



Gospel: Mark 12:38-44

The offering of the widow had great value in God's sight

The Cheerful Giver

"It's all taking and no giving!" as Dolly Parton belted it out, in the Film: *Working Nine to Five*, and her next line was to mock that way of life: "What a way to make a living!." Today's Scriptures point to another way. The good life manages to blend gracious taking with cheerful giving, and the value is in the giving. It's our giving that is recorded in the Book of Life. Jesus is the Great Giver: that we may have life, and have it to the full [Jn 10:10.] As a fine example of this kind of mutual help, we have heard how Elijah and the widow of Zarephath helped each other to survive. During the famine she shares the last of her food with the starving prophet. She gives without hesitation, and is blessed in return. In the Gospel Jesus says, in effect, "Give from the heart." The widow's offering to the Temple might seem small in the eyes of other donors, but it was whole-hearted and therefore priceless in value. Generosity is not the exclusive prerogative of the rich. The poor have great gifts to share too, and when they do so, others should respond with appreciation.

Gifts from ordinary people support many projects and causes in the Catholic Church, just as they kept the Jerusalem temple going in Jesus' day. It is a strange, but at the same time common truth, that generosity is more widespread among those who have little to spare than among those who have lots of money and property. But let's recall today that all donations made for the glory of God share in Jesus' warm praise of the woman who "*gave all she could.*" This story of the Widow's Mite invites us to examine the quality of giving in our lives — not just to Church collections, but to whatever worthy cause attracts our attention and our sympathy. More than once, Jesus spoke about this subject. Not only should the gift be made with a generous heart, but so far as possible in an anonymous, non-fussy way, so that "the left hand does not know what the right hand is doing." The thing should be done because it is right, with the intention of pleasing God rather than winning credit or praise from others. And the more it costs us in personal terms — giving up some of our

time, or our comfort, for something worthwhile — the more it is part of the one great sacrifice of Christ, who gave himself totally for us.

Saint Paul coined the phrase "God loves a cheerful giver" (2 Cor 9:6-7.) And there can be no doubt that the cheerful gift is more acceptable even among people on a everyday level. The hospitality shown to the famished prophet Elijah by the poor widow in the town of Sidon, was all the more precious in that it was given with loving respect, and not as a grudging duty. Here was a man of God, clearly in need of help. There was no need for long, involved argument about how he had gotten into this position, or whether he had drawn up a wiser plan for his future. She did what she could for him, and was blessed in the process.

"Charity brings its own reward," says the proverb. There is a glow of satisfaction in giving for a good cause. It is also, in a Gospel sense, the best possible investment for our eternal future — that "treasure in heaven" of which Jesus spoke, when he invited people to "sell what you have and give to the poor." And it has been well said that, from the perspective of our death-bed, we will be happier to think of what we have freely given away during our life-time than of what we have simply stored away for the rainy day.

Giving can be global as well as local. In our technological age, we have more detailed information than any previous generation about the hungry and deprived plight of people in Third World countries, and indeed of the major miseries endured in inner-city areas of high unemployment much closer to home. Sometimes we feel almost crushed into apathy by the sheer magnitude of the problems; at other times we may grow indignant at the political and economic structures that seem to perpetuate this state of affairs. Aware and intelligent generosity should prompt us to outspoken concern for justice, as well as some personal contribution to charities like famine relief, development funds and soon. At the same time, we ought not neglect the smaller, perhaps less urgent, needs at our own door-step. The personal touch is part of the giving, and giving our time can often be more precious than anything else. And Shakespeare's line remains true about all works of kindness and mercy, in whatever circumstances: "It is twice blessed: it blesses him that gives and him that takes."

This Week

Monday, November 8th

12-5 pm Office Open

7-8:30 pm Confirmation Class

Tuesday, November 9th

12-5 pm Office Open

Wednesday, November 10th

7:00 am Mass

12-5 pm Office Open

7:00 pm Coro Spanish Meets

Thursday, November 11th

7:00 am Mass

12-5 pm Office Open

7:00 pm Adoration

Friday, November 12th

Office Closed

7:00 am Mass

7-8:30 pm 1st Communion Class

Saturday, November 13th

7:00 pm Mass (Spanish)

Sunday, November 14th

8:30-9 am Confessions

9:00 am Mass (English)

10-11 am Confessions

11:00 am Mass (Spanish)

** (HC) denotes Scheduled Hall Classroom

Please Take Note

St. Juliana's Staff nor Fr. Carlos E. Pinzon, pastor will never ask you to give them money, gift cards, texted money, or transfer money to them through Facebook, Instagram, Whatsapp, email, text or via phone. If you received a solicitation for money to send through transfer or gifts, **PLEASE DO NOT RESPOND** Call the church office at 478-825-7127 if you have any doubts or concerns.

Did You Know We Have an App?



Download myParish App on your smartphone or tablet



Pre-Baptismal Class

The next Pre-baptismal class is scheduled for **Wednesday, November 17th at 7:00 pm** in the New Church Hall Classroom.

This class is required for any parent or godparent of a new infant for baptism. Please call the office to register for the class at (478) 825- 7127 and arrive at 5:45 to complete the registration. Please note that baptisms are advised to take place during the weekend masses unless a special event is planned in advance and with permission. Also, if you are not a parishioner of St. Juliana's and/or attending another parish that you will need to bring a letter of good standing from that church with you to the class.



The Director of Communications at the Diocese of Savannah has posted a page of resources for those

looking to help Afghan refugees resettle in the U.S. <https://diosav.org/ccharities/afghanistan>

Adoration

Did you know that Thursday evenings at 7:00 pm you have the opportunity to come and adore our Lord Jesus Christ for an Hour or more. What a way to have time alone with Jesus, praising and giving thanks. We may also wish to recite our favorite prayers, read the bible, contemplate acts of faith, hope, charity, offer reparation for grievances against Him, pray a rosary or do whatever type of prayerful devotion that suits us before Our Lord. Or, we can simply sit and say nothing, just savoring His Presence with us.



Important information to know..... There is not a charge for sacramental masses or Quinceanera if it is held during a regularly scheduled Mass. Special Masses are required to be requested through the office. Please note there is a fee. Please contact the office for more information at (478) 825-7127 12 noon -5:pm.

Sacred Heart Columbarium, "A Sacred Place"

Sacred Heart in Warner Robins is beginning to construct a columbarium, which is a structure with individual niche vaults to hold urns containing cremated remains (ashes). This sacred place is aligned with the teachings of the Catholic Faith. Pre-construction discounts are available. For more info.... Visit www.SacredHeartWR.org/ Columbarium or email Columbarium@SacredHeartWR.org



Ministries were "inactive" due to the pandemic. If you are now returning to volunteer in a ministry you must ensure you are up-to-date on your Safe Environment Compliance. Please call the Church Office to ensure your status

Protecting Our Youth: Effective June 28, 2012*, Diocesan policy requires ALL employees and volunteers (age 18 and up) to be Safe Environment Compliant. This means he/she receive VIRTUS *Protecting God's Children for Adults* training, undergo a background check, and read and acknowledge a Code of Conduct in advance of employment or volunteering ministry. A five-year training refresher is required for all active volunteers/ employees, and certain roles require monthly training bulletins. If you have any questions, please contact your parish/school Safe Environment Coordinator, or Joan Altmeyer, Director Safe Environment (912) 201-4074. You can also find many answers at

<https://diosav.org/offices/child-and-youth-protection> *<https://diosav.org/cyp/mandated-reporting>

Funeral Arrangements for

Rev. Raul Perez

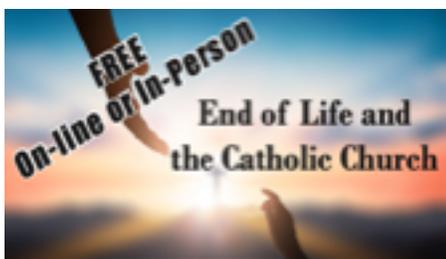
Cross Catholic Outreach



**Saturday
November 6th
at 1:00 pm**

St. Teresa's Catholic Church
Cordelle, Ga

Father Raul Passed away
October 16, 2021 at his residence.
He was a longtime friend and was
dearly loved here at St. Juliana's
especially in our Spanish Community.
He will be surely missed.



**End of Life and
the Catholic Church**

Speaker:

Dr. Kathleen Benton, President & CEO
for a local hospice and palliative care
organization.

November 21, 2021

3:00 pm

Catholic Pastoral Center

2170 East Victory Drive, Savannah

Pre-registration for online & in-person attendance required.

Register by 11/25 by contacting Jayne Stefanie.

jstefanie@diosav.org | 912.201.4068

Office of Marriage, Family and Respect Life | DIOCESE OF SAVANNAH

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September 27-October 3, 2021

General Offertory

Week \$ 4,001.95

2nd Collection

New Building \$ 80.00

October 4-10, 2021

General Offertory

Week \$ 2,185.00

2nd Collection

Southern Cross \$ 857.00

New Building \$ 30.00

Guadalupe Raffle \$ 355.00

October 11-17, 2021

General Offertory

Week \$ 2,566.00

2nd Collection

New Building \$ 280.00

October 18-24, 2021

General Offertory

Week \$ 1,912.00

2nd Collection

New Building \$ 5.00

World Mission Sunday. \$ 674.00

October 25-31, 2021

General Offertory

Week \$ 2,112.36

2nd Collection

New Building \$ 5.00

Building Total Given

Since 09/18/2018 \$101,740.00

2021 Annual Catholic Appeal

Goal- \$10,899.00

Pledged & Collected \$10,899.00

Balance- \$ 0.00

*God will never be outdone
in generosity. Thank You!*

Pray for Us

Family of Rev. Raul Perez

Rev. Nicholas Mansell

Dub Shepard

All those homebound

World Peace

Susan Flores

Teresa Aguilar

Maggie Garcia

Those sick from COVID-19

Martha Cedillo

For the unborn children

Jackie Reyes

Darren Flannery

Dr. George Shoup

Jane Thompson

Mary Ann Adams

James Teabo (Abuelo)

*If you would like to be added to
our prayer list or would like us to
pray for a love one or someone
who is sick, email us at
stjuliana.bulletin
@gmail.com or call the office at
(478) 825-7127.*



Online Event

Thursday, November 18 at 8 PM (EST)

Register: prayfordobbs.com

If you are in danger, if your hearts are confused, turn to Mary; she is our comfort, our help; turn towards her and you will be saved.

- St. Frances Xavier Cabrini (1850-1917),

Patron of Immigrants, Feast Day November 13th

Our Parish Provides ONLINE GIVING

Online giving is an easy, convenient electronic tool for contributions so you can give via internet. Online Giving helps you maintain your giving even if you cannot be here at Mass. If you haven't signed up, you can go to our parish website at www.stjulianacc.org and click on "Online Donations" at the top. Need help or have questions about online giving.... Call Michelle in the office M-Th 12-5pm or text to (478) 538-3398 for assistance.

Thank you for your generosity always. And May God Bless You!

Abuse Hotline Number To report sexual abuse of a minor by a Diocese of Savannah employee or volunteer, call the abuse hotline number at 888-357-5330 or the Office for the Protection of Children and Young People, 912-201-4074. To read the diocesan policy on sexual abuse of minors, go to ww.diosav.org/childyouthprotection.



The Holy Father's Prayer Intention

November 2021

**People Who Suffer from
Depression**

We pray that people who
suffer from depression or burn-out
will find support and a light that
opens them up to life.

Please Note: The Dispensation From Sunday Mass Attendance has been Lifted.

Everyone is encouraged to return to Sunday Mass Attendance with the following precautions:

- The wearing of masks inside the church and church buildings is encouraged but not mandatory.
- Hand Sanitizer is available at the entrances and encouraged.
- The Sign of Peace should take place with the invitation: Let us offer one another a gesture of peace or a simple acknowledgement.
- Please continue to maintain at least 3 feet of distance between households
- If you are sick please stay home and call the office if you would like communion if permitted.

REGULARLY SCHEDULED MASS TIMES

Saturday 7:00 pm (Spanish)

Sunday 9:00 am (English); 11:00 AM (Spanish);

Tues.-Fri.: 7:00 am (Bilingual); **Confession Times:** Sundays: 8:30-9:00 am; 10-11:00 am



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Church Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday 12 noon - 5:00 pm

*If you need to talk to Fr. Carlos please call
the church number (478) 825-7127 for an appointment.*

MUSIC

Gary Deeb, *Music Ministry* (English)
Daniel Sales, *Music Ministry* (Spanish)

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Matilde Morales, *Director of Religious Education (DRE)*

PASTORAL CARE

Erika Rodríguez, *Eucharistic Minister Coordinator*
Miguel Cervantes, *Lector Coordinator*
Daniel Yañez, *Altar Server Coordinator*
Martin Noriega, *Movimiento Juan XXIII*

OFFICE

Michelle Booth, *Office Manager*
María Martínez, *Janitor*

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New Family Registrations log onto:

www.savannah.parishsoftfamilysuite.com
Office: (478) 825-7127
<https://myparishapp.com>

New Policy in Place

Please note, that if you want to schedule an event at St. Juliana's (ie. Quinceañera, Wedding, Baptism, etc.) you must contact the office to make reservations and/or arrangements. There are registration forms available in the office. Our office number is 478-825-7127 from 12 noon - 5:00 pm M-Th for more information.

St. Juliana's- Policies & Guidelines Baptism

- Parents and Godparents must attend Baptism Prep Class so, please call the office to register for a class.
- Godparents must be Catholics and if married, Married sacramentally. (Not civil union)
- Out of town godparents must provide a letter from their pastor as to their suitability to exercise this office.

First Communion and Confirmation

- Family must be registered at St. Juliana's.
- Preparation = two years of classes.
- Children must be at least 7 years old to receive First Communion and at least 13 years old for Confirmation.
- Must provide a baptismal certificate to register.

Marriage- Couples must:

- Contact the pastor at least 6 months (or more) prior to desired wedding date.
- Participate in a pre-Cana course or marriage-prep weekend.
- NO wedding date is guaranteed until ALL Diocesan and Parish requirements are fulfilled.

Quinceañeras

- Family must be registered at St. Juliana's and attend mass regularly.
- Preparation = workshop.
- Teen must be baptized, received 1st Communion and Confirmation (or in 2nd year of confirmation classes)

Online Donations

<https://giving.parishsoft.com/stjulianaccgiving>

Parish Website: <https://stjulianacc.org>



Whatsapp Messenger

(478) 538-3398

The Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People

The Charter is a comprehensive set of procedures established by the USCCB in June 2002 for addressing allegations of sexual abuse of minors by Catholic clergy. The Charter also includes guidelines for reconciliation, healing, accountability, and prevention of future acts of abuse. [http:// www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/child -and-youth-protection/charter.cfm](http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/child-and-youth-protection/charter.cfm).