

Calendar

Monday

NOVEMBER 18

Weekday

1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43,
54-57, 62-63
Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday

NOVEMBER 19

Weekday

2 Mc 6:18-31
Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday

NOVEMBER 20

Weekday

2 Mc 7:1, 20-31
Lk 19:11-28

Thursday

NOVEMBER 21

Presentation of
the Blessed Virgin Mary

1 Mc 2:15-29
Lk 19:41-44

Friday

NOVEMBER 22

St. Cecilia,
Virgin and Martyr

1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59
Lk 19:45-48

Saturday

NOVEMBER 23

Weekday

1 Mc 6:1-13
Lk 20:27-40

Sunday

NOVEMBER 24

Our Lord Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe

2 Sm 5:1-3
Col 1:12-20
Lk 23:35-43

Dear Padre,

I have a hard time accepting that my money for the Sunday collection may be used to compensate victims of clerical sexual abuse. Do I have to keep giving to my local parish, only to see my money pay for a sex scandal?

The money you give runs your parish and provides assistance to the poor, both locally and throughout your diocese. Scripture mentions the disciples offering money to meet the needs of the poor. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* states: "The faithful also have the duty of providing for the



Volunteers organize stock for a distribution hub that helps supply fresh produce and nutritious food to pantries and soup kitchens in underserved areas.

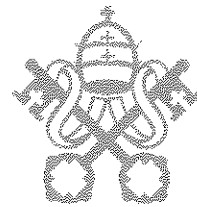
material needs of the Church, each according to his abilities" (CCC 2043). Similarly, canon law reminds us that we are "obliged to promote social justice...and to help the poor," both signs of Christian charity (Canon 222).

While you give for the needs of your parish, it appears that these lawsuits create a real concern for you. For the most part, awards for lawsuits are paid from two main sources: insurance and the sale of

unused property, such as office space, bishops' homes, and seminaries.

While we are pained by the revelations of clerical abuse, we must also understand the victims' need for healing. Money won't end their pain, but it may help a survivor who needs psychological counseling or someone who has difficulty working due to trauma. This is a devastating time in their lives, but the Church will continue to offer hope and claim its responsibility.

—Fr. John K. Schmidt, CSSR
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A Word from Pope Francis

We hear these children and their cries of pain...the sufferings, the experiences, and the pain of minors who were abused sexually by priests. It is a sin that shames us. Persons responsible for the protection of those children destroyed their dignity. We regret this deeply and we beg forgiveness.

—Feast of the Holy Innocents, December 28, 2016

Our Parish COMMUNITY

November 17, 2019

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Mal 3:19-20a

2 Thes 3:7-12

Lk 21:5-19

Keeping the End in Mind

As we approach the end of the liturgical year, the readings prepare us for the conclusion of our earthly pilgrimage. In this Sistine Chapel fresco, Moses is punishing the rebellious Israelites who were acting as priests without being authorized by him or called by God.

This chaotic scene seems similar to what Jesus describes of the end times in today's Gospel. He warns us not to follow false prophets who will arise and claim to come in his name. He prophesies a time of war, natural disasters, famines, and plagues. Persecution will fall upon his followers, allowing them the chance to give testimony—*martyrion* in Greek. Jesus' monitions for that time are simple: do not follow false prophets or prepare a defense, but persevere instead. In the section "I Believe in Life Everlasting," the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* also speaks to us about the last times. We believe in heaven, hell, and a

personal, universal judgment. These last things await us all, and Jesus doesn't keep us in the dark about these realities.

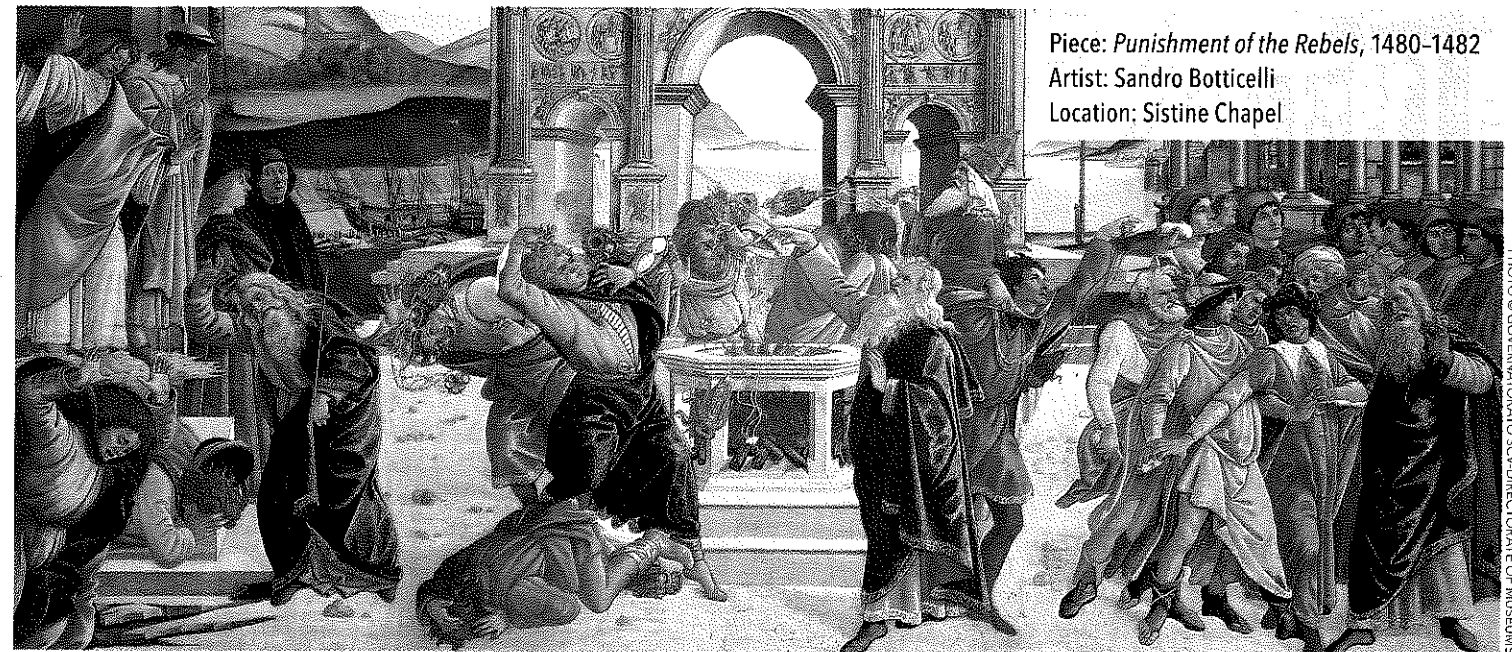
We don't know when the end times may come. But regardless, our call is to live prepared by fulfilling God's will and trusting in him. Jesus clearly wants us to be aware of the end of the world, but he doesn't want us to be overly anxious about it. If we are in Christ, we are already a new creation. The old has passed away. Behold the new has come. Be not afraid!

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

For Reflection

Do I live soberly, knowing that I am heading toward an end that is both certain and wrapped in God's mercy?

Is there anything I should adjust in my lifestyle to be better prepared for my definitive encounter with God?



Piece: *Punishment of the Rebels*, 1480-1482
Artist: Sandro Botticelli
Location: Sistine Chapel

[Jesus said,] "You will be hated by all because of my name, but...by your perseverance you will secure your lives."

Luke 21:17-19

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Horas De Oficina

Tuesday-Thursday 9:00am-6:00pm

Friday 9:00am-2:00pm

Cyndi in office Tues & Friday

10-2pm & by appointments.

Patty in office Tues-Fri 9-2

Carol in office Tues-Thurs 2-6

Confessions: Saturday 4:00-4:40pm Tues-

Fri before daily Mass 7:30-7:45am

Confessions: in GS Lometa

Sunday 7:30-7:55am

Kitchen Hours/ Horas de Cocina:

Tues- Fri 6:00-11:00am

Food Pantry/Despensa de Comida:

Wed & Fri 9:30-11:30am

Shared Blessing:

Wed & Fri 9:30am-2:00pm

Baptismal Class

Call the office for date.

Clase de Bautismo

Llamar la oficina para la fecha.

Adoration: Every Wednesday after 8:00am

Mass to 5:00pm and Thursday for one hour

after the 6pm Spanish Mass.

Adoración: Todos los miércoles después de

la Misa de 8:00am hasta las 5:00pm. Y los

jueves después de la misa de las 6:30pm

For Those Who Have Died

Julia Aguilar, Reynaldo De La Cruz, Luis Torres,

Espiririn Moreno, Robert Maldonado,

Mike Medina, Mario Gill, Josephine Valadez,

Nick Hull, Mike Valles, Edna Deanda, William

Clayton, Joe Wittenburg, Bobby Dyer,

Helen Kiley, José Torrez, Adela Garrison,

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday/Lunes, November 18

8:00am: Communion Service

Tuesday/Martes, November 19

8:00am: †Josephine Valadez

Wednesday/Miércoles, November 20

8:00am: Lupe Dimas Birthday

6:00pm: (GS) Souls of Purgatory

Thursday/Jueves, November 21

6:00pm: James Shellnut Birthday

Friday/Viernes, November 22

8:00am: †Julia Aguilar

Saturday/Sábado, November 23

5:30pm: For all our loved one who have

gone before us.

Sunday/Domingo, November 24

8:00am: (GS) Richard Danek

10:00am: †Jacob Marez

Carlos Franco Birthday

12:15: †Maria Rosa Avalos Gonzalez

Sacrificial Giving: November 10th

1st Collection: \$2960.11

Children's Collection: \$121.00

Counters: November 19

Robert & Emily Stluka

LECTORS November 16/17

Sat 5:30pm: Wanda Bunting

Sun 10:00am: Karen DeZarn

Clay Harrington

Dom 12:15pm: Eduardo y

Rosa Arevalo

Lectors November 23/24

Sat 5:30pm: Jonathan Marks

Sun 10:00am: Victor Olivarez

Simon Valles

Dom 12:15pm: Estela Montiel y

Kika Romero

EMHC November 16/17

Sun 5:30pm: Andrea Cardon

Carmen Coonrod

Sun 10:00am: Carol Boberg

Lily Olivarez

Dom 12:15pm: Edwin Rivas

Nancy Miranda

Bernarda Abreu

EMHC November 23/24

Sat 5:30pm: Mary Cisneros

Carmen Coonrod

Sun 10:00am: Jan Millsap

Robert Stluka

Dom 12:15pm: Edwin Rivas

Eduardo y Rosa Arevalo

Those Who Serve Our Country

Jarren Morua, Anthony Morua, Mark

Argo, Jose Argo, Colton Currier, Luke

Argo, Lawrence Olivarez, Jesus Garcia,

Trenton Cavness, Dyran Self, Brandon

Crawford, Graham Hibbert, Edwin Rivas-

For Our Sick/Nuestro Enfermos

Rev. Paul Hudson, Pauline Swift, Joshua DeZarn & Family, Teri Clayton, Felix DeLeon, Father Jim Robertson, John Michael Maldonado, Trinidad Rangel, Noah Garcia, Teresa Velasquez John Tracey, Cindy Sawyer, Ed Reigle, Jason Moreno, Shannon Barnett, Anthony Ray Torrez, Fred Bartell, Willie Nuñez, Mary Tobin, Dorothy Jeter, Gilbert & Rudy Lozano, Teresa Gronau, Bennie & Nancy Hromadka, Luis Lopez, Bill Nors, Robert Vasquez, Adrian Torrez, Chris Longoria, Robert Ramirez, Mary G Cortez, Tom Rogers, Ann Hughes, Arielle Dayrit, Felix Gonzales, Felipe Rodriguez, Madisyn Morua, Adolfo Torrez, Evelyn Ahearn, Ann Wilson, Anita Hyatt, Anna & Daniel Little, Richard Salazar, Melanie Bartek, Barbara Folks, Maggie Lopez, Henry Langford, Sylvia Reber, Truman Crawford, Lilly & Raul Olivarez, David Hernandez, Mary S & Jesse Ramirez, Andres Moreno, Diana Harlow, Carlos Jasso, Arturo Aragon, James Fioroni, Annabel Salazar, Marie Berger, Juan Torres, Donna Brewer, Lupe Rodriguez, Oliva Garcia,

Prayer: All praise and glory are yours, Lord our God. You have called us to serve you and one another in love. Bless our sick today so that they may bear their illness in union with Jesus' sufferings and restore them quickly to health. Bless those who have grown old in your service and give them courage and strength in their faith. Lead us all to eternal glory. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives, and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Announcements

KNIGHT OF COLUMBUS: Meets second Wednesday of the month at 7:30pm in the KOC hall

GUADALUPANAS SOCIETY: Meets every first Saturday of the month @ 11:30am, starting with Rosary, Divine Mercy, Mass and ending with Meeting.

GRUPO SAN BENITO: Ven a sentir el abrazo de Jesús, nos reunimos en los Lunes 7:00pm en el pasilo arriba de la cafeteria.

MENS PRAYER GROUP: Men's prayer group, meets every Thursday morning @ 6:00am in in the upstairs hall.

ROSARY CRUSADE: Every Wednesday @ 6:00pm, call Vicki Franco 512-540-1199 for more info

CRUZADA DEL ROSARIO: Cada Miercoles, las 6:00pm. Por favor no dude en unirse con nosotros

RCIA CLASS: Mondays @ 7:00pm

CONFIRMATION CLASS: Meets Sundays @ 9:00am in upper hall

THANKSGIVING MASS:

Thursday, November 28th @ 9 :00am

OFFICES CLOSED:

Thursday and Friday November 28th & 29th

FOOD PANTRY CLOSED:

Friday, November 29th

SHARED BLESSING CLOSED:

Friday, November 29th

KITCHEN CLOSED:

Thursday and Friday, November 28th and 29th

PILGRIMAGE MEETING: December 1 @ 4:00pm

Kitchen needing help for December 11, 12, & 13, contact Clay Harrington, Pablo Mendez or call the office.

MISSION: Come to the Parish Renewal Mission, "**FINDING INNER PEACE**" @ 7:00pm, December 2nd through 4th. Come join Deacon Eddie Ensley and Robert Hermann on a contemplative journey...learn to pray as Jesus and the early Christians prayed..."and you will find rest for your souls." - Matthew 11:29.

CHRISTMAS TOWN: Donations are now being accepted for Christmas town (they are in need of help, candy, baked goods, toys, etc.) If you can do any of these things please call Pat Olivarez @ 512-525-5992.

FOOD PANTRY NEWS: A basket is available at the front entrance of the church throughout the season of Advent. Please consider bringing non-perishable items for our neighbors in need. **The pantry is also looking for volunteers to help out at the pantry on Tuesdays and Fridays,** please contact Beth James @512-461-2124

CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING CORNER:

The liturgical year draws to a close with reminders that being a disciple of Jesus is not easy. Faithfulness to Christ will bring opposition and ridicule. We may stand up against abortion, or torture or the death penalty. We may speak out for immigrants, refugees and the poor. These positions might cause others to reject us. We are privileged to be disciples - brothers and sisters of Jesus, but like his road, ours will involve the cross.

El año litúrgico se comienza a cerrar recordándonos que ser un discípulo de Jesús no es fácil. La fidelidad a Cristo nos traerá oposición y ridículo. Podemos levantarnos contra el aborto, o la tortura, o la pena de muerte. Puede que hablemos por los inmigrantes, refugiados y pobres. Estas posiciones pueden causar que otros nos rechacen. Somos privilegiados de ser discípulos - hermanos y hermanas de Jesús, pero al igual que su camino, el nuestro también implicará la cruz.

GRIEVING WITH GREAT HOPE WORKSHOP:

If you have lost a spouse, child (including pregnancy loss) a grandchild, parent, etc. you are encouraged to attend this grief support series that offers a prayerful, practical and personal approach for anyone who is mourning the loss of a loved one. **This workshop will be conducted in a day-and-a-half model on Friday (6-9:30pm) & Saturday (9am-5pm) November 22 & 23 (lunch on your own) @ Holy Family in Copperas Cove.** Workbooks are \$10.00. Please call 254-547-1284 to register and for more information

Good Shepherd Announcements

Lectors: Monica Ivey

Altar Society: Heather Oliver

Flowers: Heather Oliver

EMHC: Adela Perez, John Vasquez, Dianna Furlan

DIVINE MERCY CENACLE: Please join us Thursdays @ 4:15 in the Family Life Center

WEEKDAY MASS: Wednesday, November 20 @ 6:00pm **Pastoral Council Meeting after mass.**

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Sacrificial Giving: November 10th

1st Collection: \$645.00

CCD Breakfast: \$93.00

All Saints: \$5.00

All Souls: \$5.00