

**Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 3, 2019**

The LORD lifts up all who are falling
and raises up all who are bowed down.
— Psalm 145:14



A GREAT AND GLORIOUS GOD

Our readings today ponder two powerful truths: God is infinitely greater than we are; and God provides every kind of help so we can discover and share in God's glory. The reading from Wisdom reminds us that we are tiny compared to "the LORD of the whole universe." Nevertheless, God preserves and nurtures us out of perfect love. If we feel tiny, weak, and sinful compared to God, we are blessed! God's greatness sustains and strengthens us. Saint Paul encourages the Thessalonian Christians with the same message. He reminds them that God alone makes the Church holy. He prays that everything they undertake will be for the glory of God. Luke's Gospel shows us what this looks like in real life: Zacchaeus, feeling small and excluded, looks for Jesus. Jesus finds him and gives him the strength he needs to repent of his sins and glorify God.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Lord, you love all things that exist (Wisdom 11:22 — 12:2).

Psalm — I will praise you name for ever, my king and my God (Psalm 145).

Second Reading — May the name of Christ be glorified in you and you in him (2 Thessalonians 1:11 — 2:2).

Gospel — Today salvation has come to the tax collector Zacchaeus' house (Luke 19:1-10).

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday 8:00 am	November 4 † Manuel Scerri
Tuesday 8:00 am	November 5 † Vincent Gagliardo Sr. † Maria & †Giuseppe Mazzaferro
Wednesday 8:00 am 7:00 pm	November 6 Communal Service † Nieves Vierneza
Thursday 8:00 am	November 7 † Eileen Fanning
Friday 8:00 am	November 8 † Vittorio Rossi
Saturday 8:00 am 4:30 pm	November 9 † Jose and † Balbina Nebril Bella Cook (L)
Sunday 7:30 am 9:30 am 11:30 am	November 10 People of the Parish † Jesus Quinoñez † Richard Walsh † Metudio Asis † Josephine P. Asis

†Denotes deceased – (L) Living

For any available Masses listed above please see the priest before Mass with your written intention and stipend.

Sunday Collection October 27, 2019

Weekly Need:	\$ 5,000.00
Sunday Collection	\$ 3,694.00
Over/Under	\$ 1,306.00
Church Project	\$ 1,089.00

If you make your offertory donation by check, without using parishioner envelopes, it would be most helpful if you placed your parishioner/envelope # in the "memo" section of the check. This helps us input your donation to the offertory data system. **We will not be responsible for donations not credited due to missing envelope numbers (or not having a Sunday collection envelope.)**

Grotto Tiles

*****Last Chance to Order*****

We are still taking orders for the Grotto Tile project. We have 33 (\$200.00) available tiles and 7 (\$100.00) available tiles to purchase. If you would like an order form for the St. Elizabeth Commemorative Grotto to order a tile please stop by the parish office during business hours. Once our tiles are sold out our project is complete. **Please note that the placement of your tile will be random.**

Month of All Souls November

Traditionally, November is the month when we especially remember the souls who have entered eternal life. As we prepare for these remembrances there are a couple of specific ways of preparation besides our own prayers and remembrances. We will inscribe the names of your loved ones who have passed in 2019 in the "Book of the Dead". You may write their names on one of the All Souls envelopes. These envelopes will be placed on the altar for remembrances during all the Masses in November.

**VALLOMBROSA CENTER
NOVEMBER 2019**

Annual Vallombrosa Choir Thanksgiving performance; \$20 donation suggested. November 17, 2PM.

"Art Is Prayer" An artistic retreat designed to help you 'Find God in All Things' with Katie Wolf, MFA. November 24, 9AM. No training in art necessary. \$45.

"Becoming the Christ, You Were Meant to Be" An Advent overnight retreat with Fr. Nathan Castle, OP. Saturday, November 30–Sunday, December 1. \$140–\$150.

Please register on Vallombrosa.org/calendar or call 650-325-5614.

ENJOY A UNIQUE SHOPPING EXPERIENCE!

Come to the sale of amazing products produced by even more amazing women in the self-sufficiency projects of the Sisters of the Good Shepherd in Thailand.

The Sisters of the Good Shepherd serve primarily women and children who are being abused or exploited in 74 countries, helping them to heal and design their destinies with dignity.

Come admire the creativity and craftsmanship and begin your holiday shopping early! Clothing, toys, household items, holiday items and much more!

This will be the LAST CHANCE to purchase these amazing products!

Future purchases will be limited and available online only.

**Sat. & Sun November 16th & 17th
12 noon to 6 pm**

Convent of the Good Shepherd
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San Francisco

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*Pray for our Beloved Deceased
In your prayers this week, please remember
the repose of the souls of our deceased
parishioners, especially:*

Anthony "Tony" Falzon

"Eternal Rest Grant unto them O Lord..."