

ST. ELIZABETH CATHOLIC CHURCH

Mass intentions for Nov. 7, 2021 32nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

Saturday, 5 p.m. —

† deceased of Palmieri family
By: Lisa Palmieri

Sunday, 9 a.m. —

† John Hathaway
By: Carolyn Hathaway

Wednesday, noon —

† deceased of Bartus family
By: George & Thea Bratton

32nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

1 Kings 17:10-16 — During a drought, Elijah asked a widow for bread and water. She had little to eat but shared what she had, and Elijah told her that her flour and oil would not run out until the rain returned.

Psalms 146:7-10 — Praise the Lord, my soul.

Hebrews 9:24-28 — Jesus entered heaven after taking away sin by his sacrifice. He will appear a second time, “not to take away sin but to bring salvation to those who eagerly await him.”

Mark 12:38-44 — Jesus observed a poor widow make a small contribution to the treasury. He said she had given more than all the other contributors because they gave from their surplus and she contributed “all that she had, her whole livelihood.”

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In-person Offertory for Oct. 31, 2021

Regular \$2,547	Development, \$2,000
Needy, \$20	Backpack Buddies, \$25
Misc., \$35	Catholic Schools, \$100

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Psalm 146:7-10
Hebrews 9:24-28
Mark 12:38-44



THE WIDOW & THE COLLECTION

Jewish people have always been very generous to the poor. In the time of Jesus, collection boxes outside the Temple were containers with large horns, like old-fashioned phonographs. Proceeds from these boxes, called “Trumpets,” helped provide food and other assistance. The custom was to drop money in each as an offering to God. One elderly woman put in a few shekels, a trifling amount. Jesus cites her example to the apostles. The widow’s offering may be small, but it is all that she has. Christ contrasts it with the larger donations given by the rich. Their gifts are small compared to their wealth.

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Weekly readings

Monday

Wisdom 1:1-7
Luke 17:1-6

Tuesday

Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12
1 Corinthians 3:9c-11, 16-17
John 2:13-22

Wednesday

St. Leo the Great
Wisdom 6:1-11
Luke 17:11-19

Thursday

St. Martin of Tours
Wisdom 7:22b—8:1
Luke 17:20-25

Friday

St. Josaphat
Wisdom 13:1-9
Luke 17:26-37

Saturday

St. Frances Xavier Cabrini
Wisdom 18:14-16;
19:6-9
Luke 18:1-8

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Daniel 12:1-3
Psalm 16:5, 8-11
Hebrews 10:11-14, 18
Mark 13:24-32



Gestures at Mass

Active participation in the Mass includes many postures and gestures of prayer.



Standing is a sign of respect and honor as well of vigilance and action. It is the respect of the servant in attendance, of the soldier on duty. It is also the stance of those who are risen with Christ and seek the things that are above

Kneeling signifies humble adoration, rest and quietness in worship. It is also a sign of penitence for our sins.



Sitting is the posture of attentive listening and meditation, like the open-hearted receptiveness of Mary, who sat at the feet of Jesus to hear his words.



Genuflecting is how we express our faith in the real presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

Bowing is also a gesture of reverence. We recognize the altar as a symbol of Christ when we bow to it as we pass in front of it. In the Creed, we bow at the words “by the power of the Holy Spirit he was born of the Virgin Mary and became man.” We also bow as we are about to receive communion.



The **sign of the cross** reminds us of our baptism and our commitment to Jesus. It is also a sign of our worship of the triune God—the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Before the Gospel is read, we trace (with our right thumb) a small cross on our foreheads, lips and heart, praying to proclaim the Gospel message in thought, word and deed.



Striking of breast during the Confiteor (“I confess to almighty God and to you my brothers and sisters...”) expresses sorrow and contrition before God.

—From the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and Scott Hahn’s *Signs of Life*

Saintly Wisdom

“If you want God to hear your prayers, hear the voice of the poor. If you wish God to anticipate your wants, provide those of the needy without waiting for them to ask you.”
— St. Thomas of Villanova —

Parish Life

Veterans Day — On Veterans Day this Thursday, let us remember with gratitude the many sacrifices the veterans and those in active military service make on behalf of all of us. Thank you, veterans!

Vocations Week — This week is National Vocation Awareness Week. Please pray for those who may be discerning a vocation as a priest or a religious.

Aluminum Can Bin — The Knights of Columbus remind parishioners to deposit aluminum cans in the bin behind the rectory garage. Money raised from the can collection benefits the seminarian the Knights are sponsoring.

New Parishioners — Are you a new parishioner? If you are, we welcome you and ask that you fill out a registration form, which can be found in the vestibule. Forms may be returned in the weekend collection. Thank you!

Communion Visits — If you or a loved one is hospitalized, in a nursing home or at home because of an illness, you may ask that communion be brought to you by calling John Tolejko (543-4089) or Barbara White (895-5150). For a hospital visit from Fr. Dennis, please call 518-1166. (Hospitals do not notify a hospital patient’s pastor because of the Privacy Act.)

Mailings to Church — Any donations or other communication to be mailed to the church should be mailed to the post office box:

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