

society of African Missions

"The Mission"

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Mass Schedule

Sundays 10:00 am; 12 noon Weekdays & Holy Days

11:45 am

Christmas & New Year's Day

10:00 am; 12 noon

Confessions Saturdays:

After 11:45am Mass.

Or by appointment. Contact Fr. Frank Wright

201-567-0450 Ext 225/231

Bereavement & Visit to the Sick

Contact Fr. Frank Wight 201-450-6586

Perpetual Mass Association

Office open Monday-Friday from 9:30am to 3:00pm

S.M.A. Vocation Office

Fr Dermot Roache, SMA Director

201-256-0450 Ext. 253

Fr. Eliecer Sandoval, SMA 551-449-4357

S.M.A. Museum

Open Monday-Sunday from 9:00am –5:00pm

Sunday Collection: \$1,025.

Thank you for your support. Please remember to support your local parishes.

Administration:

Fr Ranees A. Rayappan, Provincial Superior Fr Frank Wright, House Superior

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Masses for the week of NOVEMBER 13, 2022 - NOVEMBER 19, 2022

Date	Time	Intention	Requested by:
SunSat.	8:00	Liv & Dec Benefactors of the SMA	
Sun. Nov. 13	10:00	Benedict Walsh+	Breda Walsh
	12:00	Deceased Members of the Paas Family & Trinidad Aquino+	
Mon. Nov. 14	9:30	Augustine Elliott II+	
	11:45	Felix Labay+	Family
Tue. Nov. 15	9:30	John Melley (Liv.)	Vincent Pruzinsky
	11:45	Teresa & Ela Michalowska+	Richard & Lydia
Wed. Nov. 16	9:30	Joseph Elliott+	
	11:45	Jack Kenny+	Mac Kenny & Family
Thurs. Nov. 17	9:30	Donald Sabrusula+	Mary Ann Pruzinsky
	11:45	Mary Higgins+	Diane & Mike Bruno
Fri. Nov. 18	9:30	Catherine McQueeny Elliott+	
	11:45	Ruth Kane+	Marilyn & Rich
Sat. Nov. 19	9:30	Sam Gold+	Raymond Pruzinsky
	11:45	Connie Gabriel+	Richard & Lydia

HOLY HOUR — Saturday, November 19th at 8pm

Today's Readings: First Reading Malachi 3:19-20

Christ fulfils the promise of the prophet Malachi, who tells us that those who remain close to God will be rewarded for their faithfulness.

Second Reading 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12

St Paul invites the church at Thessalonica to imitate his example of humble service to others.

Gospel Luke 21:5-19

The saints and martyrs witness to the faithfulness of God to rescue their lives and protect them in adversity, even in death.

33rd week in Ordinary Time Reflection

A FUTURE TO LIVE FROM

No one has ever been able to explain to me WHY some folks, many of them even ministers of the Gospel in other churches, delight in outlining in great detail the natural and human disasters that will overwhelm the earth at the end of time. I don't get it! They revel in scaring the living daylights out of us. ... I'm puzzled because the end of time, the end of history, the culmination of all that has occurred, is Good News. We're WAITING for the Lord to come in his glory.

My brothers and sisters, what is at stake here is the future. As we Christians envision it, the future is not a blank canvas. And it certainly is NOT the daily disaster report. It is instead the full manifestation of the Kingdom of God. If we believe in the Good News, then we also believe in the "great reversal", the theme that appears again and again in Luke's Gospel. The coming of Jesus betokens a transformation of reality so great that we struggle to express what it might mean.

Think of it this way: God intends for the world to come to completion in Him. That's what we're celebrating next Sunday with the feast of Christ the King. All our talk about the end of the world is not something we have tacked on to our faith. (Oh yes, and now a word about the End!) We HAVE to talk about the end times if our vision of the future is not to be an empty hope. God's plan is like something pulling us into that future.

Now here's the rub! If Luke's great reversal, the total transformation in Jesus Christ, is what we hope for, then we have to live as if it is already here. We have to start living the future now. I ask you, who in his right mind is going to believe us, if we only talk the talk and don't walk the walk? Would you trust us?

If the "great reversal" so evident in Luke's Gospel is one of real peace, real justice, real compassion, real love, and real care for God's creation, then we have to act in the present as if the Kingdom of God is fully a reality now. We have to be peace builders, community builders, stewards of the earth, and bearers of Good News.

By Fr Frank Wright, SMA

MEMORIAL DONATION.- The Altar Bread and Wine are donated this week in memory of Ruth Kane by Marilyn and Rich.



SPECIAL REQUEST. -The Office of the Concern Food Pantry of Englewood is requesting Turkeys to support families this Thanksgiving. (201) 568-1465

PLEASE NOTE: WEEK DAYS.-Starting the first week of Advent, SMA will once again offer the daily 9:30 Mass.

MASS INTENTION BOOK: The 2023 book for announced Masses is open.

ALL SOULS.- The list with the names of our deceased loved ones will be placed in the main altar for the whole month of November.