

**THIRTY – SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 7TH NOVEMBER
(Prisoners' Sunday)**

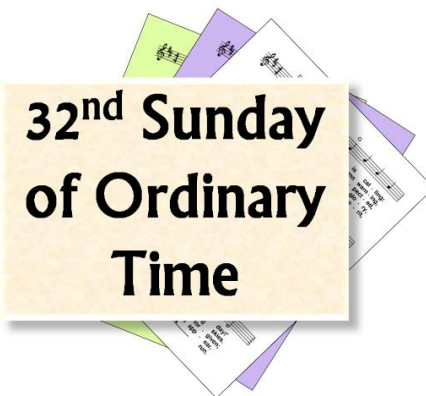
The selfless generosity of the two women in today's readings is but a sign of God's generosity in giving himself in his Son, Jesus Christ. We too are called to give all that we have and trust that God will look after us.

MASSES

Vigil Saturdays 6p.m. Sundays: 9a.m. & 11a.m.
Weekdays: Monday to Saturday 10 a.m.

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Feast days of the week in the month of November

Tuesday 9th The Church of St. John on the Lateran in Rome is 'Mother and Head of all the churches of the City and the World'. It is the cathedral church of the Bishop of Rome, and was called 'St. John' after the two monasteries once attached, dedicated to St. John the Divine and St. John the Baptist. It is however dedicated to the Most Holy Saviour.

Wednesday 10th Pope Leo I, also known as Leo the Great, 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 was a Roman aristocrat, and was the first pope to have been called "the Great".

Thursday 11th St. Martin of Tours was born in Hungary in 316, Bishop of Tours, apostle of rural Gaul. He was an officer in the Roman army. He converted to the Christian worship that was his deep belief from his childhood. During a night watch in Gaul, he met a beggar and gave him half of his coat that he cut with his sword. Patron of France, soldiers, beggars and inn-keepers.

Friday 12th St. Josaphat 1580-1623, was a Polish-Lithuanian monk. Worked for the reunion of Ukrainian Catholics, his murder by those who opposed it brought about many conversions.

Saturday 13th St. Frances Cabrini. In 35 years, despite many obstacles, St. Frances founded 67 institutions dedicated to caring for the poor, the Abandoned, the uneducated and the sick.

Deaths

We remember in our prayers Brendan Barry, Laurel Park, may he rest in peace. Our sympathies to his family, relatives, and neighbours.



SECOND COLLECTION

There will be a second collection this weekend (6th/ 7th November) to assist Trócaire to help lift the terrible human suffering and prevent loss of life now unfolding in the hunger crisis raging across East Africa. You can still make a massive difference by giving what you can now. Thank you so much for whatever compassion you can show.



Society of St. Vincent de Paul

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Greatly appreciates your continuing support.
October Collection €820.

Need help or wish to volunteer you may contact SVP at 021 – 427 0444

SVP Church Gate Collection is re-scheduled for next weekend 13th/14th November.

The Irish Suicide Bereavement Survey was launched on Tuesday 5th October. The aim of this survey is to examine the experiences of people who have been bereaved by suicide in Ireland. This survey will provide valuable information on the experiences of those who have been bereaved by suicide; the supports they found helpful; and if there are gaps or barriers to accessing these supports.

We are seeking to hear from a range of people who have experienced loss to suicide. This includes people close to the person such as friends and family, as well as other people who were affected by the death such as emergency service staff, professionals caring for the person, a passer-by who witnessed the death, neighbours or other members of the community. You must be 18 years or over and living in Ireland to participate. You can find out more and access the survey at www.hugg.ie



**Keep safe our health care workers and all who serve society,
At home and abroad.**

We ask this through Christ our Lord.....*Amen*

Prayer to Saint Joseph

**God, heavenly Father, grant us the fortitude of Christ your Son to face the
Covid-19 crisis with thrust, patience and compassion.**

**Give us the grace of the Holy Spirit to free us from fear and look forward
together to the future with healing and hope.**

**Through the intercession of Saint Joseph, the guardian of Jesus, and Mary his
mother and mother of the Church,**

May we be guided through this time of peril?

Preserve us in peace; heal the sick; protect the vulnerable;

The Elephant Rope (Belief)

A man was walking through an elephant camp, and he spotted that the elephants weren't being kept in cages or held by the use of chains. All that was restraining them from escaping the camp, was a small piece of rope tied to one of their legs.

As the man gazed upon the elephants, he was completely confused as to why the elephants didn't just use their strength to break the rope and escape the camp. They could easily have done so, but instead, they didn't try to at all. Curious and wanting to know the answer, he asked a trainer nearby why the elephants were just standing there and never tried to escape.

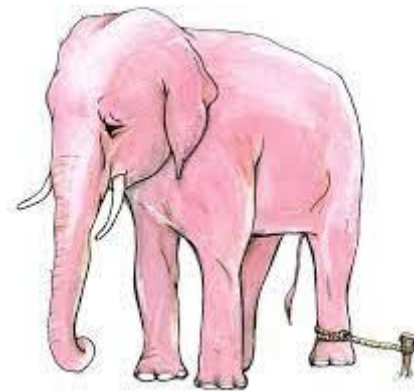
The trainer replied; "when they are very young and much smaller we use the same size rope to tie them and, at that age, it's enough to hold them. As they grow up, they are conditioned to believe they cannot break away. They believe the rope can still hold them, so they never try to break free." The only reason that the elephants weren't breaking free and escaping from the camp was that over time they adopted the belief that it just wasn't possible.

Moral of the story:

No matter how much the world tries to hold you back, always continue with the belief that what you want to achieve is possible.

Believing you can become successful is the most important step in actually achieving it.

"Moses," the bird replied. "Who the heck would name a bird Moses?" the man laughed. "I dunno," Moses answered, "I guess the same kind of people that would name a Rottweiler Jesus."



A burglar breaks into a house. He starts shining his light around looking for valuables. Some nice things catch his eye, and as he reaches for them, he hears, "Jesus is watching you." Startled, the burglar looks for the speaker. Seeing no one, he keeps putting things in his bag, again, he hears, "Jesus is watching you." This time, he sees a parrot. "Who are you?" the burglar asks.

