

## **St. Ignatius of Loyola**

*Established 1859*

*Hilltop, Maryland*



## **St. Catherine of Alexandria**

*Established 1911*

*Port Tobacco, Maryland*



**November 8, 2020 ~ 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**During COVID-19, the Mass schedule is as follows:**

### **SUNDAY MASS**

St. Catherine Sat 4:00pm Field  
St. Catherine Sun 10:30am  
St. Ignatius Sun 8:30am

### **CONFESSIONS**

St. Catherine Sat 3:00-3:45pm Field  
St. Ignatius Sun 7:45-8:15am  
St. Catherine Thu 5:30-6:15pm

### **DAILY MASS**

St. Catherine Mon-Tue-Thu-Fri 6:30pm

### **ADORATION**

St. Catherine Mon-Tue-Thu-Fri 5:30-6:30pm

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Please keep in your prayers those with long term illnesses and their caregivers. To have names added to or removed from the prayer list or if you need a priest at the hospital, nursing home or assisted living facility, call (301) 934-9630. Please leave your name, phone number, person's name, facility and room number.

## Sacrificial Giving

Weekend of November 1, 2020

### St. Catherine

Offertory: \$1,515  
Repairs & Maint: \$1,374

### St. Ignatius

Offertory: \$2,183  
Repairs & Maint: \$455

Thank you for your generous support of our church & ministries.

## Bonfire, Cider and S'mores

We invite you to join fellow parishioners at a Bonfire at 5:00pm, immediately following the 4:00pm Mass, at St. Catherine's Hall field on **November 7** for Cider and S'mores.



## Mass Intentions and Readings

Saturday, November 7- Vigil 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00pm People of the Community  
1 Thes 4:13-18 Mt 25:1-13

Sunday November 8 – 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Monday November 9 – Weekday

6:30pm Kendra Harley  
Ez 47: 1-2, 8-9, 12 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17  
Jn 2:13-22

Tuesday November 10 – Saint Leo the Great

6:30pm Enemies of the Church  
Ti 2:1-8, 11-14 Lk 17:7-10

Wednesday November 11 – Saint Martin of Tours

No Mass at St. Catherine's  
Ti 3:1-7 Lk 17:11-19

Thursday November 12 – Saint Josaphat

6:30pm James Collins  
Phlm 7-20 Lk 17:20-25

Friday November 13 - Saint Frances Xavier

2 Jn 4-9 Lk 17:26-37

## **Adult Faith Formation**

November 14 – 8:30am  
St. Catherine Hall  
No sign up, no cost  
Books and coffee provided!

**WHY WE'RE CATHOLIC**



OUR REASONS FOR FAITH, HOPE, AND LOVE  
**TRENT HORN**

### **This week's topics:**

- Chapter 14: Why We Go to Mass
- Chapter 15: Why We Baptize Babies

## *BeLoved*

### **A Bible Series for Women:**

#### **How an Encounter with Christ Transforms Ordinary Women**

A 5-week Bible Series that explores how women in Scripture like Mary Magdalen, Martha, the Woman at the Well, and others were transformed by their encounter with Christ. Through written reflections, *Lectio Divina*, and conversation, we will discover how our own encounter with Christ can help us learn to let Jesus love us, and transform us with His love.

Two in-person meetings to choose from:

- Monday evenings (Nov 9 – Dec 7) at St. Mary's Church, Bryantown, MD
- Tuesday evenings (Nov 10 – Dec 8) at Shepherds Old Field Market, Leonardtown MD.

Register at [www.encountergrace.com](http://www.encountergrace.com).

## **VETERANS DAY**

Our office will be closed

Wednesday, November 11

to honor military veterans. Our many thanks for those who have served in the United States Armed Forces.



## **Daily Mass Flocknote**



For our daily Mass followers, kindly subscribe to Flocknote so we are able to send mobile alerts for inclement weather.

Sign up on our website ([stcsti.org](http://stcsti.org) – look for the blue sheep) or send a text:

**“ROUTE6” to 84576**



## From Fr. Q's Desk

November is one of my favorite months... and not just for the Maryland weather at this time of year! The month starts with the moving feast of All Saints—and continues throughout the month with prayers for All Souls in Purgatory. Thank you to so many at our parishes who were able to celebrate these feast days with me and pray in our cemeteries for the dead.

In this month when we look back at those who have come before us in faith, I want to take some time to recognize some American “all-but-saints”. These are people who led holy lives and may one day be named saints, but for now are simply exemplary people for us Catholics to know and to imitate. Two weeks ago we looked at Dorothy Day; this week we'll look at Thomas Merton.

Thomas Merton was born to Protestant parents in France in 1915 and baptized as an Anglican. As a young adult he fell away from faith altogether, until he was awakened to the emptiness of a life without God. He studied at Columbia University in New York and was exposed to Catholic culture, both in his study of literature and through meeting faithful Catholics. Merton converted to the Catholic faith and increasingly began feeling a call to wholehearted devotion to God in the religious life.

One day as Merton was perusing his Bible, his finger landed on Luke 1:20: *now you will be silent*. His heart was drawn to silence, and he en-

tered as a Trappist monk at Gethsemani Abbey in Kentucky. The Trappists are known for the strict observation of silence in the monastic life.

Merton's spirituality centered on the idea of “contemplation” - the turning of the heart's attention to God throughout the day. While monks devote their lives to contemplation, he wanted lay people to know that contemplation was not just for monks. It is a part of every Christian's life!



Thomas Merton in front of the Trappist hermitage in Kentucky where he spent the latter years of his life.

And so Merton began writing books about the spiritual life for the benefit of the general public. His most famous publication was entitled *The Seven Storey Mountain*, about his search for God, his conversion to Catholicism, and his call to the monastery. It has been many years since I read

that book, but I still remember being struck by his evident honesty and courage to follow where his search led.

Merton died in 1968 in an accident while attending an interreligious conference in Bangkok on monastic life. His legacy continues in his writings, and his willingness to take seriously his vocation and the summons of God.

## Theological Reflections

*Conjectures of a Guilty Bystander*, T. Merton

“To allow oneself to be carried away by a multitude of conflicting concerns, to surrender to too many demands, to commit oneself to too many projects, to want to help everyone in everything, is to succumb to the violence of our times.”

## Retired Priest Collection This Week

### Second Collection

#### Our priests touch our lives in many ways:

- they baptize our children
- comfort us in the confessional,
- witness our marriage vows
- hold our beloved ones hands as the Lord calls them home.



Let us come together to help provide care and housing for retired priests so they can live their retirement in dignity. Please use the envelope provided for your donation.

Thank you for your generous support!

### St. Catherine 4:00pm Vigil Mass

The Saturday 4:00pm Vigil Mass is moving indoors to the church hall on Saturday, November 14 with social distancing in effect. Please bring your Masks and Missalettes. Chairs will be provided.



### SAVE THE DATE!

Wednesday, December 2 at 5:30pm - Mass at St. Ignatius.

Feast day of St. Francis Xavier

Blessing of the new sanctuary and asphalt parking lot

### Indulgences for All Souls

An indulgence, applicable only to the Souls in Purgatory, is granted to the faithful, who devoutly visit a cemetery and pray, even if only mentally, for the departed. The indulgence is plenary each day from the first to the eighth of November; on other days of the year it is partial.

A plenary indulgence, applicable only to the Souls in Purgatory, is granted to the faithful, who on the day dedicated to the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed [November 2 {as well as on the Sunday preceding or following, and on All Saints' Day}] piously visit a church. In visiting the church it is required that one Our Father and the Creed be recited.

To acquire a plenary indulgence it is necessary also to fulfill the following three conditions: sacramental Confession, Eucharistic communion, and prayer for the intention of the Holy Father. The three conditions may be fulfilled several days before or after the performance of the visit; it is, however, fitting that communion be received and the prayer for the intention of the Holy Father be said on the same day as the visit.

## *Catechism of the Catholic Church*

### **III. I Believe in Life Everlasting**

#### **V. The Last Judgment**

1038 The resurrection of all the dead, "of both the just and the unjust," will precede the Last Judgment. This will be "the hour when all who are in the tombs will hear [the Son of man's] voice and come forth, those who have done good, to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil, to the resurrection of judgment." Then Christ will come "in his glory, and all the angels with him .... Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate them one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will place the sheep at his right hand, but the goats at the left.... and they will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

1039 In the presence of Christ, who is Truth itself, the truth of each man's relationship with God will be laid bare. The Last Judgment will reveal even to its furthest consequences the good each person has done or failed to do during his earthly life:

All that the wicked do is recorded, and they do not know. When "our God comes, he does not keep silence." . . . he will turn towards those at his left hand: . . . "I placed my poor little ones on earth for you. I as their head was seated in heaven at the right hand of my Father - but on earth my members were suffering, my members on earth were in need. If you gave anything to my members, what you gave would reach their Head. Would that you had known that my little ones were in need when I placed them on earth for you and appointed them your stewards to bring your good works into my treasury. But you have placed nothing in their hands; therefore you have found nothing in my presence."

## **EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP**

### *Recognize God in your Everyday Moments*

#### **In Our Midst**

One day my son came downstairs in our house and went into the kitchen to get himself a bowl of cereal. He had no idea I was in the front room quietly reading something on my smartphone. He poured his milk and reached to grab a spoon. At that moment, I simply said, "Hello." Startled, he jumped back from the silverware drawer and let out a scream. He would tell this story differently, but it certainly was a scream. He clutched his chest as if he had just seen a ghost. All I wanted to do was say hello.

We have all been startled by someone when we thought we were all alone. Sometimes that person in our midst was simply quiet and hidden from our view. Other times, we simply have our head and mind in the clouds to the point we are ignoring the fact we are not alone.

At times that person we don't see is Jesus. He might seem quieter some days, but he should never be hidden from our view. He is always there with us, in others, and sharing our everyday moments. When we fail to see him in our midst, it is easy to act in ways we wouldn't if we saw him directly in front of us. We become less giving and more self-centered. No one wants to be surprised one day when suddenly they realize they were not alone, especially if the one who startles us is our God.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS





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- Click on Register (lower right of page)
- Enter Parish Access Code: **84PVM3**
- Enter your email and create a password

**READ:** *History of the Catholic Church: From the Apostolic Age to the Third Millennium* by James Hitchcock

The Catholic Church is the longest-enduring institution in the world. Beginning with the first Christians and continuing in our present day, the Church has been planted in every nation on earth.

The Catholic Church claims Jesus Christ himself as her founder, and in spite of heresy from within and hostility from without, she remains in the twenty-first century the steadfast guardian of belief in his Life, Death, and Resurrection. The teachings and redemptive works of Jesus as told in the Gospels are expressed by the Church in a coherent and consistent body of doctrine, the likes of which cannot be found in any other Christian body.

The history of the Catholic Church is long, complicated, and fascinating, and in this book it is expertly and ably told by historian James Hitchcock. As in the parable of Christ about the weeds that were sown in a field of wheat, evil and good have grown together in the Church from the start, as Hitchcock honestly records. He brings before us the many characters—some noble, some notorious—who have left an indelible mark on the Church, while never losing sight of the saints, who have given living testimony to the salvific power of Christ in every age.

This ambitious work is comprehensive in its scope and incisive in its understanding, a valuable addition to any school or home library.

## SAINTS THIS WEEK



**Saint Leo the Great** Leo I, was Bishop of Rome from 29 September 440 until his death. Pope Benedict XVI said that Leo's papacy "was undoubtedly one of the most important in the Church's history. He is Doctor of the Church, most re-

membered theologically for issuing the Tome of Leo, a document which was a major foundation to the debates of the Ecumenical Council of Chalcedon.

### Saint Martin of Tours

Martin of Tours was the third bishop of Tours. He has become one of the most familiar and recognizable Christian saints in Western tradition. He



converted to Christianity at a young age. He served in the Roman cavalry in Gaul, but left military service at some point when he became a disciple of Hilary of Poitiers, establishing the monastery at Ligugé. He was consecrated as Bishop of Caesarodunum in 371. As bishop, he was active in the suppression of the remnants of Gallo-Roman religion.



**Saint Josaphat** St. Josaphat was born John Kuncevic about 1580. When John was just a child, his mother explained the icons in church. Years later he told a friend that he felt a spark of fire leave the wounded side of the Crucified and enter his own heart, which was filled with joy.

## KIDS CORNER

# GROWING WITH THE *Gospel* CYCLE A



## COLOR

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



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