

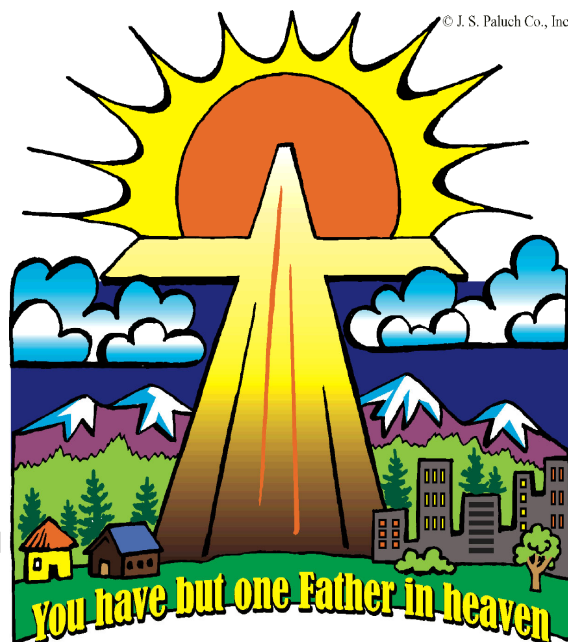
THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
OCTOBER 30, 2011

The greatest among you must be your servant.— Matthew 23:11

Liturgy Intentions for the Week

October 31st - November 6th

- Monday
7:00 PM Intentions of Dr. Mary Danes by Fr. Don & Wojtek
- Tuesday
9:00 AM Gram from Christine
7:00 PM Edmund James Connelly, Jr. by Infant of Prague School
- Wednesday
9:00 AM Elizabeth Jean Harrison by "Dee-Dee"
- Thursday
No Liturgy
- Friday
9:00 AM Pauline McGavisk by her twins
- Saturday
9:00 AM Edmund James Connelly, Jr. by Infant of Prague School
5:30 PM Rev. Emile Dusseault, M.S. by Father Don
- Sunday
9:00 AM Mack Perry



Today's Readings

First Reading — Do we not have one father? Did not the one God create us? (Malachi 1:14b — 2:2b, 8-10).

Psalm — In you, Lord, I have found my peace (Psalm 131).

Second Reading — You have received not a human word but the word of God (1 Thessalonians 2:7b-9, 13).

Gospel — Call no one your father on earth; you have but one Father, the one in heaven (Matthew 23:1-12).

Readings for the Week

Monday	Rom 11:29-36; Lk 14:12-14
Tuesday	Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24, 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a
Wednesday	<u>Suggested:</u> Wis 3:1-9; Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40 or any readings from no. 668 or the Masses for the Dead, nos. 1011-1016
Thursday	Rom 14:7-12; Lk 15:1-10
Friday	Rom 15:14-21; Lk 16:1-8
Saturday	Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Lk 16:9-15
Sunday	Wis 6:12-16; Ps 63; 1 Thes 4:13-18 [13-14]; Mt 25:1-13

Saints and Special Observances

Sunday	Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time Priesthood Sunday
Monday	Halloween
Tuesday	All Saints
Wednesday	Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls)
Thursday	St. Martin de Porres
Friday	St. Charles Borromeo First Friday
Saturday	First Saturday Blessed Virgin Mary

ACTIONS

Not the cry, but the flight of the wild duck leads the flock to fly and follow.—Chinese proverb



Happenings for the Week

Monday—October 31 - All Souls Day

6:30 PM Respect Human Life Rosary

7:30 PM

Tuesday—November 1 - All Saints Day

8:30 AM Rosary for Life

9:00 AM Liturgy Celebration

9:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration commences

7:00 PM Liturgy Celebration

Wednesday—November 2

8:30 AM Rosary Prayer Group

8:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration concludes

7:00 PM Catechetical Institute Study

Thursday—November 3

7:00 PM Choir Practice

First Friday—November 4

8:30 AM Pro Life Rosary

9:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration commences

First Saturday—November 5

8:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration concludes

9:00 AM First Saturday Liturgy

5:00 PM Pro Life Rosary

Sunday—November 6

8:30 AM Rosary for Lost Souls

10:00 AM Faith Formation K-5th Grade

11:15 AM Faith Formation 6th Grade-Confirmation

Stewardship

October 15th & 16th: Offertory: \$ 6,108.23

Building Fund: \$ 3,257.66

Sincere thank you to Mary & Hans Van Welzen, and Fred Lahey for their service.

Appreciation and gratitude to all our parishioners and visitors for their generosity to the church.

Don't Forget Fall Back!



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November 6th!

Upcoming Meetings

The Knights of Columbus will have their business meeting on November 7th at 7:30 PM, **after** attending the 7:00PM Liturgy.



The next meeting for the **Women's Guild's** will be November 9th after the 10:00 AM Mass followed by the monthly meeting, assembling of the Community Baskets and a Free Pizza Luncheon. Bring a friend along to share in the fun of this wonderful women's group!

The next **Parish Council** meeting will be November 14th at 7:30 PM. All are welcome!

The next **Homeschool** Mass will be November 16th at 9:00 AM. All are welcome!



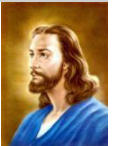
The next 4th Degree Assembly meeting will be held November 21st at 7:30 PM.

Music Ministry News - Anyone 6th grade to adult is invited to join in on Thursdays from 7:00 to 8:00 PM. We happily welcome all who enjoy praising through music.

Please pray for those of our parish and the community who are ill or may be in distress as well as those deceased who may be in need of our prayers. If you would like to submit a name for special prayers, please contact the Prayer Chain **via Terri Speciale at 252.393.6678**. You may also email her at terispeci@yahoo.com. If you would like to be a part of the Parish Prayer Chain, call Terri and she will add your name and phone number to the list.

Eucharistic Adoration

...takes place weekly starting at 9:30am on Tuesday and continuing until 8:30am on Wednesday. All are welcome. Come & spend some quiet time in the Lord's presence. If



you are interested in serving as a volunteer or substitute for maintaining the vigil during Adoration, please call Don Keating at 252.393.6106.

In the 1680's Our Lord told St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, "I promise in the excessive mercy of my Heart that My all powerful love will grant to all those who communicate on the First Friday in nine consecutive months the grace of final penitence; they shall not die in My displeasure nor without receiving the Sacraments; My Divine Heart shall be their safe refuge in the last moment."

CATECHETICAL INSTITUTE

The next Course of the **CATECHETICAL INSTITUTE** of the Diocese of Raleigh

will begin at St Mildred on Wednesday, October 26, 2011 at 6:30 PM.

The topic of this six session course is:

INTRODUCTION TO CHRISTIAN MORALITY: LIFE IN CHRIST

The course will be taught by Wojciech. All are welcome to attend. The course is a requirement for the Master Catechist Program participants.

Fall Festival

IT'S HERE!! FALL FESTIVAL!!

The Annual Fall Festival is **TODAY**, Sunday, October 30th !! Admission is \$10 per family with \$2 admission for non-family members.

Hot dogs, nachos and additional goodies will also be offered for a bargain, come have lunch. There will also be a costume judging contest, games, hayride and much more! Come out for an afternoon of fun with the family from 1:00 PM until 3:00 PM. Our Youth Ministry is ready for the fun. Hope to see you there!

The **Annual Liturgical Minister Workshop** for all Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, and Ushers, both current **and** new will be held on Saturday November 5th, 2011 from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM.

All New Ministers will have an opportunity to have individual training after the workshop.

Please attend the 9:00 AM First Saturday Mass, and join us for donuts and coffee that will be served after Mass.



The holiday season is quickly approaching and St. Mildred Social Ministries is preparing for our Annual Christmas Giving Tree. This year, our parishioners are once again invited to take part in providing practical gifts to pre-selected individuals and families in most need in our church community. If you know of such a family or individual, please contact April Clark at 910-340-2900 or Francine Sabisch at 910-326-5889, **BY NOVEMBER 13th**. ***All information will be kept confidential.***



Thank You!!

Vicky Stump, our Youth Group Director and the Youth Group would like to thank all who participated, donated and supported our Bake Sale at the Time, Talent and Treasure Fair. There was goodies galore! Thank you for your support of the youth of St. Mildred.

Safe Environment Training (SET)

We will be having a Safe Environment Training on November 12th at 1 pm at St. Mildred Parish Center. Deacon Jerry and Francine Sabisch will facilitate this class. It is a required class for anyone who wishes to work with or around any child under the age of 18 in our Parish. Anyone wishing to participate, regardless if they work with kids or not, may do so. There is no cost for this class, however we kindly request you contact Francine by November 10th to let her know if you will be attending, this will ensure enough handouts for all participants.

ATTENTION ALL FIRST COMMUNION PARENTS and any making their First Communion this school year! Your child's First Reconciliation will be December 3rd at 10 am. This will be in conjunction with the Parish Advent Reconciliation Service. Please be sure to note this change on your calendar.



Join the Knights of Columbus on Sunday November 13th at 11:15 (weather permitting) at Saint Mildred's for our annual ceremony to properly dispose of torn, tattered and unserviceable American flags. Pay tribute to our nation's symbol of freedom by viewing this simple, yet respectful service. If you have a flag in need of disposal, there is a drop-off box in Saint Mildred's vestibule.



Need a Ride

St. Mildred's Women's Guild would like to offer anyone who needs a ride to church for the celebration of the Liturgy on Saturday evening for the 5:30 PM or Sunday morning for the 9:00 AM. For more information Donna Szeba at 252-725-4486 or sign up on the bulletin board in the hallway.

With the clocks being turned back soon, it maybe too dark for some to drive to Mass at 5:30 and some may need a little help to go to the earlier Mass at 9:00 AM.

Do You Really Love Me

In 1992, a successful businessman, Richard Cusack Sr., faced the possibility of imminent death after being diagnosed with terminal cancer. The doctor's report struck like a mallet blow. After five painful surgeries and plunging into debilitating depression he began to give up on himself. After all his business was number one and God was number 10...his words. Thanks to the prayers and love of his daughter and a nun friend of the daughter who believed in miracles he was drawn into daily Mass attendance, adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and praying the rosary. His whole life changed dramatically! Daily Mass, praying before the Blessed Sacrament very often, praying the rosary often. God was now number one in his life and he realized that during all the depression, agony and desperation that at no time during his trial was he alone! The Lord was there waiting for him to visit with Him in the Blessed Sacrament. Having survived terminal cancer he has refocused his energies in spreading the word far and wide that Jesus is waiting for each of us to come, to visit, to be refreshed and healed in the presence of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament. Millions of his little cards have been sent all over the world, take yours and place it in your home where you will be reminded to come visit Our Lord in The Blessed Sacrament often. There is much more to Richard's miracle and if you would like to learn more about his amazing transformation contact him at 1-610-687-7660 he is still going strong 19 years later! Our Lord is waiting for you, are you going to keep saying no or are you going to come to be relieved of your worries whatever they are? -written & submitted by Don Keating

The John Paul II Legacy Lecture Series November 14, 15 and 16: on each evening at 7:00pm there will be a talk exploring a significant aspect of the life and writings of Blessed John Paul II.

Featured guest speakers include: The Very Rev. Dr. James F. Garneau, Dr. Paul J. Griffiths, and Dr. Christopher Wolfe. Lectures will be at the Parish Center, St. Thomas More Catholic Church, 940 Carmichael St., Chapel Hill. All lectures are free and open to the public. For more information contact: Robert Jones – 919-821-9740 or rob.jones@raldioc.org



A special Thank You is extended to David and Carol Cafrelli who have been in charge of Altar Server training here at St. Mildred. We thank the both of them for their extraordinary ministry to our Parish Community.

We also welcome Phillip Lewis who will now take responsibility for this important ministry.

The Catholic Poland - 12 day Tour (May 10-21, 2012)

will be directed by our Pastoral Associate, Wojciech. Join us for a wonderful experience of the Catholic culture of Poland and visit places of great religious and historical significance. Please contact Wojciech at: 910-340-2300 for more information.



The **first Sunday of each month** we will be doing a food drive for Infant of Prague Catholic Church for their food pantry, which is in dire need. IOP averages about 100 bags of groceries each month & help all surrounding areas. Please consider putting this necessary cause on your shopping list.

A **Big Thank You** for your participation in October. We filled up a pickup truck. Let's see if we can top it this month.

Parish Social Ministry

What can St. Mildred do for its Parishioners? Info is available in the pamphlet rack located next to the Religious Education bulletin board. If you need more info please call the church office at 326-5589.

The Mission of St. Mildred Parish Social Ministry is to assist the parish community in exercising charity to others. The Church acts in the parish community to heighten awareness of our parishioners to the issues of the needy & provides services to fulfill unmet needs. The parish social outreach ministry services people through advocating for social & economic justice as well as addressing immediate needs with emergency resources or direct services.



Helping Hands, which is part of the Parish Social Ministry, has a dedicated group of volunteers who are ready, willing & able to assist in numerous ways. Perhaps you need a ride to the doctor's, or maybe you know of someone who would benefit from a friendly chat. If you have recently had a setback in your health or been hospitalized please call & let us see if we can help make things a little easier.



Would you like to help decorate the Altar?

The Youth Ministry will be starting their annual Poinsettia pre-sales on November 5th after all Masses until the end of November.

Once again, this year anyone purchasing a Poinsettia will have a choice. You may purchase one and take it home to decorate your home or you may purchase one and it will be used to decorate the altar for Christmas, after the holidays you may take it home with you. In purchasing the Poinsettias for the altar you may do a "In Memory Of" or "Prayers for" and a label will be placed on the Poinsettia with your loved one's name on it. Please no more than 2 names per label.

The prices for the Poinsettias are \$15 for a small one (6" - 8" pot) and \$30 for the large ones (12" pot), with delivery to be the first weekend in December.

If you would like to pre-order your Poinsettia by email, please email Vicky Stump at youth-group@centurylink.net.

Thank you all for your support!

LOVE NEEDED HERE

No one needs love more than someone who doesn't deserve it.—Anonymous

Tradition teaches us Christ was conceived on the Feast of the Annunciation. We will watch the parallel development of "Jacob" in the womb beginning on March 25 (Feast of the Annunciation) until December 25.

Fetal Development of "Jacob" - Week 31

I must be getting younger. The wrinkles I had everywhere are slowly disappearing as I gain more and more weight. I used to have a big head, but now my body is catching up. I can move my eyes, but it is still pretty dark in here. I can hear my mom. I can't wait to see her.

Jacob takes mom's breath away as he kicks her lungs and ribs. Fatigue is her constant companion.

"I was a stranger and you welcomed me...whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me." (Matthew 25:35,40)

FEAST OF FAITH

Prayer after Communion

The rites following the reception of Communion are very short. It is as if the Church is saying to us that the only way to respond to this great gift is to go forth and live it! But there are some significant rites yet before we are sent forth from the Mass. After Communion, we pray together in silence or sing a hymn; both are ways to thank God for the gift of the Son. Then the priest prays another collect, the Prayer after Communion. This prayer, usually very short, gathers our prayers into one. It reminds us of what we have already experienced: in receiving the Eucharist, we have received a foretaste of the heavenly banquet; we have eaten the bread of angels. This reality, this knowledge, should transform us, so that we may journey through this life with our hearts set on eternal life, and find in the Eucharist—which is food from heaven and daily bread—the strength and hope we need to work toward God's kingdom of justice here and now.

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Outreach to the Poor by the Diocese of Raleigh

The Diocese of Raleigh provides over \$1.1 million of funding each year from the Bishop's Annual Appeal to support a total budget of \$3.8 million for Catholic Charities serves people throughout eastern North Carolina, regardless of religious affiliation.

GOD IS IN CHARGE

"Who do you think you are?!" today's readings demand. We are brought up short, put in our place, given a dose of reality. Who is God? Who is in charge? Who is the greatest?

We begin with a passage from the prophet Malachi, one of the latest prophets, who wrote after the Jews returned from Babylon. Calling the people to task in God's name, he condemns the divisions and false teachings that have arisen, reminding them that all were created by the one God. Paul tells the Thessalonians the same thing, but in a positive way—praising them for remembering that it is God who is at work within them.

Finally, the Gospel presents Jesus speaking out against hypocrisy and vainglory. "You have but one teacher . . . you have but one Father" (Matthew 23:8, 9). We are firmly put in our place. God is in charge.

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