

Of that day or hour,



no one knows

You will show me the path to life



November 18, 2018 • Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

We may feel uneasy about the end of the world for many reasons, especially considering the dramatic language that today's scriptures use to describe the last days. Rarely do our Sunday readings provoke us with descriptions of "tribulation" that is "unsurpassed in distress;" of the awakened dead who wallow in "everlasting horror and disgrace;" and of darkened heavens where "the stars will be falling from the sky." The end of the world unsettles us for another, more basic reason, too: we do not know when it is coming. The unknown can frighten us. Horror movies rely on that tendency to terrify moviegoers. Mystery and suspense thrillers fill us with anxiety while we await a resolution. We could rest easier and plan ahead, we like to think, if only we knew exactly when this final ordeal will beset humanity.

WORDS OF EVERLASTING LIFE

"Heaven and earth will pass away," Jesus assures us in today's Gospel, "but my words will not pass away." Foreboding words about the end of the world may distress us, but Jesus'

words bring us glory. Word-made-flesh, Jesus walked and talked among us. We have inherited his gospel. Jesus gave us the words of everlasting life so that we can look forward to his second coming with faith, hope, and love.

While we wait, the Lord accompanies us in word and sacrament. If we begin to feel anxious, Jesus is with us. We can turn to his words in the Bible and experience his closeness. If we are overwhelmed by our shortcomings and sins, we can participate in the liturgy and feel the intimacy of Jesus in the Eucharist and in one another. The world will end, certainly. But Jesus, the Word of God, has already conquered death. Jesus invites us be unafraid. Over and over again in the Gospels, Jesus says not to fear, offering instead his deep and lasting peace.

Today's Readings: Dn 12:1-3; Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11; Heb 10:11-14, 18; Mk 13:24-32

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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.

St. Francis Xavier Parish

7th and JEFFERSON STREETS, MOUNDSVILLE, W. VA. 26041
Rev. That Son Ngoc Nguyen

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS):

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

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

By appointment. Contact the Parish House 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 (C.C.D.):

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





**Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 18, 2018**

Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

— *Mark 13:31*



WEEKLY SCHEDULES

Lectors/ Eucharistic Ministers:

11/24 4:00 p.m. Dave Evans/ M. Klug
11/25 8:00 a.m. Rose Hess/ John Hess
11/25 10:00 a.m. C. Kesslerling/ J. Kuskey

Altar Servers:

11/24 4:00 p.m. Whitelatch
11/25 8:00 a.m. Kent
11/25 10:00 a.m. Swift, Targosky

Gift Bearers:

11/24 4:00 p.m. John & Loretta Niemiec
11/25 8:00 a.m. Pete & Judy Mysliwiec
11/25 10:00 a.m. Georgia Petit

Sacristy Cleaners: Week of November 19, 2018

Latrisha Whitelatch & Charlotta Durbin

Greeters:

11/24 4:00 p.m. Danny Prado & Duane Gump
11/25 8:00 a.m. Paula Whitwam & Roger Fra,e
11/25 10:00 a.m. Butch Miller & Larry Freeland

Bingo November 23, 2018

Raffle – John & Sheree Leonard

Kitchen – Jenny Ingram

Received from Parish Fund Raisers this year:

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| Knights of Columbus Fish Fries: | \$7,450.54 |
| 100 Year Anniversary clothing sale: | \$525.50 |
| Kroger Rewards: | |
| \$776.76 | |
| Bingo: | \$24,000.00 |
| Recycling: | \$61.60 |
| Catholic Sharing Appeal: | \$4,626.90 |
| (parish proceeds) | |

Basement remodeling breakdown

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| Electric rewiring: | \$15,186.00 |
| Plumbing: | \$665.00 |
| Glass block windows: | \$2768.00 |
| Outside door: | \$5,510.00 |
| Floor: | \$23,501.00 |
| Basement Walls: | \$38,800.00 |
| (Design, demolition & construction) | |
| Ceiling: | \$21,400.00 |
| Added charge for dimensional tile: | \$5,250.00* |
| (* The pierogi group paid for this upgrade) | |

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT Nov. 17 & 18: 2nd Collection

- NOV. 17** **SATURDAY**
4:00 P.M. **Raymond Yocum†**
 (Yocum family)
- NOV. 18** **SUNDAY**
8:00 A.M. **Tom & Monica Bonar†**
 (Children of Tom and Monica)
10:00 A.M. **Al & Bettye Furline†**
 (Mark & Jane Helfer)
- NOV. 19** **MONDAY**
8:00 A.M. **Vincent Maneen†**
 (Sandina Leondard)
- NOV. 20** **TUESDAY**
8:00 A.M. **Jim Regiec Sr.†**
 (Family)
4:00 P.M. **Judy Sharp**
 (God's children of love prayer group)
- NOV. 21** **WEDNESDAY**
8:00 A.M. **Josephine Ferris†**
 (Libby G. Magnone)
- NOV. 22** **THURSDAY**
9:00 A.M. **Deceased Members of the**
 St. Vincent de Paul Society
- NOV. 23** **FRIDAY**
8:00 A.M. **Al & Bettye Furline†**
 (Joan & Wayne Lemasters)
- NOV. 24** **SATURDAY**
4:00 P.M. **Al Furline†**
 (Danny Prado)
- NOV. 25** **SUNDAY**
8:00 A.M. **Anthony Nguyen Nhu Hai†**
 (Ta Ta Mary)
10:00 A.M. **Living & deceased members of the**
 Frame family
 (Roger & Cathy Frame)

COLLECTION: November 4, 2018

Envelopes - \$ 2,945.00
Loose Offering - \$ 1,067.00
Electronic Giving - \$
Xavier Hall - \$505.00
Memorial Offerings - \$100.00
Pennies for God - \$ 6.85
Attendance - 326

Holy Hour for Hope and Healing

St. Francis Xavier Parish will be participating in the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston Holy Hour for Hope and Healing on Sunday, November 25, at 3:00 pm in our church. The event is simple, an hour of Eucharistic Adoration to pray before the Blessed Sacrament for hope and healing.

As we gather in solidarity every Sunday morning as a Church, from the tip of the Northern Panhandle to the most southern point of Bluefield, from the Ohio River to the Virginia border, we gather to thank God for who He is and what He has done. Our Diocesan Holy Hour for Hope and Healing will be another opportunity to worship and adore Jesus Christ in Eucharistic Adoration. What great encouragement for us to unite in prayer and petition to God for restored hope where needed and for the healing of all victims of abuse and neglect.

Rediscover and remember Jesus' promise to "be with us always, until the end of the ages." This is fulfilled in all the sacraments, but most especially in the gift of the Eucharist which is His very Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity enthroned in the monstrance for us to adore.

The Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist is an answer-real, simple, and available. There are many components needed for healing deep wounds and the alleviation of difficult doubts. Take this opportunity to fly to Jesus Christ in the Eucharist and ask Him in the silence of your heart to ignite the virtue of hope that you already have received and to heal your mind and heart of all doubt, despair, and confusion.

PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS, FRIENDS AND FAMILY MEMBERS:

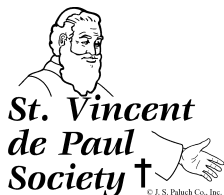
Prayer Request: Ray Wojcicki, Mark Joseph Novel, Joe & Helen Cuchta, Christy Klug, Kimberly Peffley, Patty Kleinedler, Bobby Kleinedler, Chris Colby, Richard Timko;
Homebound: Semon & Phyllis Prado, Doris Murphy, Bob Tetrick; **Nursing Home:** Gary Dobbs, Patricia Schmidt, Helen Remke, Thelma Gitlin, Barbara Meyer, Elizabeth Potts, Marilyn Neidhardt, Joe & Helen Cuchta

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Nov. 18 - Community Thanksgiving Service
Nov. 22 - THANKSGIVING DAY - Office Closed
Nov. 25 - Eucharistic Adoration 3:00 p.m.
Dec. 1 - Christmas Church Cleaning 9 a.m.
Dec. 2 - St. Francis Xavier Feast Day Celebration
Dec. 9 - Communal Penance Service 4:00 p.m.
Dec. 14 - Knights of Columbus Fish Fry
Dec. 15 - Deliver Christmas Flowers 9:00 a.m.
Dec. 16 - Decorate Church for Christmas 11:00
Dec. 20 - Pick up Holiday Baked goods
Jan 26 - World Youth Day

CHRISTMAS FLOWER COLLECTION

If you would like to remember loved ones during the holidays, we invite you to donate in their names for the Christmas Flower Fund to help decorate the altars for Christmas. Use the form in today's bulletin.



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!

If you would like to contribute to the "Shut-in Holiday Fund", put your donation in an envelope marked "Shut-in Holiday Fund". You can drop your contribution in the collection basket or mail it.

The Sanctuary Candle

beside the tabernacle burns this week
for

**Mary Barnhorn, Barb Britt Witt,
Jim Britt, and Dick Britt**

Requested by

Keven and Mary Britt

Don't miss this!

Feast of St. Francis Xavier Luncheon
Sunday, December 2

11:30 a.m.

Church Basement

Sign up in the church vestibule.

The parish will supply meat and drinks

*St. Francis Xavier Church
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e-mail sfxmoundsville@comcast.net*

Help decorate the church for Christmas

If you would like to remember loved ones during the holidays, we invite you to donate in their names for the Christmas Flower Fund to help decorate the altars at Christmas. Please complete the form below and return it with your donation in a white envelope marked "Christmas Flowers" Send it to the parish office or put it in the collection basket by December 17 to be acknowledged in the *Christmas bulletin*.

CHRISTMAS FLOWER COLLECTION

(Please print all information)

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