

**Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 5, 2017**

The greatest among you must be your servant.
— *Matthew 23:11*



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THE GREATEST AMONG US

Whom do you admire? Is it the President of the United States or a movie star or a billionaire? These are people whom the world exalts as great. Like the Pharisees in today's Gospel, they have places of honor wherever they go. Would you like to follow in their footsteps?

The scriptures for today offer different examples for us to follow. Jesus tells us that the greatest among us are the servants. These are the people we are to honor and imitate. We are called to be like Paul, who worked hard to serve the needs of his communities, and Jesus, who gave his life in service to the world.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Do we not have one father? Did not the one God create us? (Malachi 1:14b — 2:2b, 8-10).

Psalm — In you, Lord, I have found my peace (Psalm 131).

Second Reading — You have received not a human word but the word of God (1 Thessalonians 2:7b-9, 13).

Gospel — Call no one your father on earth; you have but one Father, the one in heaven (Matthew 23:1-12).

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday 8:00 am	November 6 † Vittorio Rossi
Tuesday 8:00 am	November 7 † Paul and † Theresa Vella
Wednesday 8:00 am 7:00 pm	November 8 † Manuel Scerri † Jose Castro † Bella Cook † Chloe Dawn † Martina Santana
Thursday 8:00 am	November 9 † Vincent Gagliardo Sr. † Maria and † Giuseppe Mazzaferro
Friday 8:00 am	November 10 † Jesus "Jesse" Quinonez
Saturday 8:00 am 4:30 pm	November 11 † Jose Nebril † Balbina Nebril † Josephine Zaragoza
Sunday 7:30 am 9:30 am 11:30 am	November 12 † Angela and † Giuseppe Tardio † Richard Walsh People of the Parish † Manuel Muscat

† Denotes deceased – (L) Living

Sunday Collection October 29, 2017

Weekly Need:	\$ 5,000.00
Sunday Collection	\$ 3,662.00
Over/Under	\$ 1,338.00
Archdiocese Santa Rosa -Fire	\$ 1,155.00

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.)**



**St. Mary's Medical Center Auxiliary
Annual Holiday Boutique**

St. Mary's Medical Center Auxiliary will be holding its annual (**and Final**) Holiday Boutique in the main lobby of St. Mary's Hospital -SF on Tuesday, November 7 10 am to 4 pm and Wednesday, November 8 from 10 am to 3 pm.

For more information please call the Volunteer Office at 415) 750-5646

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 2017 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.

The Maltese Society meeting will be on November 8th at 7:00 pm in Cantwell Hall meeting room number one.



Veterans Day Service

Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery invites you to a Veterans Day Prayer Service at Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery in Colma, Saturday, November 11th at 11am. This service includes the Military Honor Guard from Travis Air Force Base and the Military Chaplains of the Archdiocese, led by Chaplain Michael Padazinski, COL USAF. Please join us in prayer for all those who have served our country.

MINISTRY TO THE HOMEBOUND

DID YOU KNOW... that St. Elizabeth Parish has an active outreach ministry to the homebound, sick, elderly, and disabled who are unable to attend weekly Mass? Legion of Mary members are prepared to make regular visits to bring Communion and to share the news of our parish community.

If you or someone you know is homebound and would like to arrange for regular Communion visits or anointing of the sick, please call the parish office at 415-468-0820.

Archdiocesan Annual Appeal

Our goal is \$48,470.00. To date our generous parishioners have pledged **\$46,003.00** leaving a balance of **\$2,467.00**.