothers have the courage to reject abortion and seek help through the efforts of those at pregnancy centers and outreach groups. (Mary Clark, Right to Life of Greater Cincinnati)

LIVE OUT THE GOSPEL



The Gospel predicts end times; our challenge though is to live faithfully now. When we live in conformity to the Word—hearing Jesus' words and living them out—the future holds no fear for us. As you place your gift in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul poor box, know that you are hearing the words of Jesus and living them out!

LOC THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE - THIS WEEKEND

The Ladies of Charity are collecting donations for their annual Thanksgiving Food Drive **this weekend**, **November 13-14**. Please drop off your items at the large cart outside the Parish Center before or after any Mass (except 6:00 p.m.). Cash and check donations are also appreciated and may be dropped off at or mailed to the parish office. (Please make checks payable to Ladies of Charity.) If you have any questions, please call Jean Wilkinson at (513) 498-5085. Thank you!

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Next weekend, November 20-21, is our annual collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD), the national anti-poverty campaign of the U.S. bishops. CCHD has been an immeasurable blessing for thousands in our archdiocese over the years. Just this past year, the agencies funded by CCHD have empowered more than 2,500 low-income people to break the cycle of poverty through such feats as finding jobs, responsibly reentering society after prison, educating youth, and securing decent housing and public services for their communities. Please prayerfully and generously consider how you will give to this campaign next weekend. Your contribution makes a difference! To learn more, please read Archbishop Schnurr's letter on page 2 of our bulletin or at stgertrude.org/news/CCHD, visit <u>usccb.org/cchd</u>, and check out the <u>archdiocesan CCHD</u> website for more local information.

SYNOD 2021-2023

ST. GERTRUDE

The Holy Father, Pope Francis, has called a synod inviting *all* the baptized to come together to discuss and discern how we can walk together in accomplishing the mission of the Church. He wants all those who make up the Church to participate – elderly, youth, religious orders, clergy, lay faithful, poor, disabled, divorced, migrants, those who no longer practice the faith, etc. More details to come on how this is going to be accomplished at the local level here in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati and what the discussion themes will be. In the meantime, please prayerfully consider participating in this first phase of the synod. If you have any questions, please contact Deacon John Homoelle, the archdiocesan synod contact, at jhomoelle@catholicaoc.org.

HEALING SERVICE

November 17, 2021

Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Center

Holy Rosary Chapel 5440 Moeller Ave., Norwood, OH 45212 (513) 351-9800

6:45 p.m. - Rosary 7:15 p.m. Mass Healing Service after Mass



ASK A PRIEST -MELCHIZEDEK AND THE HOLY MASS

Father John Mark Solitario, O.P.

Q: What is the "offering of your high priest Melchizedek" that is part of our Mass prayer? Why is it so important that it is part of the Mass?

A: Melchizedek (Mel-key-za-dek) is a name that "jumps out" when Eucharistic Prayer I, the Roman Canon, is prayed at Mass. First, let's look more closely at the words of the Mass so as to understand why this mysterious Old Testament character is mentioned. Second, we will consider how Melchizedek is a "type" who foreshadows Jesus Christ, our high priest. Third, I offer an answer to your question: Why is this man mentioned during the most sacred part of the Mass?

Immediately following the consecration and the memorial and oblation prayers in the Roman Canon, the priest continues: "Be pleased to look upon these offerings with a serene and kindly countenance." He then asks God that the Church's "holy sacrifice [and] spotless victim" be accepted *in a way similar to* the offerings of Abel, Abraham, and Melchizedek. These three Old Testament figures were remarkable for their purity, faith, and divine vocation. Each holds a special place in the story of salvation,¹ but Melchizedek's offering of bread and wine stands out due to its unique similarity to the sacrifice of the Mass.

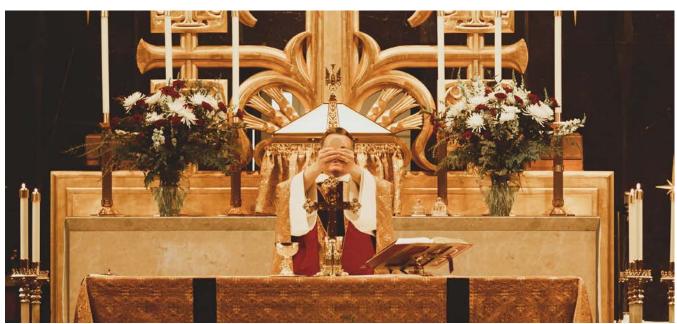
Jesus draws an implicit connection between himself and Melchizedek in the Gospel. In Matthew 22:43-45, he directs his interlocutors' attention to the identity of the Messiah (i.e., the Christ), who was commonly acknowledged to be a descendant of David. However, Jesus points out that the inspired King David referred to the Messiah as

¹ See Genesis 4:1-16 (Cain and Abel); 14:18-24 (Abraham and Melchizedek); 22:1-18 (Abraham's sacrifice) his "lord" in Psalm 110:1. Intriguing. Furthermore, David explained that the Christ has been designated by God as "a priest forever after the order of Melchizedek" (Ps 110:4). This means that Jesus, whom we profess to be that long-awaited Christ and Lord, is also to be considered a priest "after the order of Melchizedek."

Paul's Letter to the Hebrews enhances this comparison by spending an entire chapter reflecting on its significance. Why was Jesus born into the tribe of Judah and not the priestly tribe of Levi? How was Jesus' priesthood (a major theme of the Letter to the Hebrews) more like that of Melchizedek? Hebrews 7 explains that Jesus' priesthood comes directly from God, endures beyond the grave, and is capable of blessing and perfecting Abraham and his descendants (including the Levitical priests). In each of these ways and more, Melchizedek is a foreshadowing or "type" of Christ our priest who, unlike the priests of the old covenant, makes a unique and perfect offering.

At Mass, we acknowledge that Jesus is both priest and victim: the Catholic priest makes sacramentally present Jesus' self-offering on Calvary, his true body and blood, the only offering capable of atoning for human sin. It is an awesome mystery to attend! Saint Thomas Aquinas says that Melchizedek especially foreshadows the priestly act of Jesus Christ: although his offering historically involved a gory separation of body and blood, he commanded that his Church would always commemorate and represent his one sacrifice in an unbloody mode under the appearances of bread and wine. The Mystery of Faith! In this way, Melchizedek's offering of bread and wine especially foreshadows the offering of the Mass and the receiving of Communion, which place Jesus' priestly sacrifice before our own eyes and unite us as one body of believers.

Ask a Priest will be a regular format for our Holy Teaching section in the coming months. Submit your own question to bulletin@stgertrude.org for one of our Dominican priests to answer in the bulletin.



THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday, November 15	Tuesday, November 16	Wednesday, November 17	Thursday, November 18	Friday, November 19	Saturday, November 20	Sunday, November 21
SportsLeader 6:00 p.m. PC St. Joseph Room	Seasons of Hope 10:00 a.m. PC St. Joseph Room	Prayer Shawl 10:00 a.m. PC St. Joseph Room	Cana Family 9:30 a.m. PC St. Dominic Lobby		Genesis to Jesus Study 9:00 a.m. School Cafeteria	Little Flower Library Open 9:00-11:30 a.m.
Booster meeting 7:00 p.m. PC St. Joseph Room	Children's Choir 3:00 p.m. PC St. Dominic Lobby	Rosary Makers 3:00 p.m. PC St. Joseph Room	Level I Catechesis of the Good Shepherd 11:15 a.m. Atrium I		St. Gertrude Feast Day Celebration <i>After 4:30 p.m. Mass</i> Gym	Family Faith 9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. School Cafeteria
Become Catholic (RCIA) 7:00 p.m. PC St. Dominic Lobby	Level I Catechesis of the Good Shepherd 3:30 p.m. Atrium I	Adult Choir 7:00 p.m. PC St. Dominic Lobby	Regina Veritatis Team Meeting 6:30 p.m. PC St. Joseph Room			Catechesis of the Good Shepherd 9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Atrium I & II
Healing Rosary 7:00 p.m. Rosary Garden, weather permitting	Level II Catechesis of the Good Shepherd 5:00 p.m. Atrium II	Benediction 8:50 p.m. Church	Revitalize – Fall Series 7:00 p.m. PC St. Dominic Lobby			NFP 1:00 p.m. PC St. Joseph Room
KofC Executive Meeting 7:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus Hall	Parent/Child CGS Sacramental Formation 6:30 p.m. Atrium II		SGS PTO meeting 7:00 p.m. School Cafeteria			Baptisms 1:15 p.m. Church
L'Alto Confirmation Adult Core Team Meeting 7:00 p.m. OE Conference Room	Boy Scouts 7:00 p.m. School					Parent/Child CGS Sacramental Formation 1:30 p.m. Atrium II
	KofC Rosary Social 7:00 p.m. Church	BREA		Father George The life of a belie	all men to join us for of Into the Breac Saturday, Novembe 7:30-9:00 a.m. School Cafeteria e will be speaking on Jesu e will be speaking on Jesu	h. r 27 s and Evangelization. multiple spiritual weapons in
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Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time | November 14, 2021

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Fr. John Langlois, O.P., prior Fr. Joseph Alobaidi, O.P. Fr. John Corbett, O.P. Fr. Paul J. Keller, O.P. Fr. Michael Mary Dosch, O.P., novice master

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Nealy Mechley	(513) 505-1740
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Youth Choir – Catherine Fishlock	(513) 561-5954

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