

**November 7, 2010**

**Mass Intentions:**

**Sunday, November 14-**

9:15 a.m.-Adolph & Agnes Svetlik,  
Jaro & Edith Svetlik,  
Bohumil & Celie Janak

**Sunday, November 21-**

9:15 a.m.-Edwin & Selma Shimek

**Sunday, November 28-**

9:15 a.m.-John & Mathilda Matula

**First Friday, December 3-**

6:00 p.m.-Edward Cinadr

**Sunday, December 5-**

9:15 a.m.-Alfons & Anastazie Janak &  
Bill Chovanetz

**Rosary Leaders:**

Nov. 14-Ruth Rouse  
Nov. 21-Lucille Klekar  
Nov. 28-Sandy Konvicka  
Dec. 3-Angela Hermes  
Dec. 5-Janie Fikac

**Lectors:**

Nov. 14-Dorothy Schneider  
Nov. 21-Anthony Matula  
Nov. 28-Daniel J. Matula  
Dec. 5-Maria Hermes

**Cantors:**

Nov. 14-Ruth Rouse  
Nov. 21-Emily Schimcek  
Nov. 28-Laurence Bludau  
Dec. 5-Lucille Klekar

**Extraordinary Ministers:**

Nov. 14-Billy & Bev Hrnecir &  
Scott Sommerlatte  
Nov. 21-Leon & Nancy Etzler &  
Pat Mladenka  
Nov. 28-Vivian Mozisek, Evelyn Konvicka  
Janice Rother  
Dec. 5-Edward & Sandra Pustka &  
Richard Sommerlatte

**Offertory Gift Bearers:**

Nov. 14-Mrs. Rosalie Tobola  
Nov. 21-Brad & Leslee Beach & Family  
Nov. 28-The John Matula Family  
Dec. 5-M/M Scott Blaschke & Family

**Altar Servers:**

Nov. 14-Kasey Hairell, Michael Perdziak,  
Luke Scherer & Joshua Bludau  
Nov. 21-Hunter & Kolby Janak, Adam Hermes  
& Kelton Koehne  
Nov. 28-Ross & Clay Rother, Kaitlyn Rother &  
Kelton Koehne  
Dec. 5-Mikayla, John & Derek Konvicka &  
Alexius Mizera

**Church Ushers:**

Nov. 14-Leon Matula, Al Svetlik, Frances  
Klekar & Sidney Jasek  
Nov. 21-Eugene Gillar, Robert Sciba, Bernard  
Patek & Richard Sommerlatte  
Nov. 28-Alois Bujnoch, Scott Blaschke, Gilbert  
Mozisek & Marvin Grahmann  
Dec. 5-Roman Henke, Robert Pustka, Gilbert  
Urbish & Charles Grafe

**Church Cleaners:**

Nov. 13-Barbara Matula & Monica Matula  
Nov. 20-Viola Konvicka, Vivian Mozisek,  
Joyce Bludau & Rita Migl  
Nov. 27-Betty Bujnoch, Lucille Bujnoch &  
Susan Janak  
Dec. 4-Bernice Schulte & Gerda Janak

**Our Gift to God:**

	<u>Loose</u>	<u>Envelope</u>
Oct 3-\$	91.51	\$ 1,061.00
Oct. 10-\$	122.00	\$ 352.00
Oct. 17-\$	155.58	\$ 367.00
Oct. 24-\$	154.80	\$ 605.00
Oct. 31-\$	134.00	\$ 617.00
Children's Collections:		\$59.01
Building Repair Fund:		\$645.00

**Bulletin Sponsor:** In Memory of John &  
Mathilda Matula by Daniel & Monica Matula.

**From the Desk of Father John**

We will be having the Christmas Pageant on the Courthouse Square with the Festival of Lights again this year. If you would like to be in the cast as a Biblical character, please call Sacred Heart Rectory at 798-5888 or Todd Schindler at 798-1720 or 798-3995. Performances will be Saturday evening and Sunday evening, November 27 & 28. The first practice will be at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 11 at the KC Hall Pavilion.

December 8 is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception which is the Feast Day of our parish. We will have Mass that evening at 6:00 pm followed by soup and sandwiches in the parish hall.

**Mass Attendance:**

Oct. 3—305	Oct. 10—320
Oct. 17—325	Oct. 24—310
Oct. 31—300	

**Messages & Announcements:**

The Wied KJT Society #43 will be meeting at 7:00 p.m. on November 8, 2010 at St. Mary's Parish Hall. Please make plans to attend.

**CCD NEWS**

- Nov. 24**-NO CCD-Thanksgiving Holiday
- Dec. 1**-Penance Service for students @ 6 p.m.  
Mass/Choir practice until 7:15. Please make plans to stay for practice.
- Dec. 8** -Holy Day of Obligation—Youth Mass @ 6p.m.
- Dec. 15, 22, 29**—No CCD-Christmas Holidays

**Save the Date-Jan. 5:** There will be an Altar Server Training for all current servers and those wanting to become servers. The training will begin at 7 pm in the church (Should last approx. 1 hour). All current servers **MUST** attend. New servers must be in at least the 4<sup>th</sup> grade and be a registered parishioner. Parents are also asked to attend this training with their child(ren). Current servers unable to attend, please contact Mrs. Svetlik at 798-4654.

**In Honor of Vic & Katherine Kahanek's  
50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary**

Monetary Contribution to St. Mary's Church by Marvin & Annette Grahmann.....\$25.00

**St. Mary's Altar Society by-**

Angela Hermes.....\$20.00  
Margaret Bludau.....\$20.00  
Frankie & Lucille Klekar.....\$25.00  
Ella Mae Bludau.....\$20.00

**In Honor of Phillip & Evelyn Bujnoch's  
61<sup>st</sup> Wedding Anniversary**

**October 19, 2010**

By Phillip & Evelyn Bujnoch.....\$35.00

**Memorial to St. Mary's Church**

**In Memory of Mary Bujnoch**

Henry & Ann Kostelnik.....\$10.00

**Memorials to St. Mary's Altar Society**

**In Memory of Herman Sciba**

Roman, Miranda & Garrett Henke.....\$10.00  
Mike & Sandy Konvicka & Family.....\$10.00  
Charles, Fran & Lana Franta.....\$20.00  
Harry & Vernell Macik.....\$10.00  
Patrick & Patricia Belcik.....\$10.00  
Elroy & Barbara Holik.....\$15.00  
Allan & Anita Steffek.....\$10.00  
Allan & Janice Rother & Family.....\$10.00  
Franklin & Vivian Mozisek.....\$15.00  
Clayton & Bonnie Nall & Family.....\$50.00  
Gene & Elaine Kubena.....\$25.00  
Gussie Kelnar.....\$20.00  
Larry & Barbara Janak.....\$20.00  
Harold & Pam Dolezal.....\$20.00  
Vic & Katherine Kahanek.....\$20.00  
Henry & Ann Marie Kostelnik.....\$10.00  
Daniel & Monica Matula.....\$15.00  
Evelyn & Phillip Bujnoch.....\$15.00  
Lucille Bujnoch.....\$ 5.00  
Anton & Emma Bujnoch.....\$10.00  
Gilbert & Mary Urbish.....\$ 5.00  
Sharon Janak.....\$10.00

**Memorials to St. Mary's Altar Society**

**In Memory of Herman Sciba**

Marvin & Leona Hrcek.....	\$ 5.00
Angela Hermes.....	\$ 5.00
Larry & Agnes Greer & Sons.....	\$10.00
Charles & Dorothy Jansky.....	\$10.00
Elaine Schindler.....	\$20.00
Melvin & Joyce Janak.....	\$20.00
Bernice Bujnoch.....	\$ 5.00
Lawrence & Delores Grahmann.....	\$10.00
Mike & Helen Technik.....	\$20.00
Margaret Konvicka.....	\$10.00
Dan, Theresa & Randy Jalufka.....	\$10.00
Stanley & Betty Bujnoch.....	\$10.00
County Commissioner & Lavaca County Employees of Precinct #1.....	\$40.00

**Memorials to St. Mary's Cemetery**

**In Memory of Herman Sciba**

Frank & Elrose Migl.....	\$20.00
Joseph & Dorothy Schneider.....	\$10.00
Bennie & Vickie Orsak.....	\$15.00
James & Mary Lee Honish.....	\$10.00
David & Barbara Gummelt.....	\$20.00
Daniel Mozisek.....	\$20.00
Eddie & Dot Vrana.....	\$10.00

**Memorials to St. Mary's Church**

**In Memory of Herman Sciba**

Leonella Klekar.....	\$ 5.00
Rose Vancura.....	\$20.00
Leon & Theresa Matula.....	\$10.00
Henrietta Jansky.....	\$10.00
Shannon & Debra Gillar & Family.....	\$40.00
Forrest & Carol Sevcik.....	\$15.00
Matthew, Martha & John Bludau.....	\$10.00
Mr. & Mrs. Marvin Filip.....	\$ 5.00
Mark & Ashley Hermes.....	\$10.00
Cecilia Opela.....	\$10.00
Kubena Funeral Home.....	\$20.00
Bohumil & Mary Ann Pustejovsky.....	\$10.00
Sylvester & Dolores Janak.....	\$10.00
Randy, Shannon & Troy Gillar.....	\$40.00
Steven & Carrie Bujnoch & Family.....	\$10.00

**Memorials to St. Mary's Church**

**In Memory of Herman Sciba**

Richard & JoNell Vacek.....	\$15.00
Miranda Moses.....	\$ 5.00
Gilbert, Evelyn & Jeremy Mozisek.....	\$10.00
Emil & Joyce Hermes.....	\$10.00
Charlene Wick.....	\$ 5.00

**Financial Statement for September 2010**

**Income**

Sunday Collections.....	\$2,667.00
Children's Collections.....	66.07
Other Church Donations.....	280.00
Special Collection(Retired Religious)	180.00
Bulletin Sponsor.....	40.00
Donation for Hall Rental-KJZT District #1 Meeting.....	200.00
Hall & Pavilion Rental.....	431.00
Total Income.....	<u>\$3,864.07</u>

**Expenses**

Utilities.....	\$1,246.96
Health Insurance.....	849.50
Church Expenses.....	153.99
Hall Expenses.....	152.85
Priest Pension Plan.....	426.00
Special Collection(Retired Religious)	180.00
Salaries.....	675.00
Repair & Maintenance.....	736.05
Total Expenses.....	<u>\$4,420.35</u>

Balance from August.....	\$5,247.81
Income from September.....	<u>+3,864.07</u>
	\$9,111.88
Less September Expenses.....	<u>-4,420.35</u>
Operating Balance.....	\$4,691.53



**Happy**

**Thanksgiving!!!**

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November 2010

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Fr. John C. Peters, Pastor

## One Minute Meditations

### Nurture faith

Spiritual growth doesn't stop with formal religious education. To know God better, start with the Bible and consider adding spiritual books or magazines. (*Hint:* ask a priest or religious for recommendations.) Read so that you may learn more about God's ways.

### Don't assume

No matter how good a judge of character we may be, making assumptions about others' intentions or motives is risky. Assumptions become facts in our minds, yet it is impossible to accurately see inside another's heart or mind. Guessing or assuming may lead to misunderstanding. Instead, wait for the truth.

### Develop a prayerful disposition

Many of us would like to pray more but can't find the time. A key is to develop a prayerful disposition. That means limiting activities to a few useful projects, abandoning useless interests, and looking for time to be with God. It's a trade-off, but one that brings the peace of a closer union with God.



## Follow a sure path to Heaven

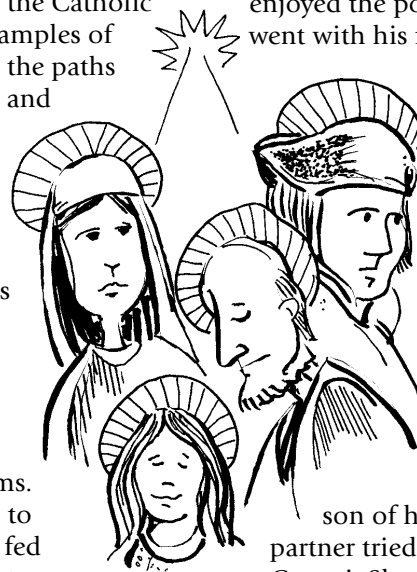
Our loving Father wants all of his children to follow a path that leads to Heaven. To help, the Catholic Church offers us examples of people who walked the paths of charity, holiness, and heroic virtue. We call them "saints."

**Charity.** Although a queen, St. Margaret of Scotland (1093) was dedicated to caring for the poor. In public she never refused beggars, washing their feet and giving them alms. Before sitting down to eat herself, she first fed orphans and destitute adults. St. Peter Claver (1654), horrified by the treatment of West African slaves imported to Colombia, often rowed out to the disease-ridden slave ships to bring food, comfort, and

God's love.

**Holiness.** St. Thomas More (1535) enjoyed the power and prestige that went with his friendship to King Henry VIII, but he loved God more. He earned a death sentence when he refused to sacrifice the Church to Henry's demands. His last words declared him to be, "the King's good servant, but God's first."

**Heroic virtue.** She was only 12 years old when the son of her father's business partner tried to seduce St. Maria Goretti. She refused to be the cause of his sin or to sin herself, and was murdered. Her example of purity had a converting effect on her murderer and he attended her canonization decades later.



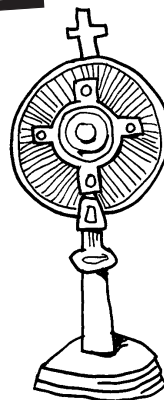
## Why Do Catholics Do That?

Eucharistic Benediction or Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament is a liturgical service during which the Blessed Sacrament is exposed in a receptacle, such as a monstrance, on the altar. It is a practice that fosters a deeper

## What is Eucharistic Benediction?

spiritual communion with our Lord.

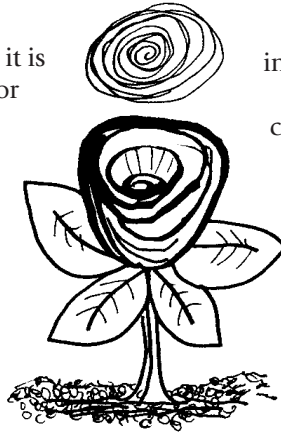
Eucharistic Benediction reminds us of the mystery of the Eucharist – that Jesus is truly present, body and blood, soul and divinity, in the Blessed Sacrament. It offers us an opportunity to "keep watch with me" (Matthew 26:38).



## Bury the dead and comfort the living

Catholics know that death leads to new life but it is very difficult to lose someone we love. When we or someone we love experiences such a loss, friends and family can be a great comfort. Such acts as burying the dead and comforting the living are Works of Mercy and part of our Catholic faith. Although knowing how to help can be puzzling, there are ways to make a difference.

**Pray.** Pray for the souls who have died that they may find their place in heaven. Perhaps arrange to have that prayer included in the



intentions during Mass in your parish.

**Be there.** Attend the funeral or wake service. Such customs are part of honoring the life of the dead and showing compassion to the living.

**Show support.** Bring a meal to the family. Mass cards, notes and phone calls can also offer comfort.

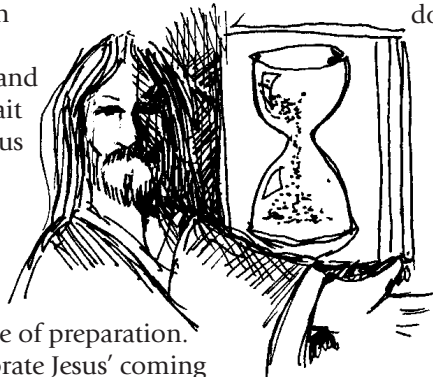
**Contribute.** Consider making a donation of time or money to organizations such as a local Hospice that provide grace and dignity to those dying.

### from Scripture

#### Matthew 24:37-44, Is he here yet?

The Church calendar is a gift to help us mark the seasons of joy and sorrow, work and rest. We can withdraw from the pattern of the world and remember that we wait in joyful hope for Jesus to come.

Beginning at the end of this month, the season of Advent is a time of warning and a time of preparation. Next month we celebrate Jesus' coming at Christmas. But he will come twice more: at our own death, and at the end of time. This Gospel reading reminds us that we will never know ahead of time



just when he will come for us. Advent is the time to ask, "What do I need to do to be ready to greet the Lord?"

Start by examining your conscience and pick one or two sinful practices you want to eliminate. Then try to spend more time in prayer, attend Mass faithfully, and go to Confession.

Finally, spend a few extra minutes each day in prayer. Then when Christmas comes, you will know you are ready to greet the Lord with joy.

### Q & A How does the Church decide who is a saint?

There are many people in Heaven who are saints, but whose names we may never know. They are uncanonized saints.

Canonization is the formal process by which the Church identifies and determines whether someone has become a saint.

In its simplest form, official Church procedures detail three steps to recognizing a saint. First, the bishop of the diocese where the person died begins an extensive investigation. The results are passed to the Congregation for the Causes of Saints. If the Congregation approves, the prefect presents the cause to the pope. With the pope's approval, the petitioner becomes "venerable" and is called "Servant of God."

Next, "beatification," may come after further investigation and a miracle has proven to be attributed to the Servant of God's intercession after his or her death. Then the person can be called "Blessed."

Finally, canonization may follow additional investigation and a second miracle also proven to have occurred after the beatification and as a result of the candidate's intercession. After canonization, the "Blessed" is called "Saint."



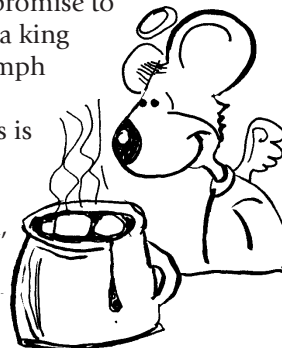
### Feasts & Celebrations

The first day of Advent falls on Nov. 28 this year and begins a new year in the Church calendar (Cycle A). The Advent wreath is lit in households all over the world as we anticipate the birth of our Lord.

**Nov. 1 - All Saints Day.** In the early Church, each saint and martyr was assigned a feast day. However, the persecution of the Christians became so great that there weren't enough days in the calendar for individual commemorations. Eventually Pope Gregory IV designated Nov. 1 as All Saints Day.

**Nov. 2 - All Souls Day.** This is a day when we pray for the dead, especially our loved ones and souls in Purgatory. Our prayers and sacrifices can help them get to Heaven faster.

**Nov. 21 - Our Lord Jesus Christ the King.** A solemnity that commemorates Our Father's promise to his people of a king who will triumph over their enemies. Jesus is our King. In Baptism and Confirmation, we are brought under his kingship.



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