

My brothers and sisters in Christ, October is the **Month of Mary and the Rosary**. It also is **Respect for Life Month**. Recall the Memorare: that anyone who employs the help of Mary will not go unaided. Pray the Rosary daily, preferably as a family.

The Memorare:

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that any one who fled to thy protection, implored thy help or sought thy intercession, was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins my Mother; to thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful; O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy clemency hear and answer me. Amen.

First Communion will be the weekend of November 22, 2020. First Confessions will be after Mass, November 15 at St Ann, with a brief rehearsal afterward.

PSR will continue to be remote format until at least the weekend of November 8. We have no changes from the Diocese so far.

The annual **Bread Cutting** for the turkey dinner will be Sunday, October 25, after Mass. Bring your electric knife!!

Firewood from the trees in the front of St. Ann is available first come, first serve.

As Catholics it is our duty to vote. **Vote for the candidate** who will defend the non-negotiables of our faith: sanctity of life, sanctity of family and marriage between one man and one woman, and religious freedom. As I have discussed before, other issues such as immigration, the environment and the economy are not non-negotiables. These are matters of prudential judgement and subject to change over time. The non-negotiables are not open for debate nor subject to change over time. They are truths that endure and must be defended by our Catholic vote.

We are planning a **Parish Retreat** with Fr. Stephen Hayes, O.P. during the second week of Advent from Sunday to Tuesday. Mark your calendars, so we can have a good showing to help us look vibrant to the Diocese, so we can have a pastor sent to us.

Viva Cristo Rey!!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pspjHRadk-Q&feature=youtu.be>