

# 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Before all this happens, however, they will seize and persecute you, they will hand you over to the synagogues and to prisons, and they will have you led before kings and governors because of my name. It will lead to your giving testimony.



# **November 16, 2025**

#### **Mass Schedule**

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 12:10 PM Wednesday & Friday 6:30 AM Saturday: 4:00 PM

**Sunday:** 6:30 AM, 8:00 AM, & 10:00 AM

**Rosary Schedule** 

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 11:30 AM Wednesday & Friday 5:55 AM Saturday: 3:15 PM

**Sunday:** 5:55 AM, 7:15 AM, & 9:15 AM

Confession:

**Saturdays:** 3:00-3:45 PM or By appointment

Adoration

Mon: 8AM-5PM Wed: 7AM-7PM Fri:7AM-5PM

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#### Weekly Readings Mass Intentions Sunday: Saturday, November 15th-First Reading: Malachi 4: 1-2a 4:00 PM-Sheilah Resweber (D) / Tyler Cormier (L)(HBD) / Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 98: 5-M/M Adley Scrantz (D) / M/M Loney Hebert, Sr. (D) / Alberie & Inez Barras Second Reading: Second Thessa-(D) / Kenny Beaugh (D) / Joshua Hebert (D) / The Catholic Daughters / Ionians 3: 7-12 Jennifer Pillaro (D) / Dupre & Teresa Hebert (D) / Flo Hebert (D) / Alleluia: Luke 21: 28 Gospel: Luke 21: 5-19 Raymond Martin (D) / Lee & Ida Bergeron (D) / John Bourque (D) / Monday: Neva Young Veron (D) / Gloria Domingue (D) / George Trautman (D) / First Reading: First Maccabees Verlie & Walter Boudreaux (D) / Viola & Forest Blanchard (D) / 1: 10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63 Responsorial Psalm: Psalms Ray/Mable Brasseaux (D) / David/Marlene Arnaud (D) / John M. Verzwyvelt 119: 53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158 (D) / Mike Matthieu (D) / Peggy Adams (D) / Rebecca Walters (D) / Alleluia: John 8: 12 Gospel: Luke 18: 35-43 All Souls Remembrance Tuesday: First Reading: Second Macca-Sunday, November 16thbees 6: 18-31 6:30 AM-For the People Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 3: 2-3, 4-5, 6-7 8:00 AM-Joan Firmin (D) / Jeanne Bonin (D) / Dustin Wiltz/Ryan Guidry (D) / Alleluia: First John 4: 10b Gospel: Luke 19: 1-10 Leana Suire (D) / Dudley Fontenot (D) (HBD) / Nedia Ann Trahan (D) / Wednesday: Spiritual Healing (D) / Lillian Picard & Son (D) / All Souls Remembrance First Reading: Second Maccabees 7: 1, 20-31 10:00 AM-Jerry D. Guidry (D) / Louella / Buck Ransonet (D) / John B. Sonnier **Responsorial Psalm:** Psalms 17: 1bcd, 5-6, 8b and 15 Family (D) / Rayford Dominque (D) / Deanna Sonnier (D) / Alleluia: John 15: 16 Rosamaria Reyes-Silva (D) / J. L. & Claire Courville Raggio (D) / Flo Hebert (D) Gospel: Luke 19: 11-28 Thursday: (ANN) / Paul /Myrtle Breaux (D) / Poochie Frederick (D) / First Reading: First Maccabees M/M Harold Brashear (D) / Mr. Doyle Brashear (D) / Belinda Thibodeaux (L) / 2: 15-29 All Souls Remembrance Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 50: 1b -2, 5-6, 14-15 Monday, November 17th-Alleluia: Psalms 95: 8 Gospel: Luke 19: 41-44 12:10 PM-All Souls Remembrance Friday: First Reading: First Maccabees Tuesday, November 18th-4: 36-37, 52-59 12:10 PM-Michael O'Neil Mouton (D) / Lelia V. Thibodeaux (D) (ANN) / Responsorial Psalm: First Chronicles 29: 10bcd, 11abc, 11d-12a, All Souls Remembrance 12bcd Alleluia: John 10: 27 Wednesday, November 19th-Gospel: Luke 19: 45-48 6:30 AM-All Souls Remembrance Saturday: First Reading: First Maccabees Thursday, November 20th-Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 9: 2-3, 12:10 PM-Maurice Sonnier (D)(HBD) / Lorena "Ti-Moon" Guillot (D) / 4 and 6, 16 and 19 Clifton Guilbeau (D) / Amy B. Guilbeau (D) / All Souls Remembrance Alleluia: Second Timothy 1: 10 Gospel: Luke 20: 27-40 Friday, November 21st-**COLLECTION FOR 11/09/2025** 6:30 AM-Shepherd Lee (L)(HBD) / Gerald / Louella Savoy (D) / Barbara Ella "Bobbie" Cormier (D) / Sandra Trahan (L)(HBD) /

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Regular: 198

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All Souls Remembrance

#### Courage and Strength

It could be said that these are among the least consoling words that Jesus ever spoke. Imagine what His disciples would have thought upon hearing this. Some of them might have changed their minds about following Jesus and walked away. Why would anyone want to be seized and persecuted, or thrown into prison? Jesus even went on to say that "they will put some of you to death."

Though these words might not, at first, seem all that consoling, they were inspired words and, therefore, must be inspiring. By analogy, imagine an army general in charge of troops defending their families and homeland from hostile invaders. If that general were to say similar words to the troops, acknowledging that some of them would be captured and even killed, it would be a reality check for sure. But it would also inspire a certain courage and drive. In that moment, the soldiers would need courage to face the challenge that awaited them. Therefore, by being honest with them, the general would stir up their courage and strengthen their resolve to enter the battle.

We must hear Jesus' words today as His battle cry, spoken to encourage us. He is warning us that the secular and unchristian world will be hostile. The leader of the kingdom of darkness, the devil, is very active and, with his legion of demons and followers, is seeking to destroy us. For our part, we must decide whether we will retreat and hide, or enter the battle for the salvation of souls.

Though most of us will not endure physical martyrdom for our faith, it will happen to some. But for most of us, the persecution we will endure will be on a different level. We may be mocked or even hated for our refusal to accept immorality within the culture. We may be called hateful when we stand up for the dignity of the unborn child in danger of abortion. We may be deemed superstitious or old fashioned by remaining faithful to Sunday worship and daily prayer. And we may be thought of as out-of-touch or behind the times for refusing to embrace the latest popular fads and secular values. Sometimes this happens even within the family.

Instead of shying away from the various forms of persecution we may experience, we need to allow our Lord to stir up a courage within us that is fueled by love. We must deeply desire the salvation of every soul and remain certain that the only way to salvation is through fidelity to Christ.

When you are challenged by others or by the world, you must trust in Jesus' words. "I myself shall give you a wisdom in speaking that all your adversaries will be powerless to resist or refute." When we resist and refute the errors of our age, some people will become hostile. But if we remain faithful to our Lord and speak by His inspiration, then those who are hostile will be affected for the good. Because Jesus said that people will not be able to "resist or refute" the words He inspires us to say, we must know that our words can make a difference in the battle for souls. We must engage the battle with courage and love and rely upon our Lord to lead.

Reflect, today, upon the fact that we are all in a battle for the salvation of souls, beginning with our own. We cannot be passive bystanders. We must move forward with much courage and strength. We must trust in the guidance given to us by our Lord. We must be open to the words He will inspire us to speak when needed. Resolve to follow our Lord into this holy battle, and He will equip you with all you need to be victorious.

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR PRIESTS

We thank you, God our Father, for those who have responded to your call to priestly ministry. Accept this prayer we offer on their behalf; Fill your priests with the sure knowledge of your love. Open their hearts to the power and consolation of the Holy Spirit. Lead them to new depths of union with your Son. Increase in them profound faith in the Sacraments they celebrate as they nourish, strengthen and heal us.

Lord Jesus Christ, grant that these, your priests, may inspire us to strive for holiness by the power of their example, as men of prayer who ponder your word and follow your will.

O Mary, Mother of Christ and our mother, guard with your maternal care these chosen ones, so dear to the Heart of your Son. Intercede for our priests that, offering the Sacrifice of your Son, they may be conformed more each day to the image of your Son, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

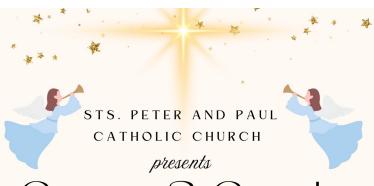
Amen.

Vocation Prayer

O God, we earnestly ask You to bless this diocese with many priests, brothers, and sisters who will love You with their whole strength and gladly spend their entire lives to serve Your Church and to make You known and loved. Bless our families, bless our children, choose from our homes those needed for Your work. Mary, Queen of the Clergy, pray for us, pray for our priests, religious, and deacons. Obtain for us many more. *Amen.* 

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	Broussard	Castaneda	Leblanc			
November 18th	Rev. Ken Broussard, JCL	Alex Coffey	Dcn. Joshuq Leblanc			
November 19th	Rev. Patrick	Haden	Dcn. Robert			
	Broussard	Coleman	Louis Leblanc			
November 20th	Rev. Paul	Joseph Corso,	Dcn. Eugene			
	Broussard	Jr.	Leboeuf			
November 21st	Rev. Msgr. Ronald Broussard	Sebastian Cramer	Dcn. Timothy Ledet			
November 22nd	Rev. Theodore	Charles	Dcn. Carlton			
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## Cocoa & Carols

Under the Oaks

Live Music
Jambalaya, Cocoa, and Cookies
Live Nativity

Please bring blankets & chairs.

DEC. 14TH | 5PM -7PM

1110 Spanish Trail, Scott LA

Weather Permitting

Malachi sets the mood for today's readings in a matter of seconds, warning that the day of judgment is coming, when the world will be reduced to stubble and God will show no mercy to the wicked. Paul reproves those in the Christian community in Thessalonika who have given up and grown lazy and disorderly. Jesus warns the people gathered in the temple that the day will come when all they see around them will be destroyed, but that God will protect those who persevere in the faith. Let us pray that we can truly welcome that day when God comes to rule the earth with justice.

#### Question of the Week:

What habits will I now adopt to make sure that I am ready always?

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for more information on
ACTS, upcoming retreat dates

& the applications to apply. The information can be found under ACTS.





An invitation to join other Catholic men that desire to be better husbands, fathers, friends, and authentic men of God - Join Us



The Sanctuary Candle this week is lit for:

All Souls Remembrance

The Adoration Candle this week is lit for:

Parishioners of SPPC

## Capital Campaign 2025 Raffle

We will be having a raffle in efforts to Praise money for our Capital Campaign.

Tickets are \$5 a piece or \$20 for 5 tickets.
\*LIMITED AMOUNT OF TICKETS\*

The winners will be pulled at Cocoa & Carols on December 14th.

#### Prizes:

**1<sup>st</sup>:** Virgin of Paris & Child Jesus statue brought back from Notre Dame de Paris Cathedral

**2<sup>nd</sup>:** Last Supper painting by Jacob LeBlanc (seminarian)

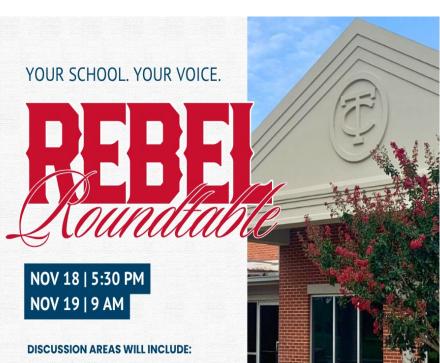
3rd: Bottle of bourbon

4<sup>th</sup>: Bust of Jesus

**5<sup>th</sup>:** \$500 cash



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- · Future facilities updates
- Potential land use for St. Genevieve Catholic School expansions
- · Community involvement opportunities

#### RSVP: tchs.net/rebelroundtable.cfm

Light refreshments will be served.

Teurlings Catholic High School invites you to our Rebel Roundtable, a feedback session designed for you to share ideas, ask questions, and help shape the future of TCHS. Sessions will be held on Tuesday, November 18 at 5:30 pm and Wednesday, November 19 at 9 am in the TCHS Library. Your school's future is stronger when you're part of the conversation.

We hope to see you there!



## The ACTS Retreat is having a fundraiser!

They are selling red beans and rice with fried fish plate lunches for \$12 each on

#### Sunday, November 23rd.

Pick up will be between 10 AM & 1 PM at the Scott Knights of Columbus's hall.

You can purchase tickets by **texting** or **calling**Glenn Harrington @ 337-962-1971

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### Prayer for Hurricane Season

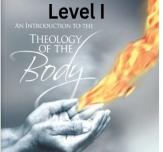
O God, Master of this passing world, hear the humble voices of your children. The Sea of Galilee obeyed Your order and returned to its former quietude. You are still the Master of land and sea. We live in the shadow of a danger over which we have no control; the Gulf, like a provoked and angry giant, can awake from its seeming lethargy, overstep its conventional boundaries, invade our land, and spread chaos and disaster.

During this hurricane season we turn to You, O loving Father. Spare us from past tragedies whose memories are still so vivid and whose wounds seem to refuse to heal with passing of time. O Virgin, Star of the Sea, Our beloved Mother, we ask you to plead with your Son on our behalf, so that spared from the calamities common to this area and animated with a true spirit of gratitude, we will walk in the footsteps of your Divine Son to reach the heavenly Jerusalem, where a stormless eternity awaits us.

Amer

## Theology of the Body







<u>Dates:</u> Oct. 30, Nov. 6, 13, 20
<u>Time:</u> 6:00pm - 8:00pm
Holy Cross Catholic Church Calais Center
415 Robley Dr. Lafayette, LA
Registration & workbook purchase at:
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# Are YOU a fan of "The CHOSEN"?

Join us as we watch season 5 as a group and then discuss each episode together! Meetings are Sunday evenings at the CCD hall and go from 5:30-7 PM on the following dates:

November 23rd December 7th

December 21st January 4, 2026

EVERYONE is welcome and feel free to invite anyone else who would like to join us!

Hope to see you there!

#### St. Gertrude the Great

Saint Gertrude the Great is the only female saint to be given the title "the Great," which Pope Benedict XIV bestowed on her in the mid-eighteenth century as a way of highlighting her extraordinary contribution to mystical theology. Nothing is known about Gertrude's early childhood or family origin, other than that she was born in Eisleben, Thuringia, in the Holy Roman Empire, modern-day Germany. At the age of five, she was entrusted to the Monastery of Saint Mary in the neighboring town of Helfta, which was later moved to Hackeborn property. Why she entered the convent at such a young age is not known. Most likely, either her parents offered their daughter to God in this then-customary way, or Gertrude might have been an orphan.

When little Gertrude entered the convent, the abbess was of the same name, Gertrude of Hackeborn (now Blessed Gertrude of Hackeborn). Abbess Gertrude was an outstanding woman who governed the monastery for forty-one years, helping it to flourish and produce much good fruit. It is often called "the crown of German convents." She was exceptionally devout and saw to it that the sisters regularly contemplated the boundless love of Christ, were serious about their souls' journey toward divine union, had a profound love for the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and manifested a deep devotion to the Most Holy Eucharist. Daily life at the monastery consisted of singing, praying the Divine Office, celebrating the Mass, and studying Scripture and the Church Fathers. In addition, the sisters engaged in ascetical practices, manual labor, community life, and menial daily duties. When little Gertrude entered the convent, Abbess Gertrude was around twenty-nine years old. Also in the convent was the abbess's younger sister, Matilda of Hackeborn (now Saint Matilda), who was about twenty, and to whose care the five-year-old Gertrude was entrusted. Sister Matilda went on to become her dearest friend and spiritual mentor. Sister Matilda had been at the convent since she was very young, and she quickly grew in sanctity and virtue, eventually probing the highest heights of holiness. This had a profound impact upon the community and drew the other sisters into deeper prayer. After young Gertrude had been at the convent for about ten or fifteen years, Sister Matilda began to have visions of Christ, the Blessed Virgin Mary, angels, and saints in which she became intimately aware of the finest and most splendid details of their lives, especially the life and Passion of Christ and the life of the Blessed Mother. She also was infused with profound knowledge and insights into the mysteries of our faith, such as the Sacraments, virtues, and the end of time. Finally, she was the recipient of many beautiful prayers. Unbeknownst to her, her sisters, under the direction of Abbess Gertrude, began to write down everything Sister Matilda experienced and received.

Around the same time, another Matilda—of Magdeburg—moved into the convent in Hackeborn at the age of sixty-five. Matilda of Magdeburg had lived a solitary life of prayer and charity and was also a mystic. At the age of twelve she had her first vision, a vision of the Holy Spirit, and later began writing these visions down. By the time she moved into the convent in Hackeborn, she had written six volumes. At Hackeborn she completed her seventh book, The Flowing Light of Divinity. This bigger picture of life at the Monastery of Saint Mary paints the background for Saint Gertrude the Great, whom we honor today. Sister Gertrude was blessed with a holy and disciplined mother abbess. Her mentor and dear friend, Sister Matilda of Hackeborn, was a mystic. When the aged Matilda of Magdeburg moved into the convent (most likely not taking formal vows), she was in the presence of another mystic. What could she do but become a mystic herself? The problem was that up until that point, Sister Gertrude had not yet fully given herself to Christ. She was an excellent student with a strong desire to study all the sciences and other subjects of that time. She excelled in literature, music, and art. She prayed and was also strong-willed and determined in all she did. However, as she aged, she began to see the futility of the things of this world and grieved over her lukewarmness.

In January 1281, when Sister Gertrude was twenty-five years old, she had her first mystical vision. Jesus, in the form of a most beautiful young man about sixteen years old, appeared to her saying, "Your salvation is at hand; why are you consumed with grief?...I will save you, I will deliver you; fear not." After that, the youthful Jesus placed His hand on her to ratify His promise. Jesus then said to her, "You have licked the dust with My enemies, and you have sucked honey amidst thorns; but return now to Me—I will receive you, and inebriate you with the torrent of My celestial delights." She then saw a thorny hedge that divided her and Jesus, representing her many sins, and she saw Jesus stretch out His hand, which bore the marks of the nails but communicated to her His promise to draw her to Himself. Of this encounter she later wrote: By these and other illuminations, You did enlighten and soften my mind, detaching me powerfully, by an interior unction, from an inordinate love of literature and from all my vanities. I only despised those things which had formerly pleased me; and all that was not You, O God of my heart, appeared vile to me. You alone were pleasing to my soul. And I praise, bless, adore, and thank from my inmost soul, as far as I am able, but not as far as I ought, Your wise mercy and Your merciful wisdom. You, my Creator and Redeemer, did endeavor in so loving a manner to submit my unconquerable self-opinionatedness to the sweetness of Your yoke, composing a beverage suitable to my temperament.

For the next twenty-one years, Sister Gertrude lived a life of ongoing mystical prayer, especially during the Divine Office and the Holy Mass. She began to have regular visions and received spiritual knowledge, writing much of it down. She turned from interest in the vain things of this world to the exclusive contemplation of God and experience of mystical prayer, aided by her study of Scripture and the Fathers of the Church.

The legacy of Saint Gertrude the Great is one of the most important ones from the thirteenth-century mystics. During her final twenty-one years of life, she entered into deep union with God and shared those experiences in numerous writings, some of which have been lost. Her most important surviving work is The Herald of Divine Love, consisting of five chapters, the second of which she herself wrote and the rest which were written by other nuns, recording her life, spiritual experiences, and insights as she related them. Her book, Spiritual Exercises, a compilation of prayers, meditations, and spiritual practices, helps the reader grow in devotion, virtue, a love for the Eucharist, and devotion to the Sacred Heart, to which she was especially faithful. Saint Gertrude also learned from Jesus about the importance of praying for the poor souls in Purgatory. He gave her a prayer that we will use to conclude this reflection in honor of Jesus' command to her. Saint Gertrude was never formally canonized, and her writings were nearly lost until they were discovered centuries after her death. In the seventeenth century, she was honored by the Church and received an "equivalent" canonization. In the eighteenth century she was placed on the Universal Roman Calendar, and her prayers and revelations began to be more widely known. It might be that God especially wanted to use her to reveal His inner life to the Church today, many centuries after her death. Consider learning more about this mystic and her writings so that God can infuse you with some of the

same insights and grace He gave to her.

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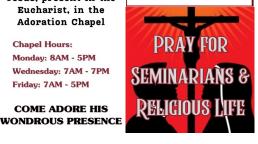


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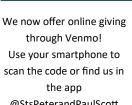
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