

# THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

NOVEMBER 11, 2018

This poor widow put in  
more than all the other  
contributors to the treasury.

Mark 12:43



## St. Cyril of Jerusalem

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### *From the Desk of Father Mac,*

Our readings today show us two ways of being generous: the way of the scribes, and the way of the widow. The scribes considered themselves superior because they gave more time, talent, and treasure to the Temple than anyone else. But they were forgetting that all those external things were actually gifts God had given them in the first place.

What God truly wants from us is something deeper: he wants our love and our trust. This is what the poor widow gave to him. The widow's gift wasn't much, two small coins worth a few cents, but it was all she could give. She didn't just share some of her abundance; she handed over to God all of her wealth. The scribes thought they were doing God a favor by serving him; the widow understood that God was the one doing the favors. That's the kind of generosity God wants to see flourish in each one of us: the generosity by which we give to God not just our stuff, but our heart. We should give out of love, not obligation.

I don't know the individual financial circumstances of our parish families but I realize not everyone has the same material resources, so we can't all afford to make the same commitment. When deciding how much to give to St. Cyril's through your weekly sacrificial offering or the amount to pledge to our **Called to Renew** Capital Campaign, I ask not for an "equal gift" but an "equal sacrifice."

What does "equal sacrifice" mean? First, give according to your means. Practically speaking, each person is in a different stage of life and may be in a different place financially. This is why the Bible never calls us all to give the same amount but to give according to what we have. So the question is, am I giving according to my means? Does the size of my gift reflect what I have?

Second, like the widow, we should consider giving until it hurts. C.S. Lewis once stated, "I am afraid the only safe rule is to give more than we can spare. In other words, if our expenditure on comforts, luxuries, amusements, etc., is up to the standard common among those with the same income as our own, we are probably giving away too little." Honestly, one of the only ways that we can truly know that our giving is a sacrifice is to give more than we can spare. Only then do we know that we have truly sacrificed.

Third, we give as a response to what God has given us. 2 Corinthians 8:9 states, "For you know the gracious act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that for your sake he became poor although he was rich, so that by his poverty you might become rich." Our motivation to give is based on what Jesus has given us. When we forget this, it's easy for our giving to slip into habit or duty. When this happens, our giving will look more like "sufficient" giving rather than "sacrificial" giving. When we open our hands to give, we remember that God opened heaven and gave us his only Son.

YOURS IN CHRIST,  
REV. EBEN MACDONALD, PASTOR



**BIBLE STUDY AT SAINT CYRIL'S** Classes will meet on Tuesdays, November 6th, 13th & 27th, at 7 pm. December dates will be announced. Please meet in the Parish Bungalow. Call the office of Religious Education for further information.

**THE FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE** will have its final meeting for this season on **Monday, December 10th at the iconic TAMO'SHANTER restaurant in Hollywood, located at 2980 LOS FELIZ BLVD.** Space is limited and reservations will go quickly. If you would like to join us for this special holiday celebration, please call **Pat Kane as soon as possible for more details. 818-784-4414.** We will return to our regular Monday routine in the New Year. Watch the bulletin for details



**CANDLELIGHT ROSARY AND PRAYER GROUP** will meet **Monday, November 12th, 19th and 26th at 7pm**, in front of the blessed Mother's altar on the west side of the church. Come and begin to prepare your heart for the joyful season of Advent. For more information, please call the Parish office.



### **THE CHURCH DEDICATES THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER TO THE HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY.**

During this month, we pray for the souls of the faithful departed. Those in purgatory cannot pray for themselves. They rely entirely on others to pray and make sacrifices on their behalf. As they are nevertheless part of the Communion of Saints, they depend upon us to help ease their suffering and quickly advance them through their purification so that they can join the saints in heaven. Prayers for the faithful departed are pleasing to God, who makes use of our prayers to help purify these souls that He loves. It is an act of charity that we can give for those we have known and loved, for our ancestors who gave us life, and for those souls whose memory is lost and for those we have no one else to pray for them.

A PRAYER OFFERED BY POPE FRANCIS  
FOR THE SOULS OF  
THE FAITHFUL  
DEPARTED.

**We entrust to you, O Lord, the souls of our beloved dead. May none of them be afraid to meet you, after their earthly pilgrimage, but may they always hope to be welcomed in the embrace of your infinite mercy.**

**Lord, may no earthly thing ever separate us from You. But may everyone and everything support us with a burning desire to rest peacefully and eternally in You.**

**Amen**

**SAFEGUARDING THE CHILDREN**

SCOPE OUT YOUR SURROUNDINGS WHILE CHILDREN PLAY



Parks are great places for children to play freely, test limits, and make new friends. But because they're such popular play zones, that makes them attractive spots for predators. Parents can take concrete steps to ensure their children's safety when they go to local parks and playgrounds. Take note of the people around you – especially adults who are alone in the area, on the playground or in nearby cars. Notice the families nearby and keep track of who is playing with your child. Paying attention to your surroundings can help you more fully enjoy your time with your children, all while keeping them safe. For a copy of the complete article on Safe Play Environments, please contact us.

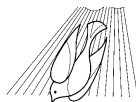
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**FULLY RELY ON GOD (FROGS)**, our 'little church' program for ages 4-7, will **meet Sunday, November 18th** during the 10 am Mass. Please watch the bulletin for upcoming dates.



**THE DOWN BRIDGE CLUB OF SAINT CYRIL'S** is a branch from the original 1960's organization. We meet every Thursday, from 12:15-3:00 pm in the Msgr. Cyril Navin Parish Hall. New players are very welcome, regardless of experience level. You can expect a lot of fun and great exercise for those brain cells. If you would like more information, please call Mary Kane, 818 -789-1519.

**CONFIRMATION & YOUTH MINISTRY** will have their next *Community Day* on Sunday, November 18th. Please meet at 9:45 in the Parish Bungalow. This event is open to all youth registered for the program. For more details, please call 424-372-7977.



**A SINCERE THANK YOU TO ALL WHO ATTENDED LAST WEEK'S CAMPAIGN RECEPTION AND A SPECIAL APPRECIATION TO THOSE WHO ANSWERED THE CALL TO RENEW.**

**CALLED TO RENEW CAMPAIGN UPDATE**

**AS OF NOVEMBER 4TH, 2018**

PARISH GOAL	\$ 1,000,000	100% OF GOAL
AMOUNT PLEDGED	\$ 765,610	76.% OF GOAL
AMOUNT UNDER GOAL	(\$-234,390)	- 23% OF GOAL

**Mass Intentions**

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10TH**

4:00 pm - People the Parish & the Novena for the Faithful Departed

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11TH**

8:00 am - Nelson Bowman, *RIP*  
 10:00 am - Carmine Marinelli, *RIP*  
 12:00 pm - All fallen Veterans of US Armed Forces & Law Enforcement Officers, *RIP*

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 12TH**

7:30 am - Kathy Mac Miller & Linda Balderas *RIP*

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13TH**

7:30 am - Severino Boncaras, *RIP*

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14TH**

7:30 am - Aranyan Family, *SPEC. INT.*

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15TH**

7:30 am - Victims of Clergy Abuse, *SPEC. INT.*

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16ND**

7:30 am - Sofia Safarcy, *SPEC. INT.*

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17RD**

7:30 am - Michelle & Jose Perez, *SPEC. INT.*

**ST CYRIL OF JERUSALEM PARISH STEWARDSHIP**  
 November 4th 2018

*"I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury. For they all contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, her whole living." (MARK 12:43-44)*

Envelopes (Egive incl.)	\$ 7,236.00
Loose cash	\$ 1804.00
Total	\$ 9,793.00

Our Weekly offering Goal is \$12,000

Thank You

*Jesus gets right to the point - Christian Stewards are all called to give money to support the mission of the Church, regardless of our circumstance. No gift is too small or insignificant! Giving money to support the mission of our local parish is a matter of our faith, just like praying and participating in parish ministries. When you make a financial offering, is it from your "first fruits" or from what is "left over?"*



**PLEASE JOIN US IN THE GROTTO FOR COFFEE AND DONUTS AFTER THE 8 AND 10 AM MASSES THIS WEEKEND. COME MAKE NEW FRIENDS!**

**Pray For**



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|---------------------|--------------------|
| Frank Ivancie       | Bob Farina         |
| Regina Hagan        | Sheldon Payne      |
| Anne Galli          | Jose Ramirez       |
| Tio Galli           | Christopher Browne |
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| Barbara Bick        | Dolores Genova     |
| Mary Shartzter      | DeNardis           |
| Sandra Osorio       | Maria Rooney       |
| Dorothy Montanio    | Dan Stoppie        |
| Shelia Hartman      | Dolores Cardelucci |
| Fr. Verne Boutilier |                    |

# Saint Cyril of Jerusalem Church

## SUNDAY & WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturdays	4:00 PM
Sundays	8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 PM
Vigil of Holy Days	7:00 PM
Holy Days	7:30 AM, 12:00 PM, 7:00 PM
Weekdays (MON-SAT)	7:30 AM

## SACRAMENT OF PENANCE/RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 8:00-8:30 AM & 3:00-4:00 PM

## MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTIONS

Tuesday: 8:00 AM

## HOLY ROSARY

Daily after the 7:30 AM Mass

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

2nd Sunday of each Month at 2:00 PM

## WEDDINGS

*Must contact the priest at least 6 months in advance*

## BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL

Open Monday–Friday: 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM

## ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

1st Friday of each Month after the 7:30 AM Mass



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NOVEMBER 11TH IS  
VETERAN'S DAY



*Dear God, I give thanks  
today for our veterans  
and their willingness to  
risk all for the sake of free-  
dom. I pray You will bless  
them and their families.*

*Protect them and heal  
them; comfort their hearts  
and grant them peace.  
May their dedication and  
honor never be forgotten.*

*Amen*

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