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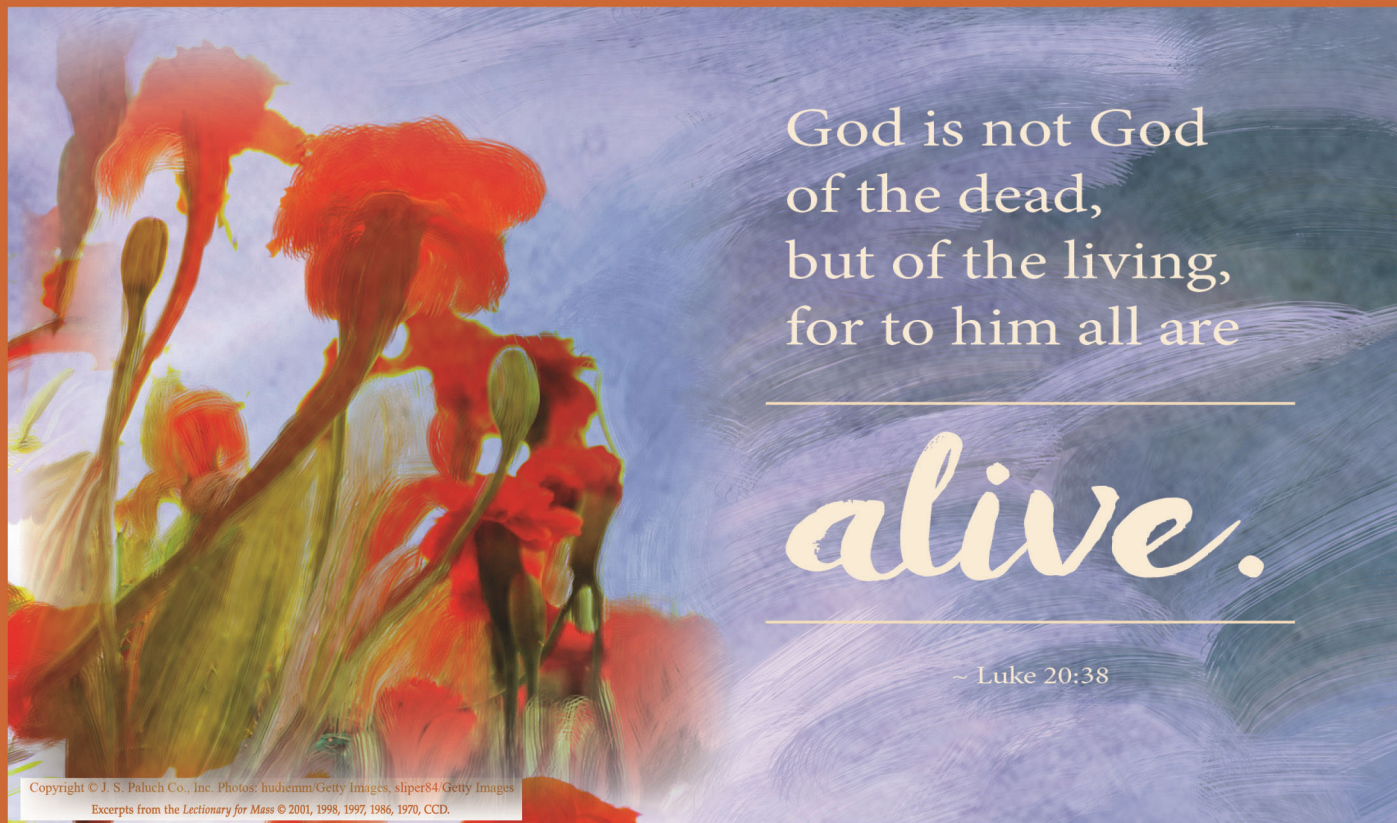
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In November, with All Hallows at the beginning of the month, our thoughts and prayers turn to those saints and souls who have gone before us. Gone where, though? Truth is, we don't know. Scripture makes many statements about life after death, but all notions of the afterlife require faith and hope. Today's Gospel from Luke has Jesus speaking comforting words about life after death—the righteous becoming children of God, like angels.

The hero-martyrs of our Old Testament reading about the Maccabees provide early examples of faith in the resurrection of the dead. They hold steadfast in their faith, being willing to die rather than violate their God's law. Their frighteningly brutal story of hope might seem foolish to some, but we are all well aware of modern-day examples of men and women who have suffered rather than betray their beliefs.

WE CAN ONLY IMAGINE

In the days of Jesus, belief in the resurrection of the dead had not achieved universal acceptance. In fact, the Sadducees

in today's Gospel were staunch resurrection deniers and tried to trick Jesus. Turning the tables, Jesus states that Moses in the distant past believed that the God of our ancestors in faith is truly God of the living, and that all are alive to God, whether still living or dead. Death is just a phase, a doorway, maybe a tesseract. We really don't know. Jesus reassures us that those are unnecessary concerns for the faithful, just as the specifics of worldly life will no longer be relevant. Not only will our earthly bodies be changed, but all that we knew from mortal existence—all marriage, all family, all relationships—will be transformed in ways we can't possibly imagine. All that we have will be ours again. So we should stop worrying and live so as to be worthy of whatever comes next, for when we are embraced in the eternal love-feast of glorified existence with God, our joy will indeed be full.

Today's Readings: 2 Mc 7:1–2, 9–14; Ps 17:1, 5–6, 8, 15; 2 Thes 2:16 — 3:5;
Lk 20:27–38 [27, 34–38]

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NOV. 9 4:00 P.M.	SATURDAY Deceased members of Knights of Columbus Council 1907†
NOV. 10 8:00 A.M.	SUNDAY Doc Romanoski† <i>(Romanoski Family)</i>
10:00 A.M.	Pat Kleinedler† <i>(Jerry & Lolly Jacovetty)</i>
NOV. 11 8:00 A.M.	MONDAY Jim Barker <i>(Diane Barker)</i>
NOV. 12 8:00 A.M.	TUESDAY Catherine Lawther† <i>(Cindy & Tom Lawther)</i>
NOV. 13 8:00 A.M.	WEDNESDAY Mr. Ronnie Warble† <i>(Family)</i>
NOV. 14 8:00 A.M.	THURSDAY Bob & Bernadine Miller† <i>(Miller/ Porter Families)</i>
NOV. 15 8:00 A.M.	FRIDAY Tom & Louise Wise† <i>(Wise Children)</i>
NOV. 16 4:00 P.M.	SATURDAY Frank & Gen Cicholski† <i>(Gina & Dean Hoops)</i>
NOV. 17 8:00 A.M.	SUNDAY Inez Rakoski† <i>(Arch Joann Blair)</i>
10:00 A.M.	Charles & Martha Lee† <i>(Cork & Joanne Potts)</i>

Rosary weekdays after 8 am Mass

DON'T FORGET THIS WEEK:

- ⇒ Pick up photos of loved ones from the altar
- ⇒ Wednesday 11am Consolation Ministry meeting
- ⇒ Wednesday 6:30 pm Parish Council Meeting
- ⇒ Friday - order deadline for holiday baked goods

WEEKLY SCHEDULES

Lectors/ Eucharistic Ministers:

11/16 4:00 p.m. Danny Prado/M. Taskalines
11/17 8:00 a.m. C. Frame/S. Kent
11/17 10:00 a.m. L. Niemiec/C. McDonald

Altar Servers:

11/16 4:00 p.m. Volunteer
11/17 8:00 a.m. Kent
11/17 10:00 a.m. Miller

Gift Bearers:

11/16 4:00 p.m. Ellen McCormick
11/17 8:00 a.m. John Harrigan
11/17 10:00 a.m. Georgia Petit

Sacristy Cleaners: Week of November 11, 2019

Latrishia Whitelatch & Charlotta Durbin

Greeters:

11/16 4:00 p.m. Bridget Scarbin & Cork Potts
11/17 8:00 a.m. Roger Frame
11/18 10:00 a.m. Susan Board & Rosemary Patrone

Bingo: November 15, 2019

Kitchen: Ellen McCormick

Raffle: John & Sheree Leonard

COLLECTION: October 27, 2019

Envelopes - \$ 2287.00

Loose Offering - \$ 725.00

Building Repairs - \$ 75.00

Memorial Offerings - \$ 25.00

Pennies for God - \$ 4.70

Attendance - 286

Second Collection this week (November 9 & 10) is for Building Repairs (yellow envelope)



Thank you Wayne Lemasters for weeding and cleaning our mildewy fence around the shrine.
And thank you Tex Reynolds & Wayne for installing our display of crosses for Respect Life Month.

"Volunteers are love in motion!" - Author Unknown

Rev. That Son Ngoc Nguyen, pastor

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS):

Sat. 3:30 p.m., or any other time upon request.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

By appointment. Contact the parish office at least six months before the date of the marriage.

Pre-Cana is required.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

By appointment. The Diocese requires instructions beforehand for the parents.

Contact the parish office.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (P.S.R.):

Sundays during the school term at 9:00 a.m. to 9:50 a.m. for Grades 1-12.

REGISTRATION AND CHURCH SUPPORT:

Parishioners should be properly registered at the Parish Office

Church Office Phone: 304-845-1593

Church Hall Phone: 304-845-9238

Xavier Hall Phone: 304-845-7080

Rev. That Son Cell: 408-858-7467

Parish Office Email:

sfxmoundsville@comcast.net

Website:

sfxmoundsville.org

MASS SCHEDULE:

Weekends: Saturday - 4:00 p.m.

Sunday - 8:00 a.m./10:00 a.m.

Weekdays: Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m.

Holy Day Mass Schedule:

8:00 am, 7:00 p.m.

**PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS,
FRIENDS AND FAMILY MEMBERS:**

Prayer Request: Mike Davis, Darryl Costanzo, Tex Reynolds, Norma Holmes, Marjolea DeBold, Linda Anderson, Tony & Jerrie Skvarka, Dave Williams, Bobby Kleinedler, Barbara Harris, Joe Church.
Homebound: Semon & Phyllis Prado, Doris Murphy, Rachel Kerekes. **Nursing Home:** Bill Tennant, Gary Dobbs, Patricia Schmidt, Helen Remke, Barbara Meyer, Elizabeth Potts, Helen Cuchta, Ron Jaworski.

Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service

Sunday, November 24 at 3:00 pm
St. Jude Church in Glendale

Featuring many local church choirs (including our own St. Francis Xavier Choir) with a special appearance by the "Singing Shepherds."

Please bring a canned good

Hosted by the Moundville Ministerial Association

We invited the Bishop to celebrate the feast of St. Francis Xavier with us, but his office informs us he is required to travel to Rome that first week of December for an *ad limina* visit with Pope Francis. (These are mandatory meetings for bishops that occur every 5 years).

Bishop Brennan intends to visit our parish early in the new year. We're making plans for a fun evening!

CHRIST THE KING

An afternoon of Worship & Gratitude
St. Michael Catholic Church

Wheeling, West Virginia

November 24, 2019

Adoration 1pm-4pm in the church
Private Dinner at the Angelus Center
following Adoration
RSVP 304-242-1560

Help needed to clean the church for Christmas
Saturday, November 23 at 9:00
Bring your bucket!

Holiday Baked Goods Sale

Order nut bread, nut cookies, apple butter, and pierogies for Thanksgiving and Christmas. Find the order form in the church vestibule, on our website and on our Facebook page, or call: Libby Magnone at 304-845-5565

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Nov. 9 - Knights of Columbus Memorial Mass

Nov. 13 - 11 am Consolation Ministry

Nov. 13 - 6:30 pm Parish Council meeting

Nov. 15 - Order deadline for Thanksgiving baked goods (Forms are in the back of the church, on our website and Facebook.)

Nov. 16 - Knights of Columbus Steak Fry

Nov. 19 - 11 am Mass at Moundview Nursing Home

Nov. 21 - 8:30 - 10 am and 3 - 5 pm pick up baked goods in Church Hall

Nov. 23 - 9 am Clean Church for Christmas

The Sanctuary Candle

beside the tabernacle burns this week
for:

Steven Eisenhauer

*Requested by : Jill Eisenhauer & Grandson Dominic
and Neil & Lindsey Eisenhauer
& Grandchildren Gabriella & Izabella*

The Consolation Ministry meets this Wednesday at 11 in the Church Hall for about an hour. It is open to anyone suffering from the pain of loss. Thanksgiving and Christmas are more often than not difficult times for those who are grieving. Please remember these fellow parishioners in your prayers this month.

Calling all children:

Would you like to join us for Christmas fun?
We need lectors, singers, actresses, and actors to help the Parish celebrate Jesus's Birth. Please call Lottie Durbin at 304-845-4011 or the church office.

Knights of Columbus Steak Fry

Saturday, November 16 6pm to 11 pm

Band: Crazy Horse, Tickets \$25 each

For more information, call Jonette Holmes
304-281-3503



St. Vincent de Paul Society is collecting canned goods for the needy in our area. Baskets will be distributed for Christmas. A container for canned donations can be found in the vestibule. Please be generous!

Office of Safe Environment

To report an incidence of suspected child sexual abuse, contact local law enforcement, or contact WV Child Protective Services: 800-352-6513. To report suspected cases of sexual abuse by personnel of the Diocese, contact this diocesan number: 888-434-6237.



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