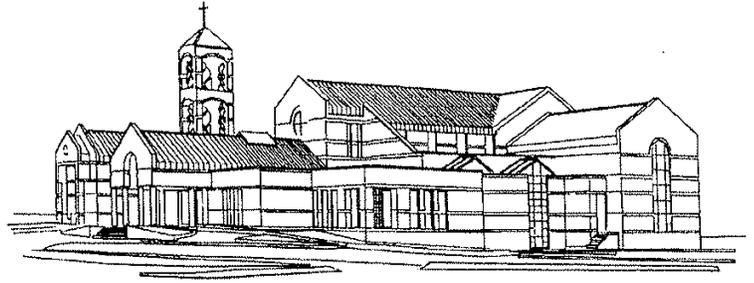


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THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME November 15, 2020



2021 First Holy Communion Registration

Registrations will close on Monday November 30, 2020. A fee of \$50.00 (**cash or cheque only**) will be applied to cover the expenses. A copy of the Baptismal certificate of the candidate is required at the time of registration. Forms may be obtained on the Parish website and can be returned to the parish office on Monday – Friday from 9am-12pm & 1pm-3pm and on Saturday from 10am-1pm. Incomplete registrations will not be accepted. Public school students are asked to register as well. **Sacrament dates will be released at a later time.**

2021 Confirmation Registration

Registrations will close on Monday November 30, 2020. A fee of \$60.00 (**cash or cheque only**) will be applied to cover the expenses. A copy of the Baptismal certificate of the candidate is required at the time of registration. Forms may be obtained on the Parish website and can be returned to the parish office on Monday – Friday from 9am-12pm & 1pm-3pm and on Saturday from 10am-1pm. Incomplete registrations will not be accepted. Public school students are asked to register as well. **Sacrament dates will be released at a later time.**

Happy Birthday, Fr. Hyginus!

Our associate pastor, Fr. Hyginus Ezugwu, is celebrating his birthday on **November 14**. Let us wish him a very happy birthday and keep him in our prayers.

*Il nostro vice parroco, P. Hyginus Ezugwu celebra il suo compleanno il **14 novembre**. Facciamogli i nostri migliori auguri e ricordiamolo nelle nostre preghiere.*

2021 Parish Envelopes

The 2021 donation envelopes are ready for pick up and will be distributed in the lobby after the weekend Masses or at the parish office during the week. Please remember to confirm that they are yours by verifying the number, name and address.

Le buste per le donazioni del 2021 si possono ritirare nell'atrio della chiesa dopo la Santa Messa della domenica e dall'ufficio parrocchiale durante the settimana. Accertatevi che siano proprio le vostre, controllando numero, nome, indirizzo.

Upcoming Baptisms

Our parish is delighted to welcome the following children to the Christian community through the Sacrament of Baptism:



Claire Nina Clementine Cappuccitti
Nathan Francesco Guzzo
Rinaldo Matta
Diego John Nicosia
Samantha Maria LaRizza

Congratulations to their parents and godparents.

This Weekend's Marriage



Samantha Ferro & Michael Aversa

All Souls' Mass Envelopes

During the month of November, every morning at 8:00am and the Sunday Masses will be dedicated for your deceased loved ones. You may write the names of your loved ones on the "All Souls" envelopes found in the lobby and leave them on the Altar.

Durante il mese di novembre, tutte le Sante Messe delle ore 8:00am e tutte quelle della domenica saranno celebrate per i vostri cari defunti. Potete scrivere i nomi dei defunti sulle buste che si troveranno nell'atrio della Chiesa e posarle sull'altare.

Stewardship Reflection

"Well done, good and trustworthy slave; enter into the joy of your master." These are the beautiful words that all of us long to hear after a life of following Christ. The parable of the talents is often seen as the classical parable on stewardship. Let us take some time reflecting on it more deeply today. Cardinal Collins comments on this parable in his Pastoral Letter on Stewardship* saying, "As good stewards, we are meant to use God's gift fruitfully and creatively, so that with true gratitude for what we have received we may return God's gifts to Him with increase." The key word in that sentence is increase. Although the third slave did not waste or squander the talents or gifts he had received, the Master did not utter that beautiful phrase to him. The third slave did not work so as to create an increase of his goods. Stewardship always remains as an active way of life. If we want to hear those beautiful words at our judgement we must live in such a way that fully embraces the spirituality of stewardship. How well are we using our gifts for the glory of God and the Church? Let us not be passive in our service but seek ways to be used as an instrument of God. Let us start with prayer and move into acts of charity. We can serve in our parish community whether it be joining various ministries or helping people in need. This weekend let us renew our commitment to serving Christ.

Vocation Seeds

What will you say when you meet God face to face? Better still, what will God say to you? Will you be able to answer that you served faithfully? Can you answer that now? If God is calling you to the priesthood, diaconate or consecrated life, contact Fr. Eugene.