

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — NOVEMBER 15, 2020

Blessed are you who fear the LORD. — Psalm 128:1a

Saint Mary Help of Christians Parish

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Christ the King Mission

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Parish Office: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9:00 AM-5:00 PM (Closed 1:00-2:00 PM)
Chapel Open: 7:00 AM-6:00 PM, with door code 5440#

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For Sacramental emergencies after hours, please call the parish office and follow the prompts.

HOLY MASS

Saturday (Christ the King)..... 5:00 PM
Sunday 9:00 AM; 12:00 PM (Español)
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 8:00 AM
Friday..... 7:00 PM (Español)
Holy Days of Obligation..... As announced

Changes announced at Mass, on Facebook, with FlockNote

CONFESSION

Monday..... 7:15-7:30 PM
Thursday After Mass
Friday..... After Mass
Saturday (Christ the King)..... 4:15-4:45 PM
Sunday 8:15-8:45 AM

Also by appointment

ADORATION

Monday..... 7:00-8:00 PM
Thursday After Mass
Friday..... 8:00-9:00 PM

NOVENAS

Miraculous Medal Novena..... Monday after Mass
St. Rita Novena..... Tuesday after Mass

The month of November is traditionally dedicated to honoring the dead and relieving the sufferings of the souls in purgatory.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.

R. And let perpetual light shine upon them.

May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace. R. Amen.

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE NOVENAS



Beginning December 3 the Novena to Our Lady of Guadalupe will be prayed daily in the Church at 7:00 PM, except Fridays, December 4 & 11 the Novena will be immediately after the 7:00 PM Mass, and Sunday, December 6 the Novena will be immediately after the 12:00 PM Mass.

Many thanks to the groups sponsoring the Novenas each day:

- December 3 Ministerio Hispano
- December 4 Lectores
- December 5 Coro
- December 6 Limpieza
- December 7 Sacristanes
- December 8 Legión de María
- December 9 Hospitalidad
- December 10 Sociedad Guadalupana
- December 11 Emaús



Facebook



FlockNote



Website

CHANGES THIS WEEK: No Daily Mass on Tuesday or Thursday this week.

DEVOTIONS & MORE

For a listing of Mass intentions each week, visit our Facebook page (www.facebook.com/StMaryShelby) or our website (www.SaintMaryShelby.org/mass-intentions). They will also be sent to the parish regularly via FlockNote.

Sunday, November 15

8:15 AM Confession (SM)
10:20 AM ... Confirmation class (SM Parish hall)
11:20 AM ... Holy Rosary (SM)

Monday, November 16

8:30 AM Miraculous Medal Novena after Mass (SM)
9:00 AM Legion of Mary (SM Parish Hall)
7:00 PM Adoration until 8:00 PM (SM)
7:00 PM Emaús Group (SM Parish Hall)
7:15 PM Confessions until 7:30 PM (SM)

Tuesday, November 17—Thursday, November 19

No Mass, Adoration, Confession, or any other events

Friday, November 20

7:45 PM Adoration after Mass until 9:00 PM (SM)
8:00 PM Confession after Mass until 8:30 PM (SM)

Saturday, November 21

9:00 AM RCIA & RICA (SM Parish Hall)
4:15 PM Confession (CK)

Sunday, November 22

8:15 AM Confession (SM)
10:20 AM ... Confirmation class (SM Parish hall)
11:20 AM ... Holy Rosary (SM)

STEWARDSHIP

- Cleaners: 11/15 - Heliodoro | 11/22 - Armando & Amaya family
- Clorox wipes: If you see Clorox wipes (or similar) please consider buying one for our parish to use in sanitizing the Church, Chapel, and parish hall.
- Food Bank / Boost & Ensure: Donations of non-perishable food and Boost & Ensure are urgently needed. Suggested food items: apple sauce, cold cereal, oatmeal, canned soup and pasta, canned fruit, peanut butter, beans, rice, canned vegetables. The food will stay in our parish to help parishioners, but Boost & Ensure will be taken to the Senior center for use by their clients. You can have items delivered directly to St. Mary, 818 McGowan Rd, Shelby, NC 28150. Many thanks to those who have had food delivered here.
- Online Giving: Please consider using online giving for your weekly tithe to St. Mary or Christ the King. You can use credit or debit cards, or your bank account. Text giving is now available at both churches. Learn more at SaintMaryShelby.org/online-giving.
- Monthly Offertory:

	<u>August 2020</u>	<u>Monthly Budget</u>	<u>August 2019</u>
SM	\$19,848	\$19,573	\$15,895
CK	\$2,511	\$4,464	\$1,861

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- New Chapel Hours—The Chapel is now available from 7:00 AM-6:00 PM with door code 5440#.
- Effective immediately there are no confessions before the 12:00 PM Sunday Mass. Confessions are available Monday evening during Adoration (7:15-7:30 PM), Thursday after Mass (approx. 8:30-9:00 AM), Friday after Mass (approx. 7:30-8:00 PM), Saturday at Christ the King (4:15-4:45 PM), and Sunday before Mass (approx. 8:15-8:45 AM.)
- Adoration and Confession are cancelled Monday, December 7 due to the Guadalupe Novena at St. Mary.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES THIS WEEK

- Monday, Nov 16: St. Margaret of Scotland; St. Gertrude (*See stories below*)
- Tuesday, Nov. 17: St. Elizabeth of Hungary (*See story below*)
- Wednesday, Nov. 18: Dedication of the Basilicas of Ss. Peter and Paul; St. Rose Philippine Duchesne
- Saturday, Nov. 21: The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

St. Margaret of Scotland, or Margaret of Wessex, was an English princess born in Hungary to Princess Agatha of Hungary and English Prince Edward the Exile around 1045. Margaret and her family returned to England when she was 10 years old and her father was a potential successor to the throne. However, Edward died immediately after the family arrived. Margaret's family fled from William the Conqueror after his victory at Hastings in 1066, and eventually attempted to return to the continent, but they were shipwrecked in Scotland in 1068. The spot they landed on is now known as "St. Margaret's Hope." Malcolm Canmore III, the king of Scotland, welcomed Margaret and her family and put them under his protection. Margaret and Malcolm were married in 1070. They had eight children, all of whom were raised with a deep Catholic faith. Margaret's kind nature and good heart was a strong influence on Malcolm's reign, softening his temper and helping him become a virtuous King. Together they prayed, fed the hungry, and offered a powerful example of living faith in action. Margaret was placed in charge of domestic affairs and was consulted in state matters; she promoted the arts and education and encouraged Church synods. She constantly worked to aid the poor in Scotland. She encouraged people to live a devout life, growing in prayer and holiness. She helped to build churches, including the Abbey of Dunfermline, where a relic of the true Cross is kept. She was well known for her deep life of prayer and piety. She ate and slept very little so she would have more time for devotions, exemplifying holiness of life as a wife, mother, and lay woman. (*from catholic.org*)

St. Elizabeth of Hungary, also known as St. Elizabeth of Thuringia, was born in Hungary on July 7, 1207 to the Hungarian King Andrew II and Gertrude of Merania. While Elizabeth was very young, her father arranged for her to be married to Ludwig IV of Thuringia, a German nobleman, and she was sent away at the age of four for education at the court of the Landgrave. Elizabeth's mother, Gertrude, was murdered in 1213, when Elizabeth was just six years old. From this point on, Elizabeth sought peace with prayer. In 1221 she was married to Ludwig. Together the couple had three children, two of whom became members of nobility and the third entering the religious life. Elizabeth continued to live a simple life of prayer and service to the poor, practicing penance and devoting herself to works of charity. In 1223 Franciscan friars arrived in Thuringia and taught 16-year-old Elizabeth about Francis of Assisi, and she patterned her life after his. She wore simple clothing and set aside time every day to feed and care for the poor and sick. When Ludwig died in 1227 she vowed never to remarry, despite pressure from relatives. In 1228, Elizabeth joined the Third Order of St. Francis. She founded a hospital in honor of St. Francis, where she personally attended to the ill. Her life was consumed deeply by her devotion to God and her charitable labor. She died at the age of 24, on November 17, 1231 in Marburg, Hesse. Her Feastday is celebrated November 17. She is the patron of bakers, beggars, brides, charities, death of children, homeless people, hospitals, Sisters of Mercy, and widows. (*from catholic.org*)

St. Gertrude the Great was born at Eisleben in Saxony on the Feast of the Epiphany in 1256. At the age of five she was placed in the care of the Benedictine nuns at Rodalsdorf and later became a nun in the same monastery, of which she was elected Abbess. The following year she was obliged to take charge of the monastery at Helfta, to which she moved with her nuns. St. Gertrude had enjoyed a good education. She wrote and composed in Latin and was versed in Sacred Literature. The life of this saint, though not replete with stirring events and striking actions, was one of great mental activity. It was the mystic life of the cloister, a life hidden with Christ in God. She was characterized by great devotion to the Sacred Humanity of Our Lord in His Passion and in the Blessed Eucharist, and by a tender love for the Blessed Virgin. She died in 1302. Her Feastday is November 16. (*from catholic.org*)

PLANNING AHEAD

Tuesday, December 8 is the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, the Patronal Feastday of the United States, and a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass will be celebrated at 10:00 AM in English and 7:00 PM in Spanish. The parish office is closed that day.

THANK YOU!

Thank you to everyone who supported the Polish Food Sale this weekend. The food was delicious and we appreciate the dedication of those who cooked, took orders, cleaned up, prepared the to-go plates, and of course those who purchased the plates, all to benefit our parish.

MEET NEW PARISHIONER DERRICK CHAMBERS

Derrick Chambers hails from Cleveland County. While growing up in Lawndale, the Primitive Baptist church was an important part of his family life. After attending Burns High School, he received a football scholarship to the University of Florida. For three years Derrick played professionally with the Charlotte Panthers and Jacksonville Jaguars as a defensive lineman. After an injury, he continued his graduate work ending up at Princeton Theological Seminary in New Jersey. While there, the Lord led him on an unexpected journey to Catholicism. Saint Augustine's Confessions, St. Thomas Aquinas' Summa Theologica and the priests of Opus Dei were influential in his decision to become Catholic. He is also thankful for the Christian faith that was handed on to him as a child. He was received into the Church in 2008. Close to his heart is his ministry to the incarcerated in Federal prisons. Derrick works in the financial services industry. With the COVID pandemic, he has returned to Shelby to help his parents. He says he is looking forward to meeting more parishioners and becoming involved in the life of the parish.

Bulletin Sponsorship

This Space is available!

Bulletin Sponsorship is a suggested donation of \$15/week. All donations are for the Poor Box and will be used for charitable needs in our community. Sponsorship will be announced by name, or any other message (as appropriate) that will fit in this space, or you may remain anonymous. Contact the office for more information.



Pray for the repose of the souls of the deceased members of Knights of Columbus Council 11946:

Anibal Angel
Bill Campbell
Berney Gehring
Karl Giffin
Bill Hill
Dave Hobart
Joe Izzi
Paul Judge
Marty Kane
Bob Kingery

Butch Lowery
Joe McNamara
Dick Nann
Conway Pagett
Paul Pasco
Ibrahim Sara
Paul Territo
Ed Vito
Rev. Michael Hoban

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