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NEWSLETTER OF SACRED HEART PARISH

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IS PURGATORY REAL?



The word purgatory is sometimes taken to mean a place, sometimes as an intermediate state between Heaven and Hell. It is properly speaking, the condition of souls which, at the moment of death, are in the state of grace, but which have not completely been forgiven for their faults, nor attained the degree of purity necessary to enjoy the vision of God. Purgatory is, then a transitory state which terminates in a life everlasting happiness. It is not a trial by which merit may be gained or lost, but a state of atonement and expiation. The soul has arrived

at the term of its earthly career; that life was a time of merit for the soul, a time of mercy on the part of God. This time once expired, nothing but justice is to be expected from God, whilst the soul can neither gain or lose merit. She remains in the state in which death found her; and since it found her in the state of sanctifying grace; she is certain of never forfeiting that happy state, and of arriving at the eternal possession of God. Nevertheless, since the burdened is with certain debts of temporal punishment, she must satisfy Divine Justice by enduring this punishment in all its rigor.

Such is the signification of the word Purgatory, and the condition of the souls which are there.

The above words were taken directly from the book entitled "Purgatory Explained by the Lives and Legends of the Saints" by Fr. F.X. Schouppe, S.J. I spent most of the summer of 2019 reading this book. I found it to be both troubling and inspiring. The pains of purgatory are for real, as explained by eye witness accounts of the saints as recorded in this book. To obtain Purgatory one must be sincerely sorry for their sins, but has not had sufficient time to make satisfaction to God for all of the temporal punishment due to these sins. This is a powerful reminder to practice the virtues of a Christian life and do penance now while we have a chance, so that when we die we may go quickly to heaven. The length of time a soul spends in purgatory depends on the number of their faults.

You see, in life God has given us free will. This means we determine our own eternal destiny. Do you chose Heaven or Hell? Are you controlled by Satan or God, you make the call! It is really up to you. How you live your life while here on Earth will determine your destiny. Remember as Jesus said, Death comes like a thief in the night, you do not know the time or the day. So are you ready for you final judgement?

As you know, All Souls' Day falls on November 2, 2020. It is important to remember to pray for all of the deceased on that day. You never really know who of the deceased are in heaven, hell or purgatory. From what I understand, if someone has chosen to turn away from God and therefore has chosen hell as their destiny, we the living cannot help them. But if someone has lived their life for Christ, then their chances of reaching Heaven are very great. If they have tried to live their life for Christ, but have fallen short at times, all is not lost, then they will reach purgatory and will need help from the living to move on from there to Heaven. We the living, must help those in purgatory to reach Heaven by praying for them!

What you may not know is that at the time of Mary's Assumption, all of purgatory was emptied, and the souls detained there accompanied her in her triumphant entry into heaven. On the feast day of Mary's Assumption,

on August 15th of each year, Mary releases the souls that are ready on that day.

One of the greatest things that we can do as Catholics is to become a liberator for the souls in purgatory. If one person can liberate our friends, think what the thousands of us can do. The souls never forget their friends!

Another very important thing to remember, the more you pray for the souls in purgatory, the more they pray for you. We can never have too many praying for us upon death! The only way a soul can escape from purgatory is by prayers from the living!

I recently read a book written by John Burke entitled "Imagine Heaven." It is a collection of near-death experiences, God's promises, and the Exhilarating Future That Awaits You. Earlier in this article I mentioned how troubling it was for me at times to be researching purgatory. Purgatory is not a nice place. It should not be your goal in life. Reading about heaven has changed my life. I chose heaven, and I hope you do to. I would love for all of my friends and family to join me there!

Here are three prayers that I say each day to help souls in purgatory:

Heavenly Father, in union with the merits of Jesus and Mary, I offer to You for the sake of the poor souls all the satisfactory value of my works during life, as well as all that will be done for me after death. I give You my all through the hands of the Immaculate Virgin Mary that she may set free whatever souls she pleases, according to her heavenly wisdom and mother's love for them. Receive, this offering, O God, and grant me in return an increase of your grace, Amen.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord; And let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

O Lord, who art ever merciful and bounteous with Thy gifts, look down upon the suffering souls in purgatory. Remember not their offenses and negligences, but be mindful of Thy loving mercy, which is from all eternity. Cleanse them of their sins and fulfill their ardent desires that they may be made worthy to behold Thee face to face in Thy glory. May they soon be united with Thee and hear those blessed words which will call them to their heavenly home: "Come blessed of My Father, take possession of the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world."

See you in Heaven!

Adult Religious Formation Team Commission – Kevin Simmons

Parts of this article were taken from "Day by Day for the Holy Souls in Purgatory", written by Susan Tassone, and "Purgatory Explained by the Lives and Legends of the Saints", written by Fr. F.X. Schouppe, S.J.



PRAYER FOR OUR BELOVED DEAD

During November, parishioners are invited to write the names of their beloved dead in a special book located in the front of church. These persons will be remembered in prayer especially during the month of November. Fr. Bernard will pray for several of the deceased by name in his daily Masses. We also invite you to bring pictures of your deceased loved ones to be displayed in the church vestibule during the month of November.

FINANCE/PROPERTY COMMISSION

- ❖ Met October 20, 2020
- ❖ Members present: Dennis Wilson, Jacques Molleker, Jim Damm, Tom Giessel, Pam Huffles, & Fr. Bernard. Unable to attend: Kathy Couchman, Jenny Ramsey.
- ❖ Minutes of the September 15, 2020 meeting were approved following a correction.
- ❖ The group reviewed the financial reports for September 2020 which showed income of \$20,022.04 and expenses of \$26,751.26. The September balance sheet showed cash of \$451,270.61 compared to \$464,405.82 at the end of September 2019.
- ❖ Pam shared that she contacted Trane regarding the rectory heating system being able to run independent of the church. A technician should be coming to service the HVAC system in the next couple of weeks and we will get his opinion.
- ❖ Next meeting: November 17, 2020 @ 12:00 Noon

PASTORAL COUNCIL

- ❖ Met October 15, 2020
- ❖ Members: Amy Froetschner, Isaac Lemuz, Chelsy LeRoy, Larry Skelton, Sr. Rebecca & Fr. Bernard. Unable to Lee Gilcris, Tama Hanson, John Kelly.
- ❖ Fr. Bernard shared the update of Sacramental and Pastoral Care regarding coronavirus crisis from Bishop Brungardt. All the directives are at the discretion of the pastor. Hymnals and missalettees will be returned for normal use on the weekend of November 28/29. The chapel will remain unused for daily Mass and Adoration. Advent Penitential Service and Christmas Services were discussed and further discussion will be made at the next meeting.
- ❖ Next meeting: November 19, 2020 @ 6:30 PM

STEWARDSHIP

The definition of stewardship is "the job of supervising or taking care of something, such as an organization or property".

The Catholic definition of stewardship is "a way of life". Stewardship is best understood within the context of the conversion process, the turning away from self-centeredness to the recognition that God is the loving Creator and source of everything in our lives.

Yes, It's that time of year again. Things are a little different this year due to the pandemic. We're sure you will agree nothing is the same. There is no normal at this time. So, because things are "not normal", as of December 31st no one will be signed up to do ministries at our parish. The slate will be wiped clean. Even if you've been a Lector for 50 years, as of the 31st, you are not unless you fill out the form included in this newsletter. There are several reasons for this. One is, we don't know what you are comfortable with now and for the unknown future. We are going to leave it in your hands. Of course, as things change, please feel free to change with the times.

Please take time to pray about and choose the ministries that you would like to continue with, or sign up for something new. You don't need to worry about "discontinuing" a ministry.

Stewardship forms can be placed in the baskets at Church, mailed or left at the parish office by the weekend of November 14/15. Thank you!!

NOVEMBER AT A GLANCE

November 1 ~ Mass for Feast of All Saints' Day, 10:30 AM
November 2 ~ Adult Formation Group, 1:30 PM
November 2 ~ RCIA, 7:00 PM
November 3 ~ Knights of Columbus Meeting, 7:00 PM
November 4 ~ Adoration, 9:00 AM to 8:00 PM, Church
November 8 ~ Adult Study Group, *The Search*, 11:45 AM
November 9 ~ Adult Formation Group, 1:30 PM
November 9 ~ Altar Society Meeting, 6:30 PM
November 9 ~ RCIA, 7:00 PM
November 11 ~ No Adoration
November 16 ~ Adult Formation Group, 1:30 PM
November 16 ~ RCIA, 7:00 PM
November 17 ~ Finance/Property Meeting, 12:00 Noon
November 18 ~ Adoration, 9:00 AM to 8:00 PM, Church
November 19 ~ Pastoral Council Meeting, 6:30 PM
November 21 ~ Knights of Columbus Memorial Mass, 5:00 PM
November 22 ~ Kapaun's Men, 8:45 AM
November 22 ~ Adult Study Group, *The Search*, 11:45 AM
November 22 ~ Columbus Club Turkey Dinner, 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM
November 23 ~ Adult Formation Group, 1:30 PM
November 23 ~ RCIA, 7:00 PM
November 25 ~ No Adoration
November 25 ~ Thanksgiving Mass, 6:00 PM
November 30 ~ Adult Formation Group, 1:30 PM
November 30 ~ RCIA, 7:00 PM



NOVEMBER PSR SCHEDULE

- November 1st – Confirmation Retreat, 10:30 am – 5:45 pm
- November 4th – Regular Classes
- November 11th – No Class ~ Veterans Day
- November 18th – Regular Classes
- November 18th – First Reconciliation in Church
- November 25th – No Class ~ Thanksgiving Break

KNIGHTS NOVEMBER EVENTS

Nov. 3 Knights of Columbus Meeting, 7:00 PM
Nov. 21 Knights of Columbus Memorial Mass, 5:00 PM (R)
Nov. 22 Columbus Club Turkey Dinner, 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM (G)
Nov. 28 Event (R)

Advent Procession



The Advent Procession with the candles for the Advent Wreath will begin on November 28 & 29. If your family would like to take part in the procession during the Saturdays/Sundays of Advent, we ask you to add your name to the sign-up sheet in the church vestibule. You may sign up for more than one week if you desire. Thank you for your participation!

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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|------------------------|-----------------------|
| (01) Easton Palmer | (15) Charlene Murdie |
| (02) Tom Giessel | (16) Elmer Hogan |
| Carlos Gonzalez | (17) Dennis Theis |
| Troy Martin | Krysten Watkins |
| (04) Julie Belt | (18) Ken Hammeke |
| Carlotta Brenner | Ross McNett |
| Dana Lemuz | Jon Palmer |
| (05) Linda Befort | (19) Tony Lemuz |
| Rachel Perez | (21) Dana Bauer |
| (06) Tami Keenan | Mila Josefiak |
| Sherry Lemuz | Darby Sundahl |
| Toni Novotny | (22) Kayla Lang |
| (07) Lloyd Degenhardt | Raymond Perez |
| Nolan Dreiling | (23) Jamie Holopirek |
| (09) Luke Fischer | Allen Perez |
| Brian Haberman | (24) Michael Simmons |
| Autumn Holopirek | Allen Taylor |
| Eric Houser | (25) Tiena Byrum |
| Janet Skelton | Kenzi Holopirek |
| (10) David Hammeke | (26) Eric Fox |
| Faith Hammeke | Cory Reece |
| Carter Webster | (28) Sofia Gonzalez |
| (11) Jonathan Ramirez | (29) Richard Josefiak |
| Judy Solko | (30) Grethe Jensen |
| (12) Darice Colglazier | |
| Renae Skelton | |
| Sonya Whetstone | |
| (14) Katie Fischer | |
| Kevin Simmons | |



NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- (08) Roy and Barbara Penka
 (16) Robert and Bernadine Hammeke
 (17) Lewis and Janice McDonald
 (18) Clint and Kimi Bowman
 Tim and Doris Schaller
 (19) Andrew and Erica Froetschner
 Kyle and Chelsy LeRoy
 Jon and Terry Palmer
 (20) Jim and Jane Zook
 (23) Ken and Orena Hammeke
 (24) Mike and Lisa Burdett
 Leon and Eleanor Sanders
 (25) Bryan and Shannon Fischer
 (26) Joe and Cindy Colglazier
 (28) Billie and Kristin Dooley



CONGRATULATIONS!

Robert & Bernadine Hammeke ~ Married 57 years
 Ken & Orena Hammeke ~ Married 52 years
 Roy & Barbara Penka ~ 40 years
 Clint & Kimi Bowman ~ Married 25 years
 Bryan & Shannon Fischer ~ 25 years



DIED IN CHRIST

Micaela (Mickey) Perez ~ October 3, 2020
 Diane (Dreiling) Walker ~ October 25, 2020

NET INCOME/EXPENSES BEGINNING JULY 1, 2020

	SEPTEMBER	YTD
INCOME:		
Collections	11,600.00	53,839.21
Special Donations		100.00
Endowment		
Interest	7.04	20.16
Farm		5,717.74
PSR	7,189.00	7,231.00
Fundraisers		731.14
Miscellaneous	1,226.00	3,743.98
TOTAL	\$20,022.04	\$71,383.23
EXPENSES:		
Stewardship	2,732.04	6,423.81
Salaries	10,841.85	37,880.51
Insurance	1,699.00	5,097.00
Utilities	2,300.60	5,933.15
Maintenance	483.74	3,189.22
Improvement		
Office	950.63	2,444.82
PSR	6,025.20	6,075.20
Farm		
Miscellaneous	1,718.20	2,984.80
TOTAL	\$26,751.26	\$70,028.51
		YTD: \$1,354.72

NOVEMBER 2020 ~ MINISTRIES

Saturday, November 7

Lector – Mary Klinge
E.M. – Cindy Perez (major)
 Dennis Wilson (minor)

Sunday, November 8

Lector – Sharon McGinness
E.M. – Kristy Mull (major)
 Kathy Hammeke (minor)

Saturday, November 14

Lector – Regis Lopata
E.M. – Toni Novotny (major)
 Mary Klinge (minor)

Sunday, November 15

Lector – Mary Mitchell
E.M. – Sr. Rebecca (major)
 Kathy Couchman (minor)

Saturday, November 21

Lector – Kathy Kazmaier
E.M. – Don Kazmaier (major)
 Cindy Perez (minor)

Sunday, November 22

Lector – Karl Grover
E.M. – Cathy Grover (major)
 Sharon McGinness (minor)

Saturday, November 28

Lector – Joan Wilson
E.M. – Dennis Wilson (major)
 Kathy Kazmaier (minor)

Sunday, November 29

Lector – Kristy Mull
E.M. – Mary Mitchell (major)
 David O'Gwin (minor)

Altar Society Meeting
Monday – November 9th
6:30 PM

Sacred Heart Parish Center





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Larned Columbus Club



Sunday, November 22nd

11:00 AM – 1:00 PM

\$10.00 per plate

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