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Mass Schedule

Sunday	8:30am
Tuesday	8:30am
Thursday	8:30am
Friday	8:30am

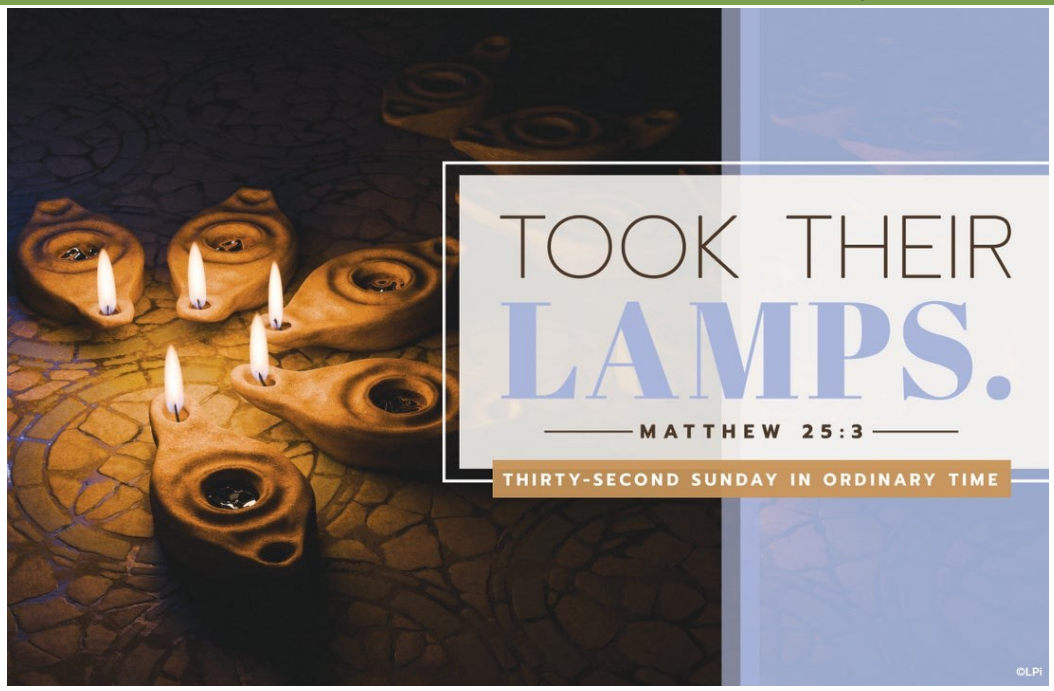
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Saturday 4pm at PC

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Rooted in the love of Christ, Saint Elizabeth Catholic church strives to be a welcoming community of prayer, faith, and compassionate service. Whether you are a parishioner or a visitor, we are blessed by your presence among us. In this sacred place, may all who enter encounter God's mercy, peace, and healing grace. We invite you to worship with us, grow in faith with us, and journey with us toward Christ. Please let us know how we may serve you. May God bless and keep you always.

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This week at Saint Elizabeth

Special Events & Liturgical Schedule

Tuesday, November 10

Holy Rosary	*8:00am at the PC*
Daily Mass	*8:30am at the PC*

Mass Intention for the Repose of the Soul of Marilyn Anderson

Thursday, November 12

Daily Mass	*8:00am at the PC*
Confessions	*9:05am at the PC*

Mass Intention for the Repose of the Soul of William Lubbers

Friday, November 13

Daily Mass	*8:30am at the PC*

Mass Intentions for Fong Summer

Saturday, November 14

Confessions	*2:30pm at the PC*
Holy Rosary	*3:30pm at the PC*
Vigil Mass	*4:00pm at the PC*

Mass Intention for the Repose of the Soul of Sandy Kortenber

Sunday, November 15

Holy Rosary	*8:00am*
The 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	*8:30am*

Mass Intention for the Repose of the Soul of William Lubbers

God's Blessings & Birthday Wishes to:

Joe McClung, Jr.-11/12

May you have many more!

Liturgical Ministries

Mass Ministers

Saturday, November 14

4:00pm Mass at the Parish Center

Lector: *Larry Stamps*

EMs: *see sign-up sheet*

Ushers: *Richard and Janice Boyes*

Altar Server: *TBD*

Sunday, November 15

8:30am Mass at the Church

Lector: *Cassian Heath*

EMs: *Rod McGuire, Sandy McClung, Mindy Godfrey*

Ushers: *Mike Godfrey, Michael Murphy*

Altar Server: *Leva Murphy*

Next Week:

Little Portion Bakery will be selling their DELICIOUS baked goods after both Saturday and Sunday Masses!



Pray for us...

Our Parishioners - Connie Blazek, Rob Breaux, Florence Giels, Barbara Witkowski, Virginia Jankowski & Barb McClung.

Our Friends and Family Members - Billy Metzer, Pamela Heinzel, Cate Bradshaw, Brenda Scheidly, Nora Hudspeth, Linda Gilmore, Patsy Case, Anthony Smith, Danny Schepp, Jimmy George, Candice George, Paula Tyndale-Faddrell, Brad Hill, Debbie Hill, Ron Davis, Nicole Devlin, Ron Horton, Crystal Norman, and Donna Braswell

Our Military - Nic Smith, Robby Bartos

Those who have died - Harry Hackenmueller and Loretta Metzger



Prayer for Troops

The following is an excerpt from a prayer for troops from the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. For more prayers from the U.S. bishops, visit their website.

Lord God, Almighty Father,
creator of mankind and author of peace,
as we are ever mindful of the cost paid for the liberty we possess,
we ask you to bless the members of our armed forces.
Give them courage, hope and strength.
May they ever experience your firm support, gentle love and compassionate healing.
Be their power and protector, leading them from darkness to light.
To you be all glory, honor and praise, now and forever.
Amen.

Veterans Day is November 11th

Stewardship

As a parish, we are financially dependent on your generous weekly contributions to pay our bills and keep the lights on and our doors open. So, as you plan for the weeks and months ahead, please remember your parish family in your prayer and in your financial planning.

The Sunday Collection for November 1, 2026: $4,514

Project Revive Campaign as of 10/22/26:

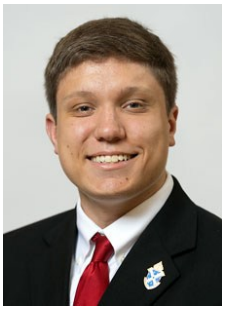
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	1:00-4:00	R & P McGuire
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Wed 11/11	10:00-4:00	CLOSED
Thurs 11/12	10:00-1:00	M & K Lubbers
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Fri 11/13	10:00-1:00	Mike Reed
	1:00-4:00	Mike Reed
Sat 11/14	10:00-1:00	Missy Leggett
	1:00-4:00	Missy Leggett
Sun 11/15	9:30-1:00	M & M Godfrey
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News from St. Cecilia's Corner

Sharon Parker, Director of Music Ministries

JOIN THE ST. ELIZABETH CHRISTMAS CHOIR

To prepare for the seasons of Advent and Christmas, rehearsals are on Thursday afternoons, beginning November 12th from 5 pm - 6:30 pm in the Parish Center Hall. Being able to read music is not important, but a love of praising God in song is! If you would like to sing for Advent/ Christmas, please join us!

CONCERT SUPPORTING OUR VETERANS

The Shiloh Singers of Springdale, AR will present a patriotic program: ***"Voices of a Nation", celebrating America's Story through Music, Service and Song!*** Your own Music Director Sharon Parker is a member of this unique choir and hopes to see you support our veterans and active military by attending! First United Methodist Church, Springdale, AR @ 7:00 pm, November 17, 2026.

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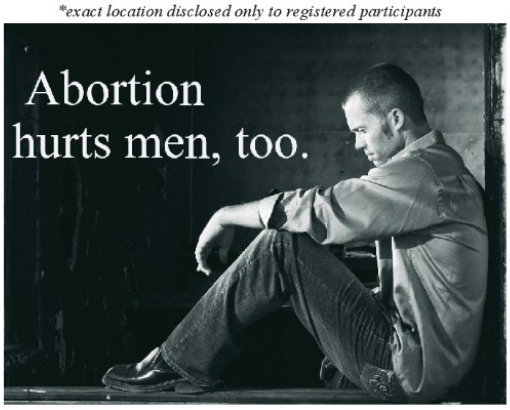
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Diocese of Little Rock Announcements

Men's Day of Prayer & Healing

Saturday November 21, 2026
9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Little Rock area*

**exact location disclosed only to registered participants*



silent men, forgotten fathers, failed relationships

Have you lost a child or grandchild to abortion?
Did you pay for an abortion? Were you her driver? Did you abandon her?
Did you have no say in the decision? Were you unable to protect your baby?
Did you marry a woman who had an abortion in her past and think it wouldn't affect your relationship?
Perhaps you're fine… Would you come help a brother who is still hurting?

God's love and mercy are limitless.

Find hope, help, and healing at this one-day retreat.

This retreat is outreach of Project Rachel, just for men. Call or text for more information: 501-663-0996.
All inquiries are confidential.

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Father Stephen Gadberry, pastor of St. Theresa Church in Little Rock, will celebrate the annual Veterans Day Mass at 9 a.m., Wednesday, Nov. 11 in the pavilion at the Little Rock National Cemetery at 2523 Springer Blvd., which is about one-half mile off of Roosevelt Road and I-30. All are invited to attend.

Because seating is limited, participants are encouraged to bring their own chairs. The Knights of Columbus color corps will present the colors, joined by members of the Lt. Colonel John Hennelly Post 1836 of the Catholic War Veterans and Auxiliary of the USA. Patriotic songs will be sung and taps will be played following the Mass.



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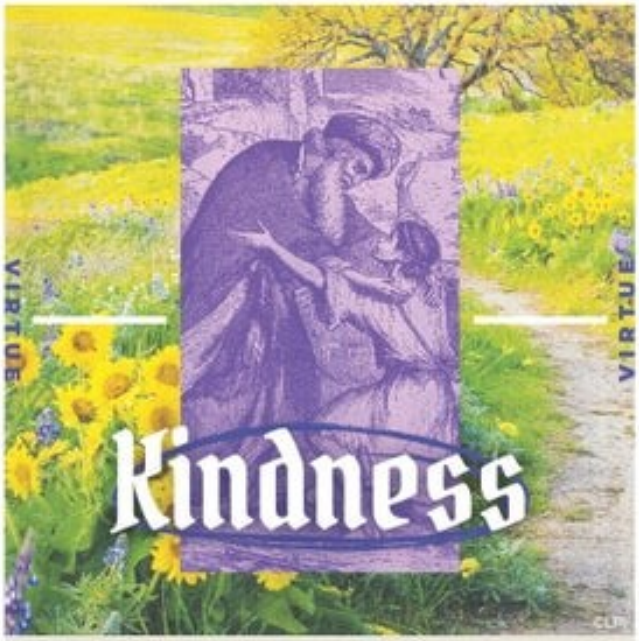
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Berryville AR, Public Square

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Weekly Scripture



Virtues, *Explained!*

In the modern lexicon, the quality of "kindness" is often equated with politeness — but real, virtuous kindness is so much more. Virtuous kindness is a way of seeing others through the eyes of God.

God is not polite — God is kind, and His kindness is abundantly evident in all of creation. It was suspicion of this divine kindness that precipitated the fall of Adam and Eve (CCC 214), and it was this unfailing kindness that facilitated our own adoption as God's children, conformed to the image of His son (CCC 257).

Also known as benevolence or beneficence and derived from the theological virtue of charity, kindness is a fruit of the Holy Spirit (Galatians 5:22) and is a central theme in the famous parable of the Good Samaritan. In practicing kindness and seeking the good of another without prejudice or condition, the Samaritan reflects God's own plan of loving kindness for us.

Sunday's Readings

First Reading

Resplendent and unfading is wisdom,
and she is readily perceived by those who love her,
and found by those who seek her. (Wis 6:12)

Psalm

My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God. (Ps 63)

Second Reading

For if we believe that Jesus died and rose,
so too will God, through Jesus,
bring with him those who have fallen asleep.
(1 Thes 4:14)

Gospel

"Therefore, stay awake,
for you know neither the day nor the hour."
(Mt 25:13)

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Live The Liturgy

Inspiration of the Week

The Christian life is a life of waiting, for the Bridegroom is long delayed. We can grow too comfortable in the waiting that we forget what it's all for. So let us look to our lamps and always remember — the waiting will not last forever.

Worship & Observances

Prayer – Blessing for Veterans

O God,
Bless the men and women who have stepped forward in the service of our country.
Protect them in Your mercy, care for their needs:
physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual.
Give them courage, strength, perseverance, and support.
Amen.

Readings for the Week of November 8, 2026

Sunday
Wis 6:12-16/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14/Mt 25:1-13

Monday
Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22

Tuesday
Ti 2:1-8, 11-14/Ps 37:3-4, 18 and 23, 27 and 29/Lk 17:7-10

Wednesday
Ti 3:1-7/Ps 23:1b-3a, 3bc-4, 5, 6/Lk 17:11-19

Thursday
Phlm 7-20/Ps 146:7, 8-9a, 9bc-10/Lk 17:20-25

Friday
2 Jn 4-9/Ps 119:1, 2, 10, 11, 17, 18/Lk 17:26-37

Saturday
3 Jn 5-8/Ps 112:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 18:1-8

Next Sunday
Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/
1 Thes 5:1-6/Mt 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21



Observances for the Week of November 8, 2026

Sunday
32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday
The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Tuesday
St. Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

Wednesday
St. Martin of Tours, Bishop; *Veterans Day*

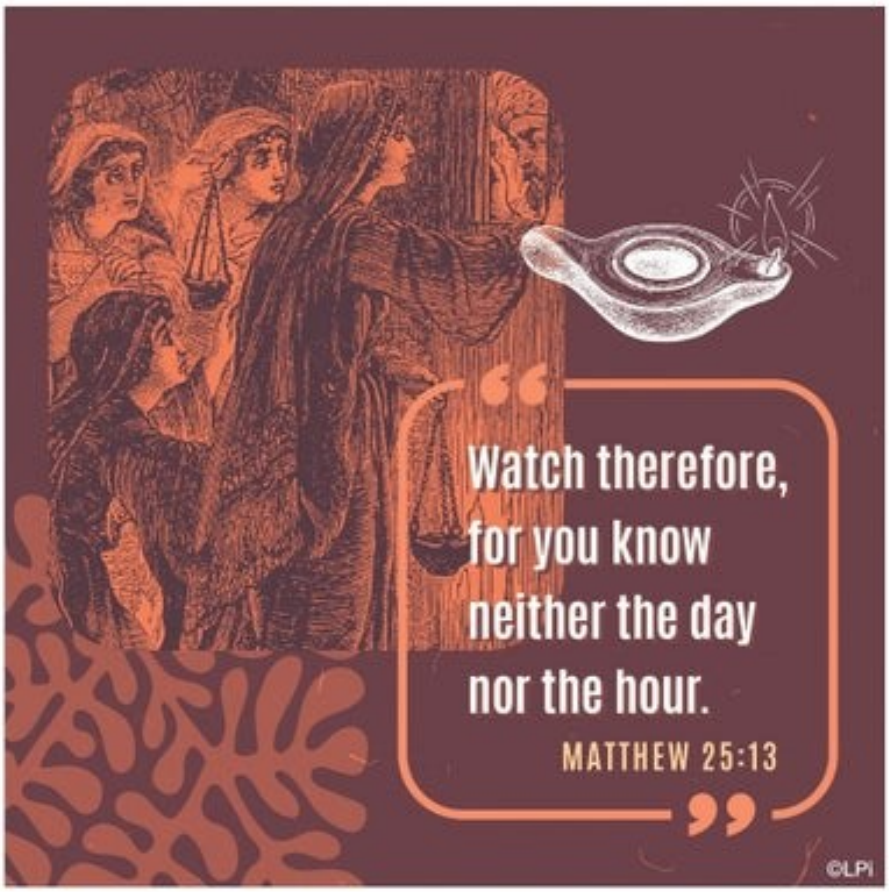
Thursday
St. Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr

Friday
St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin

Next Sunday
33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Gospel Meditation



Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Matthew 25:1-13

My first instinct upon waking is to grab my phone and start scrolling. Sometimes I do it for 20 or 30 minutes, and it makes me feel distracted and agitated. I feel guilty, too, for wasting my first moments of the day. So recently, I committed those minutes to reading a book that would focus my mind on Jesus. I enjoy the fact that I am not scattering my attention as much. I feel more peaceful and focused on God.

In today's Gospel, Jesus speaks about attention. He contrasts wise and foolish virgins, and then sums up the teaching by saying, "Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour" (Matthew 25:13). The basic currency of the human heart is attention. The foolish bridesmaids are not immoral or malicious; they are unfocused, distracted, and unprepared. They assume that borrowed oil will suffice, that someone else's readiness can make up for their own lack. But the attention which is love cannot be outsourced. A relationship with God requires personal attentiveness cultivated over time.

This Gospel leaves us with an honest question. What am I giving my attention to each day, and am I forming a heart that is awake, watchful, and ready to meet the Lord when He comes? How can I use key moments of my day to focus my attention where I need it to be?

— Father John R. Muir

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus shares the parable of the 10 virgins, counseling his followers to pay attention to their relationship with God and to remain ready for the coming of the kingdom.

Outside the Wedding Feast

Every time my husband tells me he needs to take our car in for an oil change, I groan: "Didn't we just do that, like, six months ago?"

"Yeah," he replies. "And like I told you six months ago, that's roughly how often it needs to be done."

If I didn't have him, I would forget to change that oil until the engine came to a grinding halt in the middle of the interstate. It's not that I'm incapable — I remember when we're about to run out of butter, when we need to scrub out the kitchen sink so it doesn't get nasty, when it's time to schedule the kids' annual doctor visits. I just don't even think about the oil.

Why would I? My husband's on top of it.

Our brains reflexively prioritize certain tasks, delegating the rest to the care of others we trust. I do it with the oil in the car. My husband does it with the groceries.

Sometimes — too often, in fact — we do it with our spiritual lives. We let it go. We don't think about it. We trust. *God's got us. We'll focus on that tomorrow.*

It's beautiful to have a relationship with God based in confidence, not in anxiety. But do we sometimes take this further than is healthy? In trusting that God loves us unconditionally, do we slip into the habit of de-prioritizing him? Do we linger too long outside the wedding feast, trimming our neglected lamps, forgetting that once the door closes, it also locks?

– Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman



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Liturgical Life



Why Do We Do That?

Catholic Life Explained

Question

Why do Catholics light candles in church?

Answer

Candles have been part of the Church's worship from the earliest times. In the days before electricity, candles and oil lamps were the ways that people lighted buildings. Even today, we often still depend on candles during power outages, relying on their flickering flames to bring light into the dark.

Like our ancestors, we also light candles on special occasions. Think about a festive family meal or a romantic dinner for two — there will often be candles on the table, special objects for a special event. We light candles on birthday cakes and carry them in processions. We also place candles at makeshift memorials that appear when there has been an accident or act of violence. In these moments, their light casts aside a different kind of darkness — the darkness of grief, fear, and death.

The custom of the early Christians lighting candles and lamps at the tombs of the martyrs gave way to the practice of having candles at Mass, honoring the sacredness of the celebration.

As Christians decorated their worship spaces with statues and icons, they would burn candles in front of sacred images and the relics of the saints, basically "shining a light" on what they held to be sacred. When pilgrims would visit these shrines, they would often bring candles to light before the image or relic. These candles came to be a symbol of the person, and their prayer and the burning these candles came to be understood as an extension and continuation of the prayer that was offered. What began as a practical way to provide light has come to be a symbol of the hopes, desires, loves, losses, fears, and faith of everyday Christians offering their prayers to God and his saints.

Catholic Trivia

What musical instrument is more commonly found inside churches than not?

Answer: The organ

"Then all those virgins got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish ones said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise ones replied, 'No, for there may not be enough for us and you. Go instead to the merchants and buy some for yourselves.'" - Mt 25:7-9

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"The bridegroom came and those who were ready went into the wedding feast with him. Then the door was locked. Afterwards the other virgins came and said, 'Lord, Lord, open the door for us!' But he said in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, I do not know you.'"
- Mt 25:10b-12

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Questions of the Week

Invite Parishioners to Reflect & Respond to Scripture

First Reading Question

According to our Jewish sage, wisdom is a virtue that desires to be known by those who seek her. How does anyone know they have found wisdom?

Second Reading Question

Paul offers hope in the bodily resurrection of the dead for the Thessalonians who are grieving the death of a loved one. How does your faith in Jesus sustain you in times of grief and distress?

Gospel Question

In the Parable of the Ten Virgins, Jesus teaches his disciples the importance of planning ahead for the unknown. Do you consider yourself a pre-planner?



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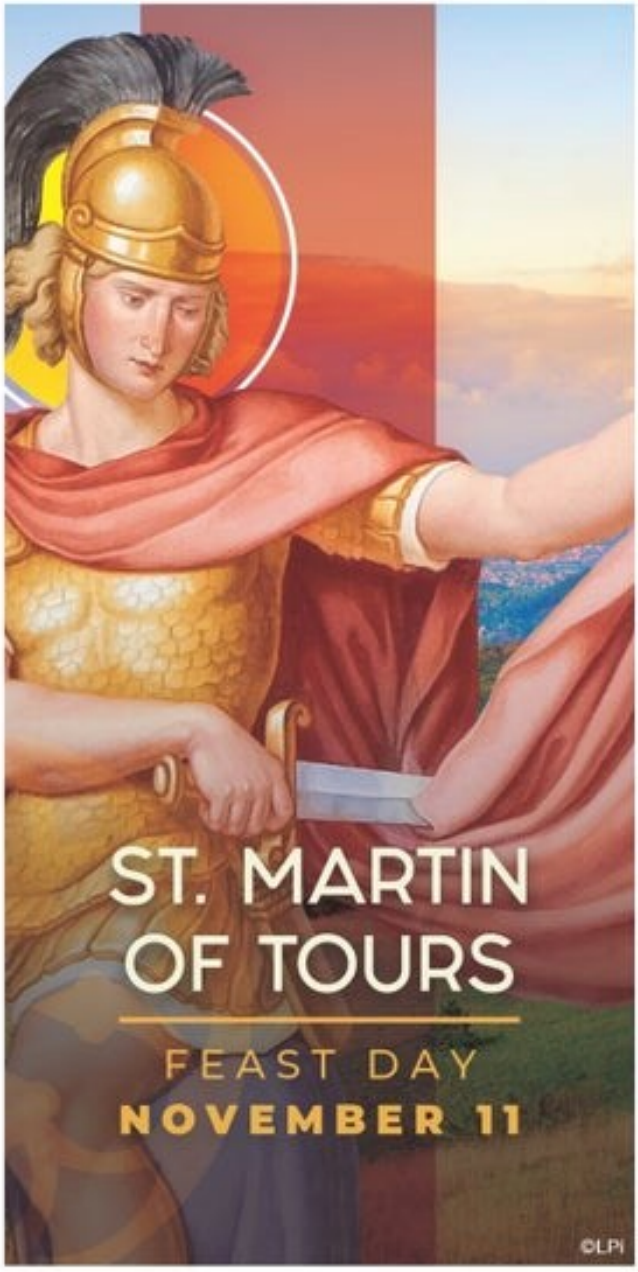
St. Martin of Tours

Pray for us!

St. Martin of Tours was born around 316 in what is now Hungary and raised in Italy. Forced into the Roman army at 15, he was already a catechumen. There is a popular legend that while on campaign, the saint cut his cloak in half to share with a cold beggar. That night, he dreamed of Jesus and his cloak was restored. Baptized at 18, St. Martin of Tours later left the army, saying he was a soldier of Christ.

He became a disciple of Hilary of Poitiers, opposed Arianism, and founded the first French monastery near Poitiers in 361. Reluctantly made Bishop of Tours in 371, he founded Marmoutier monastery and defended Church authority, opposing the emperor's execution of Priscillian's followers.

St. Martin of Tours died in Candes-Saint-Martin, Gaul, in 397. He is notably among the first saints who were not martyred. He is the patron saint of France.





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Kids Corner

Prayer

Lord, thank you for loving me and forgiving me.

Mission for the Week

I will show the way to God by sharing favorite Bible stories with others.

Sharing the Gospel

You do not know the day or hour when God will come for you. Be prepared with the flashlight of your soul. Love God with your whole mind, heart, and soul. Love your neighbor as yourself. When you follow these two commandments, it lights up your soul. When you forget to obey them, your light grows dim. Put a flashlight and extra batteries by your bed to show God that you are ready for him.

Now color the picture!

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Kids Corner

Circle the picture that is the **same** as the **first** one. Then color in all the pictures.