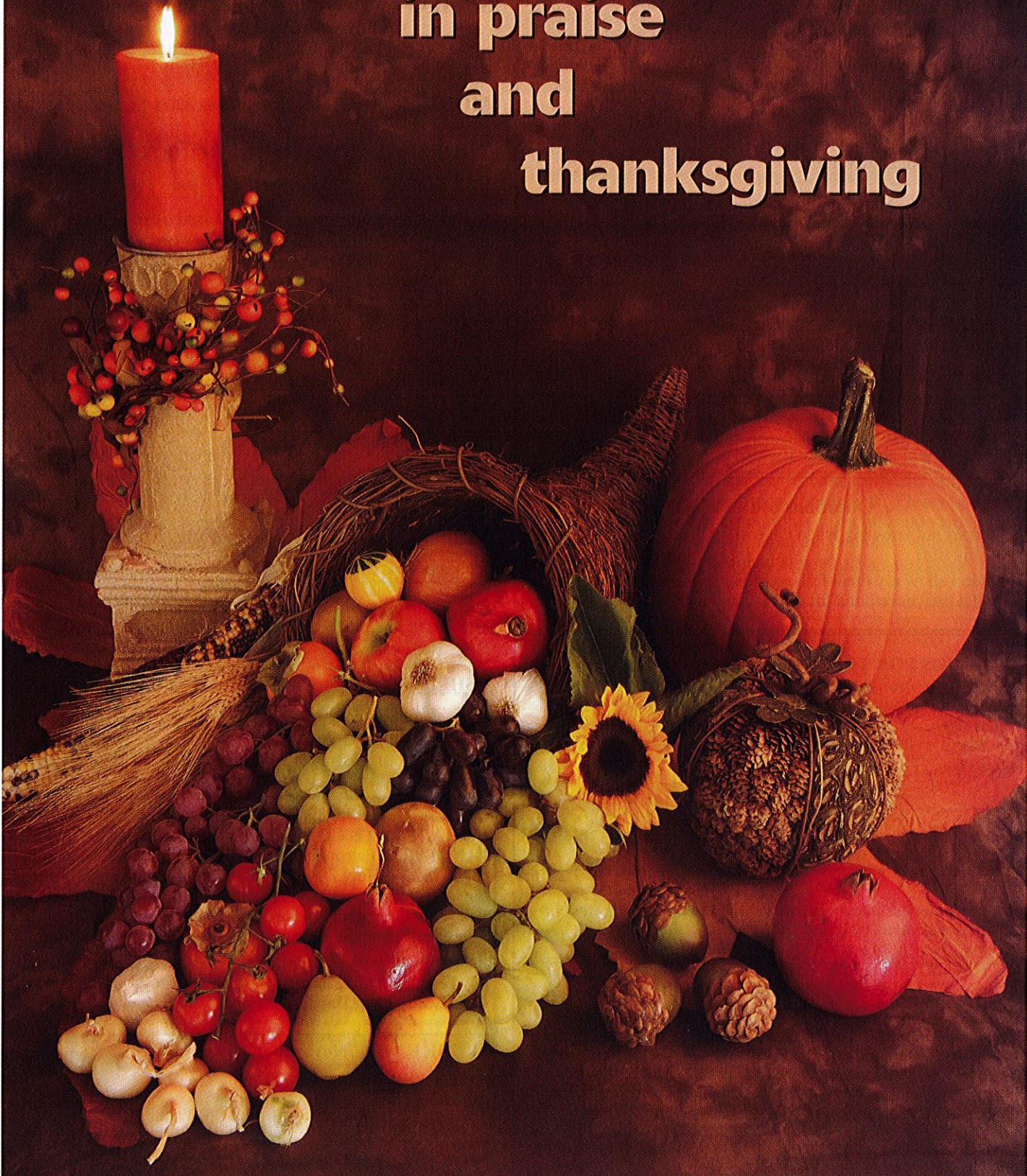


**We gather  
in praise  
and  
thanksgiving**



# MASSSES for the WEEK

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## SUNDAY - November 18 - Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am - Elizabeth Kandler †  
10:00 am - Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Family (In Thanksgiving for a Successful Festival)

## MONDAY - November 19

8:00 am - Adella Mulino †

## TUESDAY - November 20

8:00 am - Rev. A. Blondel Hoang †

## WEDNESDAY - November 21 (The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin)

8:00 am - Paul Bittlebrun †

## THURSDAY - November 22 - THANKSGIVING DAY

8:00 am - Deceased Members of the Gray & Kandler Families †

## FRIDAY - November 23

8:00 am - Petra Serrano †

## SATURDAY - November 24

8:00 am - Reinhart Schoener †  
4:00 pm - Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Family

## SUNDAY - November 25 - Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

7:30 am - Edward Simper †  
10:00 am - Wallace & Kathy Bianchi †

### Questions of the Week

How does not knowing when the end will come change the way I live my life?

How do I show my thankfulness to God? How do I thank others for what they have done for me?

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 18:35-43  
Tuesday: Rv 3:1-6, 14-22; Ps 15:2-5; Lk 19:1-10  
Wednesday: Rv 4:1-11; Ps 150:1b-6; Lk 19:11-28  
Thursday: Rv 5:1-10; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 19:41-44  
Thanksgiving Day—Suggested:  
Sir 50:22-24; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19  
Friday: Rv 10:8-11; Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131; Lk 19:45-48  
Saturday: Rv 11:4-12; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Lk 20:27-40  
Sunday: Dn 7:13-14; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Rv 1:5-8; Jn 18:33b-37

### PRAY FOR THE DEAD

Let us not hesitate to help those who have died and offer our prayers for them.

—St. John Chrysostom

### PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Jacob Alvarado, Cody Arnold, Cheryl Barker, Michael Berger, Monsignor Gerard Cernoch, Cecilia Edwards, Frances Espino, Tom Goslin, Carson Halterman, Bill Hough, Monsignor Joseph Hybner, Monsignor Casey Jarzombek, Darren Mikulik, Steve Motal, Tina Moya, Cole Ohrt, Patty Pantel, Ramona Perez, James Rung, Wade Shumbera, Mimi Waida, Carly Walker, Jimmy Whitaker, MaeJean Willemin, Gerald Yankey, Piper Eloisa Lara, Winston Wilson, Teresa Berger Dodson, Steve & Veronica Serrill, John Correll, Mae Jean Willemin

# THIS WEEK



## SUNDAY - Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

*Collection/Envelope: Weekly Stewardship*  
*Special Collection: Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD)*

## MONDAY - Our Lady of Lourdes Altar Society Meeting (6:30 pm)

## THURSDAY - November 22 - THANKSGIVING DAY

## SATURDAY - Confessions: 3:15 pm - 3:45 pm

## SUNDAY - Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

*Collection/Envelope: Weekly Stewardship*  
*Special Collection: 2nd Collection: St. Vincent de Paul*

### NEXT WEEKEND - November 24/25, 2018

#### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

#### of HOLY COMMUNION

and

#### LECTORS

<b>Sat. 4:00 pm</b> - Harvin Suggs, Arleen & Pat Brennan	Gregory Ford
<b>Sun. 7:30 am</b> - Pat Krenek Claudia & Alvin Shoener	Sherry Kainer
<b>Sun. 10:00 am</b> - Donna Maxey, Pauline Hinojosa, Standby x1	Liz Lemke

#### ALTAR SERVERS:

**Sat. 4:00 pm** - Suzie Ryan, Standby x2  
**Sun. 7:30 am** - Kylie F., Dennis S., Joshua Z.  
**Sun. 10:00 am** - Cy & Carly R., Maddie U.

#### USHERS:

**Sat. 4:00 pm** - Julius Cano, John Novak, Norman Schoener  
**Sun. 7:30 am** - Gary Pribyl, Patrick Pribyl, Standby x1  
**Sun. 10:00 am** - Howard Bludau, Pat Krenek, Standby x1

Saturday, **December 8**, we will observe the solemn feast of **THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY** (Patronal Feastday of the United States of America). This is a Holy Day of Obligation. Please consider attending the Vigil Mass on Friday, December 7 or the 8:00 am Mass on Saturday, December 8.

Please be informed that the **parish office will close** on Wednesday (November 21) thru Friday (November 23) **in observance of Thanksgiving Day.**

### WEEKEND of November 10/11, 2018

Count - 436



**Total Operating Income \$ 2,931.00**

**2nd Collection: Diocesan Services Appeal \$ 651.00**

*Your Generosity is Greatly Appreciated.*



I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to all the workers at our festival. Your hard work and dedication is truly appreciated. I would also like to thank all those who came to support the festival by eating dinner, playing games, buying items and bidding at the auctions. Everyone's help and participation made this year's festival a great success! Also thanks to Father Albert for his continued support.  
*Elaine Mayer, Festival Chairperson*

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### Continuing Christian Education - CCE Classes

Kindergarten thru 10th grade  
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**Contacts: Martha Nichols - (361) 571-0337**  
 marthan@lourdesvictoria.org

**Tammy Fikac - (361) 573-1179**  
 tfikac@yahoo.com

### RCIA

God is calling. Now what?

Join the **RCIA**. Fall in love with Jesus and learn to live as Jesus's disciple (not just his follower).

"The love of God is not generic. God looks with love upon every man and woman, calling them by name." (Pope Francis)

RCIA is held Wednesday night from 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm at the Religious Ed Building.

### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

RCIA meets each Wednesday in the Rel Ed Bldg  
 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm



Contact: Sister Miriam, MCSH  
 email: [sistermiriam@lourdesvictoria.org](mailto:sistermiriam@lourdesvictoria.org)  
 or call the Rectory - 575-3813

## - EVENTS ALL AROUND -

You are invited to bring your family to see and hear the true message of Christmas on **December 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>** at Grace Lutheran Church (9806 NE Zac Lentz Pkwy). Visit "**Bethlehem Village**" at 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm.

For more information, call 361-573-2232.



Our Lady of Lourdes Altar Society will be upgrading the church **Christmas Decorations** starting with the pew markers and the window arrangements. If you would like to make a donation, please put it in an envelope labeled "**Christmas Decorations**". It can be placed in the offering basket or taken to the church office. Thank You.



**Nazareth Academy** has a position open for a part-time Maintenance person. This position is temporary until the regular employee resumes duties. Experience is preferred. One must be instructed in the Safe Environment protocol as adapted by the Diocese of Victoria. For more information, please contact Sr. Ann @ 485-2044.

Please be generous in this week's second collection for the **Catholic Campaign for Human Development**. In the United States, one in six people live in poverty. With this collection you support programs that address the causes of poverty and provide a sustainable future for those who are struggling across the country. In addition, 25 percent of funds collected remains in our diocese to fund local anti-poverty projects. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this collection and work on the margins. More information about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development can be found at [www.usccb.org/cchd/collection](http://www.usccb.org/cchd/collection).

### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

November is a month of remembrance for the dead, and cemeteries have long been a focus for *prayer*. *Our tradition holds great respect for bodily remains, since the body was created and redeemed by God, was once the "dwelling place of the Holy Spirit," and has a destiny of life with God in glory.* The funeral practices of the early church contrasted greatly with those of the pagans who had a great dread of the dead body. The ancient Christian funeral liturgy ended with the relatives and friends giving a final kiss to the body. It expressed affection and showed their faith that the grave would not be the last word. This kiss horrified pagans, who thought that any contact with the dead was degrading.

Every year on their loved one's "birthday to life," the Christians would return to the place of their burial to mark their profound communion with those whose lives were hidden in Christ. Typically, they buried the dead with their faces turned toward the east, symbolizing the rising of the Sun of Justice, Christ, at the end of days. They were attracted to the catacombs or burial grounds just as we are today. They would often celebrate the Eucharist at the tomb. Before long, as soon as Christians were allowed to build places for worship, they relocated cemeteries from beyond the city walls to surround the church. This was not so much because the church made the ground holy, but because the bodies of the saints hallowed the ground on which the church was built, a subtle but beautiful difference.

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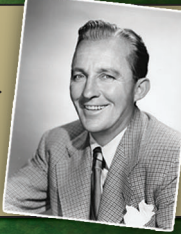
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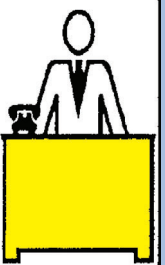
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